



St. Edward's Parish

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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.

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 28th/29th, 2019



The readings today are a challenge for all believers to consider the eternal consequences of our actions. God, in His infinite love, both calls us to himself and gives us the freedom to accept or reject his invitation. We can allow comfort to make us complacent, or we can pursue noble goods and be persuaded by the One who was raised from the dead.

Pray, Read, Discuss for This Week

Amos 6:1a, 4-7; 1 Timothy 6:11-16; Luke 16: 19-31

"Lay hold of eternal life by keeping the commandments, and pursuing noble goods."

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The story of the rich man and Lazarus is well known and one obvious meaning of the parable is that the rich have a duty to care for the poor. This interpretation of the parable illustrates well the second half of an aphorism by Archbishop George of Chicago, which roughly quoted says, that "you [the rich] need the poor to stay out of hell." This much is clear and uncontroversial.

What is not at all clear is the definition of the poor from a Christian perspective. In the story, Lazarus is obviously materially poor, and the rich man, obviously materially rich. What about other forms of poverty? I remember a news story, from perhaps the 70's or 80's, about a very successful real estate lawyer in Vancouver.

In those days he was earning an enormous sum in legal fees each year. As the news story continued, however, it was revealed that this lawyer had gotten into cocaine, the use of prostitutes and, finally, was being charged with murder. Was this lawyer rich? Materially, yes. Emotionally, no. Socially, no. Spiritually, no. In many ways, other than in cash, the lawyer exhibited all the attributes of the homeless.

A good starting point for any definition of the poor is the passage from 2 Corinthians 8:9 which reads: "Though Jesus Christ was rich, yet he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich." This observation of St. Paul describes EVERYMAN, meaning, it describes every one of us, including that lawyer. We are not to describe the poor, and hence our mission, so narrowly, that it only includes the physically poor. The Christian mission is to bring the gospel and the worship of God to EVERY person and to do our very best to address whatever form of poverty there is in our lives and their lives. God is, in our experience, a rich giver of aid to the poor, including us. Hence, we recognize poverty wherever it appears and we have compassionate hearts for all people.

When we understand this, we find a deeper meaning in the Gospel parable. Lazarus is poor and his poverty needs to be addressed, which leads to the first part of Archbishop George aphorism: "The poor need you, [the rich], to stay out of poverty." The rich man is also poor and needs the poor man to draw the materially rich man out of his spiritual poverty, hence, the second part of Archbishop George's aphorism, "you [the rich] need the poor to keep you [the rich] out of hell." Any relationship can be viewed in terms of two persons sharing their riches with each other to meet each other's poverty. When we hear the Gospel in this way, we become motivated to recognize poverty wherever it is to be found, and we are less susceptible to anger, envy, and a bastardized form of the parable, namely, class warfare.

Blessings

Fr. Stephen

Please note



From here on
at St. Edward's
there will **ONLY** be ONE Mass
on
Wednesdays at
8:00 a.m.

Special Thanks

to the person who sent

the beautiful flowers on Friday.

They've been placed at tabernacle

"For the Love of God"

Crossroad Crisis Pregnancy Centre

Thank you very much for your participation in Operation Baby Bottle 2019 with Crossroad Crisis Pregnancy Centre. St. Edward's Catholic Parish **raised \$1,977.93.** The total raised for 2019 was \$45,800.00.

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	Michael Paulik	Lois Cossar
Cameron Bulger	Frankie Cicchitano	Alice Su
Terry Thorpe	Oren Atteg	Bill Cools
Frank Laszczyk	Debby Warren	Roland Fontaine
Geraldine Burbee	Paul Dicken	Judy McCaffrey
Marie Mettlewsky	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	Theresa
Ray Courchene	Eugene St. Pierre	

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.

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*

IN OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

Sat	Sept 28th	9:00 a.m. Plant & Harvest Sale 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 29th	9:00 a.m. Confession 9:00 a.m. Rosary before Mass 10:00 a.m. Mass at St. Edward's – George Kocurek+
Mon	Sept 30th	PARISH OFFICE CLOSED
Tues	Oct 1st	6:30 p.m. Mass at St. Edward's – Jim Kocurek+
Wed	Oct. 2nd	8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Edward's - John O'Connor 3:30 p.m. Adult Faith Formation 6:15 p.m. Children's Faith Formation
Thurs	Oct. 3rd	9:00 a.m. Mass at St Edward's – Jane Hourihan + 7:00 p.m. Choir Practice
Fri	Oct. 4th	9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Edward's — Bruce McCormick 9:30 a.m. Adoration 11:00 a.m. Mass at Sunridge - Ray Courchene 3:30 p.m. Benediction
Sat	Oct. 5th	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 - Geza Boray+
Sun	Oct. 6th	9:00 a.m. Confession 9:00 a.m. Rosary before Mass 10:00 a.m. Mass at St. Edward's – Pro Populo



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS

St. Edward the Confessor Council 4253

Don Snelling, Grand Knight

58th Annual Charity Appeal

To our Brother Knights, our ticket sales will start Tuesday October 1st at Canadian Tire and October 3rd at Thrifty Foods.

Members are requested to start another memorable year with only 2 hour shifts required. Your time is greatly appreciated.

Let us enjoy this event, the rewards are endless!

God Bless,

Lorne Thickett and Mike Vande Weil.

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.

St. Anthony will be visiting you in the form of **two precious and first-class relics** from the Pontifical Basilica in Padua, Italy.



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!

**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 are 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 pick up a registration form on the table in the foyer. 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
Children's Faith Formation Coordinator
(250) 466-4230
debbyfernandez27@gmail.com

Youth Fall Retreat:

"Come dive into the theology behind C.S. Lewis' books on Narnia, and the swimming pool!"



All youth in grades 8-12 are invited to a special weekend of fun, faith and friendship at Christ the King Parish in Courtenay.

November 1st—3rd, 2019

For more information contact:

Roger Collin—Christ the King Parish
rogercollins@shaw.ca

Caribbean Cruise

January 26th to February 5th, 2020

Join Mary Hof on a Cruise from Ft. Lauderdale to Antigua, St. Lucia, Barbados, St. Kitts, St. Thomas and Grand Turk and returning at Fort Lauderdale.

I have organized group cruises before, and its a wonderful opportunity for people who don't want the hassle of organizing, yet being together with people of the same Christian faith.

There are **2 cabin spaces** left on this cruise with Crown Princess. As with all cruises prices go up, as the ship fills.

Contact Mary Hof for more information
at mhof126@gmail.com,
or 250 715 6297



QUEEN OF ANGELS
CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY & MIDDLE SCHOOL

**VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED**

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

Life Chain Victoria

We must defend life "from conception to natural death"



Join many others as we stand together for one hour in defence of human life.

**Sunday, October 6th, 2019,
2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.**

Blanshard Street at Finlayson, Victoria BC
in front of the Mayfair Mall (Park in Mall parking lot).

Free transportation is available
from St. Edward's Church, Duncan
Call Mike at 250-701-9579