

St. Joseph the Worker **Parish**

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Twenty-First Sunday In Ordinary Time

The Narrow Door for A Destiny



"Strive to enter the narrow door". Once again Jesus is provoking us by saying that we need to Strive... to make an effort that implies, our "I" engaged in reality. So, what is this 'narrow door' for us, for me for you? The narrow door can be equated with the cross, when Jesus said pick up your cross and follow me; --narrow door --cross are images of a "sacrifice", sacrifice not as an end to itself, that would be meaningless, but a sacrifice with a goal, a horizon as a point of reference. This reminds us what we saw last week in the letter to the Hebrew, "run with perseverance the race set before you, looking at Jesus the perfecter of our faith". The narrow door has a place behind, a destination to arrive, to reach - a view point to gaze. So, the sacrifices we are called to embrace are meant to give us a greater meaning to our life here and now, in our present moment, in our present difficulties and struggles.

Sacrifice, then, is the tension of detaching oneself from some vanity of materialism, which forces our sight to look down with unnecessary anxiety, without leaving space for the spirit to breathe, to look up, to keep that goal of our journey in sight; Sacrifice, therefore, done in full freedom and will, even if at the moment we don't fully comprehend why, is what gives us the strength to persevere, to enter through the narrow door, the courage to carry the cross.

The sacrifice made in Christ, because of Christ, through Christ, deepens that particular and personal intimacy with the Lord, our Destiny, essential for staying in front of reality and living it in all its drama and beauty.

Fr. Alfredo

Ministry Liturgical Schedule.. August 27th & 28th, 2016

	Saturday 5:00 pm	Sunday 10:00 am	Sunday 6:00 pm
Altar Servers	MC N. Corpus	MC E. Blair	MC M. Faber
Coordinator-Pam Corpus	B. Woodman	H. Rempel	S. Faber
Hospitality Ministers	C. Hunt	J. Moreau	D. Walker
Coordinator-Karen Douglas	M. Wood		
Lectors	M. Kelland	K. Kelly	M. Hardy
Coordinator-Linda Chatton	W. Kyle	JA. Roberts Kelly	S. Hryhoryshen
Ushers	K. Kopeck, J. Green	B. Quinn, A. Vandekerkhove	tbd
Coordinator-Maryellen Trudeau		M. Fox, S. Leckie	
Presenters of the Gifts	S. Heaps	H. Del Villano	tbd
Coordinator-Ursule Betts	B. Heaps	and Family	
Children's Liturgy	Seeds 10:00 Mass	Promise 10:00am Mass	Good News 10:00am Mass
Coordinator-Martin Poulin	See you in September	See you in September	See you in September
Vacuumers	B. Douglas		
Coordinator-Ralph Scheurle			
Hospital Ministers		V. Gustafson	Mass Schedule
Coordinator- Denise Kyfiuk		P. Chang-Kue	Mazz zenedale

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday at 4:15-4:45 pm or by appointment.

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 to be held on Saturday, **September 17th.** Next Baptisms will take place on August 27th/28th. All 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:** Contact the Parish Office at 250-479-7413 for more 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 or VGH/RJ hospital emergency pager 250-889-3761 and ask for Fr. Ian Stuart to make this request.

From today's Gospel: Jesus answered them, "Strive to enter through the narrow door; for many, I tell you, will try to enter and will not be able." (Luke 13:24)

Question for Adults: What daily choices are you making that will allow you to be facilities if you are looking for a recognized at the doorway of the reign of God?

Ouestion for Children: What good habits are you practicing in order to be a good donating. Credit card donations Christian?

Colours of Community - Christ Church Cathedral and Anawim House present in the Chapel of the New Jerusalem (Quadra @ Rockland) a collection of art from the community and the streets to raise awareness of homelessness and street life - open August 20th -**26th**, from 10:00am to 4:00pm. <u>info@anawimhouse.com</u> 250-382-0283.

Our Lady Queen of Peace Parish - Everyone is invited on Saturday, August 27th, Mass at 5:00pm, following Mass Devotion Prayers and blessing with the Holy Oil from to reach Community members Prague on the occasion of the 13th Anniversary of the Installation of the Shrine of in advertising your business. the Infant of Prague. Our Lady Queen of Peace Church is the designated site for Contact parish office 250-479the Shrine for Western Canada. A potluck dinner downstairs in the Community Centre. RSVP: by Aug. 25th 250-384-3884.

The canonization of Mother Teresa will take place on September 4th, 2016. Shortly after she died in 1997, St. John Paul II waived the usual five-year waiting period and allowed the opening of the process to declare her sainthood. She was beatified in 2003. Pope Francis will declare Blessed Teresa of Calcutta (Kolkata) a Saint in St Peter's Square at the you here, celebrating with us, Vatican during the canonization.

St. Vincent de Paul Centennial Retreat - Join us in a prayerful celebration of 100 years of service on Vancouver Island Saturday, September 10th - Sunday, September 11th, Bethlehem Retreat Centre, Nanaimo, BC. Cost \$150. To register 250-727-0007.

Island Catholic Schools are accepting applications for positions in our schools. Application forms and details are posted on:http://cisdv.bc.ca/employmentopportunities.php

Request to Parish Library Users - Any library books in your possession that you forgot about? If so, kindly drop them off in the "Library Book Return" basket, in the Library.

Weekday Masses

Monday ~No Mass Tuesday ~9:30am Wednesday ~ 9:30am Thursday ~ 9:30am

Friday ~9:30am Saturday ~ 5:00pm Sunday ~ 10:00am &

6:00pm

July 2016

Income - \$25,133.38 (including PAD donations) Expenses - \$30,416.17

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Keeping in Contact

We extend our hands and hearts in Christian companionship to whether long-time residents or newly arrived in the parish. We thank God that you are with us. If you wish to register in the parish please fill out the pink registration form located outside the church office or back of church.

