



St. Edward's Parish

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January 20th/21st, 2018

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Emergency: 250-746-6831

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

“COME FOLLOW ME”

OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday to Friday 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Secretary: 250-746-6831 *Sherriden Clements*
Bookkeeper: *Jackie Brimacombe*
Children's Faith Formation Coordinator: *Debbie Fernandez*
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Queen of Angels Roman Catholic School:
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 9:00-9:30 a.m.
(or by appointment)
Mass 10:00 a.m.
Tuesday Mass 6:30 p.m.

-ST. CLARE'S MONASTERY-

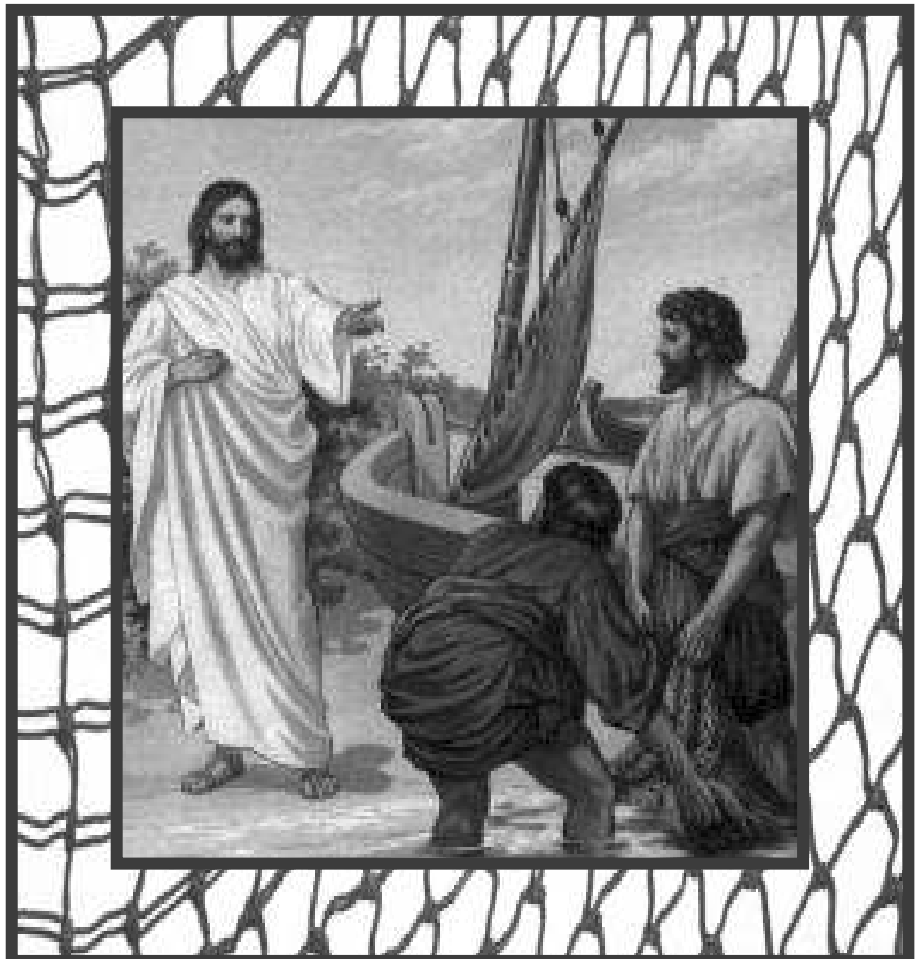
2359 Calais Road, Duncan

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.

How many times do we have to stumble and fall before we realize that following God's ways, and not our own, leads to happiness and salvation? Let us not resist the Lord but answer His call.

Pray, Read, Discuss for This Week

Jonah 3: 1-5, 10; 1 Corinthians 7: 29-31; Mark 1:14-20

“Let us heed God’s call”.

PASTOR’S NOTES....

Ordinary Time is upon us and our readings focus on the beginning of Jesus’ ministry. What is the essential message even at this early point in Jesus’ ministry: “the time is fulfilled and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.” This message is reiterated by Paul: “For the present form of this world is passing away.”

