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The Skandalon Of Faith

BY JEAN ALLEN

There's desire and then there's motivation.

I suspect that when the disciples asked Jesus to increase their faith, Jesus knew that their motivations for that request weren't entirely good. Just prior to this passage, Jesus warned his disciples not to be an obstacle to any of his little ones and then talks again about the importance of forgiveness. The Greek word for obstacle is 'skandalon' and there are many times in the Gospels where Jesus warns against skandalon or obstacles or stumbling blocks. His warning is: don't ever cause someone else to stumble because of your actions, attitudes, and especially your inability to forgive.

Why would a desire for an increase in faith be a potential skandalon for other people? Here's where motivation comes in. What did the disciples want to do with an increase in faith? Receive praise for being healers? Have the ability to multiply loaves and fishes for themselves at will? Call down mountains on top of the hated Romans? Were they really looking to be humble and loving servants or were they looking to gain admiration and status? Did they want to lord it over people they disapproved of or over people who labelled them as worthless fishermen? There are so many ways the desire for powerful faith can cause stumbling blocks within the ones who desire that faith and in those who may witness the manifestations of that faith.

I'm pretty sure Jesus was just waiting for his disciples to request an increase in wisdom or an increase in the grace to forgive but, like all of us, they were going through their struggles trying to figure out what it really meant to follow Jesus. They still thought it was all about power and glory and great accomplishments like planting mulberry trees in the sea. Things like that will wow the crowds but not necessarily further the expansion of the Kingdom.

What will really further that expansion? Graciously do what you are required to do and expect no adulation or status or praise.

Be a servant. The Kingdom will flourish.



Mass Schedule

Weekday Masses

Monday ~ 6:30am

Tuesday ~ 6:00pm

Wednesday ~ 6:30am & 6:00pm

Thursday ~ 6:30am & 9:00am

Friday ~ 6:30am & 9:00am

Weekend Masses

Saturday ~ 6:30 am

Saturday ~ 5:00pm (livestream)

Sunday ~ 10:00am

Sunday ~ 6:00pm

The Week of October 3 to October 9 in our Community

Monday October 3

Parish Office Closed

Tuesday October 4 Memorial St. Francis Of Assisi

6:00pm Mass followed by Parish Mission - Mary, Source of our Joy

Wednesday October 5

6:30am Mass Fr. Sean Flynn presiding

6:00pm Mass followed by Parish Mission - Mary and the Holy Spirit, WHAT A RELATIONSHIP!

Thursday October 6

6:30am Mass Fr. Sean Flynn presiding + Mui Fong Kok

9:00am Mass

6:00pm Mass followed by Parish Mission - Healing in the Eucharist

7:30pm RCIA Journey Of Faith - Community Room

Friday October 7 Memorial Our Lady Of The Rosary

6:30am Mass Fr. Sean Flynn presiding

9:00am Mass

10:00am - 12:00 noon Adoration

Saturday October 8

6:30am Mass Fr. Sean Flynn presiding

5:00pm Mass + Grant Crosswell

6:00pm Youth Group - School Gym

Sunday October 9 Twenty-Eighth Sunday In Ordinary Time

10:00am Mass

6:00pm Mass + Cesarina Lora

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Mass With the Bishop

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SUNDAY - 9:00 AM

MONDAY TO FRIDAY - 7:00 PM

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**Please note following changes to regular
livestream schedule:**

- **Sunday, Oct 9:** Livestream at 9:30 am
- **Sunday, Oct 16:** Livestream at 10:00 am
- **Monday, Oct 1 to Friday, Oct 21:** Livestream cancelled

Changes will also be posted at:

<https://www.rcdvictoria.org/events/dailymasslivestreamed>

and:

<https://www.youtube.com/c/RCDVictoriaLiveOne/about>

Parish Mission: St. Andrew's Cathedral and St. Joseph the Worker Parishes October 4 to 6, 2022

Don't Miss This Great Opportunity! In October, we honour the Blessed Virgin Mary. What a way to start it with a Parish Mission "**Mary, Mother of the Blessed Sacrament**" sponsored by the **Cathedral and St. Joseph the Worker Parishes**. Fr. Lou Cerulli, a Canadian Catholic priest with Peace, Freedom and Healing Ministry, will come to us to share his love of Mary, the Holy Spirit, and his experiences and love of the Eucharist and the healing power of the sacrament. He will celebrate the 12:10pm Mass at the Cathedral and 6pm Mass at St. Joseph's followed by teachings on:

