



# Sacred Heart Catholic Church

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**\* Third Sunday of Easter | 19 April 2026 \***

## Grateful Thanks

*to Edgar Tan, the Parish Pastoral Council, the organizing committee,  
and all parishioners for making our first Parish Engagement Fair  
such a wonderful success!*



The one thing that stands out clearly in all the stories after Jesus's resurrection is his compassion toward and love for his followers. The Road to Emmaus is another shining example. Cleopas and his companion were expressing intense disappointment because they had thought the crucified Jesus was the one who would politically redeem Israel, an idea that before his crucifixion, Jesus had tried to make clear was not an option.

## Burning Desire



by Jean Allen

One might feel that because Jesus said to them, "Oh how foolish you are..." that his patience was being sorely tested, but in those days, calling someone foolish did not mean they were stupid or an idiot. It simply meant that the person had not taken all the facts into consideration. So, Jesus, like the master teacher he was, explained the facts in detail from the beginning to end. He didn't call them out for having the wrong idea; he simply took the time to bring them into an in-depth clarity about what really had just happened. These followers were not even two of the twelve disciples, they were simply two of a number of committed followers. However, Jesus didn't, and doesn't, play favorites or deem anyone more worthy of his time and teaching because of their status or perceived importance. Cleopas and his companion may have later become spiritual teachers, instructing other confused followers as to what had just occurred. Through them, Jesus actually may have reached out to a great many and taught them. Nothing is wasted in the Kingdom.

We need to allow this incident on the Road to Emmaus to lodge itself firmly in our overall perceptions of Jesus and who he wants to be for each one of us. This incident should open our hearts to the understanding that it doesn't matter who you are, Jesus has a plan and a desire to use you. Even if you have a wrong understanding of something, he will clarify and, through you, touch many people. You just have to be willing to walk and listen.

Let your hearts burn with his desire.

## LITURGICAL YEAR A

### Saturday:

English Mass (anticipated Mass) 4:00 pm

### Sunday:

English Mass 9:00 am  
Syro-Malabar 11:00 am  
Korean 3:00 pm  
Vietnamese (Please contact the Parish Office) 5:30 pm

## Weekday Masses

### English Masses

Tuesday 11:00 am  
Wednesday 11:00 am  
Thursday 11:00 am  
Friday 11:00 am  
Exposition 11:30 am  
Benediction 1:30 pm

### Korean Masses

Wednesday 7:30 pm  
Thursday 10:00 am

## RECONCILIATION

Tuesday to Friday 10:30 am  
Saturday 3:15 am  
Sunday 8:15 am

## Parish Office Hours

**Temporary hours from April 21 to May 15**  
**Tuesdays to Fridays**  
**10:00 am to 2:00 pm**

Closed on Mondays, Saturdays, and Sundays

If you would like to register or volunteer for a ministry, please send an email to [sacredheart@rcdvictoria.org](mailto:sacredheart@rcdvictoria.org)

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

Please contact:  
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P. 250-479-1611

[Sacred Heart Parish Website >](http://Sacred Heart Parish Website)



## SAVE THE DATE



**Sacred Heart Parish**  
**Annual General Meeting**

**Saturday, May 2 at 5 pm**  
**in the Parish Hall**

After the Saturday, 4 pm Anticipated Mass

**Pizza and refreshments**  
**will be served!**

**Gluten-free pizza will be available**  
**upon request.**





## Please Pray For

### Those who have died:

Stephanie Acheson, James Bond, Teresa Bijold,  
Nigel Brodeur, Daniel de Grammont,  
Alice, Joe Snr & Joe Jnr De Lima,  
Alan Kirkland, Primo, Joel, and Leslie Oandasan,  
Judy Owen, Angela Pecorelli, Sixto Pongos, and Norman Webb.

### Those who are ill:

Irene Anna, Jon A, Jacobus B, Patrick C, Irene C, Patricia C,  
Cora C, Lesley D, Robert H, Derek L, Lisa L, Ed O, Fiona M,  
Davide R, Valerie S, Norma Thompson, Ornella T, and Dan W.



## Eternal Rest Grant Unto

**Nigel Brodeur** (30 March 2026)  
Funeral Mass, 11 a.m., Tuesday, 12 May 2026

O Lord, and let Perpetual Light Shine Upon him.  
May his soul rest in peace. Amen.

## The Garry Oak restoration project is back!

The group meets every 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month,  
from 1 pm to 4 pm, until the end of October.

## Healthcare Mass

11 am, Sunday, April 19, St. Patrick's Church, Haultain

Bishop Gary Gordon will celebrate a special Healthcare Mass in honour of the dedication of those who work or volunteer in health care. Everyone is invited to participate, either in person or via livestream: <https://www.youtube.com/live/BcHDJhHitMc>.

Enjoy a Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast before and after Mass in the Lourdes Hall

## Options to Donate

### E-Transfer:

The email to use is [sacredheart@rcdvictoria.org](mailto: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!

**April 11 & 12, 2026**

Envelopes \$ 1,790.00

Cash \$ 205.00

**Total \$ 1,995.00**

Building Fund \$ 720.00

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

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



**IN MAY!**

You are welcome to join us to  
**Pray the Rosary**

25 minutes before each Mass

Celebrate the end of the

**Month of the  
Rosary**

**Sunday, May 31,  
9 am Mass**

8:35 am - Rosary

Mass will end with  
Exposition | Benediction

followed by the usual Sunday coffee / tea.  
Bring-your-own picnic in the courtyard.



