



# St. Edward's Parish

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## 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

*February 2nd/3rd, 2019*

**Pastor: FATHER STEPHEN PAINE**

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### OFFICE HOURS

**Tuesday to Friday 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.**

Secretary: 250-746-6831 *Sherriden Clements*  
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### MASS TIMES

#### -ST. EDWARD'S CHURCH-

Saturday Reconciliation 3:30-4:30 p.m.  
(or by appointment)  
Mass 5:00 p.m.  
Sunday Reconciliation 8:30-9:30 a.m.  
(or by appointment)  
Mass 10:00 a.m.  
Tuesday to Friday  
Mass 9:00 a.m.

#### -SUNRIDGE PLACE-

**361 Bundock Avenue, Duncan**

Friday Mass 11:00 a.m.

### St. Edward's Parish Mission Statement

*We, the people of St. Edward's reaffirm our belief that we are children of God, created in love, diverse and unique. We believe that through our common Baptism, and by the power of the Holy Spirit, we are called to be Christ for one another and to foster unity with all peoples. We accept the challenges of living according to Gospel Values, and to invite all sisters and brothers to share this journey with us.*



*God calls some people, such as Jeremiah, to be prophets—to bring others to him by speaking God's words to them. Most of us, however, are called to be witnesses through the love that we show each day in our actions and words. No matter what we do, it must always be expressed in love.*

*Pray, Read, Discuss for This Week*

*Nehemiah 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10, 17-19; 1 Corinthians 12: 12-30; Luke 4: 1-4, 4:14-21*

*"We are witnesses to Jesus, primarily through our love for one another."*

*Pastor's Notes*

As many of you know, the news in the United States has been filled with stories of an incident at the March for Life in Washington. That incident involved students from a Catholic School from a Covington High School, who had attended the March, and who were waiting for their bus. While waiting for their bus, the Catholic students were verbally harassed for an extended period of time by a group calling themselves the Black Hebrew Israelites. The students were repeatedly subjected to racist and religious bigotry in the vilest form.

Shortly thereafter a native American demonstrator inserted himself into the situation by moving into the center of the group of Catholic students, confronting one of the students, entering into that student's space and then drumming in the student's face.

Shortly after the incident occurred a video (Video #1), heavily edited, was released which purported to show that the Catholic students had 1) surrounded the native American, 2) interfered with his peaceful protest and his drumming, and, 3) mocked him without cause. This video was posted by an anonymous person using an anonymous account and went viral. After the release of this first video, all hell broke loose and the students, their school, and their diocese came under heavy condemnation. In addition to heavy condemnation from outsiders to the incident, the students were also condemned by their own bishop and by other bishops and by several very vocal left-leaning priests in the Church.

Subsequent video of the incident(s) (Video #2), video unedited and of a much longer duration, shows, that the Catholic students were in fact the real victims. They were the victims of the aggression and harassment of both the Black Hebrew Israelites members and of the Native American. This video (Video #2) and subsequent interviews with the students show the students as reasonable, responsible and enormously charitable under all the circumstances.

I mention these facts and this controversy as they illustrate well the readings for today and they illustrate well the opposition we can expect as faithful Catholics and Christians. The students in this case witnessed boldly to the sanctity of life, to their faith in Jesus Christ, to their commitment to non-violence, to their willingness to stand for their faith in the face of great hatred and animosity, and to charity of holding back moral judgment of strangers until intentions are clear.

In the first reading today, Jeremiah warns us that, "They will fight against you; but they shall not prevail against you, for I am with you, says the Lord, to deliver you." These students were targeted for their colour, for their faith, for their support for the unborn, for their sex and also for the MAGA hats some of them wore to celebrate the fact that President Trump and Vice-President Pence are strong supporters of the unborn. These students were the innocent victims of innumerable acts of hatred from the Black Hebrew Israelites, the Native American, the press, many clergy, several bishops, prominent Catholics, and numerous members of the public.

In the second reading, Paul tells us about the nature of love, "Love is patient, love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant or rude...it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. It bears all things." If you wish to see this scripture in practice watch the video (Video #2) of the young people as they seek to practice love in the face of unrestrained animosity. These students are to be admired for their exercise of restraint. They are to be admired and praised for their peaceful behaviour and peaceful speech under the circumstances.

In the gospel we hear Jesus say that "no prophet is accepted in his hometown." It was so sad to see this passage of the Gospel come to life in the unrestrained and unjustified criticism and condemnation of the students. When Jesus said these words and others, the people were filled with rage and sought to "hurl him off the cliff." The reaction of the crowd to the students was similar to that of the crowd's reaction to Jesus. When the modern day crowd saw the Christian witnesses smile in the face of hatred, the crowd -the mob-including many Catholic bishops, priests and teachers, were enraged and sought to reputationally "kill" these students. One commentator described the actions of the students' bishop as "throwing the students under the bus."

