



# St. Edward's Parish

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## 1st Sunday of Lent

March 9th/10th, 2019

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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 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.

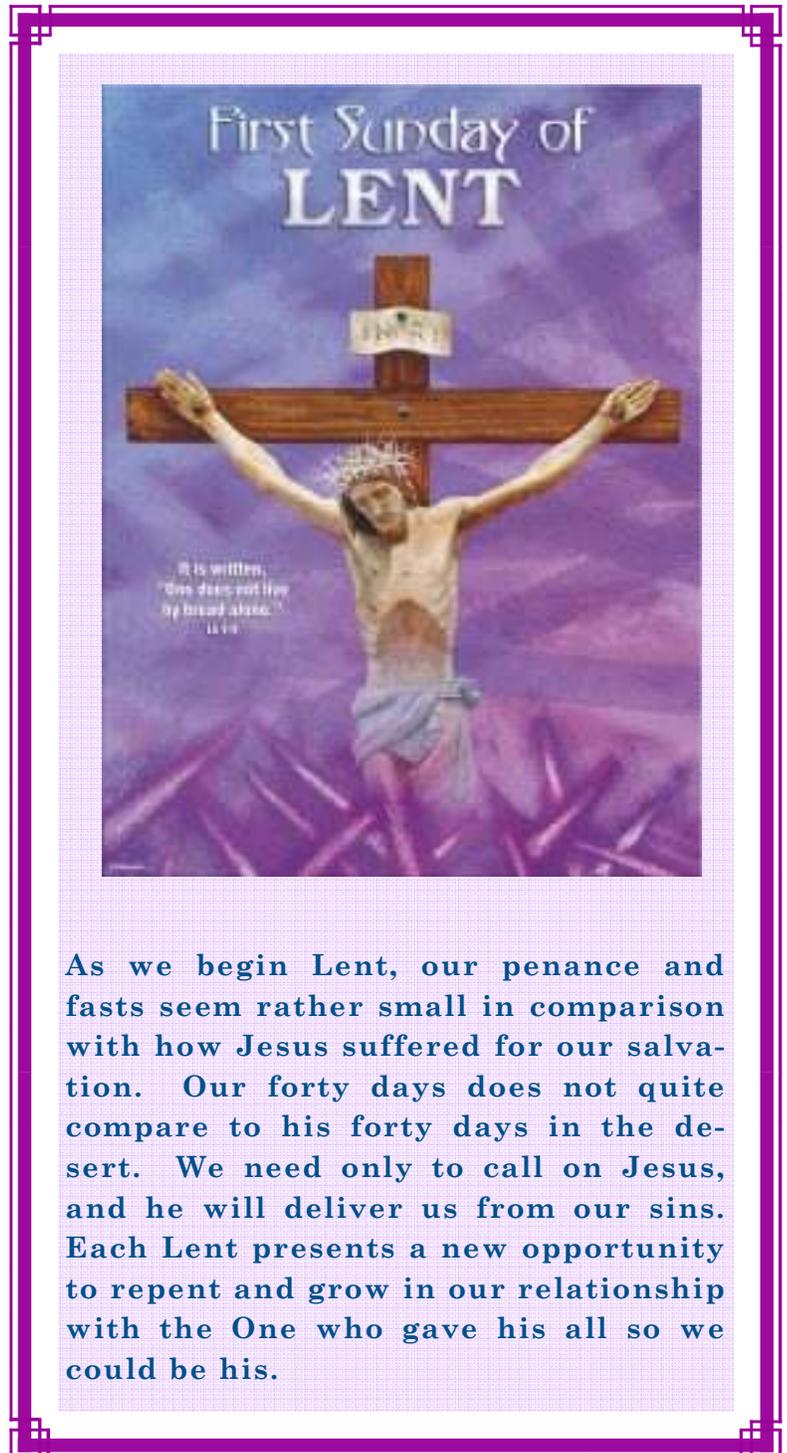
#### **-SUNRIDGE PLACE-**

**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.*



As we begin Lent, our penance and fasts seem rather small in comparison with how Jesus suffered for our salvation. Our forty days does not quite compare to his forty days in the desert. We need only to call on Jesus, and he will deliver us from our sins. Each Lent presents a new opportunity to repent and grow in our relationship with the One who gave his all so we could be his.

