

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.

JANUARY 22, 2023 THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

We have come together here as pilgrims supporting each other in our common search for God: we have come together here as sinful people acknowledging our need for God's healing. God welcomes and receives us as His pilgrim and sinful people, and He graces us with unity, harmony, and care for each other. That in turn will transform us into credible witnesses to the Good News that in a world which threatens to go under in a sea of darkness, indeed a light has shone. What have you left in order to follow Jesus? What are you still holding onto that you might have to leave? How do we signal we belong to Christ?

The classic portrait of discipleship is offered along the shores of the Sea of Galilee. Here are two sets of brothers, all fishermen. Peter and Andrew are in the act of casting their nets, beginning the work of the day ahead. John and James are with their father, mending their nets. Perhaps they are just getting off the night shift or are taking the morning to fix their equipment. All these folks are involved in familiar routines that benefit their families and keep food on the table. They aren't wasting time or looking for trouble. They are all presented as responsible, reliable fellows who are just taking care of business. And then Jesus walks by and says something inscrutable to these strangers. He calls to them quite deliberately and says He has work for them. But it is not fishing as usual. It's fishing as decidedly unusual: They will be the bait, and they will catch people.

And what do these responsible, reliable sets of brothers do? They leave their boats, their nets, and an old man Zebedee behind. They walk away "at once" and "immediately." They don't discuss the proposal as they eat their lunch or ask for more information concerning Jesus' proposition and His credentials. They see something in His face, or hear something in His voice, or experience something in His presence that can only be described as authority. You don't ignore this man, or question Him, or argue with Him. You accept His offer, or you don't, as is. And you live with the consequences of your choice. Christians in every generation have had this same experience: the call, followed by the instinctive decision to surrender in obedience and to fall in behind Jesus. Paul did it, under the most unlikely of circumstances while pursuing the precise opposite agenda. Saint Francis of Assisi found perfect joy and Lady Poverty when he did it. When Jesus makes His proposal, you either accept it or you do not. Maybe more of us would hear the call if our lives weren't so cluttered and full of distractions.

As the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity begins I wonder what would happen if we as Christians really believed that in Jesus we have seen a great light. *What would happen to the division between the Christian Churches, if we really believed that in Jesus a light has dawned on us, who without Him, would stumble along in darkness?*

Together in ministry,
Father William



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.

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

SACRAMENTS of INITIATION: BAPTISM,

FIRST COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION:

Please contact the parish office: 250-592-7391

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

Email: stpat190@telus.net

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

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

Custodian: Dean Riches

COLLECTIONS JAN 15TH

Envelopes	\$1,362.50
Loose Change	\$ 407.40
PAD	\$ 573.00
New Year's Offerings	\$ 710.00
Capital Fund	\$ 80.00

Grand Total \$3,132.90

FINANCIAL NEWS

	Jan 15th	YTD
Received	\$3,132.50	\$14,942.70
Needed	\$4,700.00	\$14,100.00
Difference	\$-1,567.50	\$ 842.70

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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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[Visit the school's Facebook page](#)

FROM OUR PARISH:

Prayer Reflection

You will know your vocation by the joy that it brings you.

-Dorothy Day

The alternate domination of one faction over another, sharpened by the spirit of revenge . . . is itself a frightful despotism.

-George Washington

Baptisms & Preparation Classes!

Are you planning to have your child baptized soon? A preparation class is offered on the first Saturday of each month to help prepare for this Sacrament. Please note that the required Baptismal Preparation class for February will be moved from Saturday Feb. 4th to Saturday Feb. 11th at 10am.

Please contact Barb Shenton at bshenton@rcdvictoria.org for more information.

THE COLDEST NIGHT OF THE YEAR IS COMING! Fr. William and Nancy Stuart have started a Holy Cross/St. Patrick's - Walking together Team for this year's walk on Feb. 25. Please consider either walking with us or donating to this worthy cause. Click here to join or donate <http://walk.with.us/twinparishes> Proceeds go to Our Place and your support will help the homeless and hungry in our community.

CWL NEWS: Annual Membership Renewal/Registration: Forms have been mailed to current members. There is also a form and more information attached to this bulletin, and it is also downloadable on the parish website. Please return forms by January 31st.



