



St. Edward's Parish

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6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 16th/17th, 2019

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

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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.

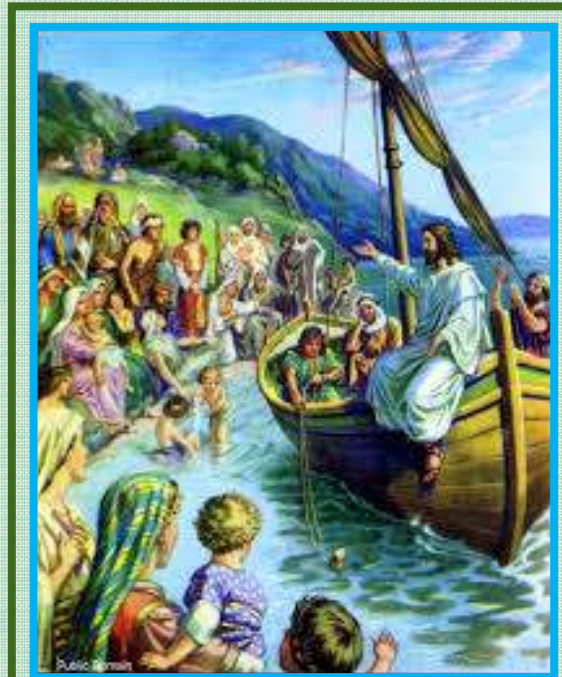
-SUNRIDGE PLACE-

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.



*Faith in the power of the Resurrection
gives way*

to a righteous and fruitful life eternal.

*Trusting in the Lord,
and striving to live the beatitudes
in our everyday lives,
yields much fruit.*

Pray, Read, Discuss for This Week

Jeremiah 17: 5-8; 1-2a, 3-8; 1 Corinthians 15: 12, 16-20; Luke 6: 17, 20-26

“Blessed is the one who trusts in the Lord.”

Pastor's Notes

Trying to pat a Grizzly Bear in the wild is a stupid thing to do. That is a fact contained within a statement that tells the truth. We need to know the truth in order to survive and flourish. That is also a fact within a statement that tells the truth. We are called to seek out the truth of things and to speak that truth to others for our sake and for theirs. That, again, is a fact within a statement that tells the truth.

These facts, statements and truths should be non-controversial, yet, in our world, everyone of them is commonly denied. We hear continually that there is no difference between men and women, while at the same time we hear that women are better than men, while at the same time we hear that a man can be a woman and a woman can be a man. These three propositions cannot all be true at the same time and yet each is contained into today's orthodoxy.

To be "safe" we can all speak today's orthodoxy, but, if we choose to do so, we should do so mindful of the words of our Lord today: "Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what your ancestors did to the false Prophets." If, on the other hand, we choose to tell the truth (often described in today's muddled world as "hate speech", then we can expect hatred and blessing: hatred from the powerful and the stupid (known in the Bible as the "foolish"); blessing from God. Jesus describes the future of those who tell the truth: "Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man." I suspect that the boys of Covington Catholic High School in Kentucky and their families, of whom I spoke to you two Sundays ago, have a much deeper understanding of this Scriptural text than they had before.

On a related theme, it is very common today for many Catholics to proclaim their superior moral standing by joining in mobs, whether online or in public gatherings. This is cheap sentimentally, which in a worldly sense costs nothing. In an eternal sense, it will cost one his or her soul. A writer, Matthew Schmitz, describes such behaviour, and its application to the Covington situation, as follows:

Oscar Wilde defined the sentimentalist as one "who desires to have the luxury of an emotion without paying for it." A sentimental moralist is one who desires the luxury of a moral response—the undeniable pleasure of righteous indignation, the delectable horror at the evil of others—without paying the cost. He need not uphold a consistent morality in order to indulge in moral denunciation. He need not bother with ascertaining facts, because justice in any particular case is not the point. His censures exist to assure himself and others that he is a good and well-meaning person. Because he confuses feelings with morality, he invariably condemns others for their lack of feeling...In the Covington affair, Catholic bishops, woke-witches, celebrity priests, new atheists, and vague agnostics all joined in a frenzy of emoting over the supposed crimes of the unfeeling [the Covington Catholic students and anyone associated with them.]"

To engage in such moral sentimentality and thereby gain the approval of the crowd is moral and intellectual laziness. In other words, moral sentimentality is moral vice, vice which will gain a person the approval of the crowds and eternal damnation. There are real victims of moral sentimentality - for example, the Covington Catholic students - and their sufferings cry out to heaven for justice. Ask yourself, honestly, were you part of the mob?

This brings me back to my original point, namely, "trying to pat a Grizzly Bear in the wild is a stupid thing to do." Today's Grizzly Bear is the mob. Trying to pat the mob is a stupid thing to do, as many celebrities are now finding out. These celebrities have often joined in the mob, only to fall victim to the mob themselves. I repeat the words of Jesus: "Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man." Jesus did NOT say: "Blessed are you when you hate people, and when you exclude them, revile them, and defame them on account of the Son of Man." We are called by God to speak the truth, not to appease the mobs.

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	Lois Cossar
Cameron Bulger	Bob Crane	Alice Su
Terry Thorpe	Michael Paulik	Bill Cools
Frank Laszczyk	Frankie Cicchitano	Maggie Bell
Paula Stocco	Oren Atteg	Bernadette Doyle
Agnes Sweerts	Maureen Kenward	Roland Fontaine
Dolores Relova	Elizabetha Relova-Clegg	Judy McCaffrey
Geraldine Burbee	Debby Warren	Jane Hourihan
Marie Mettlewsky	Ray Courchene	
	Paul Dicken	



For Our Dead

Adele Meyer

Jo van der Peet, mother of Afra James.