Jesus, by the grace of God, was able to pass through the midst of the enraged crowds. Pray that these Catholic students, by the grace may also pass, by the grace of God, through the midst of our present day mobs. Pray for the students. Pray for their protection. Pray that their futures may not be harmed by the orchestrated vilification they have endured. Pray that their faith may not be shaken by the betrayal of them by bishops and priests in the Church. Pray that they may continue to abide in love.

Blessings,

Fr. Stephen

Dear God, Please embrace those who are sick and hurting today and let them feel the warmth of Your love. Amen

Annetta Anderson	David Russell	Paul Boray
Kirby Flegel	Mary Russell	Carl McCauley
Cameron Bulger	Bob Crane	Lois Cossar
Terry Thorpe	Michael Paulik	Alice Su
Frank Laszczyk	Frankie Cicchitano	Bill Cools
Paula Stocco	Oren Atteg	Maggie Bell
Agnes Sweetts	Maureen Kenward	Bernadette Doyle
Dolores Relova	Elizabetta Relova-Clegg	Roland Fontaine
Geraldine Burbee	Debby Warren	Gilles Boudreau
	Ray Courchene	
	Jo van der Pete	

**Infant Baptism Preparation** Fr. Stephen Paine offers Baptism Preparation Classes for parents/guardians by appointment please arrange to meet Fr. Stephen way before the Baptism.

**Anointing of the Sick**

Formerly known as Last Rites or Extreme Unction, the Anointing of the Sick is a ritual of healing, appropriate not only for physical, but also for mental and spiritual sickness. please call Fr. Stephen Paine at the Parish Office.

**Pastoral Care Visits While in the Hospital** Privacy legislation in BC prevents the release of information regarding hospital admissions. If you or someone you love are admitted to a hospital and would like a visit from Fr. Stephen Paine or an Eucharistic Minister, please call your parish office to leave a message for Marilyn Klizs.

**RCIA**— If you wish to become Catholic St. Edward’s will offer a series of meetings called Rite of **Christian Initiation for Adults**. If you are interested in this program please contact the parish office.

**St. Blaise Feast Day**

**Sunday, February 3rd, 2019.**

Since it is a very busy weekend with Catholic Schools Week beginning this weekend. We will have blessing of the throats on Tuesday after the 9:00 a.m. Mass.



“Through the intercession of Blessed Blaise, Bishop and Martyr, may you be delivered from all illnesses of the throat and any other ailments.”

