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The Heart of the Matter

Jean Allen



In this Gospel of the son who said he wouldn't go into the vineyard but then did, and the son who said he would go but then didn't, Jesus was implying that the son who said he would go but then didn't was representative of the chief priests and elders. This would have been a bit shocking to the common folk present because it would seem obvious to them that these religious authorities were absolutely in God's vineyard following God's orders. It was definitely shocking to the priests and elders. Couldn't Jesus see that they were scrupulously obeying God's laws, serving in the temple and doing all that was required?

Sure, they were - on the outside. They wore their religion like a suit of armor that hid their hearts. It's easy to come to this state of being. They may have started out with hearts that only wanted to be servants in the vineyard but bit by bit along the way they lost the vision. Their spirituality slowly became religious observance and they forgot who they really were. It came to a point where they felt that if they performed all the right outward actions and mouthed the right words, that meant they were right with God. This was a more dangerous position than the positions of the tax collectors and prostitutes who had turned away from the right path to a life of sin. Why? Because the priests and elders were sure of their own righteousness and did not believe they had any need to change or be saved.

The tax collector and prostitutes that Jesus encountered, on the other hand, seemed to be very aware of their brokenness and their need for redemption. They initially had made choices that seemed to say no to God but Jesus saw their thirst. He responded to their desire to be with him, to talk to him, to be healed by him, to hear his teachings and follow him the best they could. This humility, desire and thirst was what would lead them into the Kingdom before the religious authorities.

There's a difference between right actions and right hearts.



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 2 to October 8 in our Community

Monday October 2 The Holy Guardian Angels Memorial

Parish Office Closed

6:30am Mass Fr. Sean Flynn presiding

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

Tuesday October 3

6:00pm Mass + **Phyllis Schaefer**

Wednesday October 4 St. Francis Of Assisi Memorial

6:30am Mass Fr. Sean Flynn presiding

6:00pm Mass + **Anne Alpha**

Thursday October 5

6:30am Mass Fr. Sean Flynn presiding

9:00am Mass **Special Int. Dominic Raso**

7:30pm **RCIA Journey of Faith - Community Room**

Friday October 6

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

9:00am Mass **Special Int. for Unknown kidney donor**

followed by Adoration until 12:00 noon

Saturday October 7 Our Lady Of The Rosary Memorial

6:30am Mass Fr. Sean Flynn presiding

5:00pm Mass **Special Int. "In Thanksgiving" Clarence Fernandez**

6:00pm **Youth Group - School Gym**

Sunday October 8 Twenty-Seventh Sunday In Ordinary Time

10:00am Mass

11:15 am **No Catechism today**

6:00pm Mass + **Recuerdo Cuizon**



Join Bishop Gary Gordon as he celebrates the Mass.

7 pm on weeknights from Sacred Heart

and 9 am on Sundays from St. Andrew's Cathedral.

Please note changes to the regular schedule can be found at:

<https://www.rcdvictoria.org/events/dailymasslivestreamed> and
<https://www.youtube.com/c/RCDVictoriaLiveOne/about>.



Our worship area is equipped with an Assistive Listening system. If you would like to use this, please contact the parish office.

DIOCESE OF VICTORIA CLOSURE FOR NATIONAL DAY FOR TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION

Please note that the parish offices, the Pastoral Centre, and Catholic Independent Schools of the Diocese of Victoria will be closed on Monday, October 2nd as a day in lieu of the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Who Is Jesus Christ? What are Sacraments?

Whether you're just curious about Catholicism or eager to enter the Faith, RCIA may be the journey you're called to this Fall. The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is the process by which non-Catholics enter the Catholic Faith. Join us to explore what the Holy Spirit has in store for you! Please contact your pastor to have a dialogue and then register with Carmelle & Chris Whiteley to sign up 250-886-2987 or carmelle.whiteley@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.

