



St. Edward's Parish

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March 3rd/4th, 2018

Pastor: FATHER STEPHEN PAINE
Emergency: 250-746-6831

3rd Sunday of Lent

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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250-746-4019/Email: cdebruin@shaw.ca

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.

**"Take these things out of here!
Stop making my Father's house
a market place."**



When Jesus drive the money changers and animal vendors from the Temple, the Jews demand a sign to prove His authority. They do not have the faith to see what is in front of them. Later, when Jesus dies and is risen, His disciples remember His words, and they understand and believe. Do we have the faith to see what is revealed right in front of us, in this Eucharist?"



Pray, Read, Discuss for This Week

Exodus 20: 1-7; 1 Corinthians 1;18, 22-25; John 2: 13-25

“Jesus performed many signs, but it was in His death and resurrection that God’s glory was fully revealed and made manifest.”



Pastor’s Notes

What is the source of the moral law? Is the moral law binding on all? These ancient questions, seemingly settled for some time, are now the question of the day. With the loss of the Judeo-Christian underpinnings of our society, the question has become critical. Without a transcendent moral code, the default source of morality become the state or the government. Without any other institution or worldview in common, members of our society will be tempted to fall back on the state as the arbiter of what is right and what is wrong. Others sensing this will then set their eyes on gaining control of the government so as to become, in themselves, the originators of morality. Thus the human will, or a human will (the Prime Minister, the President, the Chancellor, the Queen) becomes the source of right and wrong.

Two things to ponder: The first is fact that there are only two possible sources of a universal morality. The first source is revelation, the revelation of God, summarized by the ten commandments which we hear of today. This is the way of the Jews (and Christians). The second is through nature, through an examination of the nature of things, their source and their purpose. Actions not in accord with the purpose of something or someone are “unnatural” and immoral. We learn about the nature of things and the principles of morality derivable from them through reason. This is the way of the Greeks. The Christian church, recognizing only one source of morality, namely, God, knew that both of these sources must, in the end, agree. Thus was created the great synthesis of moral philosophy and moral theology, of revelation and reason, by such scholars as St. Thomas Aquinas. A current reiteration of that tradition can be found in St. John Paul II’s encyclicals, *The Splendor of Truth* and *Faith and Reason*.

The second thing to ponder is the first commandment which is mentioned in the first reading today, namely, “I am the Lord your God...you shall have no other gods before Me...and, you shall not make for yourself an idol.” When the state or government becomes the source of morality in society, society has erected a new idol. That idol, that “god,” will be an exacting god who will demand terrible things from us, including abortion, euthanasia, the physical interference with the growth of children who suffered from gender dysphoria, preference based on personal characteristics, etc.

As Christians we are called to resist the tendency, trend to make an idol of the state and to make idols of politicians and rulers. As Christians we are called to reason well and publicly. And as Christians we are called, as St. Paul says today’s second reading, to proclaim Christ crucified, to proclaim Christ who is, within Himself, both “the power of God and the wisdom of God.”

Our task, our mission, is not an easy one but it is a worthy one. It is really the only sane avenue before us and the only hope for our society.

Blessings,
Fr. Stephen



PPC Corner

Dear Parishioners

It is with great regret that Jackie Brimmacombe has resigned as bookkeeper of St. Edward’s Church effective March 31st. Jackie has been a valued and dedicated contractor for the past nine years. She will be greatly missed and we thank her for her dedicated and hard work. We wish her all the best.

Thank you and God Bless,
Carol

STATIONS
of the
CROSS

Each Friday during Lent we have special devotions to mark the season and to assist us in our spiritual growth.

1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Exposition and Adoration

7:00 p.m.

Stations of the Cross

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

Annetta Anderson	David Russell	Paul Boray
Kirby Flegel	Kim Gunn	Terry Thorpe
Tim Cech	Susan Ferguson	Jim Kocurek
Debbie Warren	Rick Zuback	Brian Senger
Don Plumber	Bob Kozijn	Carl McCauley
Cameron Bulger	Mary Russell	Lois Cossar
Ashley Pifko	Bob Crane	Alice Su
Ed Stinnissen	Lawrence Marquis	Bill Cools
Jerry VanJaarsveld	Mary Daly	

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

For Our Dead

*Trudy Strouglor
Verna Simard*

**Funeral Mass for
the repose of the soul of
Trudy Strouglor
will be held at St. Edward's Parish
on Saturday, March 17th, 2018
at 1:00 p.m.**

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

Training and Review Session

For Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

This Sunday immediately after Mass, there will be a training session for all new Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. This session will review all the changes we have made over the past year and to will review the distribution of gluten free hosts. All Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion may benefit from this session.