What is the meaning of these two interlaced messages? As we look around we see nothing to indicate anything essentially different from the last five, ten, hundred, thousand, million years. Where’s the evidence to support any urgency?

It could be that Jesus and Paul are just warning us of death and the consequent meaningless of everything in our life upon our death. As the saying goes: “you can’t take it with you.” There is an element of this in the proclamations of both Jesus and Paul, but this is not the whole story. Something is new or why the urgency. If nothing is new, we simply continue to live until we die. So what is new? “The kingdom of God has come near” certainly means death approaches for us all, but it means so much more! It means that God has come to His people, that God is here for His people. This being true, then everything, and the value of everything, takes on new meaning. Now mourning is not of universal or time-bound value. Now human rejoicing is not of universal or time-bound value. Now possessions and trade take on new meaning. EVERYTHING takes on new meaning in relation to this Christ, this Anointed One, Jesus of Nazareth. EVERYTHING is valued by Him and in Him and through Him and for Him. Everything can be made the means to holiness and to preparedness for a continuing entrance into the life of God Himself. Indeed, because of the coming of Christ “the present form of this world” is indeed passing away. Jesus’ coming and ministry in our lives completely changes our lives, the meaning of our lives and the import of our lives for the good - the greatest good, namely, life in and with the three persons of the Trinity, Mary and all the saints and angels. “The present form of this world” is indeed passing away and we have become members of a new community for and with eternal life. Thanks be to God.



Blessings, Fr. Stephen

LECTORS

A workshop for all lectors unable to attend the last (November) workshop will be held on Tuesday, February 6, 2018 following the 6:30 p.m. Mass. Please make every effort to attend.

If you are interested in becoming a lector, please call Pat Smith at 778-422-3834 for more information. We could use more lectors at both Masses.

Envelope Reminder.....

Please do not use envelopes from previous years. They may now belong to someone else. Also, please note any address changes on your envelopes for the first few weeks so we can update our records. If you would like envelopes please contact the parish office! Thank you.

To receive a 2017 tax receipt, donations must be received or postmarked 2017. Donations received at the 5:00 p.m. Mass on December 31st (unless otherwise dated) will be treated as a 2017 donation.

Please mark your calendar.....

PARISH LENTEN MISSION AT ST. EDWARD’S
March 11th to 14th, 2018

Fr. Frank Franz will be the facilitator.

More information to follow in upcoming bulletins.

PYXES



If you have borrowed a pyx to take communion to a friend or family member please remember to bring it back to the parish office. We are running low on pyxes and it may prevent us from providing the Eucharist to someone who is sick and/or shut-in.

Thanks, Fr. Stephen

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	Hugh Bennett	Kay Walls
Tim Cech	Jerome Schumack	Tess Nessman
Evert Jones	Myra Charlie	Germaine Wilson
Terry Wlodarczyk	Jesse Xavier	Jim Kocurek
Marie Patterson	Bob Kozijn	Wanda Regan
Emiko Nicol	Verna Simard	Brian Senger
Debbie Warren	Theresa	Elliott Hunter
Norm Yano	Mary Russell	Carl McCauley
Lorne Campbell	Bob Crane	John Meade
Don Plumber	Madeline Bremner & family	Lois Cossar
Patsy Preshaw		Alice Su
Dear God,		Bill Cools

Please embrace those who are sick and hurting today and let them feel the warmth of Your love. Amen
Our Dead

Donna Nielsen+, mother of Dr. Bill Nielsen

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 Leslie Mathews.

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 Fr. Stephen at 250-746-6831.

CO-OP PENINSULA CO-OP

As you may remember, in January 2017, we introduced a fundraiser program which a few of our parishioners have participated in.

By filling up at one of the Co-Op Peninsula Gas Stations while using St. Edward's Co-Op membership card, we receive a rebate cheque at the end of the year. The more of us who participate the larger the rebate.