Carl McCauley, son of George and Linda McCauley

Funeral Mass

for the repose of the soul of

Carl McCauley

Saturday, February 23rd

at 10:00 a.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 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.

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 26th, 2019.

Thank you, Debby Fernandez

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

Sat	Feb. 16th	8:30 a.m.	Mass <i>Followed by Planned Giving Presentations in Church Hall</i>
		3:30 p.m.	Confession
		4:15 p.m.	Rosary before Mass in the Conference Room
		5:00 p.m.	Mass at St. Edward's — Josef Feldhoff +
Sun	Feb. 17th	8:30 a.m.	Confession
		9:00 a.m.	Rosary before Mass
		10:00 a.m.	Family Mass at St. Edward's — Pro Populo KofC serving pancake breakfast after Mass In the Church Hall.
		2:00 p.m.	Widows Group Meeting is cancelled today.
Mon	Feb. 18th		PARISH OFFICE CLOSED
Tues	Feb. 19th	9:00 a.m.	Mass at St. Edward's— Jan Loniewski +
Wed	Feb. 20th	8:00 a.m.	Mass at St. Edward's - Teacher's Mass
		9:00 a.m.	Mass at St. Edward's - Adele Meyer +
		10:00 a.m.	CWL General Meeting in the Church Hall
		6:15 p.m.	Children's Faith Formation
Thurs	Feb. 21st	9:00 a.m.	Mass at St. Edward's - Carl McCauley +
		3:45 p.m.	PPC Meeting
		7:00 p.m.	Choir Practice
Fri	Feb. 22nd	9:00 a.m.	Mass at St. Edward's — Adele Meyer +
		11:00 a.m.	Mass at Sunridge —
Sat	Feb. 23rd	10:00 a.m.	Funeral Mass for the repose of the soul of Carl McCauley+
		3:30 p.m.	Confession
		4:15 p.m.	Rosary before Mass in the Conference Room
		5:00 p.m.	Mass at St. Edward's — Adele Meyer +
Sun	Feb. 24th	8:30 a.m.	Confession
		9:00 a.m.	Rosary before Mass
		10:00 a.m.	Mass at St. Edward's — Pro Populo <i>Holy Family Committee serving refreshments After Mass.</i>

A message from Pope Francis

In a spirit of fraternal love, a document of major historic significance was signed by Pope Francis and the Grand Imam of Al-Azhar, Ahmed el-Tayeb during a Global Conference on February 4, 2019 in Abu Dhabi. You can view and read this document on Human Fraternity for World Peace and Living Together on the Diocese of Victoria website at:

<https://www.rcdvictoria.org/diocesan-blog/human-fraternity>.



Many thanks to all those parishioners who set up information ministries and group tables at the Ministry Fair last weekend. A special thank you to all those who attended and supported this special event.

Carol DeBruin, PPC Chair

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

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Francine Tournier
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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

Do you have a bed you are no longer using?

If you are able to donate a bed, please contact Jim Korman for further details. 1-778-356-3864

GRIEF TO GRACE – There is help.....

If you have suffered abuse, you may have lived in great isolation and loneliness. You may be keeping shameful secrets. You may be afraid of being judged as unworthy or bad. You may have been called terrible names and have come to believe these as true. But these are not the truth. The truth is that something terrible happened to you and, because of a noble spirit, you have survived. The truth is that you are a child of God, "fearfully and wonderfully made" (Psalm 139). We want you to recover your unique beauty and worth, hidden by something terrible, but now ready to be claimed – the real you.

Please contact us in complete confidence to learn more. We understand it can be difficult to talk about what has happened and that interested individuals may be a long way from deciding to attend a retreat.

Grief to Grace-Reclaiming the Gift of Human Dignity - is a spiritual journey for anyone who has suffered degradation or violation through sexual/psychological abuse, rape, incest, physical or emotional abuse and neglect or other forms of traumatic violation in childhood, adolescence, or as an adult.

**Applications are now being accepted for the next
"Grief to Grace program"
in Kelowna, B.C. May 2nd - 5th, 2019.**

To register or more information call 250-878-7603 or email g2gkelowna@gmail.com or griefftograce.org

Please register TODAY, February 17th

**This is a great opportunity to deepen your faith!
Liturgical Workshop: Liturgy Matters**

Join us to renew your love and appreciation of our highest form of worship. This is a great opportunity to deepen your understanding of the Sacred Liturgy.

When: Saturday, February 23rd
8:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Where: Church of the Ascension, Parksville

What to bring: A bagged lunch

Register at www.rcdvictoria.org or email:
gpalahicky@rcdvictoria.org OR
gjahelka@rcdvictoria.org

"The Eucharist, although it is the fullness of sacramental life, is not a prize for the perfect but a powerful medicine and nourishment for the weak."

– Pope Francis



**You are invited to the Diocesan Rite of Election
March 10th, 2019 at 10:30 a.m. Mass
St. Peter's Church, Nanaimo**



"Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you; And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age" (Mt 28:19-20).

The Rite of Election is for those adults preparing for their Baptism. They are now ready to publicly declare their intention to continue their journey toward becoming Catholics. At this Rite, they are asked to more fully embrace the Gospel message with the help of God and of their communities. The entire diocesan community is asked to pray for those in Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults. You are most welcome to join us for this special occasion in our diocese.