Whether returning or new members, we are happy to welcome all ladies! Meetings held 1st Wednesday of the month at 1pm after daily Mass. We hope you will join us. Questions? Please call Theresa Smith 250-213-3304.

Interested in becoming part of the **Knights of Columbus**? We are seeking Catholic men age 18 to join our Saint Patrick's chapter. The Knights of Columbus is a family orientated organization, striving to unite, and strengthen bonds through faith, fun and community service. For more information contact Mike O'Neill



A MESSAGE FROM YOUR CATHOLIC STUDENTS ASSOCIATION:

It's happening again and filling up fast. Retreat from life's demands for a day. Join us on our annual ski trip to Mount Washington on February 11, 2023. This is an opportunity to experience God's presence in the beauty of nature, while making new friendships.

Register at: <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/484484755947>

Looking for a safe space to grow in holiness and fellowship with our fellow women and men? Join us on January 27th, 2023. Please contact Lydia Foch lfoch@rcdvictoria.org for further details. Limited space available.



2023 Share Lent workshop, Sat. Jan. 28 from 9:30am -2:00pm, at St. Patrick's Parish Hall, 2060 Haultain St. Our Development and Peace animator, Jeremy Laurie, will be presenting the Share Lent campaign and time for local parish planning. Morning coffee and muffins will be available. Please bring a brown bag lunch. Bring a friend! Questions or more information at 250-477-6952.

MASS INTENTIONS

- Sun Jan 22nd - 11:00 am + Derek Taylor
- Sun Jan 22nd - 4:00 pm + Jeanette Fournier
- Wed Jan 25th - 12:10 pm + Joseph Reilly and + Vincent Reilly
- Fri Jan 27th - 12:10 pm Funeral Mass Michael Fouche
- Sun. Jan 29th - 11:00 am + Lucille Gordon
- Sun Jan 29th - 4:00 pm (Int) Ann Anderson

FROM THE DIOCESE & OUR PARISH

NEWS FROM THE CHANCERY

- The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is held every year from January 18 – 25. This year’s theme is “Do good; seek justice” (Isaiah 1:17). For more information, and resources that can be used during the Week and throughout the year, please visit <https://www.weekofprayer.ca/>
- The National Association of Catholic Nurses supports Catholic nurses in Canada in their vocation. Their goal is to align professional practice with faith through prayer, fellowship, mentoring, access to resources regarding ethical issues, and participation in public discourse. To learn more, or to join, please visit <https://catholicnurses.ca/>

Called and Gifted Workshop

Saturday February 4, 2023, there are a few spots available for all those who thought they missed this amazing opportunity to discover God’s call for you. God is calling you to a unique purpose in life, a work of love that only YOU can do. To register please contact Holy Cross office@holycrossvictoria.org; or St. Patrick's Parish stpat190@telus.net

Vocations To the Priesthood - Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

“Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.” Are you willing to proclaim the coming of the kingdom as a priest, deacon, sister or brother? 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

Fr. Harrison Ayre: hayre@rcdvictoria.org

Donation Envelopes: Please **do not** use your envelopes from previous years as the number may now belong to someone else or no longer exist in our records. Also, you are kindly asked to please note your name and address in the designated area on the front of your envelope to ensure that you are credited for your tax receipt.



OPEN HOUSE: St. Patrick's Elementary School is proud to invite you to join us on Thursday, February 9th for our Open House. Staff and students will be on hand to answer any questions. Anyone wishing to attend will need to register. Please visit our website to schedule <https://stpatrickselem.ca/>

LIVESTREAM MASSES

Live Mass broadcast this weekend! Mass is livestreamed this week, January 21st, from Holy Cross Parish at 4 PM. Click the link here: <http://www.youtube.com/c/StPatricksHolyCrossChurch>

