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June 20th and 21st 2020

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## Twelfth Sunday In Ordinary Time

### Be Not Afraid Matthew 10: 26-33

Jesus said, "Fear no one, for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known." Jesus was sending his disciples out into the world to bring people the healing and power of the Good News and he was sending them knowing they were going into danger. Great violence was traditionally done to God's messengers in Israel's history, and often that violence ended in bloody death. Those who committed the murder covered it over and never acknowledged the secret that it was their own inner violence that demanded that 'Sacred Blood' and that God had nothing to do with it.

Jesus was sending his disciples out into a world full of violence, a world that could easily kill them and claim it was God's will. But Jesus says to them, "Do not be afraid! You are of more value than many sparrows."

A lot of people think that the one 'who can destroy both body and soul in hell' is God but Satan is the one who can destroy both body and soul in a hellish place. Satan was a 'murderer and a liar since the beginning', the one who successfully convinced humans that God was violent and required violence and sacrifice in order to please and appease him. Satan is the one who now successfully convinces us that our envy, our resentments and our anger are righteous and can be blamed on someone else, an attitude that keeps us chained to a cycle of 'righteous violence'.

Whenever Jesus says 'hell' in the Gospels, the Greek word used is actually Gehenna, which was the garbage dump outside of Jerusalem. Because fire was used to burn the garbage, people have assumed that Jesus meant a place of everlasting torture. However, before there was a garbage dump there, there was a place called the Valley of Ben Hinnom, which was a place where the Jews used to practice child sacrifice, a place that was hellish by its very nature and abhorred by God. (Jeremiah 7:30-33) When we give in to our 'righteous anger' and our 'righteous judgements', we feed our inner violence and *we put ourselves back in that hellish place of violence and often call it sacred*. Jesus was warning his disciples that not only were they in danger of having violence done to them but they also were in danger of reacting in answering violence and in the process losing the Spirit of the one who sent them: the nonviolent Lamb of God.

If we fail, are violent and deny Jesus in front of humans, does that mean he will refuse to acknowledge us for eternity? I don't think so! If denying him means spending an eternity excluded from his presence, then what about Peter who denied him three times? What about the other disciples who abandoned him for fear of being associated with him? Jesus totally forgave them all. It is the Father's will and Jesus' good pleasure to forgive wholly and utterly.

How many times will he forgive us? Seventy times seven? How about 'eternally'?

Be not afraid!  
Jean Allen

# Ministry liturgical Schedule to be continued at a later date

<b>Altar Servers</b> Coordinator - Jeanine Woodman
<b>Hospitality Ministers</b> Schedule Coordinator - Karen Douglas
<b>Proclaimers</b> Schedule Coordinator - Bernadette D'Souza
<b>Ushers</b> ** recruit Presenters of Gifts looking for Coordinator
<b>Children's Liturgy</b> Coordinator - Martin Poulin
<b>Vacuums</b> Coordinator - Ralph Scheurle
<b>Music Ministry</b>
<b>Hospital Ministers</b> Coordinator - Denise Kyfiuk
<b>Sacristans</b>

**WELCOME  
BACK TO THE  
RE-OPENING  
OF OUR  
CHURCH.**

**BLESSED  
FIRST DAY  
OF  
SUMMER!**



**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** ½ hr before evening Masses on Saturday and Sunday or by appointment with Fr. Alfredo.

**Sacrament of Marriage:** Inquiries must be made 6 months in advance. Register at the office. Marriage preparation class is compulsory.

**Sacrament of Baptism:** Call the Parish Office at 250-479-7413 to register for the next Baptism Preparation Class (date to be determined). Typically, Baptisms are held during all Masses of the last weekend of each month.

**Catechism and Children's Liturgy, Sacraments of Reconciliation, Confirmation and First Communion and Youth Group:** Contact Parish Office for information.

