

St. Edward's Parish

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OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday to Friday

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

250-746-6831 Secretary: Bookkeeper:

Sherriden Clements

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MASS TIMES

-ST. EDWARD'S CHURCH-

Saturday Reconciliation

3:30-4:30 p.m.

Mass

(or by appointment)

5:00 p.m. 8:30-9:30 a.m.

Reconciliation Sunday

(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.

6th Sunday of Easter May 25th/26th, 2019



Jesus assures us in the Gospel that he will dwell within us, and the Holy Spirit will teach us and remind us of what he taught. This is good news for us, because it means we are not making this Christian journey alone, two thousand years removed from a period of human time. We are today, like the early Church of Jerusalem, taught and guided by the Spirit. We need only to listen and have faith in his working in us.

Pray, Read, Discuss for This Week

Acts 15:1-2, 22-29; Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23; John 14: 23-29 "The Holy Spirit will teach us and remind us of what Jesus taught."

Pastor's Notes:

Our readings this week speak of the infallibility of the Church and of the Church's mission to teach the truth to the world.

In the first reading from the *Acts of the Apostles*, we get an incredibly precise statement of the Church's authority in the words of the Apostles, meeting as they did at the first Ecumenical Council of the Church in Jerusalem. Those words?: "For it has seemed good to the Holy Spirit and to us to impose on you...these essentials." "It seemed good to us" is a bold and clear statement of the Church's claim to authority, an authority from God exercised in union with God.

In the Gospel, Jesus indicates the infallibility of the Church with respect to moral and theological truths when he says: "the word that you hear is not mine, but is from the Father who sent me," and then follows this up with: "The Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything." The Church, therefore, established by Christ, overshadowed by the Holy Spirit, and accompanied by Christ in this world, has been given the mission of keeping the word of Jesus in word and deed. The truth is not up for debate, if by debate we mean, subject to individual interpretations or preferences. The truth is up for debate, if by debate we mean reflection, contemplation and honest discussion (but not denial or relativizing) intended to achieve a better understanding of the truth.

Finally, our second reading today, also speaks to the issue of the Church's infallibility. In the second reading, which is from *Revelation*, John sees that the heavenly city "has no need of sun or moon to shine upon it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb." Christ, the Lamb, is the Church's light, and there is no other. "No Christ, no Church." A part of our great mission is to let the light of Christ permeate all that we do and say, so that we and others might remain in his love by obeying his commandments.

This brings us back to the Council of Jerusalem. "For it has seemed good to the Holy Spirit and to us to impose on you...these essentials." Among those essentials? "Abstain from fornication."

We live in a world where fornication has not only been permitted, but encouraged and celebrated. We are now reaping the whirlwind of that moral decay as society is increasingly forcing Christians to publicly preach the goodness, acceptability and desirability of fornication. "After all, who are we to judge?" as a famous person once said. Well the Church at the Council of Jerusalem has already clearly judged, invoking as it did, the authority given to her by Christ and the Father in the Holy Spirit. Know this: no authority, no Church. One need only look at the approaching death of those "churches", such as the Anglican Church, the United Church, the Presbyterian Church, the Lutheran Church, who have surrender their God-given authority to see the principle, "no authority, no church," in action.

Time and again I encounter Catholics who think the teaching of the Church is either mistaken or optional. It is neither. Rather it is life-giving truth and an essential part of the gospel/good news. We are left then with that simple, unequivocal statement, "Abstain from fornication." I ask you to ponder whether you actually believe the truth and force of that command, whether you are prepared to proclaim that moral teaching, and whether you are prepared to die for it. If you do not die for that truth, others will die from the lie that fornication is good, praiseworthy and acceptable. It is none of those things. Rather, it is the destroyer of bodies, souls, marriages, families, and persons.

We give thanks to God for the enduring presence of Christ and the enduring guidance of the Holy Spirit in the Church, and, we give thanks for the teaching authority of the Church.

God bless, Fr. Stephen G. Paine Pastor Dear God, Please embrace those who are sick and hurting today and let them feel the warmth of Your love. Amen Annetta Anderson Paul Boray David Russell Kirby Flegel Lois Cossar Mary Russell Cameron Bulger Bob Crane Alice Su Terry Thorpe Michael Paulik Bill Cools Frank Laszczyk Frankie Cicchitano Maggie Bell Oren Atteg Dolores Relova Roland Fontaine Maureen Kenward Geraldine Burbee Judy McCaffrey Debby Warren Marie Mettlewsky Jane Hourihan Paul Dicken Jim Korman Arleen Laughren Gina Sutton Rick Zuback Bill Bellvau Jan Spencer Joyce Holden Veronica Walsh **Hugh Murray** Patricia Pattenden Glenora Somer Lea Langkamer Wade Damron AND THE REAL PROPERTY OF THE PARTY OF THE PA

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.

