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Twenty-Fifth Sunday In Ordinary Time

Change Your Mind

The key to this week's Gospel is found in the first reading where God says to his people. "For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways."

This ought to bring us up short. How often do we make judgements on people or situations and label our judgements 'righteous'? Righteous means we think God totally agrees with our assessment and opinions and agrees with our anger, our aggrieved sense of justice and with our ideas of how things should be rectified, which often entails violent words that will show the person how wrong they are. We would be quite astounded if God appeared to us and said, "I don't agree with you at all. Leave my name out of this!"



We look for fairness and we look for justice but God looks for love that is just like his: crucified but full of forgiveness and compassion. As in last week's Gospel, we receive his love and forgiveness without fully realizing what we've been given and then we go out and demand what we think is rightfully ours from others, never reflecting that because we have benefited hugely from a generous and loving God, maybe, just maybe, we could pass that love and compassion along to those who seem to be getting away with being idle all day in the marketplace.

It's hard to change our minds about this. Grievances spring up before we even know it and we get carried away with wounded indignation. What we need is conversion or metanoia: a turning away from worldly attitude and a turning to Kingdom gratitude. We need to put on the mind of Christ but we need immense grace to do it.

It sure doesn't come naturally!

Jean Allen

Ministry liturgical Schedule to be continued at a later date

WHAT'S HAPPENING

Pastoral Care Webinar on Hope and Healing - Tuesday, September 29 from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm. Pre-registration is required. Sponsored by Gardens of Gethsemani, and the BC Catholic Health Association. The **Guest Speaker is Fr. William Hann**, Pastor of Holy Cross Parish, Victoria. His residency in clinical pastoral education, from 2005 to 2006, was at the University of Alberta Hospital. He brings compassion and a depth of understanding for the people he ministers to, and will share from his rich life experiences. In this Webinar, he will focus on serving individuals and families who are grieving during this COVID-19 pandemic. Topics include: how bereavement is interrupted by the pandemic; the impact and challenges impacts we face in these times; finding Jesus amid COVID-19; how to move forward in our pastoral care; and the consolations and desolations during these difficult times. Pastoral Care Webinar on Hope and Healing Tuesday, September 29th from 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm [Register now](#)

Walk with Jesus Our Living Hope - All Catechists, Youth Leaders, Educators, and those interested in these ministries are invited to a Catechist Retreat Hour + via ZOOM October 3rd from 9:30am - 11:00am featuring Michael Chiasson from Access52 Ministries <https://access52.com/> Michael will help us to renew our hope in these challenging times. He will inspire and share practical ideas for catechesis during COVID-19. Please register by emailing gjahelka@rcdvictoria.org

Mount St. Mary Hospital Bottle Drive - Mount St. Mary Hospital is holding a no contact bottle drive to raise funds to purchase a blanket warmer. Everyone is invited to bring their refundable beverage containers for a no contact, drive and drop, outdoor bottle drive on Saturday, **September 19th** from 9am – 3pm in the front drive through at Mount St. Mary Hospital (861 Fairfield Road.) For more info or if you have returnables and can't attend the event, contact Jane at jbowers@mountstmary.ca or 250-480-3138. Thank you for supporting our community's frail, vulnerable, and elderly.

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. Typically, Baptisms are held during all Masses of the last weekend of each month.

Catechism and Sacraments of Reconciliation, Confirmation and First Communion: email ourcatechismjourney@gmail.com

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: The landowner said "Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?" (Matthew 20:14-15)

Adults: Which has deepened your faith more - being treated justly or being treated with love and care? Who needs you to treat them with care this week?

Children: Think of a time when you were very fair, then think of a time when you were very generous. Which felt better?

2020 Sanctioned Collection on September 27, 2020 for "Needs of the Church in Canada" <https://www.rcdvictoria.org/direct-donations>

Live Stream (Camera Operator) Volunteers Requested - St. Andrew's Cathedral parish seeks volunteers to assist in the live-streamed Masses celebrated by Bishop Gary on Sundays at 10 am, and weekdays at 7 pm. If you wish to offer your name as a volunteer, please contact Fr. John Laszczyk VG at padre@standrewscathedral.com Your name will be shared with the appropriate persons for further discussion. *Training will be provided.

An opportunity from St. Mark's College: Are you currently involved in or discerning a call to ministry in a parish, school or pastoral office? Enroll in Foundations of the Catholic Faith: Theology in Ministry. Offered virtually and taught synchronously Thursday evenings, starting October 1st. For more information or to register, visit stmarkscollege.ca

ONLINE MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE – During this time, we are offering our Marriage Preparation Course fully online, and couples will be able to work through the program at their own pace. The cost is \$125 per couple, and the price also includes an online individualized couple assessment as well as a liturgy planning guide. For more information, go to: <https://bit.ly/3hzgRGW> or find the course on Eventbrite. You may also find the information on the Diocese website. Questions? Contact Louis Melendez at lmelendez@rcdvictoria.org or 250-479-1331 ext. 237.

Mass Schedule

at St. Joseph the Worker
By pre-registration only
up to 50 people per Mass
We are accepting names on
a waiting list
Weekday Masses

Monday ~ 7:00pm
Wednesday ~ 7:00pm
Friday ~ 7:00pm
Weekend Masses

Saturday ~ 6:00pm
Sunday ~ 9:00am
Sunday ~ 11:00am
Sunday ~ 6:00pm



Checkout Fr. Alfie's talents and gifts as a chef with some great cooking recipes and tips. Here is the link to Fr. Alfie's latest dish - Carbonara!