In Our Parish This Week

Sat	Mar 3rd	8:30 a.m. 1st Saturday of the month Mass 9:00 a.m. Men's Group Meeting in the Church Hall 4:15 p.m. Rosary before Mass in Conference Room 5:00 p.m. Mass at St. Edwards- For all the people
Sun	Mar 4th	9:00 a.m. Rosary before Mass 10:00 a.m. Mass at St. Edward's—Joe & Maria Rocha+ CWL will be serving refreshments after Mass
Mon	Mar 5th	OFFICE CLOSED
Tues	Mar 6th	9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Clare's - Yvon LaFlamme 6:30 p.m. Mass at St. Edward's—Keira Forest-Klein
Wed	Mar 7th	9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Clare's- Jerry & Kay Thorpe+ 6:15 p.m. Children's Faith Formation
Thurs	Mar 8th	9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Clare's—Nellie Oosterbaan 7:00 p.m. Choir Practice
Fri	Mar 9th	9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Clare's - Cameron Bulger 11:00 a.m. Mass at Sunridge—Reg & Mary Rigby+ 1:30 p.m. Exposition and Adoration 7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross
Sat	Mar 10th	4:15 p.m. Rosary before Mass in Conference Room 5:00 p.m. Mass at St. Edwards- For all the people-
Sun	Mar 11th	9:00 a.m. Rosary before Mass ~~~~ START OF THE LENTEN MISSION ~~~~ 10:00 a.m. Mass at St. Edward's—Beniamino Mansueti+ The Holy Family Committee will be serving refreshments after Mass St. Edward's providing a Hamburger Luncheon for Warmland.

**Part-Time Bookkeeper
Job Posting**

St. Edward Parish is recruiting a part-time Bookkeeper. This position is for 5-8 hours per week, and additional hours during the months fiscal reconciliation and annual reporting are due.

The Parish administrative office coordinates the financial management of the Parish and provides support to the Bookkeeper in completing it's duties. The Bookkeeper undertakes the weekly and monthly reconciliation, book keeping, and report preparation for St. Edwards Parish. The bookkeeper is also responsible for the preparation of the Annual Parish Financial Report, CRA filing and reports, and yearly Parish budget preparation. Specific duties are outlined in the **Part-Time Bookkeeper Guidelines and Job Description**, available from the Parish office upon request.

This position reports to and works collaboratively under the general guidance of the Pastor/ Pastoral Team and the Parish Finance Committee. Interested applicants should contact St. Edward Parish for the **Part-Time Bookkeeper Guidelines and Job Description**.

Candidates should have: Complete knowledge & experience with Sage Accounting and Excel.

Resumes must be submitted to the Parish Office NO LATER THAN 4:30 pm, March 15th, 2018. The successful candidate must be available to start in the position no later than April 10th, 2018.

**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

Dear Members of our Parish:
Please join the CWL Coffee Sunday Gang after Mass on Sunday, March 4th.

Let's get the St. Patrick Day celebrations going early!

Enjoy hot coffee, tea and some yummy treats.
"Sorry, no Green beer"

Your contribution will be forwarded to the EskOmi.



The Knights of Columbus would once more like to thank the parishioners of St. Edward's Parish for their generosity. This past week end the Knights collected \$206.72, for their vocations program, "Pennies for Heaven."

Thank you and God bless you all.

Bob Powell, St. Edward the Confessor Council 4253,
"Pennies for Heaven," Chairman.

Plant and Harvest Sale



We are now accepting donations. The best time to bring donations is on pricing days. These dates will be in the bulletin during Spring and Summer.

For further information:
Jamie at 250-748-5023
Lucille at 250-746-7866

We are in great need of packing boxes of the approximate size of banana boxes.

Registration for Marriage Preparation

The Pastoral Centre of the Diocese of Victoria has taken on the administration of receiving Marriage Preparation Course registrations.

As such, the preferred mode of registration for the course is now online through Eventbrite.

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/the-roman-catholic-diocese-of-victoria-marriage-preparation-course-tickets-40693546493>

The cost of the course remains at \$150 per couple.

This includes the Saturday lunch, weekend refreshments, and course materials.

