



St. Edward's Parish

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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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Children's Faith Formation Coordinator: *Debby Fernandez*

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Queen of Angels Roman Catholic School:
250-746-5919 *Kathy Korman, Principal*

MASS TIMES

-ST. EDWARD'S CHURCH-

Saturday Reconciliation 4:00 p.m.
(or by appointment)

Mass 5:00 p.m.

Sunday Reconciliation 9:00 a.m.
(or by appointment)

Mass 10:00 a.m.

Tuesday to Friday

Mass see "this week in our Parish"

-SUNRIDGE PLACE-

361 Bundoek Avenue, Duncan

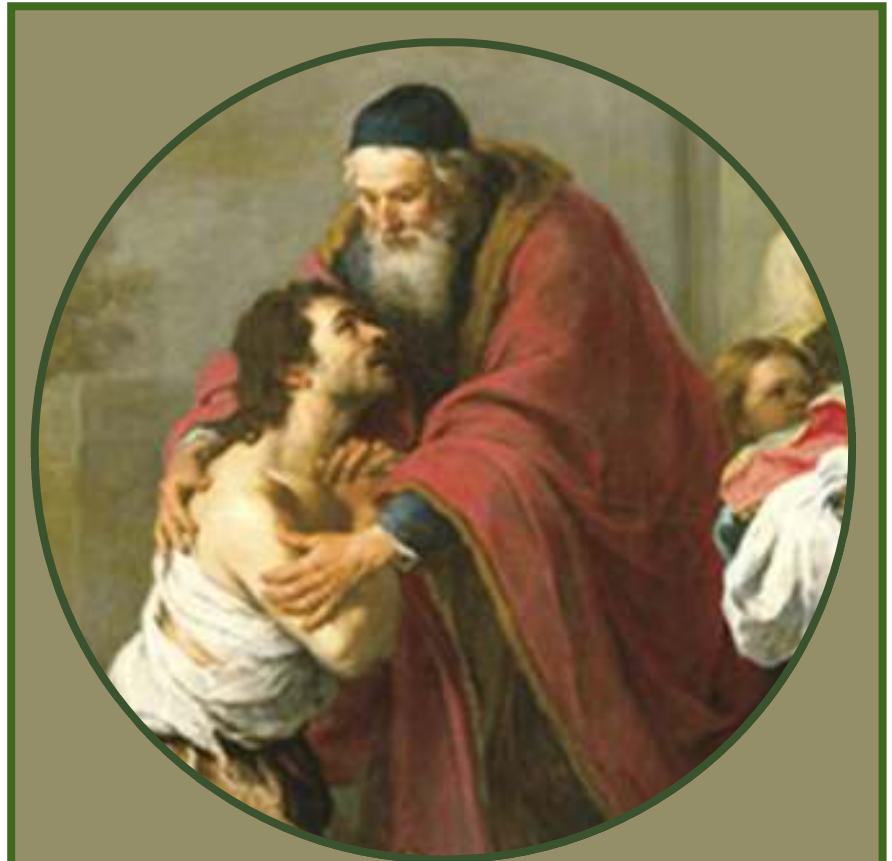
Friday Mass 11:00 a.m.

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.

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 14th/15th, 2019



God the Father shows remarkable mercy to us when we stray from following Him. When we sin, we are called to repentance and to accept God's gracious mercy. By the same token, when others stray, we are to welcome them back with joy when they repent. We are all sons and daughters of the same merciful Father.

Pray, Read, Discuss for This Week

Exodus 32:7-11, 13-14; 1 Timothy 1:12-17; Luke 15: 1-10
"We are all sons and daughters of our merciful Creator God."



astor's Notes:

Scripture reveals God to us in many ways. One of those ways is in descriptions of dealings between God and various people.

Our first reading today narrates the conversation and dealings between God and Moses on Mt. Sinai. God correctly judges the people who have made the golden calf as idolaters deserving death. Moses then disputes with God and in doing so names two of the early patriarchs who themselves disputed with God.

Moses reminds God first of Abraham. Now Abraham, at one point, disputed with God and sought to save the people of Sodom and Gomorrah. Moses reminds God of His Covenant with Abraham (Gen. 19).

Moses also reminds God of Jacob, another patriarch who famously struggled with God in the form of an angel (Gen. 32: 23-32). Jacob disputed with God and would not release the angel until the angel, on behalf of God, had blessed Jacob.