### *Pastor's Notes:*

Every Passover the Jewish people recite our first reading from Deuteronomy: "A wandering Aramean was my father; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien...When the Egyptians treated us harshly...we cried out to the Lord...the Lord heard our voice [and]...the Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty arm...and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey...so now I bring the first fruit of the ground that you, O Lord, have given me." The Jewish people recite this passage to enter into it not as observers BUT AS PARTICIPANTS. By reciting these events each one of them is saying for himself or herself: "This event happened to my father AND it happened to me, meaning I was the one in slavery and the Lord God brought **me** out of slavery and richly blessed **me**. Now I give the best of my life back to the Lord in gratitude."

We are called to do the same as the Jewish people when we read this passage. We must enter into it so as to proclaim it as the story of OUR lives! It is an early form and the prelude of the saving action of Jesus in our lives. By believing in Jesus, that is, by calling out to Him in our affliction, He will answer us and save us. Paul tells us in the second reading: "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

This Lent call on the Lord. Call to Him from the place of slavery in your life. Ask Him to come to you in your affliction and LET HIM SAVE YOU. In addition to allowing Him to save you from the slavery in your present lives, give Him thanks for all His saving actions in your past. Say, read, and pray over and over again the account of God's saving action, as the Jewish people do, by reciting: "A wandering Aramean was my father..."

Blessings to you all in this wonderful season of Lent,  
Fr. Stephen



## *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.

## Lenten Walk with the Lord – 40 Acts of Kindness:

*“Lenten Walk with the Lord” invites you to do one (1) simple act of kindness for each of the 40 days of Lent. There is a calendar below to help you keep track of your kindnesses along with some simple instructions to help guide you. For example, kindness can be as simple as a smile and often begins at home.*

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			March 6 Ash Wednesday	March 7	March 8	March 9
						
March 10	March 11	March 12	March 13	March 14	March 15	March 16
						
March 17	March 18	March 19	March 20	March 21	March 22	March 23
						
March 24	March 25	March 26	March 27	March 28	March 29	March 30
						
March 31	April 1	April 2	April 3	April 4	April 5	April 6
						
April 7	April 8	April 9	April 10	April 11	April 12	April 13
						
April 14	April 15	April 16	April 17	April 18 Holy Thursday	April 19 Good Friday	April 20 Holy Saturday
						

### "A Kindness a Day during Lent"

The above calendar serves as a simple reminder of how you may wish to enrich your Lenten journey through the undertaking of simple Acts of Kindness. By doing Little Acts of Kindness, you are sharing the love you have to give with family, friends and everyone you meet. Check off /circle a 'footprint' for each Act of Kindness for each day on your Lenten walk with the Lord. There are many things you can do as little expressions of kindness, such as the following:

- Visit or call someone who is sick or elderly and bring them a simple meal, soup, or loaf of homemade bread;
- Give someone a smile who needs it — spend some time with them to help cheer them up;
- Yield the right-of-way to another driver or give up a parking space — give them a wave and a smile rather than a frown;
- Bring someone a coffee who would appreciate it;
- Help out at home where needed;
- Contribute or help at a soup kitchen or similar facility;
- Help shovel someone's driveway or walkway;
- Help an elderly person get their groceries or offer them a drive in the cold/slippery weather;
- Baby-sit for a young couple or single mother so that they can enjoy an evening out;
- Run an errand for someone who needs it;
- Spend some time listening to someone because many times people are too busy to do so;
- Open a door for someone;

Opportunities for kindness present themselves during every hour of every day — take advantage of them as often and wherever you can! Use your imagination. And don't forget to enjoy the journey! You'll be in the best of Company.

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	Elizabetta Relova-Clegg	Judy McCaffrey
Geraldine Burbee	Debby Warren	Jane Hourihan
Marie Mettlewsky	Ray Courchene	Eileen Laughren
Jim Korman	Paul Dicken	



**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.

**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

**Richard Rohr Prayer Group**

Meets every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month,  
in the Parish Center  
2:00 p.m.—3:30 p.m.  
All are welcome



