



St. Edward's Parish

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16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 22nd/23rd 2017

Pastor: FATHER STEPHEN PAINE

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OFFICE HOURS

-Summer Hours-

Tuesday to Friday 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Parish Pastoral Council Chair: *Carol deBruin*
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250-746-5919 *Kathy Korman, Principal*

MASS TIMES

-ST. EDWARD'S CHURCH-

Saturday Reconciliation 4:00-4:30 p.m.
(or by appointment)

Mass 5:00 p.m.

Sunday Reconciliation 9:15-9:30 a.m.
(or by appointment)

Mass 10:00 a.m.

Tuesday Mass 6:30 p.m.

-ST. CLARE'S MONASTERY-

2359 Calais Road, Duncan

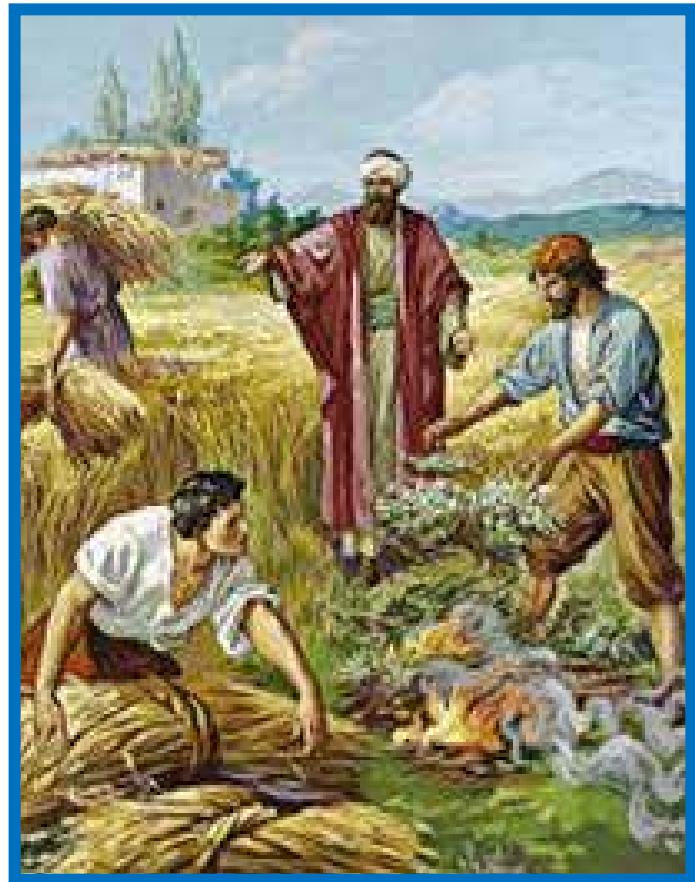
Tuesday to Friday

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.

Today we hear about God as a Father who is both merciful and just, about God who is mighty, and about the Spirit who comes to our aid. Let us turn to the life-giving Holy Spirit for guidance and grace so we may continue growing in holiness, so we bear an effective witness to the Gospel, and so we may experience Christ's gift of peace more fully in our lives and hearts.

Pray, Read, Discuss for This Week

Wisdom 12.13, 16-19; Romans 8.26-27; Matthew 13.24-43
“The Holy Spirit brings life and peace.”

PASTOR’S NOTES....

“Although you [God] are sovereign in strength, you judge with mildness, and with great forbearance you govern us...” These lines from the *Book of Wisdom* reveal to us something vitally important about the Lord, our God. To understand this better change the descriptions. Instead of “you judge with mildness” read “you judge with severity.” Change “you govern with forbearance” to “you govern with prompt punishment.” Encounters with these descriptions may lead to true worship and true obedience, but they will do so out of fear and not out of love. Such descriptions will lead to what the Church calls “imperfect contrition,” i.e., a change of heart or an obedience based on fear of quick, severe and lethal punishment. This approach works at obtaining the obedience God desires for our own good but warps the human spirit making it incapable of a deeper and more profound love of God or neighbour. We see this theology, this view of God and His relationship to man, expressed daily in the persecution of Christians and the slaughter of innocents around the world. The Old Testament, the *Book of Wisdom*, the Lord God, and our Lord, Jesus Christ, call us to something greater than *imperfect contrition*, something greater than fearful adherence to commandments.

