

# 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 30, 2023 FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Today, April 30<sup>th</sup>, is the Fourth Sunday of Easter and one of the most familiar Psalms is part of today's scripture readings. *The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.* It is thought that Psalm 23 was written about 3000 years ago by King David. David had been a shepherd before he became King and had cared for his flocks, leading them to shelter and food and protecting them. He knew personally how much sheep depended on their shepherd and wrote the beautiful words of Psalm 23 sharing his trust and conviction in God's faithful love and care.

In John's gospel, Jesus used the image of a shepherd looking after his sheep to help us realize how deeply God cares for us. Jesus did not choose the image of a king or captain of a regiment of soldiers. He did not choose the image of a high priest or wealthy landowner. He chose the image of a shepherd! The shepherd lives intimately with the sheep, leads them to water and green grass. He protects them from wolves and snakes. When injured he carries them on his shoulders. We know from Bishop Gary that sheep smell and are dirty, that they can kick and bruise and cut you even if you are trying to help them. The shepherd must care very deeply for his sheep to choose to share their everyday so closely. What a contrast to the king or high priest who have servants and slaves to bring them food and drink, look after their many belongings and to protect them. Our God is the creator of the universe and all powerful. But He is also our gentle parent who comforts us, loves us and is willing to carry us when we are struggling. How beautiful and consoling are Jesus' words. *The sheep hear his voice . . . the sheep follow him because they know his voice.*

We are reassured that we hear and recognize Jesus' voice. We can trust that in moments of anguish or confusion, we hear His voice, bringing us comfort, guidance, and peace. We are His people! Moreover, remarkably, everyone can hear His voice, not just believers. *For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to Him.* And God calls everyone, whether they realize it or not. Everyone hears the voice of the shepherd whether they recognize its source or not. Jesus promises with complete confidence that we hear God's voice, that everyone hears God's voice. *The sheep follow him because they know his voice.*



Tanya Taft

### Weekend Mass Times

Sunday - 11:00 am

Sunday - 4:00 pm

Weekday Mass Times: - Wednesday & Friday 12:10pm

### CONFESSION:

Friday 11:30am to 12:05pm - no appointment necessary

### BAPTISM

Please email [hcsbpaptismalprep@rcdvictoria.org](mailto:hcsbpaptismalprep@rcdvictoria.org)

### CONFIRMATION & FIRST COMMUNION

Please email [spnhsacramentalprep@rcdvictoria.org](mailto:spnhsacramentalprep@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

### EURCHARISTIC ADORATION CHAPEL

24/7 Adoration in our side Chapel

Call or visit the office for an entry code

### FUNERALS

Please contact the Parish Office

### Parish Staff

Pastor: Fr. William Hann

Administrative Assistant: Deborah Mackay

Office: 250-592-7391

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### PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

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

Custodian: Dean Riches

We acknowledge and respect the Lekwungen peoples on whose traditional territory St. Patrick's Parish stands and the Songhees, Esquimalt and W̱SÁNEĆ 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

## COLLECTIONS APRIL 23

Envelopes	\$1,660.00
Loose Change	\$ 412.25
PAD	\$2,073.00
CanadaHelps	\$ 192.00
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$4,337.25</b>
Divine Mercy	\$ 100.00
Development & Peace	\$ 50.00

## FINANCIAL NEWS

	APRIL 23	YTD
Received	\$4,337.25	\$80,788.00
Needed	\$4,700.00	\$79,900.00
Difference	-\$ 362.75	\$ 888.00

## PARISH CONTACTS

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## ST. PATRICK'S ELEMENTARY SCHOOL KINDERGARTEN TO GRADE 7

For information on registrations for 2023/2024 school year, please contact the school.

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## FROM OUR PARISH:

### Prayer Reflection

It is the part of a good shepherd to shear his flock, not to skin it.

-Latin proverb

Suddenly I heard the words of Christ and understood them, and life and death ceased to seem to be evil, and instead of despair I experienced happiness and the joy of life undisturbed by death.