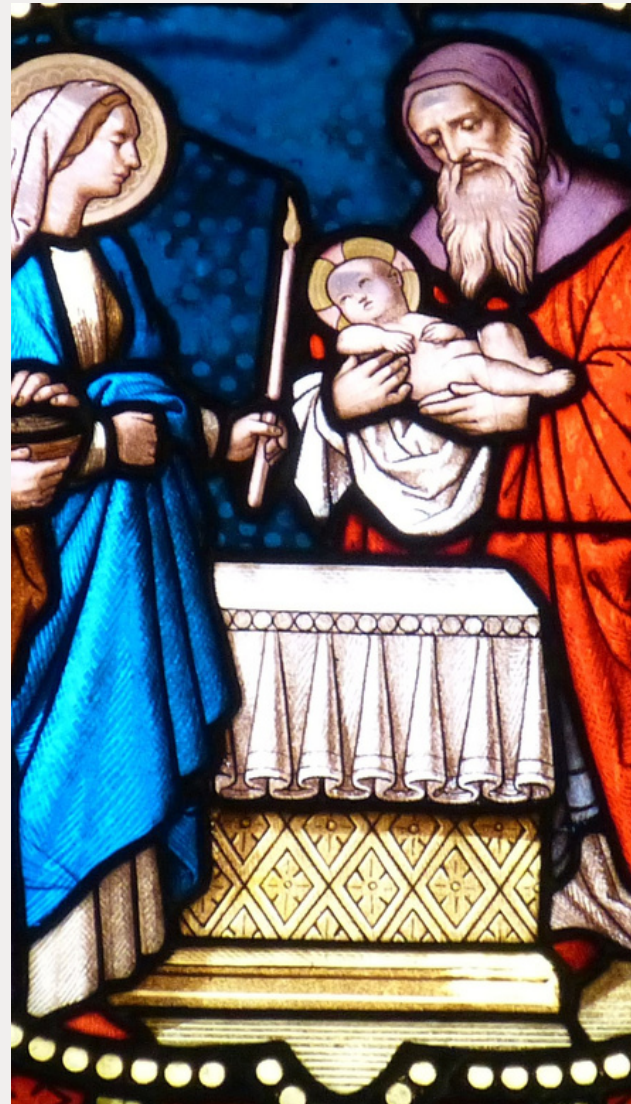
Sacrament of Baptism: Celebrated on the **first Sunday** of each month at 11:30am. Please call parish office to register.

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 at: 250-889-3761.



The parish office regular hours of operation are:
Tuesday through Friday
8:30am to 3:30pm
(except Statutory Holidays)

Please Note:

The Parish Office will be closed on:
Monday October 9th and Tuesday October 10th
to celebrate Thanksgiving

Donation Options



CANADA HELPS ONLINE DONATION:
DONATE NOW - ST JOSEPH THE WORKER PARISH
(CANADAHELPS.ORG)

(IMMEDIATE ELECTRONIC TAX RECEIPT ISSUED BY CANADA HELPS)

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Payment Authorization Form for Credit Card Donations.pdf
(parishpal.com)

PRE-AUTHORIZED DEBIT:
https://000011.parishpal.com/files/docs/PAD_Agreement.pdf

CHECK OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE INFORMATION AND LINKS.

ST. PATRICK'S CWL (FALL & WINTER) GOOD USED CLOTHING & BOOK SALE

Oct 13 - 9:30 am - 4 pm & Oct 14 - 9:30 am - 2 pm

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FALL BAZAAR

Oct 14th 9:30 am - 2 pm
Large Variety of Kiosks + Quality Silent Auction
Tombola - Grand Prize \$300
St. Patrick's Parish Centre 2060 Haultain St.