## Nominations for Sacred Heart's Parish Pastoral Council

The Sacred Heart Parish Pastoral Council under Pastor, Fr. Shijo, is an advisory council overseeing the pastoral needs of the parish. Nominees must be:

- 18 years of age or older
- Enthusiastic for the future of Sacred Heart
- Willing to listen, speak and have the courage to work towards a consensus

Put in your name, or someone you know, into the Nomination Box in the church foyer.

## CWL BAKE SALE THIS WEEKEND!

The Catholic Women's League Sacred Heart Council is selling homemade baked goodies after the 4 pm Mass on Saturday and the 9 am Mass on Sunday. Items will be packaged in increments of \$5 and \$10 and some individual items for \$2. Please bring cash.

Thank you for supporting the CWL - Sacred Heart Council.



## Society of St. Vincent de Paul

The story of the disciples on the road to Emmaus reminds us that reaching out to our neighbour is our daily walk with the risen Christ. Through your gifts, the Society has brought the love and care of Jesus to over 1600 families, including close to 500 children, providing food and assistance for utility and rent bills.

To join the Society, please contact Georgina: [mgvshort@telus.net](mailto:mgvshort@telus.net) or call 250-727-2615

For assistance, please call our Social Concern Office: 250-727-0007 ext 1.

To donate online, specify "Sacred Heart Parish"  
[https://give-can.keela.co/ssvp\\_donation\\_form](https://give-can.keela.co/ssvp_donation_form)

Make cheques to: "Society of St. Vincent de Paul".





## From the Diocese



**Please pray for  
Fr. Michael Favero**  
who has had a relapse of lymphoma.  
More chemotherapy will follow.



### 12th Annual Diocese of Victoria Family Camp and Conference

# "Grafted to Christ"

Registration is now open for the 12th Annual Diocese of Victoria Family Camp and Conference. Families are invited to gather for a fun, faith-filled weekend of fellowship, play, and prayer taking place August 20-23 at beautiful Nanoose Bay Camp.

The Guest Speakers are Angela and Shawn Veters.

Details are at:

<https://12thAnnualVictoriaDioceseFamilyCampandConference.eventbrite.ca>



**MARCH  
FOR LIFE  
VICTORIA  
THURSDAY  
MAY 14, 2026**

We are full of Hope 




### Conversation in the Spirit

All are invited to participate in an online "Conversation in the Spirit" synodal session on Saturday, April 25 from 10:30 am to 11:45 am.

As part of the Diocese of Victoria Permanent Pastoral Synod, this safe, respectful, and non-judgmental session will be exploring questions about how to bring the Good News to our communities.

To join the session, see the following Zoom link:  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81881926381?pwd=K8hfpytrbBlv18YHYjbla0Tmotzcub.1>

Meeting ID: 818 8192 6381 | Passcode: 921735

## BURSARIES

St. Mark's College, UBC, is accepting applications for bursaries and awards for people within the Diocese of Victoria, on a rolling basis.

1. The Blessed Marie Anne Blondin Bursary (\$1,500): for a lay woman accepted or enrolled in a program / course for ministry in the Church, e.g. religious education, liturgy, care of the sick, etc. Candidates must be able to demonstrate financial needs
2. Formation for Catholic Ministry Award (\$3,330): for a school-teacher, parish or diocesan lay leader in the diocese pursuing theological education to deepen their understanding of the faith and to better teach it and/or deepen ones spiritual life.

Information and application forms: <https://stmarkscollege.ca/scholarships-and-financial-aid/#GraduateScholarships>

## Fr. Ian Stuart

**Funeral Mass, 1 pm on Friday, May 8  
St. Patrick's Church, Haultain Street.**

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Fr. Ian Stuart who passed away on Thursday, April 9 at Mount St. Mary Hospital. Fr. Ian was 74 years old.

Fr. Ian was born in Winnipeg, moved to Victoria as a child, and attended St. Patrick's Elementary and St. Louis College. In 1987, he was ordained to a priest in the Archdiocese of Vancouver. After many years of ministry, he moved back to Victoria in 2014 and served in parishes and as hospital chaplain.

May perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace.

## Bp Thomas J. Lobsinger, OMI Memorial Bursary

**Applications accepted until Jun 30, 2026**

Requests for application should be addressed to:

Jim Williams, State Bursary Chairman  
2195 Neptune Road, North Saanich, BC, V8L 5J4  
Or email: [jimw.kofc@gmail.com](mailto:jimw.kofc@gmail.com)

Terms: [https://foundation.kofcbc.org/bursary/#elf\\_11\\_Lw](https://foundation.kofcbc.org/bursary/#elf_11_Lw)



St. Andrew's Regional High School  
presents

May 7, 8: 7pm  
May 9: 2pm & 7pm



# Annie JR.

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\* Grandparents, Aunts, Uncles and Students can also register to purchase items. \* Community Members, skip this step "I don't want to add a student".

## USED UNIFORMS NEEDED

St. Andrew's Regional High School will accept "USED UNIFORM" donations for their sale in May. Please drop off the donations in the marked bin by the main doors of the school.



## HOSTING STUDENTS

The St. Andrew's International Student Program need host families for male students for the 2026/27 School Year starting September. Host families receive \$1,350 per month to cover costs.

Please contact Nina Timm at:  
[homestay@cisdv.bc.ca](mailto:homestay@cisdv.bc.ca) / 403-771-2519

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St. Vincent de Paul

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## 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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