The link is also available on the Diocesan website at: <http://www.rcdvictoria.org/marriage-preparation.php>

If online access is unavailable, couples may also complete the attached brochure and submit cash or cheque payments to:

Marriage Preparation Course, Pastoral Centre
4044 Nelthorpe Street, Victoria BC V8X 2A1

Registered couples for the course will receive some pre-course homework and reading ahead of the first day of the course, so please clearly state your mailing address and/or email.

For more information about the Marriage Preparation Course, please kindly contact Fr. Dean Henderson at catholic@uvic.ca.

Hamburger Sunday at Warmland

In February we barbecued hamburgers for the clients of Warmland. What a wonderful reception we were given. This would not have happened without the support of the Knights of Columbus and some of our parishioners who volunteered to help. A special thanks to Island Bakery in Cobble Hill, Costco, Nanaimo, and the Old Farm Market for their generosity.



St. Edward's will be offering a hamburger luncheon at Warmland on the second Sunday of each month.

Again, many many thanks,
From Fr. Stephen and Jim Korman

From the Parish Office

Donation Receipts are ready for pick up this weekend. If your name or address is incorrect, please call the office so that we can change this information in our new program. Thank you.

Diocese of Victoria Job Posting

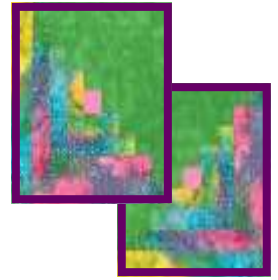
Appeal Campaign Coordinator

See the bulletin board and diocesan website for a full description. Please note that only those shortlisted for an interview will be contacted. Deadline for applications is March 23rd, 2018.

Sincerely,
Leah MacKenzie, CPA, CGA
Chief Financial Officer,
Diocese of Victoria
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LIFE IS NOT A PATCHWORK QUILT



Our lives can be measured in a series of days, some significant, some more routine, mundane and unremarkable. We are now in the days of our Lenten Season, so let us come and experience the gift of Lent and celebrate the holiness of reconciliation, remembrance and the forgiveness and love that is God.

Sunday, March 11th

Introduction of Mission during the 10:00 a.m. Mass.

Monday, March 12th

9:00 a.m.—11:30 a.m. Mass at St. Edward's talk
2:00 p.m. Private Confession

Tuesday, March 13th

9:00 a.m.—11:30 a.m. Mass at St. Edward's talk
2:00 p.m. Private Confession
7:00 p.m.— 9:30 p.m. Mass at St. Edward's talk

Wednesday, March 14th

9:00 a.m.—11:30 a.m. Mass at St. Edward's talk
7:00 p.m. Penitential Service

The Lenten Season is a few precious days for us to fear not, falter not, worry not, dread not—but only to trust and pray, believe and hope. Perhaps our prayer might simply be this: “Day by day, day by day, O dear Lord, three things I pray: to see Thee more clearly, love Thee more dearly, follow Thee more nearly, day by day!”

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

January—December 2017

Collections	\$ 227,357.00	
Non Operating Donations	\$ 194,965.00	
Miscellaneous Operating Income	\$ 4,972.00	
Total Operating Income		<u>\$427,294.00</u>

Less Expenses	\$ 252,994.00
Less Non Operating	\$ 198,907.00

SHORTFALL	-\$ 9,762.00
Amortization	<u>-\$ 14,845.00</u>

SHORTFALL to December 31, 2017 -\$ 24,607.00

Stewardship of Treasure—Direct Debit

Thank you to those parishioners who have signed up for Direct Debit, we now have 64 parishioners who are signed up for Direct Debit.

Direct Debit is a simple and convenient way of contributing to your Parish on a very planned and consistent basis. It is simple to set up and simple to change if you so wish. You can choose the date or dates of the month you wish the amount you have selected to be withdrawn from your bank account. You can select the amount you wish to go to the sanctioned collections (i.e. *Needs of the Church in Canada, Catholic Missions in Canada etc.*) that happen throughout the year, or, you can contribute to these simply by placing an additional amount in an envelope with your name and the name of the sanctioned collection on it and this amount will be added to your yearly donations receipt. Also, if you wish to contribute more than the original amount you have set up, this same method can be followed. If for some reason, you want to change the amount withdrawn from your account or to cancel the Direct Debit; this can be done by making your wishes known in writing.

It is that simple. When the collection basket comes around each week, there will be no more scrambling to find your envelope. You can sit back with a smile, knowing that your offering is already in the bank!

If you haven't already done so, please consider switching to this method of supporting your Parish.

Thank you.

Parish Finance Committee

Forms for Direct Debit are available at the Parish Office.