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Years at
Nelthorpe

* 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time | 3 August 2025 *



*Have a most relaxing,
enjoyable and blessed*

British Columbia Day Long Weekend



Parish Holy Doors Pilgrimage

organized by Sacred Heart Parish
for parishioners

Monday, 4 August 2025

(Times are an estimate)

8:00 am Confessions at Sacred Heart

9:00 am Leaving for Holy Family Church, Ucluelet
by air-conditioned coach

Lunch at your own expense (Port Alberni)

3:00 pm Mass at Holy Family Church, Ucluelet

7:30 pm Prayers at St. John's Church, Duncan

9:00 pm Back to Sacred Heart Church

We thank all the pilgrims who registered for this pilgrimage.
For those who were unable to get a seat this time around,
your prayers and petitions have been collected
and will be offered on your behalf at the Holy Doors.

We thank the Diocese of Victoria for the grant
that has helped to bring the cost of this pilgrimage down.

A grateful thank you, also to the planning committee,
who worked hard to put this pilgrimage together:

Jeremy Côté, Felipe Edora,
Isme Liem, Peter Liem, Neil Lundin,
Samantha Sherman, Angela Spencer, Marisa Tinsay



LITURGICAL YEAR C

Saturday:

English Mass (Anticipated Sunday Mass) 4:00 pm
Syro-Malabar Rite (except 1st Sat) 7:00 pm

Sunday:

English Mass 9:00 am
Syro-Malabar Rite 11:00 am
Korean 3:00 pm
Vietnamese Aug 3: No Mass (Aug 10 & 17: Mass) 5:30 pm

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 3:00 pm to 3:45 pm
Sunday 8:15 am to 8:45 am

Weekday Masses English Masses

Tuesday 11:00 am
Wednesday Transfiguration (Aug 6) 11:00 am
Thursday Funeral Mass: Diane Laurin (Aug 7) 11:00 am
Friday St. Dominic (Aug 8) 11:00 am
Adoration after Mass. Benediction is at 1:30 pm

Korean Masses

Wednesdays 7:30 pm
Thursdays 10:00 am

Parish Office Hours

Temporary summer hours

Tue 5 Aug to Fri 8 Aug : 9:30 am to 1:30 pm
Tue 12 Aug to Fri 15 Aug : 11:30 am to 1:30 pm
Tue 19 Aug to Fri 22 Aug : 11:30 am to 1:30 pm
Tue 25 Aug to Fri 29 Aug : 9:30 am to 1:30 pm

Parish Office Staff will be away from
Wed Aug 13 to Fri 22 Aug

We thank all the Parish Office volunteers
who are covering for us while we are away.

Regular bulletins will resume in September.

If you would like to register or volunteer,
please send an email to sacredheart@rcdvictoria.org

For Baptism, Marriage, Funerals, and Anointing

Please contact:
E. sacredheart@rcdvictoria.org
P. 250-479-1611

Sacred Heart Parish Website >



Distribution of the Precious Blood of Christ



Receiving the Precious Blood is optional.
Please remain standing, bow, sip (no dipping), and
move on. Kindly follow the guidance of the Ushers.

Thank you.

Fr. Shijo's Homilies
are available on our Parish Website
<https://sacredheartvictoria.com/sacred-heart-homilies.html>



Please Pray For

Those who have died:

Helga Ahlers, Diane Laurin, Alice de Lima, Martin Echtner, Sixto Pongos, Souls in Purgatory, and Salvacion Tinsay.

Those who are ill:

Jon A, Jacobus Baanstra, Patricia C, Cora C, Maureen Dietrich, Lesley D, Kathleen G, Derek L, Lisa L, Diane L, Lidia Moodie, Will P, Dino R, Davide R, Willy S, Gaspar S, Valerie S, Cathy T, Maria T, Ornella T, Louise Whitley.

Options to Donate

E-Transfer:

The email to use is sacredheart@rcdvictoria.org

Pre-Authorized Debit (PAD)

Automatic Debit Form:

<https://sacredheartvictoria.com/docs/PAD%20form%202020.pdf>

The PAD form is also available from the Parish Office.

If you use the Special Collection Envelopes, please remember to complete your name and address on those envelopes to receive a tax receipt. Information and links are also available on our website.

Canada Helps

Donations through Canada Helps.