If you would like to participate in this fundraiser but do not have a membership card, you may pick up one from the Parish Office. Only requirement is that you use the number on the card when gassing up.
Thank you

In Our Parish This Week

Sat	Jan 20th	4:15 p.m. Rosary before Mass 5:00 p.m. Mass at St. Edwards- For all the People
Sun	Jan 21st	9:00 a.m. Rosary before Mass 10:00 a.m. Mass at St. Edward's Dan & Maureen Kelly+ Natalie Saavedra will be serving refreshments after Mass as a fundraiser for the Alzheimer Society. Please come and join her. 2:00 p.m. Widows Meeting in the Church Hall
Mon	Jan 22nd	OFFICE CLOSED
Tues	Jan 23rd	9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Clare's- Albin Falt+ 6:30 p.m. Mass at St. Edward's Cancelled today
Wed	Jan 24th	9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Clare's- Christine Thackray+ 6:15 p.m. Children's Faith Formation
Thurs	Jan 25th	9:00 p.m. Mass at St. Clare's- Muriel Paine+ 3:30 p.m. Adult Faith Formation—"The Art of Dying"
Fri	Jan 26th	11:00 a.m. Mass at Sunridge 9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Clare's-Patricia Myhill-Jones 1:30 p.m. Exposition and Adoration Cancelled today
Sat	Jan 27th	4:15 p.m. Rosary before Mass 5:00 p.m. Mass at St. Edwards- Marie Patterson
Sun	Jan 28th	9:15 a.m. Rosary before Mass 10:00 a.m. Children's Mass at St. Edward's— For all the People The K. of C. will be serving pancake breakfast after Mass.

Plant and Harvest Sale
Sharing God's Abundance

If you did not get a report from the September Plant and Harvest Sale but would like one, please pick up a copy from the pigeon hole in the foyer marked "Plant and Harvest".



ATTENTION ALL GREETERS

- ◆ In the foyer there is a list of all the greeters. Each greeter is to pick up one of these lists so that they have contact information to use should they be unable to be at Church on their scheduled day.
- ◆ The greeters' schedule for December to January is also ready for pick up.

Thank you,
Martha Courchene

**IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO,
PLEASE PICK UP YOUR COPY TODAY.**

Your name will be highlighted on the back of your schedule.

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

President
Leanne Forest
250-597-4450



Membership
Francine Tournier
250-748-9831

**An Event Honouring Women of the Bible
at St. Peter's Parish, Nanaimo**

Diocesan CWL has advised and invited our CWL and members of St. Edward's to their Day of Reflection on Monday, February 5th at St. Peter's Church, 301 Macleary St., Nanaimo.

This is a well attended annual event beginning with refreshments at 9:30 a.m. and morning session at 10:00 a.m. Mass is at noon and the day ends at 3:00 p.m. This year's theme is "Women of the Bible".

**Come for inspiration and information..... and fun!
All are welcome.**

Pat Carew, Spiritual Development Chair
Diocesan CWL

Saturday Rosary

The parishioners who pray the rosary before the 5:00 p.m. Mass will gather in the conference room from now on.

Sunday Rosary

The Rosary prayed before Sunday the 10:00 a.m. Mass at St. Edward's parish will take place at **9:00 a.m. and end at 9:30 a.m. sharp.**



2017 Appeal

Congratulations !!!

**We have reached 102% of our goal
or \$51,285.**

TOUR OF ITALY



From Fr. Stephen:
Good news for those interested in our pilgrimage to Italy. We now have our dates: May 5th to May 18th, 2019. As well we have our itinerary. We will begin in Milan and end in Rome with many other pilgrimage sites in between. We have had over 20 persons expressing interest but there are still spaces available. If you are interested please speak with Sherriden in the Parish Office or send her an email including your name, e-mail address and/or phone number.

Call the Parish office to start planning your trip!



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

PLEASE SAVE YOUR POSTAGE STAMPS



Although Brother Dominic, o.f.m. has moved he still continues to save postage stamps. Foreign stamps are especially appreciated. You may leave your stamps in the pigeon hole located in the foyer, marked "Stamps".

Thanks to all those who participate in this project.

**ST. EDWARD'S PARISH
YOUTH GROUP MEETING**

Attention Youth.....

