



# St. Edward's Parish

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## 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

*March 2nd/3rd, 2019*

**Pastor: FATHER STEPHEN PAINE**

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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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Queen of Angels Roman Catholic School:

### 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.*



Dear Lord, As we enter this Solemn and Holy Season, we pray that you would send your Holy Spirit upon us that we might prepare ourselves for these coming 40 days of Lent. Even though we may no longer wear sackcloth and ashes, we do seek to humble ourselves so that we can understand the magnificence of Your Love for us as You humbled Yourself and gave Your Life on the Cross that we might receive the gift of Eternal Glory with You. AMEN.

#### **STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

**Friday March 8<sup>TH</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the Worship Area  
led by the Parish Pastoral Council**

*The first reading today uses the example of a sieve to show how grain (good fruit) is separated from the husks (the dead shell). Tribulation and difficulties are sieves in our own lives—and when we are shaken, the real fruit of who we are will be revealed in both our speech and actions.*

***Pray, Read, Discuss for This Week***  
***Sirach 27: 4-7; 1 Corinthians 15: 54-58; Luke 6: 39-45***  
***“Let us be faithful in speech and action.”***

*Pastor's Notes*

Our first reading and gospel for this *Eighth Sunday of Ordinary Time* both address the issue of proper speech. The author of the first reading from *Sirach* gives us two pieces of wisdom: “Its fruit discloses the cultivation of a tree; so a person’s speech discloses the cultivation of the mind.” One could add that a person’s speech also discloses the cultivation of the heart and of the virtues. The second piece of wisdom is “Do not praise someone before they speak, for this is the way people are tested.”

In the mob treatment of the Catholic boys from Covington High who were at the pro-life rally in Washington, we find these words from celebrities: “I want NAMES. Shame them....” (Kathy Griffin, a so-called comedian); “A face that never changes. This image [of a Covington student] will define his life. No one need ever forgive him.” (Michael Green); “Have you ever seen a more punchable face than this kid’s?” (Reza Aslan). These are just a few of the *milder* expressions of hate aimed at the Catholic high school students. Supposedly the celebrities were responding negatively to the supposed “hate” exhibited by the Covington students. This is where our Lord’s words in the Gospel are so appropriate: “Why do you see the speck in your neighbour’s eye, but do not notice the log in your own eye?” These words from the celebrities reveal no cultivation of the mind, the intellect, the heart or the virtues. They are unkind, unjust, untrue, and destructive and they reveal the minds and hearts of their speakers.

We, as followers of Christ, are called to a higher standard. We are called to guard our speech, to speak only where necessary, true and beneficial. We should strive to have our speech be reflective of God’s perspective, a perspective that unites truth and mercy together, words that tear down lies and build up truth, that express not hate, but love.

We, as followers of Christ, must strive to speak in ways and at times that, when our words are placed in the sieve, there is no “refuse”, i.e., no hate, no unjust anger, no resentment, no pride, no self-aggrandizement; no lazy thinking, no cheap moral sentiment, left in the sieve. We need to constantly check our speech, and, also to help others check their speech when necessary. A good place to begin in discipling our speech is by giving thanks and praise to God and by declaring his “steadfast love in the morning.” (Psalm 92) A tongue that habitually gives thanks and praise to God will not want to speak malicious untruth.

Blessings,

Fr. Stephen

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***ARTS AND ENVIRONMENT***

Over the course of the church’s liturgical year, we celebrate many different seasons, feast days and solemnities. Each of these days and seasons has its own colours and themes. It is wonderful and a great assistance to prayer and proper celebration to have the church decorated appropriately for each day and season.

In the past we have had the able assistance of many talented people in decorating the church for these celebrations. Many of these people have either died, moved away, or have reached an age where they can no longer assist with decorating the church.

So, now, the parish is seeking help in decorating the church. We have developed a list of particular days together with set tasks for decorators.

We have begun to compile a list of helpers and to assign particular tasks to them. It is our intention to spread the work around as much as possible so that no one person is overwhelmed or overtasked. This will also allow helpers to focus on the singular task and perhaps develop some new and imaginative decorations for the church. We want our helpers who have some design skills to create some new decorations.

We are in the process of developing a package for each feast day of tasks to be done and a package of pictures of how previous people decorated the church.

We are also seeking some help with the changing the altar linens for each feast and solemnity.

If you are interested in helping, please let Sherriden know. After we have a list we will arrange for a meeting to talk about issues and to divide up the various tasks. We want to do this so that we have a plan in place for the whole year.

Please note that we need immediate help as we plan for Holy Week and Easter.

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 Sweetts	Maureen Kenward	Roland Fontaine
Dolores Relova	Elizabetta Relova-Clegg	Judy McCaffrey
Geraldine Burbee	Debby Warren	Jane Hourihan
Marie Mettlewsky	Ray Courchene	Eileen Laughren
	Paul Dicken	Jim Korman



**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.



Come join us in the Church Hall this Saturday at 9:00 a.m. All men in the parish are invited.

