



# Sacred Heart Catholic Church

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**\* Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time | 15th October 2023 \***

## LITURGICAL YEAR A

**Saturday: English Mass** 4:00 pm  
**Sunday:**  
**English Mass (streamed)** 9:00 am  
**Korean** 3:00 pm  
**Vietnamese (1st & 3rd Sun)** 5:30 pm

Please call the Parish Office for the following:

**Syro-Malabar** 12:00 pm  
**Polish** TBA

## RECONCILIATION

**Saturday** 3:00 pm

## Sacred Heart YouTube Channel

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCzXJfSxennwmYIT4kPyUh6w>

## Weekday Masses

**Mon-Fri 7:00 pm : Bp. Gary Gordon**  
**There will be NO 7 pm Mass on Tuesday, October 17**

Please check for updates / changes at  
<https://www.rcdvictoria.org/events/dailymasslivestreamed>  
and <https://www.youtube.com/c/RCDVictorialiveOne/about>

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**Wed 8:00 pm (Korean) : Fr. R. Ryu**  
**Thu 10:30 am (Korean) : Fr. R. Ryu**

We thank all the priests who celebrate Masses here at Sacred Heart Parish.



## All Saints' Day

**Wed. 1st November**  
**English : 12:00 pm**  
**Korean : 8:00 pm**

## All Souls' Day

**Thu. 2nd November**  
**English : 12:00 pm**  
**Korean : 10:30 am**  
**Polish : 6:00 pm**

The *Book of Remembrance* will be in the foyer from Tuesday, October 24, for you to enter the names of loved ones and friends for November.

## Please Note:

The Parish Office will be closed on **Wednesday, October 18** for a Diocesan Staff Retreat.

## No Quid Pro Quo

By Jean Allen

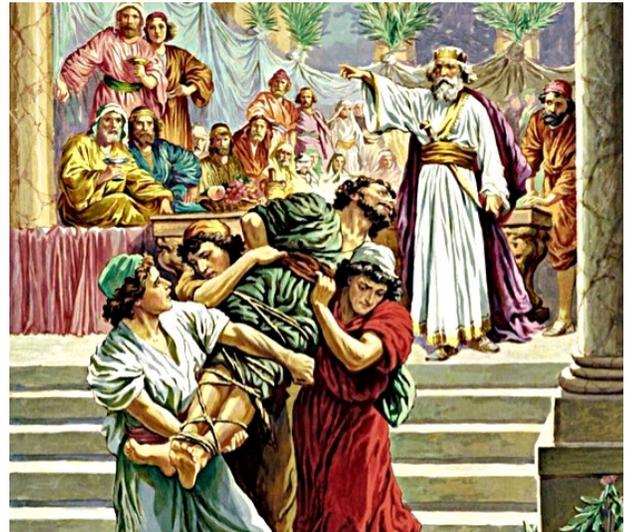
representative of God portrays God as violent and vengeful, which does not jive with Christ's total message of compassion and forgiveness. Below, I will offer another possible interpretation that more than one scholar has come up with.

They believe that the king here is not representative of God but is representative of the violent and vindictive tendencies of human power. The powerful king first sends out invitations to all the well to do but the moment he is spurned he turns into a raging tyrant and angrily slaughters those who reject him. Then the king invites the poor and the lowly. The poor can't turn him down because they are powerless and afraid after seeing what happened to the first lot of invitees. Then when this fearsome tyrant walks among his guests, he is brought up short by a guest with no proper garment. Confronted, the guest is 'speechless'. He is silent.

Might this unfortunate guest be Jesus, a man who had little and would only be considered good enough for the second tier of invitations and a man who did not strive to fit with the norm? Very shortly after this parable, Jesus was silent before his accusers and then he was bound and cast out into the darkness.

