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SUNDAY	12:0	00	<ul> <li>2:00 except 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month</li> <li>3:00 only 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month</li> </ul>				<b>2:00</b> on 1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month			
HOLY MASS TRADITION				ORDINARIATE OF THE CHAIR OF SAINT PETER				HUNGARIAN MASS		
			MONDAY		TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	Тн	URSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
SUNG MATTINS			8:45		8:45	8:45		8:45	-	8:45
ORDINARIATE OF THE CHAIR OF SAINT PETER			9:30 & 7pm		9:30	9:30		9:30	-	9:30
TRADITIONAL LATIN MASS			-		-	-		-	9:00	10:30*
ADORATION OF BLESSED SACRAMENT *1 <sup>st</sup> Friday of the month			-		10:30	-		-	10:30*	-
Rosary			-		11:30	11:30		11:30	11:30	-
CONFESSION ½ hour before & after all Masses. Please ring the bell, enter when green light is on * 1 <sup>st</sup> SATURDAY of the month			-		11:40	11:40		11:40	11:40	4:30 3:00 -4:00*
WEEKDAY MASS *1 <sup>ST</sup> SATURDAY of the month			-		12:10	12:10		12:10	12:10	12:10*
HOLY MASS			-		-	_	1	-	-	5:00
Devotion to MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP			-		-	12:45		-	-	-
Devotion to INFANT JESUS OF PRAGUE			-		-	-		12:45	-	-

 

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## 'Legacies'

Our Lady Queen of Peace acknowledges with gratitude past legacies which we use to maintain the integrity of our Church.

Please include us in your 'LAST WILL', how will we survive without it?

Legacies are a way of providing assurance that the parish has income or savings in the event of unforeseen emergencies.

The monthly 'Building Fund and Collection' pays for maintenance/replacement items.

#### **Sacramental Information**

**Baptism:** at Our Lady Queen of Peace you must call the office at least 3 months in advance to arrange an appointment with the Pastor. It is assumed that the family has Our Lady Queen of Peace parish connection and practices the faith by attending Sunday Mass on a weekly basis. You may meet with the Pastor and take the course even if your child has not yet been born. Parents are expected to participate in the Baptismal preparation. At least one Godparent or both must be baptized and confirmed and are practicing Catholics. Non-parishioners are required to have a Letter of Recommendation from your Pastor to have your child Baptized in our parish.

Marriage: at Our Lady Queen of Peace because the Church is deeply concerned about each marriage, couples are asked to give a minimum of six months' notice prior to the intended date of their wedding. Church policy requires that marriages be performed in your home parish – unless you are registered and attend elsewhere.

**<u>Funeral</u>: at Our Lady Queen of Peace** individual arrangements with a priest. Begin by calling the parish office.

#### **Please Note**

If you suffer from Celiac disease, we are able to offer a lowgluten Host. If you are interested, please come to the sacristy before Mass and inform the priest.

#### **Respect Life Ministry**

If you are expecting a child and are feeling confused; if you are thinking that there is no way out of this situation for you; if you want to talk to someone, call, text 250.812.0087 email: <u>respectlifem@gmail.com</u>

#### Vancouver Island Crisis-Line

The Vancouver Island Crisis Society is contracted by <u>Island Health</u>. We are a registered non-profit agency whose services include:

## 24-hour crisis lines: 1-888-494-3888

#### Crisis Text Services: 250-800-3806

(from your mobile) 6pm - 10pm - 7 days a week

**Crisis Chat Services:** 6pm - 10pm - 7 days a week We work in partnership with Island Health to provide public access to Mental Health & Substance Use services in the communities administered by Island Health.

#### 'Mass Intentions'

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Mar 3	TUESDAY	Amparo Dignos- Montero+ Erlinda Dignos				
Mar 4	WEDNESDAY	Choose Life Victoria Society				
Mar 5	THURSDAY	<b>Julius, Veronica &amp;</b> <b>Bertrand Clarke+</b> Rosalie Queen				
Mar 6	FRIDAY	NO NOON MASS				
Mar 7	SATURDAY	Holy Souls in Purgatory Carmel Ollerhead				
Mar 10	TUESDAY	NO NOON MASS				
Mar 11	WEDNESDAY	NO NOON MASS				
Mar 12	THURSDAY	<b>Rodrigo &amp; Amparo</b> + Ginas Ancajas				
Mar 13	FRIDAY	Mavis Bruce+ Shirley Deidrick				
Mar 14	SATURDAY	Holy Souls in Purgatory Agustina Manguerra				

