

St. Edward's Parish

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April 7th/April 8th, 2018

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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 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-

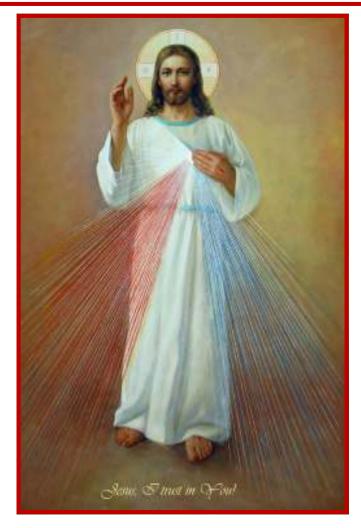
361 Bundock Avenue, Duncan

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.

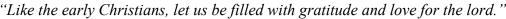
Divine Mercy Sunday



"The Church continues to celebrate and give thanks for the mystery of the resurrection of Christ. We acknowledge that God has appointed the Risen Jesus judge of all creation. Therefore, with hearts full of hope and faith, we seek to be reconciled in His divine mercy and to share in His eternal life

Pray, Read, Discuss for This Week

Acts 4:32-35; John 5: 1-6; John 20: 19-31







Pastor's NOTES

John, in the second reading, tells us that "whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith." Sometimes, in our current circumstances, it seems hard to believe that our faith could and will conquer the world with the Church and the faith in apparent retreat before an increasingly hostile secular world, the Church can appear more the conquered than the conquering.

To truly believe what St. John is saying we can do two things: The first is to look at history. When we do look at history we see many times in the past when the Church came under attack and seemed in retreat. Over that past three hundred years alone we have experienced the violently anti-Catholic French Revolution, the anti-Catholic government-led kulturkampf" (cultural struggle) of Bismarck in Germany, and the murderous anti-Christian oppression by the Communist governments of Eastern Europe. When we look back at these terrible periods in the history of the Church and of the West, we see great suffering and great evil and apparent periods of retreat for the Church. But we also see great outbreaks of faith, great conversions, and the presence of great saints. When we see this we can take comfort in the fact that all of these great secular movements have passed into history and the Church continues to grow despite it all. In this we know that the Church, "born of God" conquers the world.

The second thing we can do to understand St. John is to meditate on his words. Meditating on his words we come to understand the power of the gospel and then we seek to mediate that power in the world today. Our world is in need of the same repentance, conversion and forgiveness as all other ages since the coming of Christ and our mes-

sage is as powerful now as it was then. We need to take the words of St. John to heart. In the knowledge that our Lord is alive and reigning and in the knowledge that Jesus has been vindicated by the Father through the resurrection, we can go forth as conquering armies bringing not violence but peace to our ever-troubled world.

Blessings to you all during this Easter season,

Fr. Stephen



Special Thanks:

I want to give a special thank you to all the parishioners involved in leading the Stations of the Cross during Lent, to all the parishioners responsible for decorating the church and to all the parishioners who led the liturgies during Holy Week and Easter. Everything went very smoothly and the liturgies of the past week were prayerful, holy and a true blessing to this community.

I pray you all have a holy and blessed Easter season.

Fr. Stephen

Greeters

The April/May schedule is ready for pick up.

Thanks Martha Courchene Thank you to all who so generously donated baked goodies for the reception following Holy Saturday Mass. It was greatly appreciated by the many who attended. Thank you,

Martha

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	D1 D
	David Kussell	Paul Boray
Kirby Flegel	Kim Gunn	Terry Thorpe
Tim Cech	Susan Ferguson	Jim Kocurek
Don Plumber	Rick Zuback	Brian Senger
Cameron Bulger	Mary Russell	Carl McCauley
Ashley Pifko	Bob Crane	Lois Cossar
Ed Stinnissen	Lawrence Marquis	Alice Su
Jerry VanJaarsveld	Mary Daly	Bill Cools
Martha Roberge	Andy Ellison	Maggie Bell

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

Our Deceased

Pat Fraser+, sister-in-law of Jan Spencer

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 the parish office.