**Victoria Diocesan Youth Conference**  
**at St. Andrew’s Regional High School, Victoria**  
**May 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. to May 26<sup>th</sup> at Noon**  
**Grades 8-12**

**CPPC**

**Companions in Prayer  
for Persecuted Christians (and others)**

*Please continue to pray daily the Companions’ Prayer, the Salve Regina and one decade of the rosary for those being persecuted and martyred in many parts of the world.*



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

|       |      |                      |                                                                   |
|-------|------|----------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Sat   | Mar  | 8:30 p.m.            | First Saturday of the month Mass                                  |
| .     | .    | 9:00 a.m.            | Men’s Group Meeting in Church Hall                                |
| 2nd   | .    | 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 — Stephen Mayer                              |
| Sun   | Mar  | 8:30 a.m.            | Confession                                                        |
| .     | .3rd | 9:00 a.m.            | Rosary before Mass                                                |
| .     | .    | 10:00 a.m.           | Mass at St. Edward’s – Pro Populo                                 |
| .     | .    |                      | CWL will be serving refreshments after Mass                       |
| .     | .    | 5:00 p.m.            | <b>PASTA DINNER</b><br>Youth Group Fundraiser                     |
| Mon   | Mar  |                      | <b>PARISH OFFICE CLOSED</b>                                       |
| .     | .4th |                      |                                                                   |
| Tues  | Mar  | 9:00 a.m.            | Mass at St. Edward’s — Adele Meyer+                               |
| .     | .5th |                      |                                                                   |
| Wed   | Mar  | <del>8:00 a.m.</del> | <del>Mass at St. Edward’s—Teacher’s Mass—</del> <b>Cancelled</b>  |
| .     | .6th | 9:00 a.m.            | Q of A Mass at St. Edward’s & distribution of ashes               |
|       |      | 1:00 p.m.            | Mass at St. Edward’s and distribution of ashes<br>Patrick Holden+ |
|       |      | 6:15 p.m.            | Children’s Faith Formation                                        |
|       |      | 7:00 p.m.            | Mass at St. Edward’s and distribution of ashes                    |
| Thurs | Mar  | 9:00 a.m.            | Mass at St. Edward’s - Irene Jones+                               |
| .     | .7th | 7:00 p.m.            | Choir Practice                                                    |
| Fri   | Mar  | 9:00 a.m.            | Mass at St. Edward’s — Tom Boughner+                              |
| .     | .8th | 11:00 a.m.           | Mass at Sunridge                                                  |
| .     | .    | 7:00p.m.             | Stations of the Cross—led by Parish Pastoral Council              |
| Sat   | Mar  | 3:30 p.m.            | Confession                                                        |
| .     | .9th | 4:15 p.m.            | Rosary before Mass in the Conference Room                         |
| .     | .    | 5:00 p.m.            | Mass at St. Edward’s — Rina’s Special Intention                   |
| Sun   | Mar  | 8:30 a.m.            | Confession                                                        |
| .     | .    | 9:00 a.m.            | Rosary before Mass                                                |
| .     | 10th | 10:00 a.m.           | Mass at St. Edward’s – Pro Populo                                 |



Dear Parishioners

An update on Parish Appeal Projects:

**Refugee**

The person that we are sponsoring has been accepted by Immigration and Refugee Canada. The time wait given from Immigration is that it could be up to 54 months before arrival.

**Audio-Visual**

We are still waiting for the technicians from the Diocese to finish the install. They are hopefully going to get here during school spring break.

**Exterior Doors**

We are now gathering costs, designs and information on the exterior doors for this year’s project. An automatic opener will be also installed.

We thank you for your continued support and patience.

Thank you and God Bless,

Carol DeBruin, PPC Chair

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

President  
Francine Tournier  
250-748-9831



Membership  
Betty Hoskins  
250-743-4908

**Please join the CWL for Coffee Sunday**



CWL will be serving refreshments in the Church Hall after the 10:00 a.m. Mass this Sunday. There will be green treats to go with your hot coffee or tea! All donations go to the Esk-Omi Missions in Canada's Arctic.

**Come and join us.**

**Cowichan Valley Basket Society**

A cheque in the amount of \$7,348.30 was recently sent from St. Edward's Parish to the Cowichan Valley Basket Society (CVBS). This donation reflects the very generous contributions made by parishioners throughout the Fall and particularly during the Advent and Christmas periods. This brings our total for 2018 to \$10,804.20.

The CVBS is extremely grateful for this support and you can be assured that it will be put to very good use. The demand for food never ceases and these donations contribute greatly to ensuring that the shelves remain well stocked and that other food bank expenses are met. Please keep the food bank in your thoughts and prayers during Lent when we are often called to think of those less fortunate.

As always, monetary donations may be made through St. Edward's Parish and donations of food may be brought to Mass and placed in the Food Bank Cart or dropped off directly at the CVBS, 5810 Garden St in Duncan. A list of the most needed items can be found at the CVBS website ([www.cvbs.ca](http://www.cvbs.ca)).

Lee Smith  
St. Edward's Parish representative to CVBS

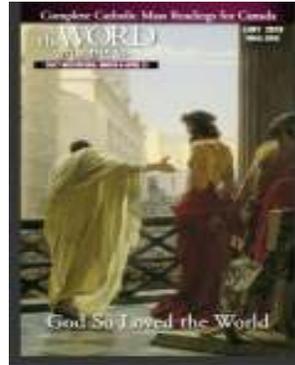


**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS**

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



**The WORD among us.....  
Daily meditations  
for Lent 2019**

The Booklets are available on a table in the foyer. They may be purchased for \$3.00

**St. Edward's Youth Group**

Presents

**5<sup>th</sup> Annual Pasta Dinner  
Sunday, March 3rd, 2019**

**at 5:00 p.m.**

**in the Parish Hall**

Suggested Donation \$15.00

Macaroni and Cheese  
Caesar Salad / French Bread  
Dessert and Live Entertainment



*I will be leading a group trip to Honduras, November 20 to December 5th, 2019. This would involve hiking, volunteering, humanitarian aid, learning about the culture, and having fun.*

*If you might be interested contact me for an itinerary at [mhof126@gmail.com](mailto:mhof126@gmail.com) I have spaces for 3.*

*I have a Christian lady looking to share a room.*

*Blessings  
Mary Hof*

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



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.