But how could Jesus say, "The Kingdom of heaven is like..." and then describe a violent despot similar to Herod? In Matthew 11, Jesus said, "The kingdom of heaven suffers violence and the violent take it by force." So, God's kingdom is not invulnerable to human violence; however, the Kingdom does not inflict violence in return. Hence the silent, unresisting guest, who allows himself to be bound and cast out.

So, beware: we can, and do, inflict violence on the Kingdom of Heaven.



**Bishop's Appeal 2023**

This week, parishes and missions throughout our Diocese kick off the Bishop's Appeal. The 2023 Appeal theme, Tapestry of Faith, provides opportunities for parishioners to build faith relationships, support Local Mission Parishes, and support our Clergy, Religious Sisters, Seminarians, and vocations: together weaving a Tapestry of Faith for our Diocese. For more information and to pledge <https://www.rcdvictoria.org/bishops-appeal>

**Parish Goal: \$44,000.00 Parish Project: COURTYARD SAFETY AND BEAUTIFICATION**

*New benches and more lighting in darker areas are the focus.*



**Please pray for:**

**Those who have died**

Betty Guterres,  
Bruno Rinaldo, and Max Sequeira

**Those who are ill**

Thérèse Akouri , Jon A, Darrell C, Cora C,  
Lesley D, Kathleen G, Richard G, Azaryah H, Pedrito K,  
Derek L, Lisa Laidlaw, Maria T, and Bob Ward.

**Welcome Reception for our new Pastor**

To welcome Fr. Jan Grotkowski, SDS, our new Pastor, two parish community events are being planned that require your assistance and participation:

- Saturday, Nov. 4, after the 4 pm Mass: a Potluck Dinner in the Parish Hall to enjoy meeting and greeting Fr. Jan. As you know, for a Potluck, we will need lots of helpers and lots of food.
- Sunday, Nov. 5, after the 9 am Mass: the regular coffee team will set up and clean up. You are welcome to sign up to provide some sweet treats for Sunday's welcome reception.

Sign-Up sheets will be available in the church foyer from this weekend until the weekend of October 28 and 29.

WE HAVE LOTS TO CELEBRATE  
AND WE AT SACRED HEART ARE GRATEFUL!

If you have any questions, please contact the Parish Pastoral Council via email: 123sigmar@gmail.com or leave a message at 250-361-4393.

**Thank you!**  
*Marilyn Bojko, PPC Chair*

**Contributions**

**Pre-Authorized Debit (PAD)**

If you are PAD user, please remember to complete your name and address on the Special Collection envelopes, if you would like to receive a tax receipt. Information & links are also available on our website.

**Options To Donate**

**E-Transfer:** The email to use is:  
sacredheart@rcdvictoria.org

**Pre-Authorized Debit:  
Automatic Debit**

(click here for the PAD form)

The PAD form is also available from the Parish Office.

**Canada Helps: Online through Canada Helps**

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!**

**Oct 7 & Oct 8, 2023**

Envelopes \$ 4,145.00  
Cash \$ 557.60  
Total \$ 4,702.60

**September 2023**

E-Transfers \$ 985.00  
PAD \$ 5,760.00  
Canada Helps \$ 963.32

Donations through PAD, Canada Helps, & e-Transfer will be reported mid-October.

**OUR MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS**

**Saturday, 14 October, 4 pm : Fr. Frank Franz**

Altar Servers : Elias T, Mara T, Sarah L, Rachel L  
Proclaimers : Belle PdT, Sigrune F  
EMCs : Marilyn T  
Ushers : Denise O  
Music : Arlene S, Rafael O

**Sunday, 15 October, 9 am : Fr. Eduardo Santos**

Altar Servers : Daisy L, Mariah C, Gabby C, Pio T  
Proclaimers : Kathy W, Connie H  
EMCs : Cong N, Angela S  
Ushers : Lynda T, Angie Z  
Music : Sacred Heart Choir, Rafael O