- **October 4th – Mary, Source of our Joy**
- **October 5th – Mary and the Holy Spirit, WHAT A RELATIONSHIP!!**
- **October 6th – Healing in the Eucharist**

*Rosary will be prayed before the Masses. **The 6pm Mass on October 6th at St. Joseph the Worker Parish will be a teaching and celebration of Healing in the Eucharist. It will be followed by Eucharistic Adoration and Blessing.*** For more information: Joji - call/text 250 882 8279 or email f7hl3jp@gmail.com

Sacraments

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Fr. Alfie will be available for Reconciliation, in the church, 1/2 hour before evening Masses on Saturday and Sunday, or by appointment. Please call parish office 250-479-7413 to arrange.

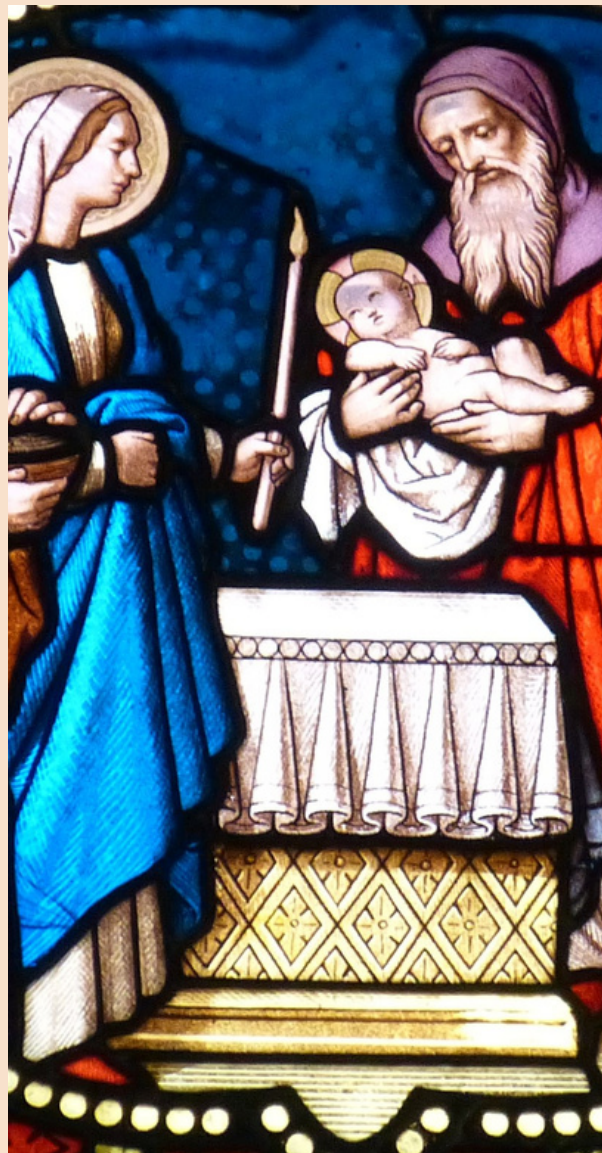
Sacrament of Marriage: Inquiries must be made 6 months in advance. Register at the office. Marriage preparation class is compulsory.

Sacrament of Baptism: Celebrated on the **first Sunday** of each month at 11:30am. Please call parish office to register. **Baptism Preparation** will be held on the **first Saturday** of each month at 10:00am. Please call parish office to register.

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 is admitted to a hospital and would like a visit from your Pastor, Eucharistic or Pastoral Care Ministers -also Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, who are commissioned at the discretion of the Pastor, please let the Office staff know.

For a hospital emergency call Fr. Sean Flynn 250-889-3761.



The office regular hours of operation are:
Tuesday through Friday
8:30am to 3:30pm
(with the exception of stat holidays)

Please Note:
Parish Office will be closed on:
Monday, October 10th
Tuesday, October 11th
to celebrate "Thanksgiving"

Donation Options



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CHECK OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE INFORMATION AND LINKS.

BIRTH of the WORD

Presenter: Dr. L McKeown
Location: St. Joseph the Worker Parish
753 West Burnside Road
Victoria, BC

Dates: October 12, 19, 26, and November 2, 2022.
Time: 6.45 to 7.45 pm. following Mass.