Youth Group

All Youth Grades 6 - 12
are invited
to join us on Saturday evenings following
For more information, please contact
Ruth Real at:
SJTWyouthgroup@gmail.com



Gatechism Journey

St. Joseph the Worker Parish
Catechism Program (2023/2024)

Sunday Morning
11:15am - 12:00 Noon (following the 10 am
Mass)
St. Joseph's Elementary School
757 Burnside Rd. W

Grade 1 - Our Heavenly Father
Grade 2 - Jesus Our Life
Level 3 - Jesus Our Life - Sacrament of
Reconciliation
Level 4 - Our Life with Jesus - Sacrament of
Confirmation & Holy Communion

Registration Fee: \$30.00 (families with more
than 1 child please contact the parish
office)

1st Class on:
Sunday Sept 24th @11:15am

Please provide a copy of your child's
Baptism Certificate if they were not
baptized at St. Joseph the Worker.

For more information please contact:
OurCatechismJourney@gmail.com

Grade/Level 5 Post Sacrament Class

Saturdays at 6:00pm starting Sept 9th
For more information or to register please
contact Chris Whiteley at:
whiteley.christopher@gmail.com or 250-
886-2407

Newsworthy and Noteworthy

Knights of Columbus Charity Appeal

Proceeds from ticket sales support numerous charitable, community and religious causes. This year's program runs from **October 1 to December 16**. Total prizes amount to \$100,000. Please read the poster in the bulletin (page 9 online bulletin) or church website for details on the 4 main draw prizes as well as the 10 early bird draws. Also, see the new pricing structure for tickets that makes them cheaper the more you buy. Last year we had one local winner of a \$1,000 early bird ticket.

Buy tickets through the on-line links or from Brother Jack Moreau. All forms of payment are accepted. The link in the poster and the QR code will only come alive on October 1st.

Feast of St. Francis

Wednesday October 4th at 7 pm

Lourdes Hall

St. Patrick's Church

2060 Haultain St.

The film *"The Sultan and the Saint"* will be shown.

This is a remarkable film about Muslim-Christian peace.

Everyone welcome.

Popcorn provided.

Trailer for the film at:

<https://www.sultanandthesaintfilm.com/about-the-film/>



Canadian Seminarian Fundraising

Hello, my wife and I have been collecting religious items since last September - from medals to statues to books to vestments to candle holders - and have raised over \$2000 so far for Canadian seminarians! We have a book and religious item sale once a month at a local parish. All articles are given to parishes that need them or to missionaries. Items like statues, medals or rosaries that may have been blessed are put into the sale as donation only, as we do not sell a blessed item.

If you have anything you could donate, please contact us. Please feel free to contact Cathy at St Edwards in Duncan, Rebecca at Holy Family Notre Dame in Port Alberni, David Reid, Una Voce Canada or Fr. Domotor at Our Lady Queen of Peace Parish as a frame of reference.

Thank you, God Bless, Francis and Lisa.

lisaandfrancis@hotmail.com



**Our Fall 40 Days for Life Prayer Vigil
September 27 to November 5, 2023**

Location: Helmcken Road Overpass on sidewalk in front of the Park & Ride
(Near Victoria General Hospital)

For more information:

Call or text Glenda at 250-661-2613

National Day for Truth and Reconciliation September 30, 2023

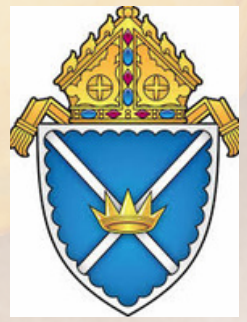
Every year on this day, Canadians are called to commemorate the history and legacy of residential schools and to honour First Nations, Inuit and Métis Survivors and their families and communities. Many activities and events are planned in communities across the Diocese; in Victoria, all are invited to attend the South Island Powwow <https://www.songheesnation.ca/south-island-powwow>, which the Diocese is proud to help sponsor this year. The powwow runs from 10 am - midnight at Royal Athletic Park (1014 Caledonia Ave, Victoria), and admission is free.

Explore the Diocesan Indigenous Relations website (<https://www.rcdvictoria.org/indigenous>) that archives posts and news from our Diocese on Indigenous relations, including information on the Diocese of Victoria's responses to the Truth & Reconciliation Commission's Calls to Action, the Indigenous Reconciliation Fund, the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, and Our Lady of Guadalupe Circle.