<https://www.canadahelps.org/en/dn/47781>

This is the new QR code for donations: also on display around the church for your convenience.

If you have any questions on the available options, or would like to make a change in how you donate, please contact the parish office.



Thank you.

Thank you for your contributions!

June 2025

PAD \$ 5,965.00

July 5 & July 6, 2025

Envelopes \$ 1,944.00

Cash \$ 516.00

Total \$ 2,560.00

July 12 & July 13, 2025

Envelopes \$ 1,840.00

Cash \$ 443.00

Total \$ 2,283.00

July 19 & July 20, 2025

Envelopes \$ 1,962.00

Cash \$ 348.00

Total \$ 2,310.00

July 26 & July 27, 2025

Envelopes \$ 2,017.00

Cash \$ 523.00

Total \$ 2,540.00

Donations through PAD, Canada Helps, & e-Transfer will be reported after the end of the month.

Transfiguration of the Lord

6 August



Both Roman and Eastern rite Catholics celebrate the Church's feast of the Transfiguration on August 6, on its traditional date for both calendars.

The feast commemorates one of the pinnacles of Jesus' earthly life, when he revealed his divinity to three of his closest disciples, Peter, James, and John, up on Mount Tabor, where Moses and Elijah appeared and Jesus was transfigured, his face and clothes becoming dazzlingly bright (Mark 9:2–13; Matthew 17:1–13; Luke 9:28–36). The festival celebrates the revelation of the eternal glory of the Second Person of the Trinity, which was normally veiled during Christ's life on earth.

It is not known when the festival was first celebrated, but it was kept in Jerusalem as early as the 7th century and in most parts of the Byzantine Empire by the 9th century. It was gradually introduced into the Western Church, and its observance was fixed as August 6 by Pope Calixtus III in 1457 as a thank-offering for the victory over the Turks at Belgrade on that day in 1456.

In 2002, Pope John Paul II updated the meditations of the Rosary with five "Luminous Mysteries," of which the Transfiguration is one.

[Online accessed, 29 July 2024:

<https://www.britannica.com/topic/Feast-of-the-Transfiguration>]

St. Dominic **8 August**



Born c. 1170, Caleruega, Castile, Spain; died August 6, 1221, Bologna, Romagna, Italy; canonized July 3, 1234; Feast Day, August 8. St. Dominic was founder of the Order of Friars Preachers (Dominicans), a mendicant (begging) religious order. He is patron saint of the Dominican Republic, and astronomers.

Domingo de Guzmán was born in Castile possibly a year or two later than the 1170 traditional date. His father was lord of the manor in the village, and his mother was also from the local nobility.

In 1203, Diego, Bishop of Osma, on a royal mission abroad, took Dominic with him. This journey first made Dominic aware of the threat posed to the church in the south of France by the Albigensian heretics, or Cathari, who were reviving the Manichaean teaching that two supreme beings, Good and Evil, dominate spirit and matter respectively; and that whatever concerns the body, such as eating, drinking, procreation, and possession of worldly goods are essentially evil. Eventually Pope Innocent III launched a mission to preach against the heresy.

On their second journey, Dominic and the bishop visited the pope, who refused their request to preach to the pagans. However, in 1206, the papal legates and preachers, depressed at the failure of their mission, consulted the bishop and Dominic, who reasoned that the heretics would be regained only by an austerity equal to their own: the birth of Dominic's "evangelical preaching." An important part of his campaign was the establishment of a convent of nuns at Prouille, formed in 1206 from a group of women converted from the heresy. Dominic and his friends were soon known as "diocesan preachers". It was then, in 1215, that perhaps Dominic met St. Francis of Assisi. The friendship of the two saints is a strong tradition in both the Franciscan and Dominican orders. When Innocent III died in July, his successor, Honorius III, finally gave formal sanction for his order on December 22, 1216.

At Pentecost 1220, the first general chapter of the order was held at Bologna, and a system of democratic representative government was devised. At the second general chapter, held on Pentecost in 1221, also at Bologna, the order was divided geographically into provinces. After a visit to Venice in 1221, Dominic died at Bologna.