As a prelude to the season of Advent there will be a series of reflections on the coming of Christ at the Incarnation. Using scriptural sources the presentations will examine the meaning and implications of the coming of God's Word.



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CATECHISM START-UP

We are excited to offer in person Catechism this fall.

Our classes will be held on:
Tuesday evenings from 6-7pm.

We are currently looking for one more teacher for our team.

In Person Classes begin
October 11th

Materials Cost: \$30

Online registration is open:

Catechism Registration

Please visit the parish website for all the Catechism news:

Catechism News

If you have questions, please email:
ourcatechismjourney@gmail.com

Children's Liturgy

We welcome all children Ages 4 (Preschool) to Ages 9 (Gr 4) to join us for this kid-centered approach to hearing what God is saying to us through the readings.

We also are asking children from Grade 5 and 6 to join us as helpers with the smaller children.

Parents, if you are interested in volunteering, **please let the parish office know.**

Let's create a community of helpers where many hands are making the work light!

Newsworthy and Noteworthy

Job Posting: St Peter's Parish Coordinator

ST PETER'S PARISH IN NANAIMO, BC IS SEEKING A PARISH COORDINATOR

This job available is dependent on education and experience at either 28 hours/week or 37.5 hours/week, with a competitive wage and benefits being offered.

If interested in a job description, please send a resume with 2-3 references to:

Fr Harrison Ayre at hayre@rcdvictoria.org or please contact him should you have any questions.

The competition is open until October 4th, 2022.

Only those who continue to the interview process will receive follow up communication.

ROSARY COAST TO COAST 2022

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2022

Times: 4 p.m. Eastern Time/ 3 p.m. Central Time/ 2 p.m. Mountain Time/ 1 p.m. Pacific Time/ 5 p.m. Atlantic Time/ 5:30 p.m. Newfoundland Time

Looking for a way to celebrate Thanksgiving? This year, Rosary Coast to Coast will be held on **Sunday, October 9**. Pray the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy, the holy rosary and consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary! Gather the children of the world to pray together through the recitation of the rosary, ideally in the presence of our Eucharistic Jesus in our churches. If not possible, pray at home with your families and prayer groups!

CONTACT: Angie Carboni

PHONE: 416-871-3908

EMAIL: marsha.c@stbernadettesfrc.org

Message about Liturgy Matters Conference

A bus has been arranged for those who do not want to drive up and back each day to attend the **FREE Liturgy Matters Conference "With Arms Open Wide: Welcoming God's People"**. You can still register at: <https://armsopenwideliturgymatters.eventbrite.com/>
Friday October 21st - leaving SARHS at 5 pm - arriving at St. Edwards - leaving St. Edwards at 8:30 pm.
Saturday, October 22nd - leaving SARHS at 7:15 am - arriving at St. Edwards - leaving St. Edwards at 3:30 pm.
Please register with Fr. William whann@rcdvictoria.org for bus bookings. **Limited space!**



It is with much gratitude that Kathy Fraser acknowledges the many prayers offered as her healing continues everyday.

Thank you!

4th Annual Catholic Women's Retreat



V.I. Catholic Women's Retreat
Registration Now Open
For registration info email:
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/beloved-catholic-womens-retreat-registration-411298092667>

All women 19+ are invited to join up to 100 women from all over the Diocese of Victoria and the surrounding areas for our 4th annual Catholic Women's Retreat held on:

November 18-20, 2022 - Quadra Island at Camp Homewood

Our theme, FIAT, led by Laura O'Reilly from Ottawa, will lead us deep into Mary's life and all the ways she gave her FIAT, her YES, to God and how we can too in every area of our lives.

Space is limited! Pricing, accommodation information and online registration can be found at the below link.

Babies one-year-old and younger may also join us.



