

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.



MAY 28, 2023 PENTECOST SUNDAY

Today, is Pentecost Sunday, the great feast that celebrates the beginning of the church's mission to all people of the earth and the fulfillment of a promise Jesus made to his disciples. During the past weeks the scriptures have been filled with assurances that even though Jesus would return to the Father he would remain with us in spirit. *The Father will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. (John 14) I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. (John 14) And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age. (Matthew 28)*

Looking at the extraordinary story of God and humanity, it becomes clear that the event of Pentecost is a significant revelation of God's faithful and merciful love for each of us. Pentecost and two other momentous events form the pillars of this story. First, in the beginning, God created the universe and humanity out of love. He gave us life and affirmed that it was good. Secondly, God sent his son Jesus to show us the way of mercy and love. Jesus redeemed humanity by dying on the cross, demonstrating how deeply God cares for us. Thirdly, after Jesus' ascension, God sent His Holy Spirit to fill our hearts with courage and truth; to help us follow the way of love that Jesus had taught us, and for which God had created us. This extraordinary story of God and humanity is about love, a deep and all-embracing love that we have difficulty understanding and believing. We are so blessed to live in this era, to know this story of love, to realize that God does not leave us *orphaned*; is with us *until the end of the age*.

The story of Pentecost is exciting and memorable; tongues of fire descending, different languages being spoken and heard, crowds of people gathering, and the apostles of Jesus on fire for God. The fruits of the Holy Spirit are revealed! And those fruits are for each one of us. We all carry the spirit individually and in community. God inspires each one of us with insight, peace, courage, compassion, with love. *[Jesus] breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit."* If there ever was any question about God's love for all, the happening of Pentecost confirms beyond a shadow of a doubt that God loves all people, Greeks and Jews, women and men, slaves and free, rich and poor. The implications of Pentecost are immeasurable! *For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body.*

A few weeks ago, Father William suggested that God needs us to bring compassion and justice to the world; that despite being sinners we are a chosen and holy people. With the help of the Holy Spirit, we are the ones who bring the good news to the world. With the awareness that we are part of one body, we are the ones who share the extraordinary story of God's love and mercy. *Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.*

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 hcsbaptismalprep@rcdvictoria.org

CONFIRMATION & FIRST COMMUNION

Please email sphcsacramentalprep@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

Email: stpat190@telus.net

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 MAY 14

Envelopes	\$1,237.00
Loose Change	\$ 271.65
PAD	\$2,465.00
Grand Total	\$3,973.65

Anawim Women's House	\$ 580.00
The Pope's Pastoral Works	\$ 745.00

FINANCIAL NEWS

	May 14	YTD
Received	\$3,973.65	\$99,074.11
Needed	\$4,700.00	\$98,700.00
Difference	-\$ 726.35	\$ 374.11

PARISH CONTACTS

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FROM OUR PARISH:

Prayer Reflection

At Pentecost . . . like the limbs of a single body, the separated members of the human race would be restored to unity by being joined to Christ, their common head, and welded into the oneness of a holy body by the fire of love.

—Augustine of Hippo

I believe in the surprises of the Holy Spirit.

—Cardinal Leo Suenens

What else did the presence of the Holy Spirit indicate at Pentecost, except that God's church was to speak in the language of every people?

—Sixth-century African Pentecost homily

BAPTISMAL PREP 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 to choose from for Baptismal Preparation are:

Sat, June 17 (10:00 am – 12 noon) - this is rescheduled from June 10

Sat, July 8 (10:00 am – 12 noon)

Sat, August 26 (10:00 am – 12 noon)

Please email hcsbaptismalprep@rcd victoria.org with your name and contact information. Also, please indicate which course you would like to register. The coordinator will email you a registration form.

We would like to express our heartfelt thank you to Father William and his staff, the Sacristans, Catholic Women's League, Knights of Columbus, and parishioners for their kindness, support, and assistance with Dr. Michael O'Neill's Funeral Mass and reception. It was very much appreciated and a great comfort to all the family.

God Bless you all, The O'Neill Family

2023 Father Leo Roberts Bursary

Eligibility Requirements:

- An individual facing family difficulties / financial hardship.
- Who has a strong academic marks, and experience in church, community involvement, and volunteer work.
- Who is a full time student at Post Secondary institution/ college or trade school.
- A practicing catholic involved in the Greater Victoria parish community. Preference will be given to parishioners.

Scholarship: \$2000 per year. Scholarship will be renewed for up to three additional years based on the financial hardship and need of Holy Cross Parish and St Patrick's Parish.

Essay: Write a one page essay (maximum 200 to 250 words) stating your career objectives, your accomplishments, your community, volunteer involvement and why you need financial assistance.