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.

Going into the Hospital?

If you are planning to enter the hospital for surgery, it is spiritually advantageous to contact your parish office to arrange for Fr. Stephen to celebrate the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Anointing prior to being admitted to the hospital. At the very least, do tell someone in our parish office that you are going into the hospital. We have no other way of knowing this information, as privacy legislation restricts the information that can be given to us by the facility.

IN OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

Sat	May 25th	3:30 p.m. 4:15 p.m. 5:00 p.m.	
Sun	May 26th		Rosary before Mass Family Mass at St. Edward's – Pro Populo The Holy Family Committee will be serving Refreshments after Mass.
Mon	May 27th		PARISH OFFICE CLOSED
Tues	May 28th	9:30 a.m.	Mass at St. Edward's—Cancelled Plant & Harvest Pricing Party Liturgy Meeting
Wed	May 29th	9:00 a.m.	Mass at St. Edward's - Teacher's Mass - Cancelled Mass at St. Edward's - Cancelled Children's Faith Formation
Thurs	May 30th		Mass at St. Edward's - Cancelled Choir Practice
Friday	May 31st		Mass at St. Edward's—— Cancelled Mass at Sunridge— Lay-led service
Saturday	June 1st	8:30 a.m. 9:15 a.m. 3:30 p.m. 4:15 p.m. 5:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Rosary before Mass in the Conference Room Mass at St. Edward's— Chuck Gerwing+
Sunday	June 2nd	10:00 a.m.	Rosary before Mass Mass at St. Edward's – Pro Populo CWL Tea and Fashion Show



Nominations to St. Edward's Pastoral Council

Pick up forms at the Parish Office

Deadline for nominations June 4th, 2019

Selection date June 9th, 2019

The AGM meeting

will be held on Wednesday June 5th, 2019 at 7:15 p.m.

This is an opportunity for you to share your concerns and ideas.

Applications for George Martin Bursary

Pick up forms at the Parish Office
Submissions by hand to the Parish Office
Submissions by mail – post marked
June 14th, 2019
June 14th, 2019

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

President Francine Tournier 250-748-9831



Membership Betty Hoskins 250-743-4908

CWL Seaside Tea and Fashion Show and Raffle Tickets.

This Weekend Remember.........

purchase your tickets to the CWL Seaside Tea and Fashion Show at St. Edward's on Sunday June 2nd.

This annual event will take place in the Church Hall.

Doors will open at 1:30 p.m. and Tea is served at 2:00 p.m.

Raffle tickets will be drawn on that day.

I want to take this opportunity to thank
Fr. Stephen and the people of the Parish for all
your kind thoughts and prayers during this difficult
time for me. It is truly comforting and reassuring
to know that so many have shared and continue to
share their concerns. I would especially like to
thank the ladies who visited me, brought me
communion, gave me rides to Church and shared
their baking. So much support has been a great
blessing and a source of strength,
Thank you all.

Maureen Kenward



Liturgy Committee

Please note that the next Liturgy Committee Meeting is scheduled for <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>June 4th at 11:00 a.m.</u>



(NIGHTS 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 Bursary

(St. Edward the Confessor Council, Duncan)

<u>Deadline</u> is July 31st, 2019

Available to high school grads who are members of the parishes of St Ann's, St. Edward's, St. Louis de Montfort, (Lake Cowichan), St. Joseph's, (Chemainus), or Our Lady of Grace Parish, (Saltspring). No other applications will be accepted.

Applicants will be asked how they are, or have been, involved in their parishes (to be verified by the parish priest). Preference will be given to children and grandchildren of K. of C. members.

You must show proof of registering for first year courses at a post secondary institution if you are selected.

Application information, contact Gerry Hof, gmhof@shaw.ca, 250-715-8397

Bishop Thomas J. Lobsinger, OMI Memorial Bursary Program

The annual British Columbia and Yukon Bursary program known as the Bishop Thomas J.

OMI Memorial Bursary Program is underway.