Thanks to God we are called to *perfection contrition*, that is, to a change of heart and an obedience based on a genuine love of God and a genuine communion with the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. Since God cannot compel love He must present Himself to us, vulnerable and patient. He must empty Himself of all that would cause fear, while remaining true so that we might encounter Him as pure love and pure fact. This we have done in Jesus Christ, who is the fact and the love of God personified. So we are given our lives - as long as they may last - to grow in love of God and neighbour. This is good, but let us not delay for the day of the Lord, the day of the harvest, comes when we least expect it.

God’s forbearance is indeed loving forbearance, but forbearance for

- 1) a *Reason*, namely, to change hearts and to allow time for a relationship between us and God to grow, and,
- 2) a *Time*, namely, until the moment of our death.

God’s forbearance will end there and then, either because it is no longer needed - we have come to love Him - or because we have decided never to love Him. As C. S. Lewis once wrote, we will say to God “Thy Will be done,” or, He will say to us, “Thy Will be done” and our decision to separate ourselves from God will be granted FOREVER. To quote our Lord at the end of today’s Gospel: “Let anyone with ears listen!”

Blessings,

Fr. Stephen



Last Sunday
In the presence
of parishioners
Fr. Stephen blessed
the new plaque.



Please pray for the following who are in special need of God's healing and for their families and care givers.

Anne Welch	David Russell	Paul Boray
Fred Kelly	Yvonne Gill	Justin Moore
Thomas Kay	Kim Gunn	Arlene Laughren
Steve Barkanyi	David McMahon	Tom Phillipson
Annetta Anderson	Susan Ferguson	Tony Aquino
Janine Lauzon	Laurence Vander Peet	Ashley Pifko
Kirby Flegel	Rick Zuback	Margaret Fay
Brenda Whelan	Frank Laszczyk	Terry Thorpe
Paulette Nelson	Bob Goehring	Naomi Prodahl
Jan Spencer	Claude Marquis	Kay Walls
Tim Cech	Hugh Bennett	Ray Marquis
Dale Stelter	John McDonnell	Tess Nessman
Evert Jones	Jerome Schumack	Tom Drummond
Terry Wlodarczyk	Cienna Fernandez	Germaine Wilson
Marie Patterson	Danny Clements	Jim Kocurek
Emiko Nicol	Myra CharlieRiet	Wanda Regan
Ray Herle	Heemskerk	Brian Senger
Scott Reiss	Jesse Xavier	Elliott Hunter
Debbie Warren	Gloria Ganter	Carl McCauley

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

Our Deceased:

Paul Rutledge, brother in law of Bob and Aline Powell

Infant Baptism Preparation Fr. Stephen Paine offers Baptism Preparation Classes for parents/guardians at 10:30 a.m. on the **3rd Saturday of each month.** Dates of Baptism will be arranged at this meeting. Please call Parish Office to register.

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, this coming Fall the parish of St. Edward's will offer a series of meetings called R.C.I.A. which means Rite of Christian initiation for Adults. If you are interested in this journey proposed by the RCIA team we meet every Thursday at 7:00 p.m. If you would like more information Fr. Stephen Paine will be most happy to meet with you. 250-746-6831.

