

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.



JULY 27, 2025 17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

1st Reading: Genesis 18.20-32 † 2nd Reading: Colossians 2.12-14 † Gospel: Luke 11.1-13

THEME: DAILY CONTACT WITH GOD THROUGH PRAYER

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

In the silence of our hearts, let us reflect on the following questions.

- How do you pray? When do you pray? How often do you pray? Do you pray at all?
- Do we see prayer as a necessary part of our life or do we pray only when we need something?

Our Gospel today gives us the opportunity to look into the necessity of prayer and the daily contact with God through prayer. I suppose it all gets back to the importance of God in our lives. Jesus was “praying in a certain place” and when he had finished he was asked by the disciples “Lord, teach us to pray.” Then follows Jesus calling his disciples into a deeply personal relationship with the Father. He calls upon his disciples to call upon God as a loving parent, trusting that they belong to God and conscious of his love and mercy. Ultimately, prayer is indispensable. It serves as a bridge to connect us to God.

St. Teresa of Avila sees prayer as an “intimate sharing between friends,” it is not just recitation of words but a living contact with Jesus, a gradual process of growth culminating in union with God. We need always to remember that we are invited into a relationship with a loving God who wants to give us life, and to keep on bringing our needs and concerns to him because he tells us to trust in his loving presence. Let nothing disturb you, let nothing frighten you, all things pass away, God never changes. Patience obtains all things, those who have God, have everything.

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP, PRAY FOR US.

Fr. Benson
Pastor

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: hcsbp baptismalprep@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

Office: 250-592-7391

Pastor: Father Benson Asuming

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Responsible Ministry:

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Custodian: Dean Riches

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 July 26 - 7:00pm	(Int) Mary Anne Griffin
Sun June 27 - 11:00am	Pro Populo
Sun June 27 - 4:00pm	+ John Bidlake
Tues July 29 - 12:10pm	+ Agnes Chan
Wed July 30 - 12:10pm	+ Theresa Gauthier
Thurs July 31 - 12:10pm	+ Alice Delima
Fri August 1 - 12:10pm	+ Kevin D'Cunha

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

St. Patrick's Parish Annual Picnic

Please join us at Willows Beach park on
Sunday, August 10th
from **1:00-4:00pm** for our annual
St. Patrick's Parish Picnic

BBQ lunch, watermelon &
refreshments will be provided.



Please bring your own lawn chairs
and picnics blankets.

Note: Over the summer holidays, we will only issue two bulletins.

The next bulletin will be issued on August 31st.

Parish Family Photo Directory

Volunteers are needed to actively coordinate and schedule photo appointments with our parishioners. The schedules and timelines will be determined after we have volunteers. **Can you help please?** To put your name forward or if you have a question about this role please contact the parish office. Thank you.

Living With Christ Missalettes - Each month we purchase 40 missalettes for parishioners' use; we are now down to 10 left. If you use these missalettes at Mass, we ask that you please remember to leave them in the church so others may also use them. Thank you for your understanding and assistance.

PARISH CONTACTS

Parish Council Chair:

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250-370-0558

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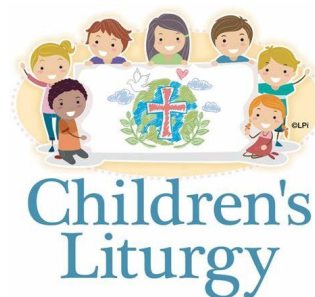
Baptismal Preparation:

Do you want to have your child welcomed into the family of God through baptism? To prepare, you must complete a Baptismal Prep Registration Form and participate in a Baptismal Prep course. Please note that the next session available to take a Baptismal Prep course is Saturday, August 2 (10:00 am – 12 noon). Please email hcsbaptismalprep@rcdvictoria.org with your name and contact information. The coordinator will then contact you with more details about baptism and forward you the Baptismal Registration Form.

Liturgy of the Word for Children at St. Patrick's Parish

Thank you to all the families, children, and volunteers who have helped to make the first year of our Children's Liturgy Program a success. I would like to extend a special thank you to Nancy, Ann Leah, Mae Anne, Natalia, and Catherine for giving their time and talents to the program.