Eucharistic Ministry to the Homebound

We are grateful to those who give of their time and care to bring Holy Communion to our parishioners who cannot make it to church each week due to sickness or infirmity. If you know of anyone who would like to receive Communion in their home, please contact Melissa at the parish office by phone or by email.

From the Diocese



Invitation to Ecumenical Prayer Vigil

On September 30, an ecumenical prayer vigil will take place to entrust the work of Synod 2021-2024 to God. While the main gathering is happening in Rome (<https://together2023.net/>), vigils will be held around the world as a sign of communion. **In our Diocese, all are invited to Segher's Hall in St. Andrew's Cathedral** (740 View St, Victoria). Doors open at 7:00 am and the program will start at 7:45 am. For more information, please visit: <https://www.rcdvictoria.org/events/sep-30-prayer-vigil-for-the-synod>.

“Redeeming Conflict: One Messy Situation at a Time”

All are invited to our Diocesan Conference “Redeeming Conflict: One Messy Situation at a Time” with Catholic speaker and author, Ann Garrido. The conference will be held at Holy Cross Parish in Victoria on **Saturday, November 4 from 8:30 am – 3:30 pm**, followed by Mass with the Holy Cross community at 4:00 pm. As Christians, we tend to associate conflict with sin, but how we handle our tensions with one another can be one of the most profound witnesses we offer in the world.

Speaking out of her own experience as a part-time theology nerd and part-time conflict mediator, author Ann Garrido will share insights into how we can make our tensions part of our spiritual journey. For more information and to register please visit: <https://DofVRedeemingConflict.eventbrite.com>; any questions can be directed to Margaret Gwyn at: mgwyn@rcdvictoria.org or 250-479-1331 ext 227.

D & P - Caritas Canada Collecting Funds

Development and Peace — Caritas Canada is collecting funds to support rescue and relief efforts in Morocco after the devastating magnitude 6.8 earthquake which struck the country on September 8th.

To donate online, please visit:

<https://www2.devpo.org/en/civCRM/contribute/transact?reset=1&id=3&gl=24092> and select “Emergency – Earthquake Morocco” where it asks what you are giving towards.

The National Council of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul Emergency Funds Appeal

The National Council of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul has launched its Emergency Funds Appeal to help people impacted by natural disasters in Canada. Donations will be used by their Conferences and Councils to complement the relief efforts by first responder organisations, focusing on food and clothing. Every dollar donated will be matched by the National Council, up to a limit of \$25,000.

To make a donation online, visit: <https://www.imakeanonlinedonation.org/ssvp-national/DONATION/> and select “National Emergency Fund” where it asks how to direct your donation.

Contacts in the Parish

Pastor

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Baptism

Contemplative Community

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Children's Religious Education

Eucharistic Ministry Contact

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Development and Peace

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Youth Group - Grades 6 to 12

St. Joseph's Elementary School

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Finance Committee Chair

Proclaimer Schedule Coordinator

Proclaimer Training Coordinator

Liturgy Committee

Social and Ecological Justice Committee

Parish Pastoral Council

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Angela Grohovac

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(2nd & 4th Saturdays @ 10am)

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Ruth Real email: SJTWyouthgroup@gmail.com

Pre School - Gr. 7 Call school office (250) 479-1232 for more info

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Michael O'Rielly email: mfjeorielly@gmail.com

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Meetings every 3rd Wednesday 6:00pm to 8:00pm

looking for a coordinator

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Sr. Marina Smith email: sandseaandsky@gmail.com

Brian Fox (Chair), Mylinh Trinh, George Flint, Karen Wysiecki, Nancy Zacharias,

Gerry Heywood



Thank you to our generous Parish community for food donations in the past 2 months! The need was great, and you all listened and gave from the heart.

We donated almost 200 kgs of food for July and August!