Deadline: Thursday, June 9, 2023

Special Presentation

Scams and Financial Fraud, Tuesday, June 13, 10am -12pm at Holy Cross Parish Hall

D/Cst Zwaan from the Saanich Police Financial Crimes Section will give a presentation at Holy Cross on the scams and financial frauds we all face these days. We will hear about the common and not-so-common types and how to prevent them. We've all experienced them by phone, email, text or pop up ads. Seating is limited so please register by calling Holy Cross Parish office at 250-477-5321 or Darlene Southwell 250-477-5738.

"Spring Fling"

You are invited to **St. Andrews Regional High School's Annual Concert** featuring the Concert Band, Jazz Band and Choir. Concert takes place at Holy Cross Parish on Wednesday, May 31st at 7:00 pm. Admission for seniors and students \$5, and adults \$10.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sun May 28 - 11:00am (Int) Pam Boteju
 Sun May 28 - 400 pm + Lillian Foster
 Wed May 31 - 12:10pm Botelho Family
 Fri June 2 – 12:10 pm Funeral Mass - Palma Joyce "Joey" Tessaro
 Sun June 4 - 11:00am + Stephen Ho
 Sun June 4 - 4:00 pm (Int) Martha & Paul Sauve

FROM THE DIOCESE & OUR PARISH

NEWS FROM THE CHANCERY

Rachel's Vineyard will be hosting their first retreat on Vancouver Island from August 25-27, 2023 at the Bethlehem Centre in Nanaimo (2371 Arbot Rd). This ministry is a safe place for people to renew, rebuild and redeem hearts broken by abortion. Weekend retreats offer a supportive, confidential and non-judgmental environment where women and men can express, release, and reconcile painful post-abortive emotions to begin the process of restoration, renewal, and healing. For information please contact Nicola at rachelsvineyardvancouverisland@gmail.com

40th Anniversary Celebrations of Holy Cross continues!

There are two more celebrations in the works to commemorate the 40th Anniversary of Holy Cross Parish! The first of these event will be held on Sunday, June 4th at 2pm at Holy Cross Church. Get your toe-tapping shoes ready as they will be welcoming some wonderful musicians to their concert. Free Admission!

MUSIC OF PRAYER AND HOPE: Fundraising concert for Syria and Turkey earthquake victims, on June 3rd featuring Maya Zidek, (a St. Andrew's High School Student) and Karl Zidek performing classical music variations on piano and violin. The admission is by donation. All proceeds will go to the earthquake victims. Further detail please see their poster on our parish bulletin boards.

The **Teresa House for Catholic Women** are inviting other Young Adults ages 18-30 to a Pizza Mixer on Thursday, June 8th from 6pm-9pm behind Lambrick Park High School. Join other young adults for some fun outdoor activities like Spike Ball and Frisbee, socializing and a pizza dinner with snacks. We kindly ask that you contribute towards the cost of the pizza dinner. **RSVP at <http://bitly.ws/Fhm9>**

Development and Peace is hosting an inter-parish **Pot Luck Social** on Tuesday, June 6th, at Sacred Heart Church Hall, 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm. Please bring a contribution of entrée, salad or dessert, beverages will be provided. Please RSVP to 250-477-6952 or by email to Nancy-stuart@shaw.ca, so that we may have an idea of the number of attendees. If you have an interest in local and global social justice issues, please join us for a meal and fellowship.

Vocations To the Priesthood - Pentecost Sunday

"Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love." Send forth workers into your vineyard. If God is calling you to become a priest, deacon, sister or brother, 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

LIVESTREAM MASSES

Live Mass broadcast this weekend! Mass is livestreamed this week Saturday, May 27th, from St. Patrick's Parish at 4:00 PM. Click the link here: <http://www.youtube.com/c/StPatricksHolyCrossChurch>

NEXT WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Monday May 29	Tuesday May 30	Wednesday May 31	Thursday June 1	Friday June 2	Saturday June 3	Sunday June 4
St. Patrick's Church and Parish Office are Closed	9:00am Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion - Cross Parish	11:00am to 3:00pm Church Open for Prayer & Visitation Parish Office Open	9:00am Mass at Holy Cross	11:00am to 3:00pm Church Open for Prayer & Visitation Parish Office Open	St. Patrick's Church and Parish Office are Closed	9:00am Mass at Holy Cross Parish
7:00pm AA Peace	11:00am to 3:00pm Church Open for Prayer & Visitation Parish Office Open	12:10pm Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion	11:00am to 3:00pm Church Open for Prayer & Visitation Parish Office Open	11:30am Confession	4:00pm Mass at Holy Cross Parish	11:00am Mass at St. Patrick's Parish "Live Streaming"
	7:00pm Toastmasters	7:00pm AA Peace	7:00pm Knights of Columbus General Meeting	12:10pm Funeral Mass - Palma Joyce "Joey" Tessaro		12:00pm Refreshments after Mass
	7:00pm AA Clue		7:00pm AA Peace	3:00pm Divine Mercy Devotion & Social Gathering		4:00pm Mass at St. Patrick's Parish
				7:00pm CA Meeting		



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