Next Week In Our Parish

Sat	July 22nd	4:15 p.m. Rosary before Mass at St. Edwards 5:00 p.m. Saturday Mass at St Edward's—For all the people
Sun	July 23rd	9:15 a.m. Rosary before Mass at St. Edward's 10:00 a.m. Mass at St Edward's – Joe & Lea Gergel+
Mon	July 24th	Office Closed
Tues	July 25th	8:10 a.m. Morning Prayer at St. Clare's 9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Clare's 6:30 p.m. Mass at St Edward's– Denis Horgan+
Wed	July 26th	8:10 a.m. Morning Prayer at St. Clare's 9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Clare's– Helen Dragunas+
Thurs	July 27th	8:10 a.m. Morning Prayer at St. Clare's 9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Clare's—Peter Gillespie+ 7:00 p.m. Choir Practise
Fri	July 28th	8:10 a.m. Morning Prayer at St. Clare's 9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Clare's—John Collins+ 11:00 a.m. Mass at Sunridge
Sat	July 29th	4:15 p.m. Rosary before Mass at St. Edwards 5:00 p.m. Saturday Mass at St Edward's– Helen Dragunas+
Sun	July 30th	9:15 a.m. Rosary before Mass at St. Edward's 10:00 a.m. Mass at St Edward's – For all the people
Mon	July 31st	Office Closed
Tues	Aug 1st	8:10 a.m. Morning Prayer at St. Clare's 9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Clare's - Nell Wright 6:30 p.m. Mass at St Edward's - Ray Herle
Wed	Aug 2nd	8:10 a.m. Morning Prayer at St. Clare's 9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Clare's—Kathy Crane+
Thurs	Aug 3rd	8:10 a.m. Morning Prayer at St. Clare's 9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Clare's—Adele Meyer 7:00 p.m. Choir Practise
Fri	Aug 4th	8:10 a.m. Morning Prayer at St. Clare's 9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Clare's - Van Kinsella+ 11:00 a.m. Mass at Sunridge
Sat	Aug 5th	4:15 p.m. Rosary before Mass at St. Edwards 5:00 p.m. Saturday Mass at St Edward's—For all the people
Sun	Aug 6th	9:15 a.m. Rosary before Mass at St. Edward's 10:00 a.m. Mass at St Edward's - Ellen Hannon+

Feast Day of St. Clare

Celebration at

St. Clare's Monastery,

2359 Calais Road, Duncan

the celebrant for Mass

will be Bishop Gary

Saturday August 12th, 2017

at 10:00 a.m.



St Clare of Assisi



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

President
Leanne Forest
250-597-4450



Membership
Francine Tournier
250-748-9831

We appreciate all the support which this Parish gives us.
Wishing everyone a blessed Summer Holiday.
See you in September!

Children's Religious Education Coordination



St. Edward's Parish is looking for a vibrant individual who is called to share the faith of the Church and his/her faith as the Parish's Children's Religious Education Coordinator.

This is a paid position of 10 hours per week for a ten-month term (September 2017 to June 2018). This call requires an understanding of this position as a vocation more than a job.

Please contact the Parish office for a copy of the Coordinator's job description and/or contact Carol DeBruin 250-746-4019 for more information.



Diocesan Medal Presentations



On July 9th, to celebrate St. Andrew's Cathedral 125th anniversary year parishioners throughout the Diocese were honoured with medals for their services for their Parish and Diocese.

St. Edward's parishioners, Christine Gillespie, Mary Hof and Anna Kinsella were presented with a Diocesan Medal for their service in our Parish.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS



St. Edward the Confessor Council 4253

Don Snelling, Grand Knight

Knights of Columbus Bursary. (St. Edward the Confessor Council, Duncan)

Available to high school grads who are members of the parishes of St Ann's, St. Edward's, St. Louis de Montfort, (Lake Cowichan), St. Joseph's, (Chemainus), or Our Lady of Grace Parish, (Saltspring)

No other applications will be accepted.

Applicants will be asked how they are, or have been, involved in their parishes. (To be verified by the parish priest)

Preference will be given to sons or daughters, (also grandchildren) of K. of C. members.

You must show proof of registering for first year courses at a post secondary institution if you are selected.

Application information,
contact Gerry Hof,

gmhof@shaw.ca, or 250- 715-8397

Deadline is July 31st, 2017.

Diocesan Pastoral Care Outreach

Mark Your Calendars
for Pastoral Care Outreach Training!

St. Edward's Parish (Duncan)

Saturday, October 14, 2017:

Session 1 – *The Healing Ministry of Christ* (Fr. William Hann will be the morning presenter) and

Saturday, November 18, 2017:

Session 2 – *Listening & Communication and Mental Health*. 9:00 am – 3:00 pm.

More details to follow.

Father of Mercy,
keep me in Your Grace,
and lead me in the way of salvation.

Give me strength in serving You
as a follower of Christ.

May the Eucharist give me freedom
to serve You all my life.

May it help me to remain faithful
in Your service.

May it teach me the way to eternal life.