Please continue to help the Society of St. Vincent de Paul bring respite and hope to local people who need it the most.

The downtown Social Concern Office appreciates donations of:

- high protein soups
- peanut butter
- protein bars
- non-perishable items that are easy to open

Donations gladly taken in the food cart in the church foyer!

Also, any financial contribution allows purchases of dairy products, meat, and other needed items. Approx 23,000 people, locally, including 4,000 children each year rely on it. Make your gift at:

<https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/society-of-st-vincent-de-paul-of-vancouver-island/>

Our communities need Catholic men to answer the call to lead with faith, protect our families, serve others and defend our values.

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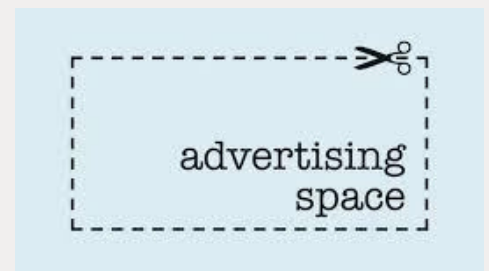
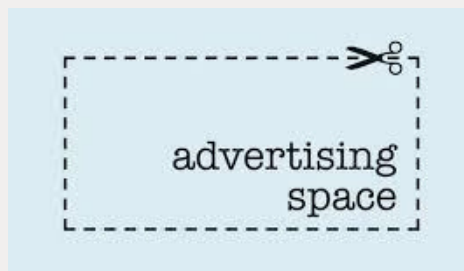
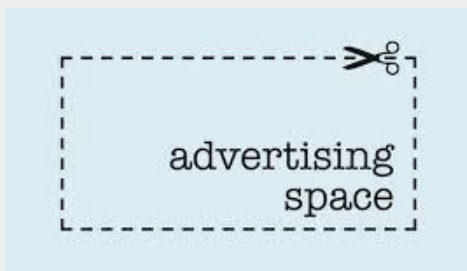
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Serving is a **WIN** for everyone involved.

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To report sexual abuse or cover-up by a Bishop, click here or call 1-866-892-3737

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Total Prizes \$100,000

Sales Oct 1, 2023 to Dec 16, 2023, 8pm

Early Bird Draws

Oct 9 (2x\$1000), Oct 23 (2x\$1000), Nov 6 (2x\$1000)

Nov 20 (2x\$1000), Dec 2 (2x\$1000)

Main Draw Saturday December 16, 2023, 8:01pm

*An annual charity appeal of the Knights
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The Bible In A Year



The Bible in a Year (with Fr. Mike Schmitz)

Ascension

You are invited to join us in listening to “The Catechism in a Year” podcast. This 365 day podcast will explain all the teachings of the Catholic Church, in a prayerful, engaging, and approachable way with Fr. Mike Schmitz.

Check it out!

The Catechism in a Year – Ascension (ascensionpress.com)

THE NINE FREE PASTORAL CARE SESSIONS TO BE HELD VIA ZOOM FOR CONSECUTIVE SATURDAYS, SEPTEMBER 23, 2023 @ 2.5 HOURS EACH (9:30-NOON) EXCEPT FOR THANKSGIVING (OCTOBER 7) TO CONCLUDE NOVEMBER 25, 2023

Session 9
Spouse
Caregiving, and
Healthy Boundaries
& Self-Care
November 25

Session 1
Basics of
Pastoral Care
September 23

Session 2
The Healing
Ministry of Christ
September 30

Session 8
Who Am I as a
Pastoral Care
Outreach Visitor?
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Session 3
Listening and
Communication
October 14

Session 7
Grief and
Bereavement:
Ministering to
Families
Nov 11

Session 4
Elderly Isolation,
Loneliness and the
Journey with
Dementia
October 21

Session 6
The Grieving
Process
November 4

Session 5
Palliative Care
and the Healing
Ministry for the
Dying
October 28

**For further
information,
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Diocese of Victoria Health Care Committee**

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