



Sacred Heart Catholic Church

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*** 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time | 3 November 2024 ***

A Grateful and Heartfelt Thank You

for celebrating our first

Rosary Mass and Potluck!

You made the evening's celebrations memorable and meaningful with your presence and your food.



This week's Gospel texts is one of my favourite texts of the bible. A scribe, who had no intention of trapping Jesus, asked him what the greatest commandment was. Jesus answered with the Shema, "Hear O Israel: the Lord our God, the Lord is one: you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind and with all your strength." Then he said the second commandment was to love your neighbour as yourself.

The scribe replied saying Jesus was right. He said that to love one's neighbour as oneself was much more important than all whole burnt offerings and sacrifices. That was a huge statement for a scribe and I love it because it shows that just because someone was a scribe or a Pharisee, it didn't necessarily mean he was so law-bound as to forget mercy. I also love it that the scribe was obviously passionate about what he was saying. He was so sincere that Jesus said he was not far from the Kingdom of God.

At that time there was some controversy as to what the second great commandment should be. Some believed it was to love your neighbour as yourself but others believed it should be about keeping the Sabbath holy. We are left in no doubt about what Jesus thought about that. God had been crying out for centuries that he wanted mercy, not sacrifice. For Jesus, the commandment to love your neighbour as you love yourself flowed naturally from the first commandment, to love God with all your heart, mind, soul and strength.

Loving your neighbour is loving God. The two cannot be separated. Going to Mass but refusing to show mercy and compassion to the Muslims down the street or to a gay couple or to your co-worker or to your wayward child or to your spouse is not true religion in the eyes of God.

It's hypocrisy.



Shema Yisrael

By Jean Allen

LITURGICAL YEAR B

Saturday:

English Mass (Anticipated Sunday Mass) 4:00 pm
Syro-Malabar Rite Mass 7:00 pm

Sunday:

English Mass 9:00 am
Syro-Malabar Rite Mass 11:00 am
Korean 3:00 pm
Vietnamese (1st and 3rd Sunday) 5:30 pm

RECONCILIATION

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

Weekday Masses

English Masses

PLEASE NOTE

There are NO weekday 11 am Masses, from Tue, Nov 5 to Thu, Nov 7.

Fr. Shijo will be at the Diocesan Priest Study Days
Regular Mass will resume on Friday, November 8.

Friday, 8 November 11:00 am
Friday: Adoration after Mass
Benediction 1:30 pm

Korean Masses

Wednesdays 7:30 pm
Thursdays 10:00 am

Memorials and Feast Days coming up

When in Red: Major Feast with Gloria

Tue. Nov 12, 11am : St. Josaphat
Thu. Nov 21, 11am : Presentation of BVM
Fri. Nov 22, 11am : St. Cecilia

Parish Office Hours

Tuesdays to Fridays, 9:30 am to 3:00 pm

Closed: Saturdays, Sundays, and Mondays.

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

For Baptism, Marriage, Funerals, and Anointing of the Sick

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

Sacred Heart Parish Website >

For your convenience, QR codes are now located around the church.



Remember
to adjust your
clocks back
one hour this Sunday.



We welcome
Korean Pastor
Fr. Mark Park



Welcome to our Catholic Family

Congratulations to
Jiana Lei Castillo

on her Baptism
on Sunday, 3rd November 2024.





Please pray for:

Those who have died

Natalia de Jesus Carvalho, Jose Farias,
Donna Greaves, Georgie Guterres, Wayne Fenwick,
Sriwan Fernandes, Joe and Jose de Lima,
Margaret McGowan, Ivor Roberts.

Those who are ill

Skarlet, Jon A, Patricia C, Cora C, Maureen D, Lesley D,
Gaspar S, Valerie S, Kathleen G, Gwen J, Derek L, Lisa L, Diane L,
Rafael M-Duke, Edvige P, Davide R, Cathy T, Maria T, Teresita W.



CWL's Community Garage Sale

November 16, 9 am to 1 pm



Thank you to everyone who signed up for a table.