**Thank you for your service to the Lord,  
and our Parish Community.**

**ROSARY SCHEDULE: OCT 2023**

Sat, Oct. 14, 4 pm Mass: begins 3:35 pm : Altar Servers  
Sun, Oct. 15, 9 am Mass: begins 8:35 am : Music/Choir  
Sat, Oct. 21, 4 pm Mass: begins 3:35 pm : Proclaimers  
Sun, Oct. 22, 9 am Mass: begins 8:35 am : Proclaimers  
Sat, Oct. 28, 4 pm Mass: begins 3:35 pm : Ushers  
Sun, Oct. 29, 9 am Mass: begins 8:35 am : EMCs



**PARISH MINISTRIES  
& GROUPS**

Please contact the Parish Office:  
sacredheart@rcdvictoria.org

**PARISH LITURGICAL MINISTRIES**

<b>Parish Liturgy Coordinator</b>	<b>Rafael Oei</b>
Altar Servers	Karla Montano
Extraordinary Ministers	Gilbert & Chay Santos
Floral Ministry (Environment)	Ruby Rivera
Music Director	Rafael Oei
Pastoral Care Ministry	Lynda Tan
Proclaimers	Stan Dzbik
Ushers	Marisa Tinsay / Isme Liem
Video Streamers	Peter Liem

**PARISH GROUPS**

Christian Meditation	Margie Noonan
C.W.L. / Prayer Line	Margot McLaughlin
Knights of Columbus	Rick Perez de Tagle
Led By The Spirit Group	David MacIntyre
Moms & Tots	Chantal Côté
Phone-tree	Elizabeth Olcen
Funeral Receptions	Elizabeth Olcen
Social Justice/D & P	Stan Dzbik
St. Vincent de Paul	Georgina Short



**Pilgrimage to Mexico**

**Feb 23 to Mar 1, 2024**

**8 days, \$3,390.00** (inc. taxes & tips)

**Fr. Dean Henderson**

Pastor, Our Lady of the Rosary, Langford

For more information: 877-999-8868

Stan: ext. 339 or 647-463-9057, stan@ihtours.com

Liliana: ext. 324, liliana@ihtours.com



## CWL General Meeting

The next CWL General Meeting will be held on October 21st at 10:00 a.m. in the Parish Hall. Members and guests are welcome.

### 2nd CWL Community Garage Sale Saturday, November 4, 9am -1pm

The CWL Community Garage Sale has a few tables left to rent. Rent a table for \$25 to sell your new or used items.

Contact Denise Owen at [deniseowen@shaw.ca](mailto:deniseowen@shaw.ca) or 250-580-0066

## The Knight's Annual Charity Appeal is now on until December 16.

### Grand prize: 2023 Toyota RAV4 Hybrid

Multiple prizes and Early Bird prizes to be won. Tickets are \$5 each, 10 for \$25 or 50 for \$50. Proceeds go towards charitable causes.

[www.kofccharity.ca](http://www.kofccharity.ca)

Please select "Victoria - Sacred Heart Parish" under organization.



## From the Diocese



### Rite Relations: Developments in Indigenous Catholic Leadership and Unity

on Zoom from 6 pm to 7:30 pm PDT

On Tuesday, October 17, Star of the North Retreat Centre is hosting an online talk by Noah MacDonald, a Canon Lawyer with the Archdiocese of Toronto, a Anishinaabe member of the Michipicoten First Nation, and advocate for the rights and leadership of Indigenous Catholics.

For more information and to register, please visit <https://www.starofthenorth.ca/register/event-calendar/?id=734>



### Help the Society of St. Vincent de Paul

World Food Day, 16 October, is celebrated annually to commemorate the founding of the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization in 1945.

In 2022, the food pantry at the St. Vincent de Paul Social Concern Office on Yates Street served 14,373 individuals. That may reach 20,000 in 2023 with a 20% growth in August. With rising food costs, it is difficult to meet this growth and to keep our shelves full to meet demand. This World Food Day, please contribute high protein grocery items and deposit them at the entrance of the church.

