

St. Patrick's Parish

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Mission:

We gather as a welcoming community to worship,
grow in faith and serve as Jesus served.

APRIL 12, 2026 THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

1st Reading: Acts 2.42-47 † 2nd Reading: 1 Peter 1.3-9 † Gospel: John 20.19-31

THEME: HIS MERCY ENDURES FOREVER, ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Today is the second Sunday of Easter. It is also Divine Mercy Sunday. On this special Sunday, the Church relishes in the joy of the resurrected Christ. She calls us to celebrate the resurrected Christ, the first fruit of all those who have fallen asleep, the hope of Christians, and the Cause of Our Joy.

The first reading recounts the new zeal, love, and spirit of the early Christian community. People who used to fear the Jewish authorities and persecution have been transformed into courageous people. They are now proud of themselves and their new heritage. This heritage is their sharing in the resurrection of Jesus Christ. He is the cause of their joy, love, unity, and strength. The resurrection of Christ restores our confidence as the people of God. It lifts us from the dust and places us exactly where we belong.

In the gospel, Christ presented himself to his disciples. During this crucial visit, he dispelled their fears and doubts. He restored their peace and commissioned them as ministers of the sacrament of reconciliation and mercy. As we celebrate Divine Mercy, the church reminds us that God extended his mercy to us by allowing his son to pay the ransom for our sins. In his mercy, God has given us a new birth by allowing us to share in the resurrection of Christ: so that we have a sure hope and the promise of an inheritance that can never be destroyed.

Finally, we, too, must extend this mercy to others. We are called to be apostles of mercy. So, as we spread the good news of Christ's resurrection, we must thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. This is because his mercy and generosity endure forever.

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP, PRAY FOR US

Father Benson Asuming

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday - 7:00pm

Sunday - 11:00 am

Sunday - 4:00 pm

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES: Tuesday to Friday 12:10pm

CONFESSIONS:

Friday 11:30am to 12:00pm

Saturday 6:15 - 6:45pm

BAPTISM

Please email: hcsbpbaptismalprep@rcdvictoria.org

CONFIRMATION & FIRST COMMUNION

Please email: mbristow@rcdvictoria.org

HOSPITAL VISITS - RJH/VGH

Hospital Emergencies: 250-889-3761

Chaplain - Fr. Sean Flynn

Other health concerns, non-emergency: call 811

After hours Parish Emergencies ONLY: 250-294-9615

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION CHAPEL

24/7 Adoration in our side Chapel

Call or visit the office for an entry code

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Tuesday to Friday from 11:00am to 3:00pm

FUNERALS: Please contact the Parish Office

PARISH STAFF

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We acknowledge and respect the Lekwungen peoples on whose traditional territory St. Patrick's Parish stands and the Songhees, Esquimalt and WSÁNEĆ peoples whose historical relationships with the land continue to this day.

Report Sexual Abuse

Sexual Abuse Reporting to an Independent Reporting Agency 1-800-968-3146

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat April 11 – 7:00pm (Int) Ellen McMillan
Sun April 12 - 11:00am + Daphne Philippa Avery
Sun April 12 - 4:00pm (Int) Sarah Fitzmaurice
Tues April 14 - 12:10pm + Mary Kennedy
Wed April 15- 12:10pm (Int) Paul Manning
Thur April 16 - 12:10pm + Anne Vandeleur
Fri April 17 - 12:10pm + Flora & Cirilo Chiuco (Sioco)

Ushers Needed for all Weekend Masses:

Ushers are urgently needed for all weekend Masses at **7pm, 11am and 4pm**. Training will be provided for this easy but rewarding parish ministry. Please contact the office by phoning 250-592-7391 or at: stpatricks-vic@rcdvictoria.org

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ST. PATRICK'S ELEMENTARY SCHOOL KINDERGARTEN TO GRADE 7

For information on registrations for 2025/2026 school year, contact:

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Angela McLeish - Vice Principal
Phone: 250-592-6713
Email: sp@cisdv.bc.ca



PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

A Special Mass on Sunday, April 19 in Honour of Health Care Workers
Bishop Gary Gordon will celebrate a special Mass at 11:00am on **Sunday, April 19** in honour of the dedication of those who **work or volunteer in health care**.

Everyone is invited to participate, either in-person at St. Patrick's Parish or via livestream at:

<https://www.youtube.com/live/BcHDjhHItMc>



Divine Mercy Devotion after Mass on Sunday, April 12

The St. Patrick's Divine Mercy Devotion prayer group invites parishioners for **cake & refreshments** after the **11:00am Mass on Sunday, April 12th**.

Join us to learn about this powerful prayer as we celebrate 11 years in St. Patrick's Parish.