Annual Diocesan Youth Retreat

For grade 7-12

Homewood, Quadra Island

February 2nd to 4th, 2018

Call Camille or Mike for more information

***\$160.00 per participant (\$175.00 after January 15th).
Includes all food, accommodation and activities.***

250-746-0692 or nunn@telus.net

Relics of St. Francis Xavier

at St. Andrew's Cathedral, Saturday, January 27th, 2018

Program for the Day

Public Veneration	1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Confessions	1:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Anticipatory Mass	5:00 p.m.
Public Veneration	6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.
Confessions	6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
Closing prayer	10:00 p.m.

At 7:00 p.m. approximately there will be a program consisting of talks and testimonies along with praise and worship music.

This is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to venerate the incorrupt first class relic of one of the greatest missionaries and evangelists since St. Paul the Apostle.

We anticipate three particular extraordinary graces in this pilgrimage, all related to the charisms of St. Francis Xavier: (1) conversion of souls; (2) the raising up of missionary disciples who are abandoned to God's will; and (3) healing. Our prayer is that—through this relic pilgrimage—you will have the unique opportunity to personally encounter the tender heart of Jesus.

A Reminder:

PASTORAL CARE TRAINING SESSIONS:

Saturday, January 27th

Session 3: The Grieving Process and Ministering to Families

Saturday, February 17th

Session 4: Who am I as a Pastoral Care Visitor?

Sessions 3 and 4 will be held at St. Mary's Church Hall
(Ladysmith) 1135 4th Avenue, Ladysmith, B.C.)
Time: 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Please bring a bag lunch—Coffee and tea will be provided.

If you did not register at Session 2 for Session 3 and wish to attend: call the parish office at 250-245-3414 or



stmarysladysmith@shaw.ca

Dear Parishioners:

I am leading a group to Cuba in February, and part of our task is to bring Humanitarian Aid to areas that are suffering. We do this while climbing hillsides in remote areas, and giving items away. We will visit a rural school, a rural doctor, and we will take suitcases of items to the Sisters of Immaculate Mary to help with their outreach to the poorest of the poor.

If you have anything that can help fill a suitcase, I will have a container in the foyer between, January 20th to January 28th. These items can be anything from slightly used clothing, school supplies, soaps, duck tape, shoes, ball caps etc. If you wish to give financial help that will also be appreciated, as I will give some to the Sisters to buy food for those who go without, and give to families that need it.

I can be contacted at mhof126@gmail.com. (250)743-4074

Thank you,

Mary Hof



St. Edward's Widows' Group

We wish to extend a warm invitation of welcome to any widow ladies who would like to join us.

We meet on the third Sunday of each month in the Church Hall at 2:00pm to share and learn together. Activities and outings are planned at these meetings.

Please come to our meeting and to see what we are all about.

For further information please call
Eileen Martell at 250-748-0176.



Alzheimer Society

Make your Coffee Count!

Join us after the 10:00 a.m. Sunday Mass, this weekend
for a coffee break in the Church Hall.

This event is a fundraiser for the Alzheimer's Society. All donations will help support those people affected by dementia in the community as well as to support research for a cure.

Thank you,
Natalia Saavedra



Plant and Harvest Sale



Mystery Parcels desperately needs the following items:

Single earrings,

Single unused candles in smaller sizes,

Small boxes, especially square 4" and 6" size and shoe box size,

Easter grass (small bits in unusual colours).

Thank you!

Ro (250) 748-5115

Blessing of Throats

Saturday, February 3rd is the feast day of St. Blaise. The special blessing will be given at 8:30 a.m. Mass.

The blessing of St. Blaise for ailments of the throats and all other evils is meant for all including those who are not Catholic.



Attention all men of the Parish

On Saturday, February 3rd, Fr. Stephen invites all men of the parish to gather with him in the Church hall at 9:00 a.m. for breakfast and a meeting.

St Edwards Youth Group

PRESENTS

4th Annual Spaghetti Dinner

Sunday, Feb. 11th, 2018 - at 5:00 pm in Parish Hall

Suggested donation \$15

Tickets are available at the Parish Office



Chicken Puttanesca

Caesar Salad / French Bread

Dessert Bar and of course.....Live Entertainment!