-Leo Tolstoy

You are my sheep, the sheep of my pasture, and I am your God, says the Lord God.

-Ezekiel 34:31



*On behalf of Father William and the parishioners of St. Patrick's, we wish to extend our sincere condolences and prayers to the family and friends of Dr. Giuseppe (Joe) Mazza, who passed away on Tuesday, April 25, 2023. His Funeral Mass will be held on Monday, May 1, 2023. at 12:10pm .*



### CALL TO MINISTRY FAIR WEEKEND SUNDAY, MAY 14<sup>TH</sup>

Over the next few weeks we will hear from representatives from various ministries inviting you to participate in our parish Call To Ministry Fair Weekend on Sunday, May 14th at each Mass. Pray where the Holy Spirit is calling you to serve. We need to expand our volunteer base in our liturgical and service ministries.

### Baptismal Preparation

Do you want to have your child welcomed into the family of God through baptism?

To prepare you must complete a registration form and complete a Baptismal Preparation course. Please note that the next sessions for Baptismal Preparation are scheduled for:

- **Sat, May 13 (10:00 am – 12 noon)**
- **Sat, June 10 (10:00 am – 12 noon)**

Please call the parish office to leave your name and contact information and to request a registration form. Also, please indicate which course you would like to register. Note the registration form is available on the parish website by clicking: [Religious Education](#)

Thank you, Bev Pulyk, Baptismal Coordinator, St. Patrick's Parish and Holy Cross Parish



**ONE day left to come shopping at  
CWL's Spring Good Used Clothing, Books & Puzzles Sale  
Saturday April 29<sup>th</sup> from 9:30 am to 2:00 pm.  
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### Catholic Women's League – CWL NEWS

**GENERL MEETING**, is this Wednesday May 3<sup>rd</sup>, at 1:00pm in Our Lady of Lourdes Hall, immediately following the 12:10pm Mass. At this meeting there will be the awarding of services pins to some of the CWL Members. Also, the Members will be have the honour to meet the lovely Bertha Landrie, who is the newly appointed CWL Diocesan President. She will be presenting the National Unity Outreach program.

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS:** Birthright's Annual Plant Sale is on May 20th at Lourdes Hall. There will be all the usual plants, from perennials and ground covers to shrubs and edibles. We would love to have your plant donations, which can be dropped off at the Hall on Friday, May 19th, 3:00pm – 5:00pm. Pre-orders are now being taken for pick-up at the Plant Sale or during set-up on Friday, May 19.

Please see our Plant Sale Poster or find us online for more details: [Birthrightvictoria.org](http://Birthrightvictoria.org)



## MASS INTENTIONS

Sun April 30 - 11:00 am + Emma Hartford  
 Sun April 30 - 4:00pm + Maria Leung  
 Mon May 1 - 12:10pm Funeral Mass -  
 Giuseppe (Joe) Mazza  
 Wed May 3 - 12:10pm + Serafim, Fernando  
 and Elmira Botelho  
 Fri May 5 - 12:10 pm Funeral Mass -  
 Michael Owen O'Neill  
 Sun May 7 - 11:00 am + Sr. Theresa Ho  
 Sun May 7 - 4:00pm + Jose Pimentel

### SILENT AUCTION AT ST. PATRICK'S SCHOOL.

The annual online silent auction is live until April 30th at 9pm. With an amazing assortment of items from local businesses. All funds go towards programmes at the school. Please follow the link to view:

<https://www.32auctions.com/Stpats2023>

### JOB POSTING:

Island Catholic Schools is accepting applications for the following position: **Part-time Homestay coordinator for the International Student Programme at St. Andrews Regional High school.** Please

## FROM THE DIOCESE & OUR PARISH

### NEWS FROM THE CHANCERY

The Centre for Studies in Religion and Society at the University of Victoria is holding a colloquium on "Land, Law, Religion, and Reconciliation" on May 4 – 6, 2023. This workshop will explore the implications of the existential shifts in religious life for the stewardship of religious property in contemporary Canada. What are the moral and religious obligations of a religious community that has a lot of assets, deeply-felt religious and social commitments, but few congregants? For more information, to register to attend in person, or for links to participate remotely, please visit <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/land-law-religion-and-reconciliation-a-colloquium-registration-590378316437>