Farewell to the Franciscan Friars

Fr. Michael Conaghan and Fr. Joachim Ostermann will be leaving Duncan after several years of ministry on Vancouver Island, for which we are very grateful.

You are invited to bid farewell to these fine fellows during a time of community and refreshments on

This Sunday April 8th from 2:00 p.m.—4:00 p.m. at
6199 Lakes Road, Duncan

Diocesan Messenger

If you have not picked up your Diocesan Messenger yet, please do so this weekend after Mass. The are located on the table in the foyer.



IN OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

Sat	April 7th	8:30 a.m. 9:00 p.m. 4:15 p.m. 5:00 p.m.	Men's Group Meeting in the Church Rosary before Mass in the Conference Room
Sun	April 8th	9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 2:00 p.m.	Holy Family Committee will be providing refreshments after Mass today.
Mon	April 9th		OFFICE CLOSED TODAY
Tues	April 10th	9:00 a.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Mass at St. Edward's— Pat Fraser+
Wed	April 11th	9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 6:15 p.m.	mass at oth oldress memory and
Thurs	April 12th	9:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	Mass at St. Clare's – Mercedes Bartlett+ Choir Practice
Fri	April 13th	1:30 p.m. 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Mass at St. Clare's — Maggie Bell
Sat	April 14th	4:15 p.m. 5:00p.m.	Rosary before Mass Mass at St. Edwards—Herminda Perdomo+
Sun	April 15th	9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 2:00 p.m.	Rosary before Mass Mass at St. Edward's—Pro Populo Widows Group Meeting



Easter Sunday Celebration

Through the waters of Baptism we are pleased to welcome

Quinn Sitka Fries

daughter of Cameron and Maria (Grochmal-Cardin) Fries and

Henry Erich Larson

son of Joshua and Diana (Roemer) Larson

May the light of Christ always shine brightly in their hearts.

Want to understand the Mass in a deeper way?

Are you involved in liturgical ministries? If yes, this Liturgical Workshop is for you.

Why Liturgy Matters Workshop, Saturday, May 12th, from 9:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. at St. Edward's Church in Duncan. Free registration on Eventbrite.

Bring your own lunch. Facilitated by the Diocesan Liturgical Commission Team.

Contact: Glen Palahicky 250 479 1331 for further questions.

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

President Francine Tournier 250-748-9831

upon request.



Membership Betty Hoskins 250-743-4908



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

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

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. The successful candidate must be available to start in the position no later than April $10^{\rm th}$, 2018.



Island Catholic Schools

Applications will be accepted for the position of Vice-Principal, St. Patrick's School, Victoria. Application forms and details are posted at: http://cisdv.bc.ca/employment-opportunities.php

Hamburger Sunday

Just a reminder that today we will be serving the clients at Warmland hamburgers for lunch.

Widows' Group

All widows of St. Edward's are invited to attend our monthly meeting next Sunday at 2:00 p.m. in the Church Hall. Hope to see you there.



The 2018 BC Summer Games will be a Marquis event for the Cowichan Valley. We would like you to consider volunteering as a 2018 Games Ambassador or Medals Coordinator. We are looking for a select number of enthusiastic and welcoming people who will serve in a number of roles. They will welcome athletes and visitors at sporting venues, provide support to visiting VIP guests, participate in and help organize Medal ceremonies and Opening Ceremonies and provide hospitality for VIP guests at their accommodation. Really the volunteers are just that... the people we are inviting to open the doors of the Cowichan Valley to BC. Interested? Please register as a Protocol volunteer at BC Summer Games Volunteers or contact volunteer manager Nora Dowsett nora.dowsett@gmail.com

Diocesan Youth Conference

Are you (Grades 8-12) looking to make lasting friendships, be inspired by amazing talks and testimonies, and grow deeper in your faith? Then register now for the 2018 Diocesan Youth Conference!