These are ancient stories and yet they reveal something vital for today. Yes, our God is transcendent; yes, our God is all-powerful, all-knowing and all-present; yes, our God has absolute power over our lives. The Scriptures reveal and reaffirm these characteristics of God many times.

However, the Scriptures also reveal to us that this all-powerful, all-present, all-knowing God is an intimate God, a God who desires a real real-time conversation with us. God--the Trinity, three-persons-in-one--wants us to converse with God, and with each person of the Trinity, about all aspects of our lives, about everything that is important to us. If we do this, it will be awkward at times, it will be uncomfortable and confounding at times, it will remain up-in-the-air for periods of time. More importantly, however, our conversations will become real and meaningful and fruitful and consoling. We, in turn, will become real and substantial agents of God in bringing about the kingdom. We will become people who can confidently address the questions that arise from the lonely, despairing, conflicted, disputatious, often well-intentioned and enquiring hearts all around us. Having learned, ourselves, to confront God and to dispute with Him. Then we can allow people to dispute with us and we can model God's responses to us for others.

Blessings in your disputations with God,

Blessings,

Fr. Stephen



QUEEN OF ANGELS
CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY & MIDDLE SCHOOL

Q of A News:

Have you noticed some changes to our front gardens? Part of the gardens were disturbed this summer because our oil boilers, dated 1964 and 1990, were replaced with natural gas boilers. They take up less than a quarter of the space in the boiler room which has allowed us to add a kiln for firing clay in this space. We will also be installing two pieces of playground equipment (a climbing apparatus and a teeter-totter) in the near future. These pieces were kindly donated from St. Joseph's School in Chemainus. Meet the Teacher Night and the Welcome Back BBQ are scheduled for next week. Thanks in advance to the Knights for Columbus for their "chef" skills!

Respectfully,

Q of A Staff

Don't Miss Our Super Grand Sale
September 28th

from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
in the School Gyms and the Church Hall.

Bring your family and friends!

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	Bob Crane	Lois Cossar
Cameron Bulger	Michael Paulik	Alice Su
Terry Thorpe	Frankie Cicchitano	Bill Cools
Frank Laszczyk	Oren Atteg	Maggie Bell
Geraldine Burbee	Debby Warren	Roland Fontaine
Marie Mettlewsky	Paul Dicken	Judy McCaffrey
Jim Korman	Gina Sutton	Arleen Laughren
Rick Zuback	Patricia Pattenden	Bill Bellvau
Jan Spencer	Wade Damron	Veronica Walsh
Hugh Murray	Laurent Boudreau	Glenora Somer
Lea Langkamer	Charleigh Pollock	Ian Weibe
Guilherme Da Ponte	Tanya's baby	Heidi Seifert
	Eugene St. Pierre	

For Our Deceased:

Mary Russell, sister of Gerry Morton and Mabel Russell



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.

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	Sept 14th	4:00 p.m. Confession 4:15 p.m. Rosary before Mass in the Conference Room 5:00 p.m. Mass at St. Edward's - Ainslie Rinfret Special Intention
Sun	Sept 15th	9:00 a.m. Confession 9:00 a.m. Rosary before Mass 10:00 a.m. Mass at St. Edward's – Pro Populo 2:00 p.m. Widow's Meeting Cancelled today
Mon	Sept 16th	PARISH OFFICE CLOSED
Tues	Sept 17th	6:30 p.m. Mass at St. Edward's – Gritti Furman+
Wed	Sept 18th	8:00 a.m. Teacher's Mass- Bernard Tinevez+ 2:30 p.m. Pastoral Care Outreach—PCO Meeting in the Conference Room
Thurs	Sept 19th	9:00 a.m. Mass at St Edward's – Jim Kocurek+ 3:45 p.m. PPC Meeting 7:00 p.m. Choir Practice
Fri	Sept 20th	9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Edward's — Madeline Lambert+ 11:00 a.m. Mass at Sunridge - Ed Sweerts+
Sat	Sept 21st	4:00 p.m. Confession 4:15 p.m. Rosary before Mass in the Conference Room 5:00 p.m. Mass at St. Edward's - Pro Populo
Sun	Sept 22nd	9:00 a.m. Confession 9:00 a.m. Rosary before Mass 10:00 a.m. Mass at St. Edward's – Bernard Tinevez+ K of C serving Pancake Breakfast today



QUEEN OF ANGELS
CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY & MIDDLE SCHOOL



Do you have some time to spare? The grade 5 classes at Queen of Angels are looking for some reading buddies. Volunteers are needed Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings from 8:45 a.m.—9:30 a.m..