**PREPARATION FOR ASH WEDNESDAY**

Ash Wednesday is fast approaching so we need your palms which are left over from last year. The Children’s Faith Formation Group will burn the palms to make ashes for Ash Wednesday. If you have palms for this project please leave them in the basket available in the foyer or drop them at the Parish Office by February 26<sup>th</sup>, 2019. Thank you, Debby Fernandez



~~~~~IN OUR PARISH THIS WEEK~~~~~

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| Sat   | Feb. 2nd  | 8:30 a.m. 1st Saturday of the Month Mass<br>9:00 a.m. Men’s Group Meeting—Church Hall<br>3:30 p.m. Confession<br>4:15 p.m. Rosary before Mass in the Conference Room<br>5:00 p.m. Mass at St. Edward’s — Gregory Francis Carter + |
| Sun   | Feb. 3rd  | 8:30 a.m. Confession<br>9:00 a.m. Rosary before Mass<br>10:00 a.m. Mass at St. Edward’s — Pro Populo<br>CWL will be serving refreshments after Mass                                                                               |
| Mon   | Feb. 4th  | <b>PARISH OFFICE CLOSED</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| Tues  | Feb. 5th  | 9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Edward’s— Tom Boughner+                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Wed   | Feb. 6th  | 8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Edward’s - Teacher’s Mass<br>9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Edward’s - Dwain Ingram+<br>6:15 p.m. Children’s Faith Formation                                                                                         |
| Thurs | Feb. 7th  | 9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Edward’s - Dwain Ingram+<br>7:00 p.m. Choir Practice                                                                                                                                                        |
| Fri   | Feb. 8th  | 9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Edward’s — Kay Thorpe +<br>11:00 a.m. Mass at Sunridge—                                                                                                                                                     |
| Sat   | Feb. 9th  | 3:30 p.m. Confession<br>4:15 p.m. Rosary before Mass in the Conference Room<br>5:00 p.m. Mass at St. Edward’s — Emily Tighe +<br>Ministry Fair after Mass                                                                         |
| Sun   | Feb. 10th | 8:30 a.m. Confession<br>9:00 a.m. Rosary before Mass<br>10:00 a.m. Mass at St. Edward’s — Pro Populo<br>Ministry Fair after Mass                                                                                                  |

*Catholic Schools Week*

*What Do You Want of Me Lord?.*

This Sunday we welcome Queen of Angels students, their families and staff members as they begin Catholic Schools Week by attending and participating at the 10:00 a.m. Mass.

On page 4 of this bulletin, please refer to Queen of Angels’ invitation to parishioners.

*St. Edward’s Parish  
Tuesday, February 12th  
Mass at 11:00 a.m.  
in the Church Hall*



*A light luncheon in the Church Hall will be provided after Mass. All parishioners who desire anointing and those wishing to support the sick are welcome to attend.*

**CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE OF CANADA  
ST. EDWARD'S COUNCIL**

President  
Francine Tournier  
250-748-9831



Membership  
Betty Hoskins  
250-743-4908



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS**

St. Edward the Confessor Council 4253

*Don Snelling, Grand Knight*

Do you need to rent a hall? The K. of C. Hall is available.  
Please call Bernie Langkammer for more information.  
250-748-9333

**CWL COFFEE SUNDAY – FEBRUARY 3<sup>RD</sup>**

**COME DOWNSTAIRS FOR COFFEE/TEA AND TREATS**

As you may know, the funds we collect at Coffee Sunday are designated for our own northern Canadian missionaries - ESK-OMI MISSIONS.

Bishop Anthony Krotki, O.M.I. of the Esk-Omi Missions writes, "You truly belong to that wonderful category of people who love God through His missionaries and His poor. The precious support that you provide... is so encouraging to the harvesters who work in His field, and we extend our deep gratitude. I am sure that the Master of the Harvest will have a special way to also show His appreciation for your great kindness.

So, first, a big thank-you for your generous past support; and second, please join us in the hall for coffee/tea and treats as we continue to support our northern missionaries in 2019.

**Foundations of the Catholic Faith ~ Part 1**

**When:** March 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>  
**Time:** 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.  
**Where:** Queen of Angels School, Duncan



**QUEEN OF ANGELS**  
CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY & MIDDLE SCHOOL

**Happy Catholic Schools' Week!**

Our theme this year is

*What do you want of me Lord?*

You are invited to the following on **Tuesday, February 5<sup>th</sup>**:

**Open House from 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.**

*Come and see us in action!*

**Visitor's Tea which will start at 1:15 p.m.**

*Join us in the library for treats and entertainment.*

**Kindergarten Information Session starts at 4:00 p.m.**

Meet the staff and specialists who lead the Kindergarten program.

Activities and refreshments for children 5 and under.

To continue the CSW celebration, students will be participating in a special retreat during the week called Face 2 Face, buddy activities, a Knights of Columbus free throw, and a variety of contests.

**Catholic Schools' Week (CSW)**

Today marks the beginning of Catholic Schools' Week (CSW). The theme this year is *What Do You Want of Me Lord?*. Each and every year, Catholic schools join together to share a message about the importance and value of Catholic education to the Church and society as a whole. For those that are not aware, there are five Catholic Schools in the Diocese (4 elementary and 1 high school) educating approximately 1550 students in the communities of Port Alberni, Duncan and Victoria. On behalf of all the Catholic schools in the diocese, thank you for your ongoing support whether that be through prayer, time, talent or treasure. Special events are planned throughout the week and it is our hope that you will visit your local Catholic school not just this week but any time; please check out the school websites for the schedule of events for that school. This week also marks the beginning of registration time for the 2019-20 school year. Please consider registering your child in a Catholic school. Catholic Education is a valuable ministry in the Church and diocese so we ask that you please continue to pray for their success.