Memo from your Responsible Ministry/Safe Environment Coordinator

The Diocese has recently reviewed and changed their SafeFaith Edition training program for Abuse Prevention, a requirement for all volunteers in all Ministries. Some of you may have already received an email notice from Vector Solutions providing you with how to access and review the Diocesan Policies plus completing one online training course. I will be signing up and sending out notices to all other volunteers needing the training by the end of April. For those of you who would prefer an in-person training session, a date & time will be announced in the near future. My sincere thanks to all the volunteers for their dedication and time to help out St. Patrick's Parish. ~ Susie Nute



The Flower Ladies would like to thank all those who donated beautiful spring flowers for the Easter Altar. Your flowers helped make the celebration of Sunday Easter Mass very special and memorable for all.

Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, April 19

A Knights of Columbus **Pancake Breakfast** will take place on **Sunday, April 19** both **before and after Mass** in the Lourdes Hall. The special Mass will be led by Bishop Gary Gordon (please see attached poster).



Baptismal Preparation for the Parents

Is it your hope to have your child welcomed into the family of God through baptism? If so, to prepare to have your child baptized, parents must participate in a Baptismal Prep course and complete a baptism registration form. Please note that the next session available to take a Baptismal Prep course is **Saturday, April 25** (10:00am-12pm noon). Please email hcsbp baptismalprep@rcdvictoria.org - the coordinator will then contact you with more details about baptism and forward you the baptism registration form.

COLLECTIONS APRIL 5, 2026

Easter Collection	\$	5,230.00
Loose Change	\$	1,906.85
Tiptap	\$	80.00
Bldg. Maint. Fund	\$	560.00
PAD	\$	5,082.00
Grand Total	\$	12,858.85
Development & Peace Share Lent Needs of the Church In the Holy Land	\$	245.00
	\$	1,370.85

FINANCIAL NEWS

	Apr 5, 2026	YTD
Received	\$12,858.85	\$90,009.14
Needed to cover expenses	\$7,685.00	\$115,275.00
Difference	\$5,173.85	-\$25,265.86

St. Clare Villa Unit for Sale

Unit # 204, a one bedroom plus den suite of 840 square feet. New carpeting and ready for immediate possession. Contact Housing Corporation agent Tony Joe 250-361-7883 or tony@primeteam.ca

Plan to come shopping at **CWL's Spring Good Used Clothing, Jewellery, Books & Puzzles Sale** this Friday, April 17th from 9:30 to 4:00 and Saturday, April 18th from 9:30 to 2:00.

Lots of items for everyone at BARGAIN prices!

Please note that we cannot accept anymore clothing donations - are hangers are full! Thank you for ongoing your support! For more information, please contact Theresa Smith at: tgsmith1225@outlook.com



Calling all Men! **COR (Latin for Heart)** is a gathering of men that seek to build a Christ-centred brotherhood through intentional Prayer, Formation and Fraternity. St. Patrick's COR is sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Council 7934 but is open to all men of the parish and St. Patrick's School. You are invited to join us at our next COR gathering in Our Lady of Lourdes Hall, St. Patrick's Church, **Sunday, April 19** after the **4:00 Mass**. We will be having a discussion around the question: "How do I bring the good news to family, school, work and friends."

Seniors Event on Independence & Safety in Your Home

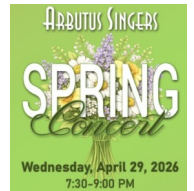
There will be a free event on Wednesday, April 22nd from 1:30-3:30pm in the St. Patrick's Parish Hall. "**Promoting independence and safety in your home**", put on by the Victoria Seniors Business Network.

Call **1-778-200-3387** or register here: <https://VSBNIIndependenceandSafety.eventbrite.ca>



Tickets on sale for Arbutus Singers Spring Concert

The Arbutus Singers will perform their Spring Concert on **Wednesday, April 29th** from **7:30-9:00pm** at St. Patrick's Parish. Tickets are **\$20 each** or **\$50 for a Family Pack**. Purchase from an Arbutus Singers member, or call Julie at **250-384-2840**. *Proceeds to support Choir Kids.*



LIVESTREAM MASSES

Live Mass broadcast this weekend! Mass is livestreamed this week on **Saturday, April 11th** from Holy Cross Parish at 4:00pm. Click the link here: <http://www.youtube.com/c/StPatricksHolyCrossChurch>

