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October 6th and 7th 2018

Twenty-Seventh Sunday In Ordinary Time

For Love Of The Other

At first glance, the two parts of today's Gospel seem to be quite disparate but when we think about it, Jesus was always deeply concerned for the vulnerable and the victim. Two extremely vulnerable segments of the Hebrew society are featured in this Gospel: women and children.

In biblical times, divorce resulted in victims. It still does. Jesus knew that women were especially susceptible to being victimized by divorce in a culture where divorced women often faced great poverty and hardship. A man could divorce a woman for minor irritations but a woman was not allowed to initiate divorce proceedings for any reason. Jesus and the Father were not happy with the manmade multitude of definitions as to what constituted a good reason for divorce because all these reasons pretty much just benefitted men.

But Jesus, always just and true, did not exclude women from the capacity to create innocent victims. He recognized that women are just as capable of committing adultery as men are and that men can be victims as well. Meanwhile, the children suffer immensely no matter what.

Was Jesus just legalistically against divorce on religious principle or was he passionately and compassionately on the side of innocent victims?

"It is to such as these little ones that the Kingdom of heaven belongs."

Jean Allen



Celebrating Thanksgiving

The colorful season of Fall generates a 'magic' air to breathe in our hearts; it is a time to be thankful for many things, for the crops of the farms, the fruits and all the bounty of the earth given to us.

With the shortening of day light, the cooler breeze of autumn, there is a reminder that we need to be thankful for life as a whole.

In being thankful, in celebrating Thanksgiving, we become more aware of the graces of God upon us, aware that we are loved.

In return we are called to share this love with others, by sharing a meal together with family and friends to experience unity.

Let us also be mindful in our prayers for those who are without a family, without the bounty that we have in our homes, for those who are less fortunate than us, that they also may experience the Love of God, through the Blessing of friendship and food.

Have a great and blessed Thanksgiving.

Fr. Alfie

Ministry Liturgical Schedule October 13th and 14th, 2018

*MCT - In Training ** T - In Training	Saturday 5:00 pm	Sunday 10:00 am	Sunday 6:00 pm
Altar Servers Coordinator-Jeanine Woodman	MC B. Newton B. Woodman, C. Rempel	MC M. Edwardson J. Edwardson, A. Anderson	MC J. Westhaver M. Zidek, J. Palahicky
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Ushers ** recruit Presenters of Gifts Coordinator- looking for one	M. Trudeau, F. Boylan W. Burgess, T. Butler **	B. Quinn, J. Ross L. Bartle, M. Fox **	tbd
Children's Liturgy Coordinator-Martin Poulin	Seeds 10:00am Mass Martin	Promise 10:00am Mass Wendy and Rae	Good News 10:00am Mass Tiffany
Vacuomers Coordinator-Ralph Scheurle	R. Neuman		
Music Ministry	Steve and Michelle	Christian Rocks	Angela Faber Wing and A Prayer
Hospital Ministers Coordinator-Denise Kyfiuk		M. Olivas A. Grohovac	

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 which will be held on Saturday, **October 20th** at 9:00am. 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: Catechism will start up on **October 21st**.

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 said, "Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it." (Mark 10:15)

Adults: What could keep you from embracing the kingdom of God like a little child?

Children: How do you feel when you hear the wonderful stories of God's love for you?

Garage Sale at St. Rose of Lima Church on Saturday, **October 13th** from 9:00am to 1:00pm 'Rain or Shine'. Featuring: Housewares, gently used linens, shoes, purses, toys, games, books, Cd's small appliances, tools & collectibles.

Pastoral Care Outreach Training! St. Peter's Parish (Nanaimo) Saturday, **October 20th**, 2018. Session 2: Listening & Communication and Mental Health. Bring a bag lunch. To register, call St. Peter's parish office 250-753-3570 or email: stpetersnanaimo@shaw.ca

Clear & Simple - The Diocese of Victoria invites you to an evening with the Co-Founder of the Catholic Christian Outreach (CCO). Andre Regnier will share stories and insights from over thirty years of missionary work. When: Sunday, **November 4th** at 7:00pm. Where: Holy Cross Parish. All are welcome!

Save The Date Vancouver Island Catholic Women's Retreat November 16th - 18th, 2018 at Camp Imadene, Lake Cowichan "**Beloved**" **Seeking the Heart of Jesus**. Sign up now! Registration is online <https://belovedretreat.regfox.com/vancouver-island-catholic-womens-retreat> or email vicatholicwomensretreat@gmail.com

Annual Diocesan Conference
By His Wounds We Are Healed
Sr. Nuala Kenny SC, OC, BA, MD, FRCP(C)

In light of the clergy sexual abuse, Sr. Nuala Kenny SC reminds us that we are called to be agents of healing. The conference will begin with Mass at 8:45am on Saturday, **November 24**, 2018 at St. Edward the Confessor Parish, Duncan.

To register, and for more information, please visit the Diocesan website:
<http://www.rcdvictoria.org>

Mass Schedule

Weekday Masses

Monday ~ No Mass

Tuesday ~ 9:30am

Wednesday ~ 9:30am

School Mass

Thursday ~ 9:30am

Friday ~ 9:30am

Saturday ~ 5:00pm

Sunday ~ 10:00am

Sunday ~ 6:00pm

Save The Date Women's Breakfast

Saturday, **November 10th**

Guest Speaker:

Bev Pulyk, Superintendent
of

Island Catholic Schools

Youth Challenges:

Yesterday - Today

Place: Horseshoe Club

620 Kenneth St

Victoria BC

Time: 8:00am

Cost: \$12

<http://bit.do/Womens-Breakfast>

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Parish Hall

\$75.00/per hour or

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Contact the Parish Office

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Newsorthy and Noteworthy

Please Note: Parish Office will be closed on:
Monday, October 8th and Tuesday, October 9th

If you are new to the parish and would like to join other parishioners for the seniors' meal (next one on Wednesday, **October 17th** at noon, please contact either Val (250-727-2032) or Ursule at 250-479-8804) to have your name on the call list.

