

Sacred Heart Catholic Church

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* Feast of The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ | 22 June 2025 *

Happy Summer!!!

Have a safe, relaxing, awesome, and blessed summer!





On Baskets and Pieces

by Jean Allen

"And all ate and were filled. What was left over was gathered up, 12 baskets of broken pieces."

Sometimes I pick up on little things that may or may not have meant anything according to the

author of the text. This week, what struck me was '12 baskets of broken pieces' – 12 disciples, 12 baskets. My immediate thought was that we all have baskets and we are all broken pieces.

He feeds us on the Bread of Life and then he gathers up our brokenness. We are often exhorted to share with others the life we receive in the Holy Eucharist, and rightfully so. That is the ideal. But it does not escape the Lord's notice that many often come to Mass broken and also leave that way. Those of us who are not broken in the moment must remember "12 disciples, 12 baskets". We are called to receive Christ's Body and Blood and then see if there are broken pieces, broken brothers or sisters, in need of being gathered into our love and attention.

There are times when receiving the Body and Blood of Christ is a deeply personal need, especially when one is a broken piece, but if we always receive Christ personally and without compassion and loving respect for others and the needs of others, we are defeating the purpose of the Eucharist. It is a community meal. Yes, it is meant to strengthen us personally but always with the end result of strengthening us as a supportive and nourishing community.

Conversely, a community cannot support and nourish if the broken pieces do not share their brokenness and put up walls of independence. There needs to be a willingness to be gathered. No one can support you if no one knows you're hurting. The goal isn't to become just a perfect community of individuals; the goal is to share love – and to accept love.

Every time you smile warmly at someone or hug them, you are sharing the nourishing Body. Every time you feel healed by and grateful for that smile or that touch, you are sipping the healing Blood.

It's the economy of Grace.



You are invited to celebrate the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus
This Friday, 27 June

5:30 pm Sacred Heart Icon Procession

6:00 pm Mass

Followed by a Knights of Columbus BBQ and Potluck Entertainment by The Greater Victoria Concert Band

Welcome to our Catholic Family
Congratulations
Kasper Voakes, Sebastian Voakes, & Kinga Willey
Baptised on Saturday, 21 June 2025.

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 (1st and 3rd Sundays) 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 24 June: St. John the Baptist 11:00 am Wednesday 11:00 am Thursday 11:00 am Friday 27 June: Icon Procession 5:30 pm Sacred Heart of Jesus Mass 6:00 pm

Korean Masses

Wednesdays 7:30 pm Thursdays 10:00 am

Parish Office Hours

Tuesdays to Fridays 9:30 am to 3 pm

From July, for temporary summer hours, please refer to the website or call first before visiting the Parish Office.

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 >



Summer Parish Bulletins

For the months of July and August, the Parish Bulletin will be published at the beginning of each month.

Urgent updates, information, and news will be communicated via email and on the Parish Website.

Have an excellent summer!



Distribution of the Precious Blood of Christ begins this weekend!

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-hearthomilies.html



Please Pray For

Those who have died:

Joan Anderson, Ryce Cabuyao, Antonio & Gilberto Delima, Magdelena Eberl, Hedwig Kebritz, Ella Pongos, and Josin Remedios.

Those who are ill:

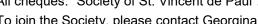
Jon A, Patricia C, Cora C, Maureen Dietrich, Lesley D, Kathleen G, Derek L, Lisa L, Diane L, Will P, Dino R, Davide R, Willy S, Gaspar S, Valerie S, Cathy T, Maria T, and Ornella T.



Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Today we celebrate the Body and Blood of Christ. Jesus asks his disciples: "Why do you not give them something to eat yourselves?" And he shows them how by the multiplication of the five loaves and two fishes.

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: mgvshort@telus.net or call 250-727-2615

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 14 & June 15, 2025

Envelopes \$ 1,707.00 Cash \$ 379.55 **Total \$ 2,086.55**

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

Nativity of St. John the Baptist

Only three birthdays are celebrated on the Church's liturgical calendar, the Nativity of Our Lord (Dec. 25), the Nativity of His Mother (Sep. 8), and the Nativity of St. John the Baptist (June 24). The Church honours him because of his role in preparing the way for Christ. St. John the Baptist is



one of the few saints who have two feast days. Each year the Church celebrates the Nativity of Saint John the Baptist on June 24, three months after the Annunciation on March 25th, as well as the date of his martyrdom, on August 29. The exact date of St. John the Baptist's birth is not known.

St. John the Baptist is mostly known for being the cousin of Jesus and the principal figure who prepared the way for Christ before He began His public ministry. St. John's mother was St. Elizabeth, a relative of the Blessed Virgin Mary and wife of Zechariah, a member of the priestly class, a descendant of Aaron, and therefore a priest in the temple of Jerusalem. When he was serving in the temple, the angel Gabriel appeared to him and told him that his wife would bear a son and that he was to name him John. Because Zechariah doubted the words of the angel, he was made mute until the birth of John the Baptist. The full account of this encounter can be found in the Gospel of Luke 1:5-24.

Throughout the Old Testament, God sent prophets, like John the Baptist, to soften the hearts of the faithful, call them to repentance, and to prepare for Christ's coming so they would recognize Him and receive Him when they encountered Him. John was the last of these and the greatest.