Volunteers will need to have a criminal record check completed. If you'd like to help please contact me at the school

250-746-5919 or by email egiles@cisdv.bc.ca.

Many Thanks,
Erin Giles—Gr. 5 Teacher

Richard Rohr Prayer Group
Meets every second Tuesday
2:00 p.m.
at St. Edward's Parish
for more information call
Madge Weber 746-7475

Fall Catechist Retreat & Workshop

"I Can Do All things through Christ!"

A workshop for all Catechists, Youth Leaders, Ministers of the Liturgy of the Word for Children, or those discerning a ministry working with young people!

When: Saturday, September 21st

Where: Church of the Ascension ~ Parksville

Time: 8:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Guest Speaker & Retreat Leader: Mike Landry, Chaplain for Evergreen Catholic Schools (Archdiocese of Edmonton)

Register on Eventbrite <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/catechist-retreat-workshop-tickets-63130874144>

or at www.rcdvictoria.org

Participants may also register by emailing gjahelka@rcdvictoria.org or calling (403) 479 1331

Updating our Parish Database

If you have moved in the past year, changed your telephone number or email address? If you are not sure that the Parish Office has your current information please call to update or confirm.

250-746-6831 or by email at ed123a@shaw.ca

Your personal contact information is held in strict confidence and is only used for church business (i.e. mailing our income tax receipts or contacting you when needed).

Please ensure that we have your current information on file.



**The next PCO meeting is on
Wednesday September 18th at 2:30 p.m.
in the Conference Room**

Stress in Your Marriage?

Only about two weeks left to sign up for our next Retrouvaille weekend - September 27th - 29th, 2019.

Retrouvaille is a program for married couples that feel bored, frustrated, or angry in their marriage. Some experience coldness and simply shut down. Others experience conflict and arguments in their relationship. Most don't know how to change the situation or even communicate with their spouse about it. This program has helped thousands of couples worldwide who experienced marital difficulty at all levels, including disillusionment and deep misery. To find more information about us or to register for the program please visit our websites www.retrouvaillevancover.com and www.retrouvaille.org or phone 604-530-6710 and leave a message to be called back.

Beloved Saint Visits Saint Edward's Church and Queen of Angels Catholic School

**Saint Edward's Roman Catholic Church
Tuesday, October 22nd
Veneration
from
1:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.**



The Franciscan Friars invite you to join them in welcoming St. Anthony of Padua to Saint Edward's Roman Catholic Church. St. Anthony will be visiting you in the form of **two precious and first-class relics** from the Pontifical Basilica in Padua, Italy. The relics will be accompanied by Father Mario Conte, one of fifty-one OFM Conventual Franciscan Friars who minister in the Basilica where the Saint is buried. This is the Franciscan order of St. Francis of Assisi. St. Francis and St. Anthony of Padua knew each other during their lifetime in the 13th century.

Pope Benedict Emeritus said of relics "By inviting us to venerate the mortal remains of the martyrs and saints, the Church does not forget that, in the end, these are indeed just human bones, but they are bones that belonged to individuals **touchd by the living power of God**. The relics of the saints are traces of that invisible but real presence which sheds light upon the shadows of the world and reveals the Kingdom of Heaven in our midst."

Prayer petitions with holy cards will be distributed by Friar Mario to allow parishioners to write their personal prayer petition to the saint. This is a worldwide tradition when venerating a relic of a saint. Father Mario will bring the petitions back to the Basilica in Padua and place them at the tomb of St. Anthony. The tour officially ends back at the Tomb of St. Anthony where the Friars will gather to pray for the saint's intercession upon our intentions and petitions.

Live webcam of the Tomb:

<http://www.santantonio.org/en/content/chapel-saint-anthony-live-cam>



To learn more about St. Anthony of Padua, please visit: www.saintanthonyofpadua.net
Or call Tom Muscatello, North America Representative, at 914.263.8841

Floral Arranging

We are still looking for others who may be interested in arranging flowers so that we can form teams.