**MINISTRY FAIR AT ST. EDWARD'S PARISH**

**following the Masses**

**on the weekend of February 9<sup>th</sup>/10<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

Is there a ministry with which you would like to be involved  
or would like to have more information on other ministries?

**All are welcome.**

***Please come and show your support.***

***Please note that the Plant and Harvest Sale Committee will be selling books and mystery parcels at their stall.***

***For those Ministries needing Criminal Record Checks, forms will be available at the PPC table.***



## HEALING THE CHURCH

Opportunities to dialogue with Bishop Gary Gordon and members of the Diocesan Leadership Team regarding the clergy sexual abuse crisis in the Church, and to learn about the Diocesan Responsible Ministry & Safe Environment policies and protocols that were established to address these concerns in our Diocese.

### **Thursday January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

St. Peter's Church, Nanaimo 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

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### **Tuesday February 12<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

Christ the King Church Hall, Comox 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

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### **Thursday February 21<sup>st</sup>, 2019**

St. Joseph the Worker Church, Victoria 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

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## **2019 Victoria Pastoral Care Training Sessions**

**All sessions are 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. No charge.**

*The workshops are open to anyone who wants to understand the practical aspects of pastoral care; present hospital and home-bound parish visitors who have yet to take this training; parishioners who look after their own family members or those considering these sessions as professional development. Like the Good Samaritan, may we walk by the side of the road of our own lives – to be good and caring neighbours to one another and, especially, to the sick, the elderly and the dying – those in need of a loving and healing presence.*

### **St. Patrick's Parish Hall**

#### **Saturday, February 9<sup>th</sup>**

Session 1: *The Healing Ministry of Christ*

Fr. William Hann is the morning presenter.

#### **Saturday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>**

Session 2: *Listening & Communications and Mental Health*

Bring a bag lunch. Coffee/Tea will be available.

Contact the parish office to register: (250) 592-7391 or [stpat190@telus.net](mailto:stpat190@telus.net)

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## **It's (almost) Party Time Save the Date!**

We're looking forward to welcoming you on May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2019, at the fourth annual Bishop's Gala. Prepare to mix and mingle at Our Lady of Fatima Parish hall in Victoria: catch up with friends, browse the silent auction, and prepare to bid on some exciting new live auction items—all in support of West Coast Missions.

**Mark your calendars now:** tickets will be available on line beginning March 15<sup>th</sup>.

*We can't wait to see you there!*

## **LOVED THE WEDDING. INVITE ME TO THE MARRIAGE. LOVE, GOD**

A Non-Residential **Worldwide Marriage Encounter** weekend can help you do that! A Marriage Encounter is where married couples can get away from jobs, kids, chores, phones, and focus only on each other. Sounds good, right? If you'd like greater depth, growth, and romance in your relationship, you'll like the difference a **Worldwide Marriage Encounter** weekend can make.

March 30<sup>th</sup>-31<sup>st</sup> at St Joseph's School, Victoria, BC.

Register at [www.rcdvictoria.org](http://www.rcdvictoria.org)

Questions?: [wwmevancouverbc@gmail.com](mailto:wwmevancouverbc@gmail.com)

or Sharon & Glen 778 386 2908

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## **Why Liturgy Matters!!**

This Liturgical Workshop is designed to enhance our understanding and appreciation of the Eucharistic Liturgy. If you serve in a liturgical ministry or simply want to understand the Mass more deeply, this workshop is for you!!

Join us on

**Saturday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>**

**8:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.**

**Catholic Church of the Ascension, Parksville.**

**Please register on the Diocesan website**

[www.rcdvictoria.org](http://www.rcdvictoria.org)

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## **Foundations of the Catholic Faith ~ Part 1**

**When:** March 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>

**Time:** 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

**Where:** Queen of Angels School, Duncan

This interactive workshop is designed for parishioners, catechists, educators and support staff to help them better understand the foundational elements of the Catholic faith. It includes the topics of Pre-Catechetical/Evangelization, Person of the Catechist and understanding Scripture. Come prepared to discuss and engage in a variety of activities that will help enliven your faith.

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## **Vocation Live-In**

**February 8<sup>th</sup> - 10<sup>th</sup>**

There will be a Vocation Live-In for boys or young men interested in the priesthood or the consecrated life.

With best wishes,

Father Mark Dumont, OSB

Tel: 604-826-

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Seminary of Christ the King, PO Box 3310



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## *End of Life Issues*

Please join us  
at St Edward's Parish Duncan,

**Saturday, February 16th, 2019,**  
for our 3rd Seminar on  
**Catholic Funerals, Legal Matters Relating to Estates.**

**8:30 a.m.— Mass**

**9:15 a.m.— Coffee, Muffins, Cookies and Fruit**

### **Presentations**

Trusts—What and Why;  
Tax—How it affects your Estate;  
What 'Probating a Will' means.

By Warren Jennings, Lawyer

Catholic Funerals, Things to Consider:

Theology  
Liturgy

By Fr. Stephen Paine

**12:15 p.m. — Closing Prayer**

***Please register by Wednesday February 13th, 2019***

**Please come, I assure you, you will leave with a wealth of  
information that will help you and your family make very  
important decisions.**

For more information please contact Mary Hof,  
[mhof126@gmail.com](mailto:mhof126@gmail.com) or call 250-743-4074

You can register by phoning the Parish office at 250-746-6831  
or by emailing, Mary Hof, [mhof126@gmail.com](mailto:mhof126@gmail.com).

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