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

|       |      |                      |                                                                                                      |
|-------|------|----------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 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                                                                                           |
|       | 10th | 9:00 a.m.            | Rosary before Mass                                                                                   |
|       |      | 10:00 a.m.           | Mass at St. Edward’s – Pro Populo                                                                    |
| Mon   | Mar. |                      | <b>PARISH OFFICE CLOSED</b>                                                                          |
|       | 11th |                      |                                                                                                      |
| Tues  | Mar. | 9:00 a.m.            | Mass at St. Edward’s — Carl McCauley+                                                                |
|       | 12th | 7:00 p.m.            | K. of C. Meeting                                                                                     |
| Wed   | Mar. | <del>8:00 a.m.</del> | <del>Mass at St. Edward’s — Teacher’s Mass</del> Cancelled                                           |
|       | 13th | 9:00 a.m.            | Mass at St. Edward’s—Adele Meyer+                                                                    |
|       |      | 10:00 a.m.           | CWL General Meeting in the Church Hall                                                               |
| Thurs | Mar. | 9:00 a.m.            | Mass at St. Edward’s - Stuart Fawcett+                                                               |
|       | 14th | 7:00 p.m.            | Choir Practice                                                                                       |
| Fri   | Mar. | 9:00 a.m.            | Mass at St. Edward’s — Brad Muzzin                                                                   |
|       | 15th | 11:00 a.m.           | Mass at Sunridge                                                                                     |
|       |      | 7:00 p.m.            | Stations of the Cross—led by CWL                                                                     |
| Sat   | Mar. | 3:30 p.m.            | Confession                                                                                           |
|       | 16th | 4:15 p.m.            | Rosary before Mass in the Conference Room                                                            |
|       |      | 5:00 p.m.            | Mass at St. Edward’s — Norman Powell+                                                                |
| Sun   | Mar  | 8:30 a.m.            | Confession                                                                                           |
|       | .    | 9:00 a.m.            | Rosary before Mass                                                                                   |
|       | 17th | 10:00 a.m.           | Family Mass at St. Edward’s – Pro Populo<br>KofC will be providing a pancake breakfast this morning. |
|       |      | 2:00 p.m.            | Widow’s Group                                                                                        |



**Pastoral Care Outreach**

**PCO**

The next meeting for PCO is for Wednesday, March 20th at 2:30 p.m. in the conference room.

**Website Is Down**

Thank you for your patience while our website was out of service. The issue has been resolved and the website is working again.



**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.



**SUNDAY, MARCH 10TH, 2019**

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

President  
Francine Tournier  
250-748-9831



Membership  
Betty Hoskins  
250-743-4908

**REMINDER**

**CWL General Meeting**  
**Wednesday, March 13<sup>th</sup>, 2019 - 10:00 a.m.**  
**in the Church Hall**

**Stations of the Cross**  
**CWL will be leading the Stations of the Cross**  
**on**  
**Friday, March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.**



**Honduras, Any One??**

I will be leading a group trip to Honduras, November 20<sup>th</sup> to December 5<sup>th</sup>, 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*



**Donation Receipts**

If you have not already picked up your donation receipts from St. Edward's Parish, you may do so after Mass today. If they are not picked up by this weekend, they will be sent out by mail this coming week.

Thanks.



**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

**Knights of Columbus Report**

This has been a busy week for the Knights. On Tuesday we cooked over 1000 sausages and 1000 pancakes for the annual Shrove Tuesday breakfast for Queen of Angels School.

On Thursday it was the annual Basketball Free Throw Competition also at Q. of A School. Thanks to all involved.

We would like to thank the parishioners who have supported our monthly pancake breakfast for the past many years and we would like you to know how much we appreciate your continued generosity. However, in recent months, the donations are barely covering the costs of the meal and in some cases we are losing money. Starting with this month's breakfast on Sunday March 17<sup>th</sup>, we are asking for a minimum of a \$5.00 donation per person to a maximum of \$15.00 a family.

Thank you.

**Franciscan Fine Arts and Poster Contest**

Our Lady of the Angels Regional Council (Secular Franciscans of Western Canada) would like to invite children and youth to participate in our Fine Arts and Poster Contest.

We want young people to learn about the 800 year old tradition of Franciscan Spirituality, living in harmony with each other and our fragile environment.

Winning entries will be posted on our website at

[www.olota.org](http://www.olota.org)

Entry form and contest details available from the parish office. Submissions must be sent to the indicated address of the entry form on or before April 12<sup>th</sup>, 2019.



**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.