From September 28th - November 6th, you're invited to join other Christians for 40 Days for Life - 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. You are also invited to help spread the word about this important community outreach. If you'd like more information - and especially if you'd like to volunteer to help,

please contact Glenda Wilmot at 250-885-6261 or

lighthouseplace@protonmail.com

or visit

www.40daysforlife.com/victoriabc

Sanctioned Collection Coming Up:

Evangelization of Nations

(World Mission Sunday)

October 23, 2022

From the Diocese



Upcoming Events for Members of the Diocese of Victoria

- **October 21-22 will be the Liturgy Matters Conference “With Arms Open Wide”**, hosted by the Diocesan Liturgical Committee, at St. Edward’s Church in Duncan. Everyone involved in any ministry is welcome to attend, and free bus transportation is available for those who live in the Victoria area. For more information and the registration link, please visit <https://www.rcdvictoria.org/events/liturgy-matters-conference-with-arms-open-wide-oct-21-22-2022>
- **October 25 will be the first in a series of four free webinars being offered by the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishop’s Office for Evangelization and Catechesis.** The webinar topics include becoming joyful messengers of Christ, the synodal way, next steps in solidarity with Indigenous peoples, and our call to care for creation. Each sessions will be held on a Tuesday from 10 – 11:30 am, and also recorded and shared with registered participants after the event. For more information, oec@cccb.ca
- **October 28-30 will be an online Worldwide Marriage Encounter virtual weekend.** If you are a married couple who desire to restore communication & rekindle romance, this weekend is for you. More information and the registration link are available at <https://beholdvancouver.org/events/virtual-worldwide-marriage-encounter-8>. Please note: the registration deadline for this event is October 20th.

Job posting: Superintendent of the Catholic Independent Schools of the Diocese of Victoria

The Diocese of Victoria is searching for a dynamic individual for the position of:
Superintendent of the Catholic Independent Schools of the Diocese of Victoria.

The job posting may be viewed at <https://www.rcdvictoria.org/employment>.

All applications must be received by October 15, 2022.

Indigenous Reconciliation Fund

The Indigenous Reconciliation Fund Committee of the Diocese of Victoria is pleased to announce they are now accepting applications from groups in the Diocese who wish to access the CCCB’s Indigenous Reconciliation Fund.

The Committee includes: Bertha Landrie, a Métis woman living in Victoria; Briana Bear, of Songhees and Kwakwaka’wakw family; James Swan, hereditary Chief of Manhousaht; Carmen George, from Penelakut; and Fr. Dean Henderson, Pastor of Our Lady of the Rosary in Langford. They are eager to encourage projects from groups anywhere on Vancouver Island and the surrounding islands that foster good medicine for people harmed by the legacy of residential schools.

The document, available at www.rcdvictoria.org/irf, gives information about the Fund and how to apply. If you have any questions, please contact the Committee at irf@rcdvictoria.org or 250-800-3167.

Laudato Si’ Animators Program

Please see below a message from Bishop Gary Gordon about the *Laudato Si’ Animators Program*. An article about the course and its ties to the Season of Creation has been posted on the Diocesan website at: <https://www.rcdvictoria.org/news/laudato-si-leadership-training-and-the-season-of-creation>.

The free **Laudato Si’ Animators Program** would be a marvelous way for leaders and interested individuals to grow in our faith, which fundamentally includes integral human development and care for God’s earth. It would be a wonderful gift to our Diocese if every parish pastoral council, finance council, school education committee, and school could have one or more people participating.

This dimension of our Catholic faith provides a wonderful way to lead and engage with all people living in our Diocese.

In Communion,

Most Reverend Gary Gordon

Bishop of Victoria

Contacts in the Parish

Pastor

Deacon

Admin Assistant/Secretary/Bookkeeper

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Altar Server Training/Coordinator

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Children's Liturgy of the Word

Children's Religious Education

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Proclaimer Training Coordinator

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Social and Ecological Justice Committee

Parish Pastoral Council

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Catechism

at St. Joseph the Worker Parish

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Growing Faith

Grade 2 - Walking with the Saints age 7-9

Grade 3 - First Reconciliation Year age 8-10

Grade 4 - Confirmation and 1st Holy Communion age 9-11

- Registration begins on August 20th, 2022 online at: [click here for registration form](#)
- Classes begin on Tuesday, October 11th, 2022 starting with attendance at 6:00pm Mass, followed by 1/2 hr instruction.



Don't Miss This Great Opportunity!

Mary, Mother of the Blessed Sacrament



Peace, Freedom and Healing Ministry

Fr. Lou Cerulli will come to us to share his love of Mary, the Holy Spirit, and his experiences and love of the Eucharist and the healing power of the sacrament.