NEXT WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Monday Jan 23	Tuesday Jan 24	Wednesday Jan 25	Thursday Jan 26	Friday Jan 27	Saturday Jan 28	Sunday Jan 29
St. Patrick's Parish Church & Office Closed On Mondays	9:00am Mass at Holy Cross Church Open for Prayer & Visitation Parish Office Open 11:00am to 3:00pm 6:45pm SSVF Meeting Via Zoom 7pm Toastmasters 7pm AA Clue	12:10pm Mass Church Open for Prayer & Visitation Parish Office Open 11:00am to 3:00pm 6:45pm Arbutus Singers 7:00pm BC Railway Historical Society 7:00pm AA Peace	9:00am Mass at Holy Cross Church Open for Prayer & Visitation Parish Office Open 11:00am to 3:00pm 1:45 pm Sisters of St. Ann Meeting 7:00pm Knights of Columbus Executive Meeting 7:00pm AA Peace	11:30am Confessions 12:10pm Funeral Mass Reception to Follow Church Open for Prayer & Visitation Parish Office Open 11:00am to 3:00pm 3:00pm Divine Mercy Devotion 7pm CA	St. Patrick's Parish Church & Office Closed 8:30am Arbutus Singers 9:00am Couples for Christ Meeting 9:30am Share Lent Workshop 4: 00 pm Sunday Mass at Holy Cross	9:00am Mass at Holy Cross Parish 11:00am Mass at St. Patrick's Parish Baptism Refreshments after Mass 4:00pm Mass at St. Patrick's Parish "Live Streaming"



The Catholic Women's League of Canada St. Patrick's Oak Bay CWL

Dear Ladies of St. Patrick's Parish:

It is my pleasure to welcome and invite you to join or renew your membership with our CWL group. A renewal registration form has been sent out but if you have not received yours or you wish to be a new member, a form is available to download/print from the Church Bulletin or from the St. Pat's website www.stpatsvictoria.com. Kindly return this form to St. Pat's office (in person or by mail) along with your fee prior to January 31st.

In addition to serving our parish community in many capacities, St. Patrick's Council members do a lot of fundraising to support our many charities. The CWL is many things to many people. Whether it's faith, service to the community, social justice, or sisterhood, thousands of women have found fulfillment by being members.

- A sisterhood of support and understanding that is more than 63,000 members strong. One of the largest organizations of women in Canada.
- A way to act on important social justice issues by adding your voice to many
- An opportunity to be of service to your community, to the country and to God
- A chance to live your faith with those who share it

We hope you will join us to help us continue to serve our community and to support those less fortunate and in need.

Feel free to check out what is happening at National CWL by going to the website at www.cwl.ca. Check the Tab "To Inspire".

If you have any questions, I am happy to answer them.

May Our Lady of Good Counsel Bless you.

Warmest regards,

Theresa Smith
President of St. Patrick's Parish CWL
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The Catholic Women's League of Canada

St. Patrick's Oak Bay 2023 Registration Form

Thank you for choosing St. Patrick's CWL! We are happy to welcome you!

Check one of the following:

New Member _____ Renewal _____ Previous Member returning from absence _____

First Name _____ Last Name _____

Membership fee is \$45.00. Payment method (check one):

Cash _____ Cheque _____ (payable to St. Patrick's Oak Bay CWL)

E-Transfer _____ (Email to cwlstpatsvictoria@gmail.com)

Fee breakdown for each member: \$25.00 to National Council
\$10.00 to Provincial Council
\$ 5.00 to Diocesan Council
\$ 0.50 to National for Insurance
\$ 4.50 retained by St. Patrick's Council
\$45.00 Total

We would greatly appreciate any further donation (large or small) you wish to make along with your fee payment. Funds raised are used to support our local charities; caring for those less fortunate and in need.
My donation \$_____. (Sorry, no tax receipt can be issued).

Please take this opportunity to ensure we have the correct contact information for you on file:

Address: _____ Postal Code: _____

Home phone: _____ Cell Number: _____

Email: _____ Birthdate: _____

And if you wish, please provide year _____

Please share your talents with us/the Parish by assisting in any of the following. Please check all you would be interested in. If there are duo items and you are only interested in one, please circle that one:

Prayers for needs of church: _____ Phoning/email communication committee _____

Flower/Decorating committee _____ Altar linens committee _____ Candle committee _____

Pick up/Drop off Committee (warm clothing or any items our charities need) _____

Baking _____ Bazaar/Used Clothing Sale help _____ Other (not listed) _____

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM BY JANUARY 31, 2023

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Layne Moore, Membership Chair January 2023



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