**Pastoral Care Visits While in Hospital:** We remind the faithful that privacy legislation in BC prevents the release of information regarding hospital admissions. If you or someone you love are admitted to a hospital and would like a visit from your pastor or Eucharistic Minister, please call your parish office. For **emergency calls only** call 250-889-3761 and ask for **Fr. Sean Flynn**.

**From today's Gospel:** Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. (Matthew 10:39)

**Adults:** When has your faith in Jesus been most seriously tested?

**Children:** What could you do to encourage someone who is feeling hurt?

**For Sale** - x2 GE Ranges purchased in 2010. Suitable for suite or cabin.  
Call parish office to make an offer 250-479-7413.

## School and Parish *Masithuthu Garden*

Many thanks to Bishop Gary, Fr. Alfie, local council of the Knights of Columbus and other volunteers who helped us prepare and plant the Masithuthu Garden this year. These potatoes, grown in partnership with foodstuffs grown in Marianhill, S.A., will directly benefit those in need in our respective communities through the ministries of the Cathedral's *Soup Kitchen*, and the *Social Concerns Office* of the SVDP. (see <http://www.rcdvictoria.org/blog/post/en/planting-mercy>)

Many thanks are due to Sunbelt Rentals (rototiller), Wildwood Outdoor Living Centre and many others who have donated their time, expertise, materials or excess tools to the success of our garden.

**News from Our Place** - We are providing housing services at the former Comfort Inn on Blanshard Street, and at 919 Pandora; we are slowly re-introducing dining room food service, beginning with our Residents. As the days get warmer and longer, folks on the street need to keep cool and hydrated. We are gratefully accepting donations of sunscreen, NEW baseball or summer hats, and bottled water as well as hotel sized shampoo, conditioner, small packages of facial tissue, combs and brushes to keep everyone clean and well groomed. We regret that we are still unable to accept used clothing. Donations accepted at our New Roads Therapeutic Community, 94 Talcott Road, or call ahead for our Pandora location information 250-388-7112, press 2 for reception. We appreciate your care and concern for all Victoria's vulnerable citizens.

**A Youtube page has been created for "Fr. Alfie's Table"**. Just go to the homepage on our website and click on all his mouth watering recipes.

If you are unable to attend Mass in person, you can watch **Fr. Alfie's pre-recorded weekend Mass** by clicking on the link on our website homepage.

## Mass Schedule

**at St. Joseph the Worker**  
By pre-registration only  
up to 50 people per Mass  
Seats still available  
Wednesday and Friday

**Weekday Masses**  
Monday ~ 7:00pm  
Wednesday ~ 7:00pm  
Friday ~ 7:00pm

**Weekend Masses**  
Saturday ~ 6:00pm  
Sunday ~ 11:00am  
Sunday ~ 6:00pm

## Newsworthy and Noteworthy

**Foundations of the Catholic Faith ~ Part II** includes an exploration of four pillars of Catholic Church: the Christian Creed, Christian Morality, Sacraments and Prayer. This four-morning interactive and reflective session provides an opportunity to explore foundational elements of the Catholic faith. It is designed for catechists, teachers, parishioners and anyone who would like to renew and enrich their personal faith journey. You will come away with a deeper knowledge and understanding of the Catholic faith. Participants will experience a joy-filled, welcoming and challenging learning environment employing a variety of adult learning strategies. Registration is free! Part I need not be completed prior to enrolling for Part II. All are welcome.

**2020 Summer Offering via ZOOM (Computer with internet access, camera and microphone required)**

Four mornings: **June 29, June 30, July 2 & July 3<sup>rd</sup> 9:00-12:30pm**  
Register by emailing Gwen [gjahelka@rcdvictoria.org](mailto:gjahelka@rcdvictoria.org) or Glen [gpalahicky@cisdv.bc.ca](mailto:gpalahicky@cisdv.bc.ca)

**THANK YOU TO ALL THE PARISHIONERS AND THE DIOCESE STAFF**, who worked so long and hard to get the church ready for reopening and to the volunteer Ushers, Proclaimers, Musicians and Cleaners. Many people have contributed their labours for the reopening: writing instructions for volunteers, setting up and monitoring the sign-up program for Mass attendance, ordering supplies, helping with cleaning the entire church, helping with signage and pew marking to ensure that safety and health guidelines are followed during this pandemic. Thank you and bless you all.