**Please remember the following persons who are ill in your prayers:** Helen McGovern, Lorna Cue, Ann VanNoordt, Christine Stornebrink, Jean Halliwell, Charles Lennaghan,

#### **Collection Envelopes**

If you are new to the parish and would like to have a box of pre-numbered collection envelopes, please contact the parish office at 250-388-5571 or email: <u>office@qop.ca</u>

#### Parish Database

If you have moved or changed your email/phone number in the past year or so, please make sure to update your information with the parish office. Tax receipts will be prepared early in the New Year and this will help the parish save on postage expenses by reducing returned mail.

## 2019/20 Sunday Missals

**2020** Sunday Missals available in the parish office to pick up your copy (\$4 each)



#### Catholic Women's League

CWL members and all women of the parish you are invited to the meeting on Wed. Mar. 11 at 1:00pm in the Msgr. Wood Room. The Catholic Women's League supports and contributes to the life and vitality of the Catholic Church, family and community at home and abroad.

## 40 Days for Life

Come & join us for prayer and witness for pre-born babies. The **40 Days prayer vigil** takes place from **Feb. 26<sup>th</sup> to April 5<sup>th</sup>**. Contact Glenda Wilmot for more information: 250-661-2613.



### LENT

**No Flowers in the Sanctuary** to mark the penitential nature of the season of Lent, we abstain from decorating the altars and statues with flowers except for the Solemnities of St. Joseph and the Annunciation.

Ash Wednesday, & Good Friday, April 10, are days of fast & abstinence throughout the universal church. Fridays of Lent are also compulsory days of abstinence throughout the universal church. In Canada, Catholics may substitute an act of charity in place of abstinence. However, it is strongly encouraged that some form of penitential discipline be undertaken.

**Fasting** is to be observed by all 18 years of age and older, who have not yet celebrated their 59th birthday. On a fast day one full meal is allowed. Two other meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids, including milk and juices, are allowed. Abstinence is observed by all 14 years of age and older. On days of abstinence no meat is allowed. Note that when health or ability to work would be seriously affected, the law does not oblige. When in doubt concerning fast and abstinence, the parish priest should be consulted. Fasting, almsgiving, and prayer are the three traditional disciplines of Lent. The faithful and catechumens should undertake these practices seriously in a spirit of penance and of preparation for baptism or of renewal of baptism at Easter.

## 'The Stations of the Cross'

We will have the 'The Stations of the Cross' at 7pm on Friday's during Lent

## **Penitential Services during Lent**

March 17 - St. Rose of Lima (Sooke) 7 pm March 25 - Sacred Heart 7 pm March 31 - Our Lady of the Rosary 7 pm

#### **Lenten Mission in the City** 'The Way of Truth and Life'

No parish mission at the Cathedral this year, but you can take advantage of a Lenten parish Mission to be offered by Bishop Emeritus Fred Henry.

Mon., Mar. 23 - 9:30am Holy Cross Church 7:00pm St. Joseph the Worker Theme:

When all is said and done the only tragedy in life is not to become a saint.

Tues., Mar. 24 - 9:30am St. Patrick's Church 7:00pm St. Joseph the Worker Theme: Knowing who I am in Christ – my true value

## Wed., March 25 -- Reconciliation Service 7:00pm Sacred Heart Church Theme:

They'll know we are Christians by our Love.

There will be opportunities for individual confession.

## **Chrism Mass & Transportation**



The Cathedral normally hosts the Chrism Mass just before Holy Week. This is a special Mass wherein the priests renew their promises and the Bishop blesses

the oils that we will use throughout the year and then they are distributed to the various parishes. This year the Mass will be held in Nanaimo and then will alternate between the two cities. This is probably our most important diocesan liturgical event and you are encouraged to make plans to attend. For years those north of Victoria have traveled south to attend and now it is our turn to travel north to be with them. For those who wish to attend but find driving difficult, a bus has been chartered.

See the note below.