National Family & Life Week, May 7 - 14, 2023, is an invitation from the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops to the faithful in Canada to celebrate the joy and beauty of family and life. To support parishes and communities in promoting and celebrating this week, the CCCB has prepared a Pastoral Toolkit. It includes daily prayer intentions and activities for families and parishes and other resources. For more information and a link to the toolkit, please visit: <https://www.cccb.ca/faith-moral-issues/family-and-life/national-family-and-life-week/>.

**BURSARIES AND AWARD DEADLINES:** July 15, 2023 deadline for the following Bursaries/Award (please click link/name to access application):

[The Jawl Bundon LLP Bursary](#) (\$2500): for a grade 12 Catholic student who has been accepted to a post-secondary institution. Preference will be given to Indigenous students, and to students who live outside of Greater Victoria and Nanaimo.

[The Blessed Marie Anne Blondin Bursary](#) (\$1000): for a lay woman who is accepted or enrolled in a program or course for ministry in the Church, such as religious education, social justice, liturgy, social action, care of the sick, etc.

[The Char Deslippe Memorial Award](#) (\$500): for a teacher working in Catholic Island Schools or a parish catechist serving in children, youth or adult ministry.

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### Vocations To the Priesthood - Fourth Sunday of Easter World Day of Prayer for Vocations

The Good Shepherd calls his own sheep by name and leads them. Is He asking you to help others to find Him? Pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and religious life, especially for our diocese, that God will raise up good shepherds in our midst. If God is calling you, contact Fr. David Hogman or Fr. Harrison Ayre, Directors of Vocations in the Diocese of Victoria.

Fr. David Hogman: [dhogman@rcdvictoria.org](mailto:dhogman@rcdvictoria.org) Fr. Harrison Ayre: [hayre@rcdvictoria.org](mailto:hayre@rcdvictoria.org)

### LIVESTREAM MASSES

**Live Mass broadcast this weekend!** Mass is livestreamed this week Sunday, April 30th from Holy Cross Parish, at 9:00 AM. Click the link here: <http://www.youtube.com/c/StPatricksHolyCrossChurch>

### NEXT WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Monday May 1	Tuesday May 2	Wednesday May 3	Thursday May 4	Friday May 5	Saturday May 6	Sunday May 7
St. Patrick's Church and Parish Office are Closed	<b>9:00am Mass at Holy Cross Parish</b>	11:00am to 3:00pm Church Open for Prayer & Visitation Parish Office Open	<b>9:00am Mass at Holy Cross Parish</b>	11:00am to 3:00pm Church Open for Prayer & Visitation Parish Office Open	<b>9:30am</b> St. Patrick's Church and Parish Office are Closed.	<b>9:00am Mass at Holy Cross Parish</b>
<b>12:10pm Funeral Mass - Dr. Giuseppe (Joe) Mazza</b>	11:00am to 3:00pm Church Open for Prayer & Visitation Parish Office Open	<b>12:10pm Mass</b>	11:00am to 3:00pm Church Open for Prayer & Visitation Parish Office Open	<b>11:30am Confessions</b>	<b>4:00pm Mass at Holy Cross Parish</b>	<b>11:00am Mass at St. Patrick's Parish Baptism Celebration</b>
7:00pm AA Peace	7:00pm Toastmasters	<b>1:00pm CWL General Meeting</b>	12:00pm Sisters of St. Ann Meeting	<b>12:10pm Funeral Mass - Dr. Michael O'Neill</b>	5:30pm Couples for Christ	12:00pm Refreshments after Mass
	7:00pm AA Clue	7:00pm AA Peace	<b>7:30pm Prayer Vigil for Dr. Michael O'Neill</b>	3:00pm Divine Mercy Devotion		<b>4:00pm Mass at St. Patrick's Parish</b>
			7:00pm AA Peace	7pm CA Meeting		



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