A Parish Mission sponsored by the St. Andrew's Cathedral and St. Joseph the Worker Parishes—Cathedral 12:10pm masses and St. Joseph 6pm masses followed by teachings on:

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**St. Andrew's Cathedral @12:10pm
740 View St. (corner Blanshard St.)
Victoria, B.C.**

**St. Joseph the Worker Parish @6pm
753 Burnside Rd West (corner McKenzie Ave.)
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Your Catholic Student's Association offers more opportunities to participate in building a community of faith and making new friends. Indigenous Culture Nights continue at Royal Roads, Dogwood Auditorium every Monday evenings from 7-10pm (please bring a snack to share); Tuesday September 27th, confessions begin at Multifaith at 11:15 followed by mass at 11:30. CSA will sponsor a meal with students following mass for those who have time.

In addition, Alpha online series begins from 6:30-8pm on the 27th. Alpha is a series of interactive sessions exploring the basics of the Christian faith. Each session looks at a different question designed to create interesting, authentic, and engaging conversations. No pressure, no charge, no follow ups. It is simply an informal and honest space to explore and discuss life's big questions. The series concludes with a shared meal, restaurant TBD. Join us for our first Movie Night at Multifaith on Wednesday September 28th, from 6:30-8:30pm. Food is always provided!

**Please contact Lydia at lfoch@rcdvictoria.org for further details.
For more information visit cathuvic.wordpress.com, [csa_vic](https://www.facebook.com/csa_vic) and Csa Victoria.**

PILGRIMAGE TO HOLY LAND

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- Feb. 14 Morning departure from Victoria to Tel Aviv.
- Feb. 15 Morning arrival in Tel Aviv. Upon meeting our guide we embark on a panoramic view of Jaffa and are transferred to our hotel in Galilee. Time for rest, dinner and overnight.
- Feb. 16 After breakfast we depart for Tiberias. We travel by boat on the Sea of Galilee, visit Capernaum, home of St. Peter and the site of Jesus' preaching, on to Tabgha to see the Church of the Multiplication with its beautiful 5th century fish mosaic. We also visit the Church of the Primacy and celebrate Mass on the Mount of the Beatitudes. On our way back to the hotel we stop at the Jordan River where Jesus was baptized. Return to our hotel for dinner and overnight.
- Feb. 17 This morning we start our tour in Cana – the site of Jesus' first miracle. Here we celebrate a marriage renewal ceremony. We move on to Nazareth where we celebrate Mass at the Basilica of the Annunciation and we visit Mary's Well and St. Joseph's Carpentry Shop. In the afternoon we ascend Mount Tabor – the Mount of the Transfiguration. Return to our hotel for dinner and overnight.
- Feb. 18 Today we depart Galilee for Judea and the area of Jerusalem. En route we visit Haifa and Mt. Carmel, the "burning place" where Elijah called fire down to confound the prophets of Baal. Here we celebrate Mass. We continue via Cesarea by the Sea to Judea for our dinner and overnight.
- Feb. 19 Today's journey takes us to the ancient city of Jerusalem: St. Ann's Church, Pool of Bethesda, Pilate's Judgment Hall, the Chapel of the Flagellation and the Arch of Ecce Homo, the convent of the sisters of Zion. We continue with the Stations of the Cross – Via Dolorosa to the Holy Sepulchre. Mass will be celebrated in one of the many churches of Jerusalem. In the afternoon we visit the Western Wall, also called the "Wailing Wall". We see the place of the Mosque of Omar and El Aksar and move on to the Church of Pater Noster and the Garden of Gethsemane.
- Feb. 20 After breakfast we visit Bethlehem – where Jesus was born, celebrating Christmas Mass in one of the grottos. We visit the Manger, the Crusaders' Cloister and the Grotto of St. Jerome – Shepherd's field. In the afternoon we continue our visit of Jerusalem's Mount Zion with the Upper Room (Room of the Last Supper) and the Church of St. Peter's in Gallicantu. Dinner and overnight.
- Feb. 21 This morning we leave for a full day excursion to the Dead Sea, Qumran, where the Dead Sea Scrolls were discovered in 1947, and Jericho. Time for floating before our return to hotel for dinner and overnight.
- Feb. 22 After breakfast we depart to Mount of Olives in Jerusalem where we visit the Church of all Nations, the Church of Maria Magdalene, Dominus Flevit Church, Chapel of the Ascension, Garden of Gethsemane, Mary's Tomb, Church of the Pater Noster. Return to our hotel for dinner and overnight.
- Feb. 23 This morning we are transferred to the airport in Tel Aviv for a flight to Victoria. Evening arrival.

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