Click here to Watch!
[Carbonara](#)

Newsorthy and Noteworthy

Congratulations to the following Children who celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and First Holy Eucharist during the summer months.

Nathan, Elia, Laura, Logan, Julianne, Matthew, Mateo, Sophie, Makayo, Nicola, Lucy, Ella, Chukwuemeka Francis, Chinwendu Francisca, Brahm, Alexander, Austin

Thank you to our Coordinator, Angela Grohovac and to all our volunteer teachers, for their time and commitment to the children during this challenging year!

Birthright's Annual 5K Strollerthon on Saturday, September 19th, starting at 10:00am at Fisherman's Wharf. For donations to the Birthright Strollerthon you may drop off an envelope clearly marked 'Birthright' to the parish office. Please include your full name and address inside if you would like to receive a charitable receipt. Cheques should be made payable to Birthright Victoria. For more information info@birthrightvictoria.org or 250-478-5372.

Diocesan Blog - The current pandemic has led us to rediscover new means of sharing and communication. As such, the Diocese plans to reach out to the people of God in our communities on a more consistent weekly basis via the **Diocesan Blog** to share news and stories from around the Diocese. They will feature 'Our Church of Many Faces' as a regular story telling of life unfolding in one of our diverse communities. Timely updates will be published about what's happening in the Diocese, sharing stories, and initiatives from the Pastoral Centre such as courses, appeals, news, and anything else that will help us to stay connected. Link: <https://www.rcdvictoria.org/diocesanblog>

Are you a post-secondary student in Victoria looking for a community and are open to learning more about the Catholic faith? Catholic Christian Outreach Victoria is a community for everyone in Catholicism-curious too Catholic since the cradle! Along with Catholic Christian Outreach's faith study series, we put on events, challenge each other to grow, and we strive to build a vibrant Christ-centered community. To learn more, we are a private group on **Facebook** (search up CCO Victoria), @ccouvic on Instagram.

40 Days For Life Prayer Vigil

Our 40 Days For Life Vigil is between September 23, 2020 to November 1, 2020. It is a peaceful Vigil of Prayer and Fasting. Come join us in our Vigil and Prayer for the lives of the unborn and their parents. We will be having 2 Information / Training Sessions and we will be standing at our Vigil Site to Pray For the Unborn. Glenda W. is looking for Volunteers and Helpers for our Vigil. A Home Prayer Vigil is also being organized for Volunteers who want to Support the Unborn through Organized Prayer.

To Volunteer: Please Call or Text Glenda W. @ 250-661-2613

This Week in our Community

Monday September 21 St. Feast Matthew, Apostle, Evangelist
Parish Office Closed

7:00pm Mass for pre-registered Parishioners

Tuesday September 22

No Mass

Wednesday September 23 St. Memorial Pius Of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio), Priest

7:00pm Mass for pre-registered Parishioners

Thursday September 24

No Mass

Friday September 25 Feast St. Jean De Brebeuf And St. Isaac Jogues, Priests, and Companions, Martyrs, Secondary Patrons of Canada

7:00pm Mass for pre-registered Parishioners

Saturday September 26 St. Jean De Brebeuf

6:00pm Mass for pre-registered Parishioners

Sunday September 27

9:00am Mass for pre-registered Parishioners

11:00am Mass for pre-registered Parishioners

6:00pm Mass for pre-registered Parishioners

Just a reminder that the Mass Groups of 50 must remain fixed, as directed by Bishop Gary Gordon, Bonnie Henry and Work Safe BC ; in other words, no seat swaps and if you cannot attend your fixed time slot, please let us know. We are taking names to add to our growing Waiting List (via email or phone call to parish office). We are making every effort to accommodate all those who wish to celebrate the Eucharist in person.

Island Catholic Schools

is accepting applications for the following positions:

- After School Care Worker at St. Patrick's School (Monday-Friday; 2.5 hours per day)
- Full-time, part-time and on-call Educational Assistants for all schools (Port Alberni, Duncan, Victoria)
- On-call Teachers for all schools (Port Alberni, Duncan, Victoria)

Application forms and details are posted at:

<http://cisdv.bc.ca/employment-opportunities.php>

The Blessed Marie Anne Blondin Bursary and the Char Deslippe Award deadline has been extended to **October 15, 2020**. The criteria for these awards are on the Diocese website (see link below). Please take a few moments to consider the following:

- a) Provide a worthy candidate this link, www.rcdvictoria.org/blondin-bursary, so that they may submit their application for the Blessed Marie Anne Blondin Bursary.
- b) To nominate a teacher or catechist for the Char Deslippe Award please view this link, www.rcdvictoria.org/char-deslippe-award

Children's Religious Education

On line registration is being created this week. We will have registration for remote learning open on **September 25th (start dated to be determined)**. Zoom meetings will be offered twice a month, until we can meet in person. Stay tuned for more information. Any questions, email Angela Grohovac at ourcatechismjourney@gmail.com

Contacts in the Parish

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Admin Assistant/Secretary/Bookkeeper
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Responsible Ministry Coordinator
Altar Server Training/Coordinator
Baptism
Contemplative Community
Children's Liturgy of the Word
Children's Religious Education
Development and Peace
Eucharistic Ministry Contact
SJTW Pastoral Care Outreach Ministry
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 Chair
Masithuthukisane/SJTW (2015-2020) Project
Social and Ecological Justice Committee
Parish Pastoral Council

Fr. Alfredo Monacelli
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 Pre School-Grade 7. Call school office (250) 479-1232 for more info
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