The Children's Liturgy Program will pause for the summer and be back in September. Next year, we are looking for at least 3 more volunteers to join our team. If you can spare one Sunday morning a month, please reach out to Angela La Plante. You do not need to have any experience, and all training and materials will be provided. Teen volunteers are also welcome. This can be a great way to earn volunteer hours or get experience working with children. Thank you!



Seeking volunteers to Livestream Masses

Training provided, volunteers needed once or twice per month.
For more details or information contact Tony Joe tony@primeteam.ca



Please note: new office email address: stpatricks-vic@rcdvictoria.org

ST. PATRICK'S ELEMENTARY SCHOOL KINDERGARTEN TO GRADE 7

For information on registrations for 2025/2026 school year, please contact the school.

Patrick Card - Principal
Angela McLeish - Vice Principal
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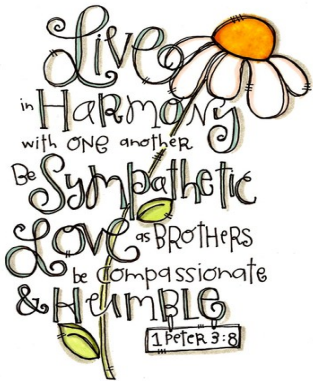
COLLECTIONS — JUL 6 TO 20, 2025

Envelopes	\$	6,930.00
Loose Change	\$	1,958.41
Bldg. Maint. Fund	\$	585.00
CanadaHelps	\$	298.65
PAD	\$	8,765.00
Grand Total	\$	18,537.06

Pope's Pastoral Works	\$50.00
Bequest	\$2,000.00

FINANCIAL NEWS

	July 6-20, 2025	YTD
Received	\$ 18,537.06	\$157,835.50
Budgeted	\$ 14,835.00	\$ 148,350.00
Difference	\$ 3,702.06	\$ 9,485.50



NEWS FROM THE DIOCESE

Please join the Office of the Bishop in welcoming **Teresa Kellendonk**, who begins her role as **Chancellor for the Diocese of Victoria** this week. We look forward to her contributions in this vital position.

To honour the fifth **World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly** on **Sunday, July 27, 2025**, the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops' Standing Committee for Family and Life has shared a commemorative video. View the video and related materials here: <https://www.cccb.ca/faiht-moral-issues/family-and-life/grandparents-and-the-elderly/>

WEEKNIGHT MASS AT HOLY CROSS:

Bishop Gary's final 7:00pm weeknight Masses of the summer will be on Mon Jul 28th & Wed Jul 30th at Holy Cross. There will be no further evening weekday Masses there during the summer.

SENIORS EXPO happening on August 13th at Victoria Curling Club:

The Young at Heart Victoria Senior Expo will be held at the Victoria Curling Club on Wednesday, August 13, 2025.

Admission is free, and the event runs from 11:00am until 3:00pm. The event will offer vendors, pickleball, games to play, clubs to join, resource booths, and over \$10,000 in prize giveaways.

You can register for this event at:

<https://youngatheart.blackpress.ca/greater-victoria-2025/>



LIVESTREAM MASSES

Live Mass broadcast this weekend! Mass is livestreamed this week on Saturday, July 26th at Holy Cross at 4:00pm.

Click the link here: <http://www.youtube.com/c/StPatricksHolyCrossChurch>

NEXT WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Monday July 28	Tuesday July 29	Wednesday July 30	Thursday July 31	Friday August 1	Saturday August 2	Sunday August 3
Church & Office Closed	11am to 3pm Church & Office Open	11am to 3pm Church & Office Open	11am to 3pm Church & Office Open	11am to 3pm Church & Office Open	Church & Office Closed	
	11:30am - Angelus and Mass	11:30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Angelus & Mass		11:30am - Confessions	10am - Baptismal Preparation Course	11am Mass Coffee after Mass
			12pm Angelus and Mass	12pm - The Angelus, Mass		
	7pm Oak Bay Toastmasters Mtg.		7pm - Knights of Columbus Executive Meeting	3pm Divine Mercy Devotion, followed by Social Event	6:15pm Confessions	4pm Sunday Mass
7pm AA Peace	7pm AA-Clue	7pm AA Peace	7pm AA Peace	7pm CA	7pm Mass	



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