Newsworthy and Noteworthy

Our Catechism Journey

(including Sacramental Prep)

Children's Liturgy – no registration required

- Seeds Age 4 Cost: Free
- Promise Ages 5-6 (K-Gr 1) Cost: Free
- Good News Ages 7-8 (Gr 2-3) Cost: Free
 - → These programs run during 10:00 am Mass (approximate time: after opening prayer to presentation of the gifts)

*** Registration for Children ages 6 through 12 *** (Grades 1-6) will be held on

September 11th and 18th, 2016 after 10:00 am Mass

- Pre-Sacraments Age 6 (Gr 1) Cost: \$25
- Sacramental Prep Year I Age 7 (Gr 2) Cost: \$75; Active participation is required by a parent/adult; this is a two year church-based program. Children attending Catholic schools must also register. The *Sacrament of Reconciliation* is celebrated in the 1st year. Sacramental Prep Year II Age 8 (Gr 3) Cost: \$75; Active participation is required by a parent/adult; this is the second year of the two year church-based program. Even if completed Year I, you must re-register so we know you are continuing; Children attending Catholic schools must also register. The *Sacraments of Confirmation and First Eucharist* are celebrated in the 2nd year.
- Sacraments in Action/Walking with Jesus Ages 9-12 (Gr 4-6) [students who already received Sacraments]
 Cost: Free; fun and games; learn how to put your Sacraments in Action!



Blessing to all the kids in our Youth Group for a safe and joyful summer. The Youth Group will resume on September 17th after 5:00pm Mass.

Registration coming soon!

Sept 10/11 St. Vincent de Paul Centennial Retreat Bethlehem Retreat Centre, Nanaimo, BC Sept11 & 18 Our Catechism Journey Registration (including Sacramental Prep) Sept 17 6:00pm Youth Group Start-Up Sept 25 11:15am Our Catechism Journey Start-Up Sept 28 7:00pmRCIA Start Up

This Week in our Community

Monday August 22 Memorial The Queenship Of The Blessed Virgin Mary

Parish Office Closed

No Mass

7:30pm K of C Executive Meeting - Church Hall

Tuesday August 23

9:30am Mass + Reid Kyfiuk

7:00pm Couples for Christ Choir Practice - Church

Wednesday August 24 Feast St. Bartholomew, Apostle

9:30am Mass + Joan Murphy

Thursday August 25

9:30am Mass Special Int. Keith Wilson

7:00pm Christian Rocks Choir Practice - check your email

Friday August 26

9:30am Mass + Adolf Van Schaik

10:00am Adoration followed by Benediction - Come and adore and listen - Church

Saturday August 27 Memorial St. Monica

5:00pm Mass Special Int. Maria Oliveira

Sunday August 28 Twenty-Second Sunday In Ordinary Time

10:00am Mass

No Sunday Coffee

6:00pm Mass Special Int. Rachel George

7:00pm John and Dianne Durkin 50th Anniversary reception in church hall after Mass

Dianne and John Durkin invite you to a celebration of their 50th Wedding Anniversary at 6:00 pm on Sunday, August 28th, 2016 at St. Joseph The Worker Parish. There will be a renewal of vows during the Mass followed by an informal reception including sandwiches, coffee, and dessert in the Church Hall. *Please No Gifts; just yourselves*.

The parish is currently updating our parish database and would like to confirm that your family is attending our parish. Have you changed your address, phone number, or email address? Have those living in your home changed? There are WHITE parish registration forms in the foyer of the church to be filled out with your changes and dropped off in the box provided. Thank you for your help with this project.

St. Joseph the Worker Parish RCIA Classes

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the process through which interested adults are gradually introduced to the Roman Catholic faith and way of life. Those who enter the process are encouraged to begin attending Holy Mass on a Sunday, attend a weekly RCIA session, and to become involved in parish celebrations. The sacraments of initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist) are received at the Easter Vigil, on Saturday evening, April 16th, 2017.

Classes are held weekly on Wednesday evenings 7:00pm to 9:00pm. Classes begin on **September 28th** and end at Easter. For further information, contact the parish office or Doreen Keizer at 250-380-0158 or email nanapoppak@shaw.ca

Contacts in the Parish

Pastor

Administrative Assistant/Secretary Custodian

Diocesan Responsible Ministry Coordinator Altar Server Training/Coordinator

Baptism

Centering Prayer

Children's Liturgy of the Word **Children's Religious Education**

Development and Peace

Rite of Christian Initiation(RCIA)

Jesus Youth - Grades 8 to 12

St. Joseph's School

Catholic Women's League(CWL)

Knights of Columbus St. Vincent de Paul

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Finance Committee

Lector Schedule Coordinator Lector Training Coordinator

Liturgy Committee

Masithuthukisane/SJTW (2015-2020) Project Social and Ecological Justice Committee

Parish Pastoral Council

Fr. Alfredo Monacelli

Jennifer Smith/Sandi Duncan - Office hours 8:30 am-3:30 pm Tuesday-Friday

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Beth Geras & Sarah Madelung email: ourcatechismjourney@gmail.com Sunday 11:15 am

Sister Marina Smith SSA email: sandandseaandsky@gmail.com

Fred and Doreen Keizer (250) 380-0158 George Philip and Reeja Paul (250) 208-7974

Pre School-Grade 7. Call school office (250) 479-1232 for more info President: Gerry Heywood (250) 479-6281 email: aliendreg@shaw.ca

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and Carmelle Whiteley

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