This ministry needs you.



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

President
Francine Tournier
250-748-9831



Membership
Betty Hoskins
250-743-4908



Plant and Harvest Sale - September 28th

Please sign up to help.

The lists are on the table outside.

Baking:

St. Edwards has some fantastic cooks, and our Bake Sale table is always the first to be empty. Bread, cakes and cookies, pies, loaves, ethnic treats, muffins...

Bring baked goods to the school - big gym entrance - on **Friday, September 27th** during the afternoon.

Trucks and Swampers:

Trucks are needed on **Tuesday September 24th** at 3:15 p.m. to pick up tables,
on Saturday **September 28th** at 3:00 p.m. to take leftovers down to the container,
and Sunday, **September 29th** to return the tables.

Most of our truckers are seniors, so we will also need swampers with energy to lift and carry.

The time on any of these days will be less than an hour.

P.S. We could also really use a Truck Co-ordinator if anybody would like to take on that job!

Plant and Harvest Sale Committee

Stewardship of Treasure

January 1st, 2019—July 31st, 2019

<u>Collection Income</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Envelopes	Loose
\$ 118,877.64	\$ 107,202.08
\$ 9,422.03	\$ 8,904.58

Deficit to date \$36,877.54

*We are running a deficit budget of **-\$52,399.00** for this year.*



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



St. Edward's Favourite Monthly

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

by the Knights of Columbus
returns on

Sunday, September 22nd
(after Sunday Mass)

The Knights donates \$100 each month to the St. Edward's Parish Youth Group for their valuable assistance at this event.

This event will include a short presentation to the following groups from funds raised by the Knights at last year's Charity Draw.

Queen of Angels School (Parents Support Group):	\$1,000
Cowichan Neighbourhood House Assoc.:	\$1,000
Clements Centre Society:	\$ 500
Providence Farm:	\$1,000
Cowichan Valley Basket Society:	\$1,000
Warmland House:	\$ 500
Ita Wegman Association - Glenora Farm:	\$1,000
Special Olympics Cowichan Valley:	\$1,000
Auxiliary to Cowichan District Hospital:	\$ 986
Additionally two bursaries of \$750 each plus additionally over \$1,000 in donations are being allocated.	

The Knights invites all practicing Catholic men over the age of 18 to join our efforts in promoting the Catholic faith.

Sign-up is easy online at:

www.kofc.org

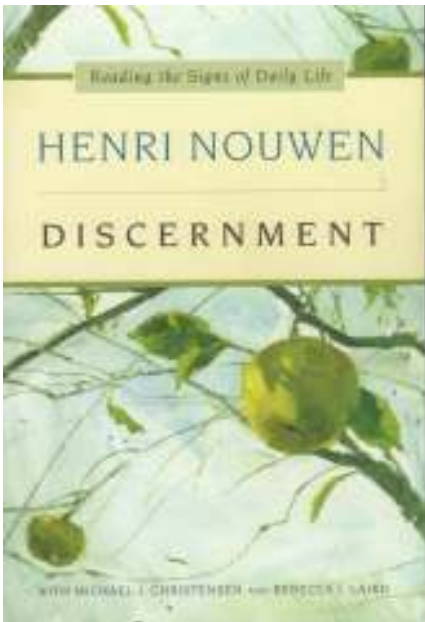
Evening Recollection for Men

Opus Dei's main activity consists in offering people the spiritual means they need to live as good Christians in the midst of the world. One of these activities is a recollection, which provides an opportunity to assess and refocus our life, renew resolutions, and make new ones.

A recollection for men will take place **on Thursday, September 26th at Our Lady of Fatima – 4635 Elk Lake Drive, Victoria.** It runs **from 6:45 p.m. to 8:45 p.m.** and offers periods of directed prayer, silent prayer and a talk. A priest of Opus Dei is available to chat and/or for confession (available **from 6:00 p.m.**). For more information, call Brent Boyd 250-216-1915.

Fall 2019

Adult Faith Formation Opportunity



I invite all interested members of St. Edward's Parish to join me on Wednesday afternoons from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. to explore Henri Nouwen's thoughts in the book *Discernment: Reading the Signs of Daily Life*. The book is a compilation of thoughts, course material and teaching that comes from the life work of Henri Nouwen by Michael J. Christensen and Rebecca J. Laird, two people who know his work intimately.