For monetary donations, please specify that it is for the "SCO Food Pantry", make the cheque payable to the "Society of St. Vincent de Paul" and drop it in the collection, or donate online at:

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

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### Estate Planning

On Thursday, October 19, the Society of St. Vincent De Paul of Vancouver Island will hold a free online conference including professional advice about estate planning and making bequests.

The session will be held via Zoom from 4:00 - 5:30 pm. To register please email [administration@svdpvictoria.com](mailto:administration@svdpvictoria.com)

## SAVE THE DATE!

### 2023 Diocesan Faith Days.

Saturday, November 25 from 9 am to 3 pm

St. Edward's Church in Duncan | Guest Speaker: Leah Perrault

Theme: "Serving with Spirit: Transformation from the inside out".

All are invited to join us for a day of learning.

Registration details, soon!



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### The Four Constitutions of Vatican II



Tues, Nov. 7, The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishop's Office for Evangelization and Catechesis will begin a webinar series on "The Four Constitutions of Vatican II". Pope Francis invites us to prepare for the Jubilee year in 2025 by taking time to study Vatican II. The Holy Father hopes that the young people will experience the richness of the documents and their importance. The series runs over four Tuesdays in November, from 10 am to 11:30 am PT.

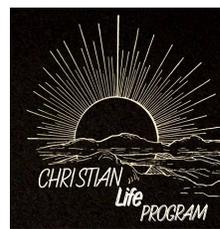
All sessions will be recorded and packaged with a reflection guide.

If you wish to attend any session or notified when recordings are available, please visit [https://cccba-zoom.us/webinar/register/3016939203502/WN\\_Xf09Vsi\\_SjiiilwdLPzWMDQ#/registration](https://cccba-zoom.us/webinar/register/3016939203502/WN_Xf09Vsi_SjiiilwdLPzWMDQ#/registration)

### 7th Annual Franciscan Fine Arts & Poster Contest 2023

Children and youth are invited to participate in the 7th Franciscans of Western Canada's Fine Arts & Poster Contest. The theme this year is "The Greccio Nativity Scene", to celebrate the story of St. Francis of Assisi creating the first nativity scene 800 years ago in a cave near Greccio, Italy. Entries must be postmarked "Wednesday, November 15".

For more information and the contest entry form, please visit <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1PFMW1T3uUKV1yoGmOBPCgYx0JoCdmsPo>



The Couples for Christ and Family Ministries invite all Married Couples for the CFC – Christian Life Program that will begin on Friday, October 20, 2023, 7pm, St. Andrew's Cathedral.

The Christian Life Program from Couples for Christ leads participants into a renewed understanding of God's call for them as Christian couples. The course is 8 individual sessions. For inquiries, please contact Mark and Eeyah Manalo:

P. (250) 532-2338 /CouplesForChristVictoriaBC@gmail.com

## Redeeming Conflict

Holy Cross Parish in Victoria from 8:30 am – 3:30 pm

Saturday, November 4, Catholic speaker / author Ann Garrido will present our Diocesan Conference "Redeeming Conflict: One Messy Situation at a Time".

As Christians, how we handle our tensions with one another is one of the most profound witnesses we offer in the world. Ann will share insights into how we can make our tensions part of our spiritual journey.

For information and to register please visit: <https://DofVRedeemingConflict.eventbrite.com>.

Questions can be directed to Margaret Gwyn at [mgwyn@rcdvictoria.org](mailto:mgwyn@rcdvictoria.org) or 250-479-1331 ext 227.

## TO REPORT SEXUAL ABUSE TO AN INDEPENDENT AGENCY

To report sexual abuse by a clergy member, religious, employee, or volunteer, visit [RCDVictoria.org/Responsible-Ministry](http://RCDVictoria.org/Responsible-Ministry) or call **1-800-968-3146**

To report sexual abuse or cover-up by a Catholic Bishop, visit [BishopReportingSystem.ca](http://BishopReportingSystem.ca) or call **1-866-892-3737**

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