When: May 25th-27th, 2018

Where: St. Andrew's Regional High School.

Cost: Early Bird Price (Feb 4th- Apr 19th) \$75/person

+ \$65/additional sibling or regular price

(Apr 19th - May 20th) \$90/person.

Online to the Eventbrite website:

DYC 2018 - The Diocese of Victoria 15th Annual Youth Conference and click "register."

Paper registration forms can obtained through emailing teamdyc@gmail.com



2018 Bishop's Gala - May 5th

The Bishop's Gala Team is seeking donations of goods and services for the Silent Auction, such as gift certificates for restaurants, travel, accommodation, spas, golf courses, themed gift baskets, and similar items.

Volunteers to assist with the Silent Auction on the night of the Gala (Saturday, May 5th, 2018) are also needed. If you are able to help, or would like to make a donation to the Silent Auction, please email rcdvictoriagala@gmail.com, or phone (250) 479-1331.

Faith, Hope and Love . . .

Are these present in your marriage?
Have you given up hope that they can be?
In 1 Corinthians 13:13 Jesus tells us the greatest of these is Love. Living in a marriage that is missing love can be difficult. If you have given up hope that your marriage can and will get better, ask your spouse to consider attending a Retrouvaille program. Retrouvaille is an international Christian-based ministry that offers a three-stage program to help couples improve their marriages. For more information about an upcoming Retrouvaille Weekend program for couples, contact registration team:
Marc and Candice @ 604-530-6710

or visit our website: www.retrouvaillevancouver.com

GOOD FRIDAY



Thanks to all those who journeyed up Mt. Tzouhalem for the Stations of the Cross, on Good Friday. The sun was shining through, which is always a bonus. I know we had more people at the start than at the finish which tells me the journey was tough for some. I was touched by how many young people were there, and how some of them asked to carry the cross. The children who read, the girls who came on their own from St. Ann's and wanted to be involved. After 26 years, this is why I continue to lead the Stations on Good Friday. I give credit to our not so young who hung in there to make the journey to the top. This year, with no priest on the journey, I led the prayer service at the top with Veneration of the Cross, thanks for your full participation. We concluded at 11:30 a.m., which allowed those wishing to attend the 3:00 p.m. service at St. Edward's. Many stayed up the mountain to enjoy the views and have a light lunch together.

Easter morning I started in darkness to reach the top of Mt. Tzouhalem, to sing out loud "Jesus Christ Is Risen Today", and "He Is Alive". (Gerry said good thing I was alone), I know I don't sing well. To be able to stand in front of the cross on the mountain, and thank our God for all the good in the world, and ask for his continued blessings, is a gift. Maybe next year, as a parish, not only can we do Good Friday but maybe rise early and head to the cross Easter Morning and sing together, "Alleluia".

Mary Hof



MARCH FOR LIFE VICTORIA



THURSDAY MAY 10, 2018

JOIN THE THOUSANDS RAISING THEIR VOICE FOR "HUMAN" RIGHTS FOR ALL "HUMAN BEINGS"

Schedule of Events

12:00 PM

12:00 PM

12:00 PM Protestant Prayer Service, Central Baptist Church (833 Pandora Ave, Victoria)

Mass at St. Andrew's Roman Catholic Cathedral

(740 View St.)

Mass at St. Patrick's Roman Catholic Church (2060 Haultain St.)

1:45 PM The March will leave from Centennial Square and head down Government Street to the B.C.

Legislature.

5:30pm Pro-Life Gala Dinner - Doors open at 5:30pm with dinner served at 6pm. Tickets are \$40

(\$25 for students) and the Gala will be at

St. Leopold's Church Hall

(4081 Gordon Head Rd, Victoria.)

For more details contact Youth Protecting Youth

at youthprotectingyouth@gmail.com

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