The sessions will run from October 2nd to December 11th and will be held in the St. Edward's Parish hall or if required in the worship area.

Pope Francis in his book *Open to God: Open to the World* in dialogue with his fellow Jesuits and other Catholic clergy and religious consistently cites the need for all Roman Catholics to rediscover and engage in discernment. Pope Francis recognizes we are in times where it is critical to discern the shades of grey predominating in the world today and why discernment is a major theme of his Pontificate.

Each chapter builds on an understanding and application of discernment through three general areas; what is discernment, discerning guidance in books, nature, people and events and discerning vocation, presence, identity and time.

There will be short presentations to open each session and then a dialogue approach will follow where we will explore in small groups the material from the individual chapters and reflections suggested in each chapter of the book. We will also reflect on scripture and prayer brought up through the various chapters that shows why, as Christians, we are called to discern and then to witness based on that discernment within our relationships and daily life.

Please register at the office or by an email to phlaire@shaw.ca by September 17th to allow time to order sufficient books for participants. Books are approximately \$22.00 per copy.

Submitted by Phil Jennings
Adult Faith Formation Facilitator
St. Edward's Parish, Duncan



Adult Faith Formation Opportunities

Credible Christian: Countering the New Atheism

Five Wednesday evenings starting September 25th
6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Pastoral Centre.

Register on Eventbrite <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/credible-christian-countering-the-new-atheism-out-there-and-within-tickets-49451107594>

Beloved: Spirituality for the Autumn of Life

Six Thursday evenings starting September 26th
7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at St. Patrick's Parish, Victoria.
No registration needed.

Contact Glen Palahicky for further information.

gpalahicky@rcdvictoria.org



Philippians 4:13 I can do all things through Christ who gives me strength.

Wow! What an amazing gift we have been given in the knowledge
that Our Lord is with us in all aspects of our lives!
Let us rejoice always!

Welcome to all new and returning students, families and staff!

It is that time of year again---September! September to me is a time of reflection and new beginnings! I think many parents are also reflecting on the milestones of the past and those that are coming up quicker than we anticipated. September brings an amazing collection of firsts such as the first day of daycare, preschool, kindergarten, high school, university and careers for our children. We as parents often look back at these beginnings with a bittersweet memory. We look back at all the preparation, time, effort and love it took to make these milestones a reality. Milestones accomplished not only by us as parents but with the encouragement and support of family, friends and community.

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce to parents the Faith Formation Program available at St. Edwards Parish for our school-aged students. What a beautiful gift it is, if you were considering to introduce or enhance Catholic Faith education within your family. You now have the opportunity to come to know Christ who gives you *the strength to endure all things!* With Christ in their lives, our children can accomplish wondrous things!

**This 2019-20 year of Faith Formation will
commence on
Wednesday, October 2nd, 2019
at 6:15 p.m. - 7:15 p.m.
at St. Edward's Parish.**

We will be offering Kindergarten and Grade 1 catechesis as the need arises and also providing the Diocesan Two Year Sacramental Program for those of you wishing to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist for your children. Please see below for the attached registration form. I pray that you will participate in this wonderful opportunity to bestow and impart the beauty of the Catholic Faith to your family.

Cheers and blessings,
Debby Fernandez
Faith Formation Coordinator
(250) 466-4230
debbyfernandez27@gmail.com





Children's Faith Formation

Registration at St. Edward's Parish Office 250-746-6831

Date Received _____

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Child's name: Given _____

Middle _____

Surname _____

Date of birth: Day () Month () Year () Age ()

Place of birth: _____

Attending Queen of Angels () Other _____ Grade _____

Parent's Names: Father: _____ Mother: _____

Surname: _____ Mother's Maiden Name: _____

Religion: _____ Religion: _____

Address: _____ City: _____

Postal Code: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell: _____ Work: _____

Email: _____

Has your child received:	YES	NO
Baptism	()	()
Confirmation	()	()
First Reconciliation	()	()
First Communion	()	()

***If your child is already Baptized please include a copy of her/his Baptism certificate.*

FOR OFFICE ONLY

<i>To help pay for the materials of the program, a fee is charged</i>	
1 child \$50.00	
or a family of 2 or more children \$100.00.	
Cash	Cheque

Faith Formation Contact:
Debby Fernandez—250-466-4230