Knights of Columbus: Coats for Kids

Knights of Columbus, Sacred Heart Council, is planning to distribute a limited number of new coats for children and youths in need. If you know a child in need of a winter coat, please notify the Parish Office. Please include the gender and age and/or size of the child.

Thank you!

Options to Donate

E-Transfer:

The email to use is sacredheart@rcdvictoria.org

Pre-Authorized Debit (PAD)

Automatic Debit Form:

[http://sacredheartvictoria.com/docs/
PAD%20form%202020.pdf](http://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!

October 26 to October 27, 2024

Envelopes \$ 1,521.00

Cash \$ 462.25

Total \$ 1,983.25

October 2024

E-transfers \$ 1,045.00

PAD \$ 6,270.00

Canada Helps \$ 830.01

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

Fr. Shijo's Homilies

*Now available on
our Parish Website*

[https://sacredheartvictoria.com/
sacred-heart-homilies.html](https://sacredheartvictoria.com/sacred-heart-homilies.html)



The Book of Remembrance

The Book of Remembrance is at the entrance of the church. Write the names of your family and friends to be offered during Masses throughout November.

May the Souls of all the Faithful Departed
Rest in Peace. Amen.



... is a registered charity and receive no government funding. Birthright is supported solely by donations from individuals and groups, and fund raising efforts such as our popular Birthright Fudge sales. We have been selling Fudge by order at Sacred Heart parish since 2021 and would love to continue the tradition. Pick-up for **Fudge Sales** is from December 10 to 20.



Society of St. Vincent de Paul

In the Gospel today, Jesus tells us: "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength...and you shall love your neighbour as yourself."

Through your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul you can show your love for our Lord and your love of your neighbour who is hungry, hopeless, alone and frightened. Please make a gift and you will bring them faith and hope!



When donating online, please specify "Sacred Heart Parish":
[https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/
society-of-st-vincent-de-paul-of-vancouver-island/](https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/society-of-st-vincent-de-paul-of-vancouver-island/)

All cheques should be made to the "Society of St. Vincent de Paul".

To join the society, please email Georgina: mgvshort@telus.net



An arborist has discovered that the Garry Oak in front of the Rectory is suffering from decay within its trunk. For the safety of parishioners, the tree will be cut down.

The scheduled removal may last the whole day from the morning of **Tuesday, 19 November 2024.**

Please ensure that cars are not parked in the immediate vicinity.

Thank you.



Clean-up Saturday

**30 November
9 am to 12 pm**

SAVE THE DATE!

We thank parishioners who have already made their gift to the 2024 Sharing God's Gifts Appeal. Do join fellow parishioners to support this effort that strengthens many important programs and ministries across the Diocese of Victoria. Our goal, \$44,000.00 can only be achieved through YOUR generosity!

If you have not yet made a gift, brochures are available, or please visit www.rcdvictoria.org/bishops-appeal

Your gift will truly make a difference. Thank you for your prayers and support. Our parish project is the installation of ventilation to our Confessional.

Parish Goal: \$ 44,000.00 Received: \$ 23,861.07 Number of Gifts: 65



From the Diocese

The Kitchen Needs You!

For 42 years, *The Soup Kitchen* has been serving hot nourishing meals from the basement of St. Andrew's Cathedral to the downtown community. The Soup Kitchen is run and operated by committed volunteers. Operating without paid staff ensures almost all funds are dedicated to feeding those in need in our community.

We are currently looking for members for our Board of Directors. We operate as a working board providing management support and governance oversight to the organization. We are looking for skills/experience in any of the following areas: financial, fund raising, board experience, volunteer management, and operational management experience.

If you are interested in being part of a dynamic group of volunteers who provide an essential service to the local community please contact us at info@thesoupkitchen.ca to learn more.

The Soup Kitchen – Feeding Community



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Several volunteer positions available who are:

- free in the daytime
- interested in connecting with the residents, staff and volunteer team
- committed to making a difference in their community

If this sounds like you, please see us. Our volunteer coordinator will find the best possible volunteer placement for you.