**Congratulations to the Grade 7 students who are graduating from St. Joseph School and moving on to their new journey of life. I pray for you that the Lord will guide you with His Presence and Love in your new adventure with new friends and new teachers.**

**May Saint Joseph, our patron saint who raised Jesus the Son of God be also with each one of you, providing *wisdom* for the many choices you will have to make, *courage* for the many challenges you will face and *hope* for a bright future you will embrace. And you, on your part, beloved Grade 7's, keep asking in prayer for the necessary grace you will need.  
Blessings to all of you  
Yours, Fr. Alfie**

## This Week in our Community

### Monday June 22

Parish Office Closed

7:00pm Mass for pre-registered Parishioners

### Tuesday June 23

Parish Office Closed

No Mass

### Wednesday June 24 The Nativity Of Saint John The Baptist Special Patron of French Canadians

Parish Office Closed

7:00pm Mass for pre-registered Parishioners

### Thursday June 25

Parish Office Closed

No Mass

### Friday June 26

Parish Office Closed

7:00pm Mass for pre-registered Parishioners

### Saturday June 27

6:00 Mass for pre-registered Parishioners

### Sunday June 28 Thirteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

11:00am Mass for pre-registered Parishioners

6:00pm Mass for pre-registered Parishioners

Special Int. Allan and Selma Sequeira

## Bursaries

### FATHER LEO ROBERTS BURSARY

#### Eligibility requirements:

Individual facing family difficulties / financial hardship.

Strong academic marks with experience in church, community involvement and volunteer work.

Full time student at Post Secondary institution/ college or trade school.

A practicing catholic involved in their parish community.

**Scholarship:** Maximum of \$2000 per year. Scholarship will be renewed for up to three additional years based on financial hardship and need.

**Essay:** Write a one page essay ( maximum 200 to 250 words) stating your career objectives, your accomplishments, your community and volunteer involvement. Tell us why you need financial assistance.

**Deadline:** Saturday, June 30, 2020

**How to apply:** email essay to Father William Hann at [wjhann@rcdvictoria.org](mailto:wjhann@rcdvictoria.org) or send in mail to Father William Hann, Holy Cross Parish 4049 Gordon Head Road, BC V8N 3X7

Again this school year, the Catholic Health Association of BC (CHABC) is making available a BURSARY in the amount of \$500 to students graduating in 2020. To apply for this bursary, students are invited to submit an essay on the topic **The Significance of Spirituality in Health Care.**

Information can also be found on our website here: <https://www.chabc.bc.ca/news-and-events/>

BURSARIES are available through the Diocesan website [www.rcdvictoria.org](http://www.rcdvictoria.org) under Programs/Bursaries and Awards.

## Contacts in the Parish

**Pastor**  
**Admin Assistant/Secretary/Bookkeeper**  
**Custodian**  
**Responsible Ministry Coordinator**  
**Altar Server Training/Coordinator**  
**Baptism**  
**Contemplative Community**  
**Children's Liturgy of the Word**  
**Children's Religious Education**  
**Eucharistic Ministry Contact**  
**SJTW Pastoral Care Outreach Ministry**  
**Development and Peace**  
**Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA)**  
**Youth Group - Grades 6 to 12**  
**St. Joseph's School**  
**Catholic Women's League(CWL)**  
**Knights of Columbus**  
**St. Vincent de Paul**  
**Coffee/Hospitality Committee**  
**Finance Committee Chair**  
**Proclaimer Schedule Coordinator**  
**Proclaimer Training Coordinator**  
**Liturgy Committee**  
**Masithuthukisane/SJTW (2015-2020) Project**  
**Social and Ecological Justice Committee**  
**Parish Pastoral Council**

**Fr. Alfredo Monacelli**

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