Lobsinger, OMI Memorial Bursary Program is underway. The 2019 program is now receiving applications. Once again, we are privileged to offer thirty bursaries of \$500.00 each to Catholic students across the Province of British Columbia. These bursaries are made available on a one-time only basis to young practicing Catholic students who are in their second or subsequent year of post secondary education at a recognized institute of higher learning within the Province of British Columbia. Applications are accepted from January 1st, 2019 until June 30th, 2019 with the bursaries being awarded in the fall. The Terms of Reference can be found on our website at:

https://kofcbc.org/files/2018/01/Terms-of-Reference-2018.pdf

Requests for applications should be addressed to:

Knights of Columbus BC & Yukon Attn: Edgardo Panes, Bursaries Chairman 11260 3rd Ave. Richmond BC V7E 5A1

We would like to once again congratulate the many recipients over the past years and look forward to the opportunity to assist many more young people in the advancement of their education.

Requirements of Nominations to St. Edward's Parish Pastoral Council

BE A REGISTERED MEMBER OF ST. EDWARD'S PARISH

BE A REGULAR, ACTIVE PARTICIPANT IN WEEKEND WORSHIP WITH-IN ST. EDWARD'S PARISH COMMUNITY

BE A REGULAR CONTRIBUTOR TO THE NEEDS OF THE PARISH

19 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER

BE DEEMED WILLING AND ABLE TO CARRY OUT THE COUNCIL DUTIES

BE WILLING TO STAND FOR A 3 YEAR TERM STARTING IN JUNE, 2019

BE WILLING TO MAKE THE NECESSARY TIME COMMITMENT TO FULFILL THE DUTIES REQUIRED BY THE COUNCIL POSITION, WHICH ENTAILS THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR DECISION MAKING REGARDING PARISH ISSUES

BE SUPPORTIVE OF THE PASTOR IN LIGHT OF THE MISSION STATEMENT IN UNION WITH THE DIOCESE

NOMINATION FORM

Nominations are now being accepted for Parish Council for 2019-2022

Your name: .		
Name of per	rson you are nominating:	
Signature o	of Pastor:	

- ** Please make sure that the nominee fulfills the above requirements of # 1-8 above.
- ** The Parish Priest is to sign on the third line of this form.

Please return this form in a sealed envelope to the parish office.

This will be given to the members of the nominating committee.

YOU ARE INVITED AND ENCOURAGED TO NOMINATE YOURSELF!

Deadline for nominations: June 4th, 2019 **Selection Date:** June 9th, 2019

PASTORAL COUNCIL (PPC) NOMINATIONS

(Ad Hoc Nominating Committee)

Fr. Stephen

Mary Hof, chair 250-715-6297 or mhof126@gmail.com Carol DeBruin 250-746-4019 or cdebruin@shaw.ca

Mike VandeWiel 250-900-5461or

mike.vandewiel@gmail.com

Brenda Hennig 250-746-1810 or bhenning@cisdv.bc.ca



Next "Pricing Party"

Tuesday, May 28th in the Church Hall.

Please bring your donations between 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. If you have any questions, please contact those listed below.

Phone numbers:

Jamie: 250-748-5023 Lucille: 250-746-7866 Ro: 250-748-5115

Calling ALL Families!

7th Annual Diocesan Family Camp from August 22nd—25th at Nanoose Bay Camp

Enrich your faith with keynote speaker, Fr. Julian Marcelo Gonzales, Superior of Divine Mercy Congregation.

This weekend is sure to strengthen your family's connection with Christ, with one another, and with other families! **ALL**

FAMILIES are invited to enjoy this weekend full of fellowship, faith and fun! For more information and/or to register please email fami-lyccamp@rcdvictoria.org



For those requiring gluten free hosts, please note that they are distributed by the Extra Ordinary Minister of

Communion wearing a white sash on the far right side of the Worship Area (choir side).

CWL Raffle Tickets

1st prize Framed Oil Painting—Still Life
2nd prize beautiful handmade afghan
3rd prize 4 framed ink and water color— 4 Seasons.
Tickets \$2.00 each



John 14:27

1st Saturday Mass June 1st at 8:30 a.m.



Will meet at 9:15 a.m. on Saturday, June 1st I give you.

Come Enjoy a Potluck Dinner

thanking and recognizing all our wonderful volunteers.



More information in next week's bulletin

EVERYONE IS INVITED!