Contact Tara Fedosoff – Volunteer Coordinator
P: 250-480-4180 E: tfedosoff@mountstmary.ca

Full-Time Senior Accountant

The Roman Catholic Diocese of Victoria is seeking a full-time Senior Accountant.

The candidate will bring extensive accounting experience along with their professional approach to the Finance Department. This position would suit an individual who thrives in a fast-paced work environment and enjoys dealing with people of different ages, backgrounds and cultures.

For more information and to apply, please visit:
<https://www.rcdvictoria.org/employment>.

The posting will remain open until filled.



MASS OF REMEMBRANCE

12 p.m. Wednesday, 13 November
St. Andrew's Cathedral

Bishop Gary will celebrate a Mass of Remembrance for the clergy and religious who served in our Diocese and who passed away in the past year.

All are invited!

Diocesan livestream at
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=px1A6RN4AXE>

Building Together! Our Lady of the Rosary Silent Auction

Friday, November 29, 6 pm to 9 pm
Royal Colwood Golf Course

Save the date! This silent and live auction will raise funds to build the new Our Lady of the Rosary Church.

Admission ticket: \$50.00 each, includes snacks and a drink.
To purchase tickets, please contact Cynthia at 250 478 3482 or email her at olorchurch@rcdvictoria.org.

Tickets will be sold at all Masses at
Star of the Sea Church, Colwood starting Oct 26. See you all there!



CISDV–AGM: The Annual General Meeting of the Catholic Independent Schools Diocese of Victoria Society will be on Wednesday, November 13.

At this meeting, a private ballot election will be held for two positions on the CISDV Board of Directors. Each position is a three-year term. Nomination forms may be requested from schools@cisdv.bc.ca, completed, and sent to the Nomination Committee at schools@cisdv.bc.ca no later than Wednesday, November 6.

Potential Board Members must meet the following requirements:

- Be a practising Catholic and an active member of a Catholic Parish in the Diocese of Victoria.
- Not be an employee of the CISDV, an immediate relative of an employee of the CISDV, nor a student of a school under the jurisdiction of CISDV.
- Read and understand the constitution and bylaws, policies 200 and 201 and the method of election.
- Have a signed nomination form which includes two sponsors and Parish Priest.

For further information, contact the Island Catholic Schools office at 250-727-6893 ext. 240.

Our Garry Oak Ecosystem Restoration Project has come to a close for 2024. A big thank you to all volunteers who helped remove invasive plants from St. Andrew's Regional High School, Sacred Heart Parish, and the Diocesan Pastoral Centre.

View the image gallery: <https://www.rcdvictoria.org/diocesanblog/gratitude-for-our-garry-oak-ecosystem-restoration-team>

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Syro-Malabar, Fr. Shijo George

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Hospital Chaplain, Fr. Sean Flynn

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Rafael Oei: sacredheart@rcdvictoria.org

RMSE Coordinator

Sindhu Merwin: sacredheartmse@gmail.com

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL 2023 / 2024

Marilyn Bojko

Peter Martin

Rick Perez de Tagle

Jeremy Côté

Samantha Sherman

Edgar Tan Jr. (Chair)

Jim Haffey

Will Podmoroff

Andy Pak

(Korean Representative)

Sonny Huynh

(Vietnamese Representative)

Anjali Aniyan

(Syro-Malabar Representative)

PARISH MINISTRIES & GROUPS

Please contact the Parish Office:
sacredheart@rcdvictoria.org



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Extraordinary Ministers

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Lectors

Music Director

Pastoral Care Ministry

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Rafael Oei

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Eduardo Bautista

Stan Dzbik

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Lynda Tan

Peter Liem

PARISH GROUPS

Christian Meditation

C.W.L. / Prayer Line

Knights of Columbus

Led By The Spirit Group

Moms & Tots

Phone-tree

Funeral Receptions

Social Justice/D & P

St. Vincent de Paul

Margie Noonan

Margot McLaughlin

Stan Dzbik

David MacIntyre

Chantal Côté

Elizabeth Olcen

Elizabeth Olcen

Stan Dzbik

Georgina Short

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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
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