[Online accessed 17 June 2024: https://www.ewtn.com/catholicism/seasons-and-feast-days/ nativity-of-saint-john-the-baptist-23956]

Pilgrim Icon arrives at Sacred Heart



Parishioners of Sacred Heart Church welcomed the image of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, painted in 1767 by Pompeo Batoni, at the anticipated 4 pm Mass last Saturday. A short prayer service to welcome the icon was led by Grand Knight, Stan Dzbik after Mass. This reproduction bears the blessing of Pope Francis and is one of 300 icons traveling across the world.

The Sacred Icon will be in the parish until the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus on Friday, 27 June. Festivities of the evening will begin with a procession with the Sacred Icon around the parking lot at 5:30 pm. The original is venerated in the Church of the Gesù in Rome.



Multicultural Festival 2025

Saturday, July 5, 5:30 pm, Parish Hall Ethnic Food, Music, Songs, and Dances!!



Participate in the potluck by bringing your family's most delicious ethnic dish while enjoying Mexican dancers, Philippine Tinikling Bamboo, Belly Dancers, Hawaiian Hula Girls, and other performing groups. Suggested donation of \$10.

For more information and to contribute to the potluck, please contact: 778-265-0013 / perezdetagleoscar@gmail.com



Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus

Friday, 27 June 2025

June 16, 2025 marked the 350th anniversary of the apparition of Jesus to St. Margaret Mary Alacoque where he revealed to her the mysteries of his heart and requested for what became the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. St. Margaret Mary was praying close to the tabernacle in

the monastery of the Visitation nuns in Paray-le-Monial, France on June 16, 1675 when Jesus appeared to her, pointed to his heart, and said:

Behold the heart that has so loved men that it has spared nothing, even exhausting and consuming itself to testify to its love. In recognition, I receive from the greater part of men only ingratitude, by their irreverence and sacrilege, by their coldness and the contempt they have for me in this Sacrament of Love. But what is still more painful to me is that hearts consecrated to me treat me in this way.

Therefore, I ask that the Friday after the octave of Corpus Christi be set apart for a special feast to honor my heart, by receiving Communion on that day and making reparation to [my heart] by a solemn act, in order to make amends for the indignities that it has received during the time it has been exposed on the altars. I promise you that my heart will open to pour out in abundance the influence of its divine love upon those who shall honor it, or cause it to be honored, in this way.

[Online accessed, 17 June 2025: https://www.ncregister.com/commentaries/msgr-landry-sacred-heart-350]

In 1856, Blessed Pope Pius IX extended the Feast of the Sacred Heart to the universal Church recognizing its profound significance. This year, 2025, marks the 150th anniversary of this devotion. It is a timely invitation to rediscover it and respond to the love of Christ with renewed fervor. Pope Leo XIII and Ven. Pope Pius XII further encouraged this devotion through their encyclicals, *Annum Sacrum* and *Haurietis Aquas*. Pope St. John Paul II spoke passionately about the Sacred Heart, urging the faithful to embrace this devotion as a means of experiencing the love of God more fully.

[Online accessed, 17 June 2025: https://www.catholic.com/tract/the-sacred-heart-of-jesus-catholic-answers-quide

Grateful and heartfelt thanks

especially to Michael and his heavy equipment, and everyone who came to help with the clearing of the invasive plants every Saturday. You have made a difference. Thank you.



Donations of flowers!

We will accept flower donations by 1:45 pm each Friday. A bucket for flower donations will be placed by the entrance of the church. Bouquets of arranged flowers will also be accepted on Saturdays by 3 pm, before the 4 pm anticipated Mass.



for supporting the CWL Bake Sale last weekend!

Your donations will go to worthy charities.





From the Diocese



St. Josemaría Feast Day Mass 6 pm, Tuesday, June 24th

St. Joseph the Worker Parish Light refreshments will follow.

You are invited to join Bishop Gary as he celebrates Mass on the Feast Day of St Josemaría Escrivá, founder of Opus Dei, also called the "saint of the ordinary" by Pope St John Paul II. The Mass marks the 50th anniversary of the death of St Josemaría.

We welcome... Teresa Kellendonk Chancellor, Diocese of Victoria, effective summer 2025



Bp Thomas J. Lobsinger, OMI Memorial Bursary

Applications accepted until Jun 30, 2025.

The Terms of Reference: https://kofcbc.org/bursary-program-2025/Requests for application should be addressed to:

Christopher Chen – State Bursary Chairman Knights of Columbus BC Charity Foundation #333 – 1231 Pacific Boulevard, Vancouver B.C. V6Z 0E2

Or email: chrischen.kofc@gmail.com

Serra Club in Formation Diocese of Victoria 6 pm, Tuesday, June 24, St. Patrick's Parish

Serra Club in formation meets every last Tuesday of the month in different Parishes. The next meeting is on Tuesday, June 24 at St. Patrick's Parish beginning with a Mass for Vocations at 6 pm. An information meeting follows with Fr. Benson Asuming sharing his vocational journey to the priesthood. All are welcome!

For more information, please email: victoria@serrainternational.org.

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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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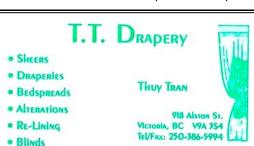




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