The Chrism Mass will be held at St. Peter's in Nanaimo on Thursday, April 2nd at 7 pm. A bus (coach) will be departing St. Joseph the Worker parish at 4pm that day and then departing St. Peter's at 9:15pm for a scheduled return of 11:15pm in Victoria. Reservations are required & cost is \$25 per person (paid when booking) for the bus. To book your seat, contact Sandy or Jennifer at St. Joseph's parish at 250-479-7413 or sjtwparish@rcdvictoria.org

#### **Invitation to Study Theology**

Have you ever wondered what theology is? Join Fr. Harrison Ayre for an introduction to some of the core elements of Catholic theology and provide exercises to help the participants think theologically. This is an introductory class, but come expecting to be stretched!

Once a month, on a Fri. night from 7 - 9 pm & on Sat. 10:30 - 12:30 (see dates below) Register at the Cathedral parish office: 250-388-5571 or standrewscathedral@gmail.com

Dates: March 13 & 14; April 24 & 25; May 22 & 23

#### **Foundations of the Catholic Faith**

The 2020 Sessions are available for registration. This is a FREE opportunity open for people who wish to deepen their understanding and appreciation of the Catholic faith. Sessions are adapted to meet the needs of the group. These sessions are interactive, informative and reflective.

#### Sign up on Eventbrite or email

Gwen at: <u>gjahelka@rcdvictoria.org</u> or Glen at: <u>gpalahicky@rcdvictoria.org</u> or Call: 250-479-1331

## Part II Days in Spring Break

March 16 & 17 ~ 8:30– 4:30 Queen of Angels, Duncan https://foundations-part2-springbreak.eventbrite.com

### Part I Days in Spring Break

March 19 & 20 ~ 8:30-4:30 Holy Cross, Victoria https://foundations-part1-springbreak.eventbrite.com

Part I Days in Summer June 29 & 30 ~ 8:30-4:30 Holy Cross, Victoria https://foundations-part1-summer.eventbrite.com

#### Part II Days in Summer

July 2 & 3 ~ 8:30-4:30 Holy Cross, Victoria https://foundations-part2-summer.eventbrite.com

#### <u>Mass in Honour of</u> <u>Healthcare Workers & Volunteers</u>

If you are a healthcare professional, worker, or volunteer, you are invited to celebrate a special Mass in honour of healthcare workers and volunteers with Bishop Gary Gordon at 6:20 pm on the Feast of St. Joseph on Thurs., Mar. 19, at Christ the King Parish, 1599 Tunner Drive, Courtenay. For more details, please phone 250-334-4716 or email: ctkparish@shaw.ca

#### Catholic Health Association of BC (CHABC)

Again this school year, the Catholic Health Association of BC (CHABC) is making available a **BURSARY** in the amount of **\$500** to students graduating in 2020. To apply for this bursary, students are invited to submit an essay on the topic <u>The Significance of Spirituality in Health</u> <u>Care</u>. Information can also be found on our website here: <u>https://www.chabc.bc.ca/news-and-events/</u>

## <u>Retrouvaille Vancouver Marriage Recovery</u> <u>Spring Program</u>

Retrouvaille is an affordable program that provides couples with the tools to repair **ALL kinds of marriage problems.** Retrouvaille has helped thousands of couples avoid separation and regain a joyful marriage. For confidential information or to register for the 7 week Lower Mainland program commencing the weekend of **April 17-19, 2020** plus sessions on the 6 consecutive Sundays following the weekend, call us at **604-530-6710**, email us at **vancouverbc@retrouvaille.org** or visit our website **www.retrouvaillevancouver.org**.

## **Diocese - Job Posting**

The Diocese of Victoria is accepting applications for the position of Chaplain for the University of Victoria and Camosun College. We seek a Chaplain who will be committed to helping students grow and flourish within the Catholic faith tradition while living and learning in a secular campus environment. Please visit

## www.rcdvictoria.org/employment

## **Volunteers Needed - Family Camp**

Do you love to cook and do you work well as part of a team? Are you looking for a rewarding summer experience? The **Diocesan Family Camp** is looking for assistant cooks and kitchen helpers for **August 20 -23** in beautiful Nanoose Bay. Food Safe BC is required. You will be doing God's work and having fun at the same time! To volunteer or for more information please **contact Dave at 250 590 7004 or elmodave@vahoo.com** 