[Online accessed, 29 July 2024:

<https://www.britannica.com/biography/Saint-Dominic>]



Welcome to our Catholic Family

Congratulations

Noah Nagarkoti

To be Baptised on Sunday, 10 August 2025

Lilianna Kopp

To be Baptised on Sunday, 17 August 2025



Eternal Rest Grant Unto

Alice de Lima (14 July 2025)

Funeral Mass, 1 p.m., Wed, 6 Aug

Diane Laurin (6 July 2025)

Funeral Mass, 11 a.m., Thu, 7 Aug

O Lord, and let Perpetual Light Shine Upon them.



Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Please support the Society's Food Banks and Food Drive. Put donations in the food cart in the church foyer. To donate online: specify "Sacred Heart Parish"

https://give-can.keela.co/ssvp_donation_form

All cheques: "Society of St. Vincent de Paul".

To join the Society, please contact Georgina: mvgshort@telus.net or call 250-727-2615



Grateful Thanks!

- To Adam Kokelj and Allan Cabida for painting the benches in the courtyard.
- To Edgar Tan and family for cleaning and painting the walls after the vandalism perpetrated early Friday morning, on July 25.
- To Dorothy and Les Adamache for maintaining the plants and landscaping in the parish courtyard.



60th Anniversary Celebration

**Celebrating Sacred Heart Parish's 60th year
at Nelthorpe Street.**

Friday, September 5

- 6:00 pm Mass
- 6:30 pm Adoration, with snacks to follow

Saturday, September 6

- 4:00 pm Mass celebrated by Bishop Gary Gordon
- 5:15 pm Potluck Dinner in the Parish Hall
- 6:30 pm "Sacred Heart's Got Talent" (Parish Hall)

Sunday, September 7

- 9:00 am Mass, followed by cake and coffee

Potluck - if you would like to contribute a dish, please list what you are able to bring (entrée, salad, dessert)

Talent Show - please list your name and what you will perform (a song, a dance, a magic trick, a juggling act, an instrument, etc.). The youth are encouraged to participate to show off your talents!

Sign-up sheets - in the church foyer for the potluck, the talent show, and the set-up and clean-up for Saturday, Sep. 6. Please sign-up.

***All are welcome, especially parishioners,
to celebrate this joyous occasion!***

Love from the 60th Anniversary Committee

Lorraine Van Dyk (Chair), Marilyn Bojko, Jeremy Côté, Jim Haffey, Ben Pires, Edgar Tan Jr.



From the Diocese



Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops Forgive Us Our Debts

Pastoral Letter on Debt Forgiveness : Jubilee Year 2025

The letter highlights the global debt crisis affecting developing countries and how fair debt forgiveness plans in the spirit of the Jubilee Year may be created and implemented.

https://www.cccb.ca/wp-content/uploads/2025/07/Forgive-Us-Our-Debts_Pastoral-Letter-on-Debt-Forgiveness-in-the-Jubilee-Year-2025.pdf



11th Annual Diocesan Family Camp & Conference

August 22 to 24, 2025, Nanoose Bay Camp

Spots are still available.

Registration: <https://www.rcdvictoria.org/family-camp>

Employment Opportunity

St. Andrew's Roman Catholic Cathedral is still seeking a dedicated Director of Musical Worship to uphold and enhance its legacy of musical excellence, inspiring and engaging worship through a vibrant and dynamic music ministry. View the job description at:

<https://www.standrewscathedral.com/post/job-opportunity-director-of-musical-worship>

Fill A Bowl Campaign

The Soup Kitchen under St. Andrew's Cathedral has launched its "Fill a Bowl" campaign!

Every dollar donated helps feed someone in need. With thanks to the open-hearted support of donors and volunteers, the Soup Kitchen has been welcoming the hungry with nourishing soup served without judgment for 43 years. Your donation will further help to "fill a bowl".

Fill a bowl today: <https://www.thesoupkitchen.ca/>



This ministry is a safe place for people to renew, rebuild and redeem hearts broken by abortion. Weekend retreats offer a supportive, confidential and non-judgmental environment where women and men can express, release and reconcile painful post-abortion emotions to begin the process of restoration, renewal and healing.

A safe, confidential retreat for women and men seeking peace after an abortion. The next Retreat: November 7 to 9, 2025.

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Syro-Malabar, Fr. Shijo George

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Led By The Spirit Group

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To report sexual abuse by a clergy member, religious, employee, or volunteer, visit RCDVictoria.org/Responsible-Ministry or call 1-800-968-3146

To report sexual abuse or cover-up by a Catholic Bishop, visit BishopReportingSystem.ca or call 1-866-892-3737

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