Want to meet your fellow parishioners?? Come join the Coffee/Hospitality Ministry. Contact Barbara Strong **email only please** barbara.victoria127@gmail.com

We are in DEEP need of Eucharistic Ministers for Sunday, 6:00pm Mass. It can be any age, as long as you are confirmed! Would some of the teens like to join us?

ANNUAL "SHOP FOR CHRISTMAS" SALE Saturday, **October 13th** at Holy Cross Parish, 9:30 – 2:30pm. Sale includes fine jewellery, costume jewellery, scarves, handbags, items for children, babies and much more. Proceeds go to benefit children in Canadian Families Orphanages in S. India and Bangladesh. Cash/Cheques only. Free coffee, tea and goodies. For more information: www.familiesforchildren.ca or call **Tiffany Begg** at 250-881-8121.

Attention All Altar Servers and Altar Server MCs Please note that if you missed the first training session, there will be another one on **Sunday October 14th at 11:30 am.** Any Server who was not able to attend the September session should attend, as there will be new information provided and important changes, specifically for MC's. Parents are welcome to observe. All are welcome to join as new Altar Servers. You must have completed Grade 4.

Upset with what is happening in the Church? Come and meet with your church family and talk about issues facing us today. **When: Right after 6:00pm Mass on Sunday, October 14th.** Fr. Alfredo will share his thoughts and video. Refreshments.

SVDP Fall Food Drive is FAST APPROACHING: In conjunction with World Food Day (October 16th), SVDP Conference will be holding a food drive on Saturday **October 13th** and Sunday **October 14th.** Last year, through your generosity we raised over 3000 lbs for the St. Vincent De Paul local food bank. Let's continue this tradition of generosity and fill a bag to help feed the less fortunate.



Up Coming Events & Start Dates

Oct 13	1:30pm Catechism Parent Retreat
Oct 14	7:00pm Issues Facing the Church today
Oct 14	11:30am Altar Server Training Session - Church
*Oct 13/14	St. Vincent de Paul Food Drive - *date correction
Oct 17	12:00 noon Seniors Lunch Bunch
Oct 20	9:00am Pastoral Care Outreach Training - Session 2 - St. Peter's Parish Nanaimo
Oct 21	9:00am Catechism Start Up
Nov 4	7:00pm Clear & Simple - Holy Cross Parish
Nov 10	8:00am Women's Breakfast - Horseshoe Club
Nov 16-18	Beloved - Vancouver Island Catholic Women's Retreat - Camp Imadene, Lake Cowichan
Nov 17	CWL Annual Christmas Craft Fair
Nov 21	7:00pm "St. Joseph the Worker An Encounter With" - Dave Frank - A Journey of Love
Nov 24	8:45am Annual Diocesan Conference - By His Wounds We Are Healed - St. Edward's Parish, Duncan

This Week in our Community

GIVE THANKS TO THE LORD.
In Everything Give Thanks!

Monday October 8

Thanksgiving Day

Parish Office Closed

No Mass

Tuesday October 9

Parish Office Closed

9:30am Mass + Victoria Nnadi

7:00pm Christian Rocks Choir Practice - Church

7:00pm CWL General Meeting - Community Room

Wednesday October 10

9:30am School Mass

7:00pm RCIA - Community Room

7:00pm Couples for Christ Choir Practice - Church

Thursday October 11

9:30am Mass

10:00am Manna Gathering - Church Hall

7:00pm Manna Gathering - Church Hall

7:00pm PPC Meeting - Appeal Team

Friday October 12

9:30am Mass + Edward Pires

Adoration from 10:00am to noon - Come and adore and listen - Church

Saturday October 13

9:00am Catechism Parents' Retreat - Church Hall

10:00am Contemplative Community - Community Room

5:00pm Mass + Antonio Porco

Baptism Samantha Ong

6:00pm Youth Group - School Gym

Sunday October 14 Twenty-Eighth Sunday In

Ordinary Time

10:00am Mass

11:15am Sunday Coffee

6:00pm Mass + Clive Rogan

7:00pm Video and Discussion - Community Room

Pope Francis Invites All Faithful to Pray the Rosary in October to Preserve Church Against Attacks by the Great Accuser

Pope Francis has invited all the faithful - of all the world - to pray a Holy Rosary daily during the entire Marian month October, it was announced by the Vatican Press Office on September 29, 2018.

The invocation is recited as follows:

We fly to Thy protection, O Holy Mother of God. Do not despise our petitions in our necessities, but deliver us always from all dangers, O Glorious and blessed Virgin.

We, at St. Joseph the Worker will be praying the Rosary at 9:05 AM (just before our weekday Masses, Tuesday through Friday), **throughout the month of October.**

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Youth Group - Grades 6 to 12

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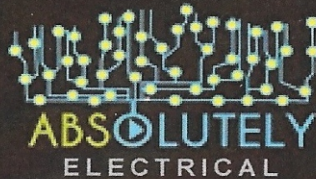
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