## **Diocesan Liturgical Workshop in October**

Mark your calendars! The Diocese of Victoria's Liturgical Commission will host a workshop at St. Edward's Church, Duncan, on Oct. 2/3. The presenter is Fr. Richard Fragomeni of the Chicago Theological Union. The theme, "WELCOME THE STRANGER," will be of prime interest to those in hospitality and other liturgical ministries, but also will be of benefit to those involved in faith-inspired outreach parish programmes and parishioners wanting to be more welcoming to visitors in our midst. Registration, hotel and other conference information will become available at the diocese's website: rcdvictoria.org no later than May 15<sup>th</sup>

#### POPE FRANCIS FOR LENT 2020

"We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God" This year the Lord grants us, once again, a favourable time to prepare to celebrate with renewed hearts the great mystery of the death and resurrection of Jesus, the cornerstone of our personal and communal Christian life. We must continually return to this mystery in mind and heart, for it will continue to grow within us in the measure that we are open to its spiritual power and respond with freedom and generosity.

1. The paschal mystery as the basis of conversion Christian joy flows from listening to, and accepting, the Good News of the death and resurrection of Jesus. This kerygma sums up the mystery of a love "so real, so true, so concrete, that it invites us to a relationship of openness and fruitful dialogue" (Christus Vivit, 117). Whoever believes this message rejects the lie that our life is ours to do with as we will. Rather, life is born of the love of God our Father, from his desire to grant us life in abundance (cf. Jn 10:10). If we listen instead to the tempting voice of the "father of lies" (Jn 8:44), we risk sinking into the abyss of absurdity, and experiencing hell here on earth, as all too many tragic events in the personal and collective human experience sadly bear witness.

In this Lent of 2020, I would like to share with every Christian what I wrote to young people in the Apostolic Exhortation Christus Vivit: "Keep your eyes fixed on the outstretched arms of Christ crucified, let yourself be saved over and over again. And when you go to confess your sins, believe firmly in his mercy which frees you of your guilt. Contemplate his blood poured out with such great love, and let yourself be cleansed by it. In this way, you can be reborn ever anew" (No. 123). Jesus' Pasch is not a past event; rather, through the power of the Holy Spirit it is ever present, enabling us to see and touch with faith the flesh of Christ in those who suffer.

2. The urgency of conversion. It is good to contemplate more deeply the paschal mystery through which God's mercy has been bestowed upon us. Indeed, the experience of mercy is only possible in a "face to face" relationship with the crucified and risen Lord "who loved me and gave himself for me" (Gal 2:20), in a heartfelt dialogue between friends. That is why prayer is so important in Lent. Even more than a duty, prayer is an expression of our need to respond to God's love which always precedes and sustains us. Christians pray in the knowledge that, although unworthy, we are still loved. Prayer can take any number of different forms, but what truly matters in God's eyes is that it penetrates deep within us and chips away at our hardness of heart, in order to convert us ever more fully to God and to his will.

In this favourable season, then, may we allow ourselves to be led like Israel into the desert (cf. Hos 2:14), so that we can at last hear our Spouse's voice and allow it to resound ever more deeply within us. The more fully we are engaged with his word, the more we will experience the mercy he freely gives us. May we not let this time of grace pass in vain, in the foolish illusion that we can control the times and means of our conversion to him. **3.** God's passionate will to dialogue with his children The fact that the Lord once again offers us a favourable time for our conversion should never be taken for granted. This new opportunity ought to awaken in us a sense of gratitude and stir us from our sloth. Despite the sometimes tragic presence of evil in our lives, and in the life of the Church and the world, this opportunity to change our course expresses God's unwavering will not to interrupt his dialogue of salvation with us. In the crucified Jesus, who knew no sin, yet for our sake was made to be sin (cf. 2 Cor 5:21), this saving will led the Father to burden his Son with the weight of our sins, thus, in the expression of Pope Benedict XVI, "turning of God against himself" (Deus Caritas Est, 12). For God also loves his enemies (cf. Mt 5:43-48).

The dialogue that God wishes to establish with each of us through the paschal mystery of his Son has nothing to do with empty chatter, like that attributed to the ancient inhabitants of Athens, who "spent their time in nothing except telling or hearing something new" (Acts 17:21). Such chatter, determined by an empty and superficial curiosity, characterizes worldliness in every age; in our own day, it can also result in improper use of the media.

**4.** A richness to be shared, not kept for oneself Putting the paschal mystery at the centre of our lives means feeling compassion towards the wounds of the crucified Christ present in the many innocent victims of wars, in attacks on life, from that of the unborn to that of the elderly, and various forms of violence. They are likewise present in environmental disasters, the unequal distribution of the earth's goods, human trafficking in all its forms, and the unbridled thirst for profit, which is a form of idolatry.