NEXT WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Mon. April 13	Tues. April 14	Wed. April 15	Thurs April 16	Fri. April 17	Sat April 18	Sun April 19
Church & Parish Office CLOSED	Church & Parish Office CLOSED	11am to 3pm Church & Office Open	11am to 3pm Church & Office Open	11am to 3pm Church & Office Open	Church & Parish Office Closed	Church & Parish Office Closed
	12:00pm Angelus 12:10pm Mass	11:30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Rosary, Mass	12pm Angelus & 12:10 Mass	11:30am Confessions		10am Caregiver Pancake Breakfast
	7pm Toastmasters	12:10pm Mass		12pm Angelus 12:10pm Mass	6:15pm Confessions	Bishop Gary Gordon 11am Special Mass for Health Care Workers
		7pm Parish Council		3pm Divine Mercy Devotion	7pm Saturday Evening Mass	4pm Mass
						5pm COR Meeting
						5:30pm CFC Youth for Christ

NEWS FROM THE DIOCESE

Would you like to help restore an important **Garry Oak ecosystem**? On April 12 and running every 2nd and 4th Sunday from 1–4 pm, all are invited to come rain or shine to build community and help remove invasive species from our property on the slopes of Christmas Hill. Please meet in the Sacred Heart parking lot (4044 Nelthorpe Street). For more info and to sign up, email jseale1234@gmail.com or visit: <https://garry-oak-ecosystem-restoration-2026.eventbrite.ca>

Island Catholic Schools warmly invite you to their annual **Joy of Music Concert** at the UVic Farquhar Auditorium on Tuesday, April 14, 2026, at 6:00pm. This special evening showcases the musical talents of students from St. Patrick's, St. Joseph's, and St. Andrew's, bringing our communities together in celebration through choir, band, and musical theatre performances. Join us for an inspiring night as our young musicians share their dedication, creativity, and passion for music while honouring the spirit of our Island Catholic Schools community. Purchase tickets by calling the UVic Box Office at (250) 721-8480 or online at: <https://purchase.tickets.uvic.ca/EventAvailability?EventId=12601>

The **Laudato Si' Animators Program** is a free, online formation offered by the Laudato Si' Movement that invites parishioners to deepen their faith and respond to Pope Francis' call to care for our common home. Through spiritual reflection and practical learning, this free online training offers a rich experience that will empower participants to bring his Laudato Si' encyclical to life in their communities through faith-based action, ecological education, and community engagement. A new course is starting April 15, 2026. For more information go to: <https://laudatosianimators.org/>

Catholic Women's Leadership Foundation is hosting a **leadership program in partnership with Saint Paul University** starting May 1. In this **eight-week online program** Catholic women are invited to grow as confident, faith-centered leaders in a synodal Church. Through prayerful reflection, dialogue, and skill-building, participants are provided with a transformative learning opportunity to acquire deeper self-awareness, knowledge and skills that will foster agency as mature Christian disciples in and for the world. For more info visit: <https://www.cwlfcanada.ca/st-paul-university>

Fundraising for the St. Andrew's High School Grad Class of 2026

St. Andrew's High School is asking for community support for two upcoming events related to grad fundraising. On **Saturday, April 25th**, from **11:00am until 3:00pm**, the high school will be hosting a **bottle drive, car wash and BBQ** at 880 McKenzie Avenue. Drop off your refundable bottles and cans, grab some lunch, and get your vehicle washed by donation.

In addition, the St. Andrew's High School Grad Class of 2026 is asking for **companies who would consider contributing**, either through a **financial donation or a donation of product, service or gift card**, that could be used in their online auction. Your company name will be included as a sponsor in school newsletters that go out to approximately 400 school families. Tax receipts can be provided for donations upon request. Donations are due by May 8th. If you have any questions about school grad class fundraising activities or wish to make a donation, please contact their Grad Committee at: sarhsgrad2026@gmail.com



Annie the Musical at St. Andrew's High School

St. Andrew's Regional High School invites the community to their theater presentation of Annie Jr.!

Tickets are **\$20 at the Spectrum Theatre**. Come out and support our students and staff.

For show times and instructions to purchase tickets go to: <https://www.rcdvictoria.org/anniejr>



Join Bishop Gary Gordon

as he celebrates

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Sunday, April 19, 2026

11:00 am

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*Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast
before and after Mass in the Lourdes Hall*

Attend in person or participate via livestream at:

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THANK YOU to our Healthcare Workers



Pancake Breakfast April 19th, 2026

WHERE Lady of Lourdes Hall,
St. Patrick's Church

TIME 10am to 1pm

PRICE \$30 per family or
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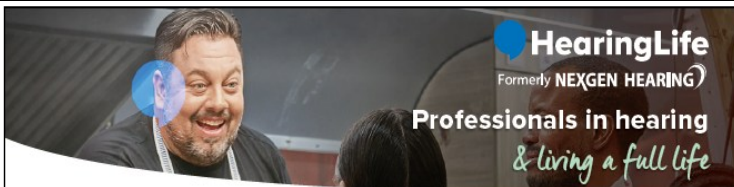
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