Today too, there is a need to appeal to men and women of good will to share, by almsgiving, their goods with those most in need, as a means of personally participating in the building of a better world. Charitable giving makes us more human, whereas hoarding risks making us less human, imprisoned by our own selfishness. We can and must go even further, and consider the structural aspects of our economic life. For this reason, in the midst of Lent this year, from 26 to 28 March, I have convened a meeting in Assisi with young economists, entrepreneurs and changemakers, with the aim of shaping a more just and inclusive economy. As the Church's magisterium has often repeated, political life represents an eminent form of charity (cf. Pius XI, Address to the Italian Federation of Catholic University Students, 18 December 1927). The same holds true for economic life, which can be approached in the same evangelical spirit, the spirit of the Beatitudes.

I ask Mary Most Holy to pray that our Lenten celebration will open our hearts to hear God's call to be reconciled to himself, to fix our gaze on the paschal mystery, and to be converted to an open and sincere dialogue with him. In this way, we will become what Christ asks his disciples to be: the salt of the earth and the light of the world (cf. Mt 5:13-14). **ADVERTISE:** Your ad can be in the bulletin. Call the **parish office at 250-388-5571** for more information **or email**: <u>office@qop.ca</u> We appreciate the support of these sponsors. Please support them.

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That the Cathedral has a Columbarium and that a location near the church for the deceased has been a powerful symbol of our faith since the early church. It is a statement of our ultimate goal to live this life in Christ so that one day, through death, we can share in eternal life with God. For information on purchasing a niche in the Cathedral Columbarium call Chris Ryzuk - 250-388-5571 and leave a message or email: <u>niche@standrewscathedral.com</u>

#### <u>Please Support the Soup Kitchen - 9/10 Club</u> St. Andrew's Cathedral

It costs only \$2.25 for **The Soup Kitchen** to provide a nutritious meal to one of our guests. This season help us serve soup to the hungry with a financial donation, \$25 feeds 10 diners; \$225 a 100 of our guests. The 9/10 Club's soup kitchen operates from the Cathedral Basement (Seghers' Hall) five days a week, every week of the year except for Christmas Day. No government funding is received and little media notice is given, but the volunteers are faithful and the clientele grateful. If you are interested in learning more or donating by credit card, please go to: **www.thesoupkitchen.ca**. To donate by cheque or cash, use an envelope clearly labelled for the Soup Kitchen and put it in the Sunday collection basket. **Cheques must be payable to "9 - 10 Club"** Thank you for your generosity and support to help those in need in our city.

#### **Diocesan Messenger**

The **Diocesan Messenger** is available on the website: https://www.rcdvictoria.org/the-diocesan-messenger scroll down to 'Editions', and click on the + symbol to expand the box. You'll see the most recent edition, along with about 10 years of prior editions.

#### **Our Place Society** – In Need!

Winter coats, sleeping bags, blankets, tarps, warm clothes and shoes. With our new overnight shelter at Pandora, our hygiene department and showers open earlier and stay open later. Shampoo, deodorant, dental floss, disposable razors and towels go quickly as our family strives to keep clean. Clean socks and underwear are also in high demand. Donations can be dropped off at Our Place Society Reception at: 919 Pandora St. 7 days a week. The New Roads Therapeutic Recovery Community, a healing program of Our Place, is seeking volunteer drivers. Drivers would be working out of New Roads, 94 Talcott Road, View Royal, to drive residents to appointments We are seeking either two part-time drivers or one full-time driver. If you're interested, please contact Dawn Barr at 250-388-7112 Ext. 258 or email <u>dawnb@ourplacesociety.com</u>

#### World Youth Day 2022

World Youth Day will be held in Lisbon, Portugal in the summer of 2022 (exact dates TBD). If you're interested in going on pilgrimage to pray with the Holy Father and hundreds of thousands of other Catholic young adults (ages 19 - 35), Fr. Eduardo Santos and Fr. Harrison Ayre will be organizing this pilgrimage. Contact Rebecca at Holy Family/Notre Dame at <u>rc-portalberni@shaw.ca</u> or 250.723.8912

We would like to offer some opportunities for formation, building of community, and fundraising, and so we are asking that you have your information in by June 15th so we can begin to organize.