

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.



NOVEMBER 16, 2025 33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

1st Reading: Malachi 4.1-2 † 2nd Reading: 2 Thessalonians 3.7-12 † Gospel: Luke 21.5-19

THEME: THE SPIRIT OF ENDURANCE

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Today is the thirty-third Sunday of ordinary time. A week from now, we shall come to the end of Year C. Hence, today's readings point toward "The end of time" and our victory in Christ. In today's first reading, Malachi speaks of the day of the Lord. He paints two pictures. First, he speaks of the fate of the evil one. Second, the triumph of the righteous who endures till the end. This reading serves as an encouragement to help us continue patiently in good works. Malachi ends with a promise of victory: "But for you who fear my name, the sun of righteousness will shine out with healing in its rays." This is our hope and the reward.

In the second reading, Paul encouraged us to keep working hard. This is in order to earn our earthly and heavenly living. The Church does not in any way promote laziness or idleness. Hence, she teaches us that sloth, the reluctance to work, is one of the seven capital sins. Sadly, many Christians no longer appreciate hard work. Instead, we perpetually depend on others directly or indirectly. In order to make fast and cheap money, some engage in all sorts of acts that endanger their lives.

The Lord in the gospel encourages us to persevere in righteousness and endure difficult moments. The only thing that will endure is our faith in Christ. Today in our families, offices, businesses, careers, and in our world at large, we face difficulties that at times question our faith. However, if we endure all these patiently as Christ tells us, we shall have enough reasons to smile at the end, and of course, "the sun of righteousness will shine on us with healing in its rays. Endurance is one of the most challenging disciplines, but final victory comes to the one who endures. Therefore, let us endure until we triumph over all the forces of this world.

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: hcsbpaptismalprep@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 Nov 15 - 7:00pm + Sister Eileen Curteis
 Sun Nov 16 - 11:00am + Betty Novak
 Sun Nov 16 - 4:00pm Thanksgiving
 Tues Nov 18 - 12:10pm Thanksgiving
 Wed Nov 19 - 12:10pm + Thomas Scanlan
 Thurs Nov 20 - 12:10pm + Karolina Kess
 Fri Nov 21 - 12:10pm + Sister Eileen Curteis

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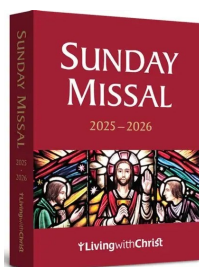
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SUNDAY MISSAL SALE:

We will be selling the Sunday Missal for **\$5 each** on Saturday and Sunday after Mass. It will also be available for sale in the Parish office during office hours.



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

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PARISH NEWS & EVENTS



World Day of the Poor November 16th

Weekend of November 15th and 16th St. Vincent de Paul Conference of St. Patrick's Parish will be holding a food drive. Your participation is greatly needed to help those in our community who are poor and hungry that rely on the St. Vincent de Paul food pantry. Thank you.

2025 Annual Bishop's Appeal, Love & Unity

The Bishop's Appeal, Love & Unity is still accepting donations. Please consider making a financial commitment to the Bishop's Annual Appeal. Not only are you helping our parish, but you are making a real difference to benefit our young people and family ministries. When we give, we invest in the faith and future of the next generation. To receive a tax receipt for 2025, ensure your donation is dropped off at the parish office in plenty of time to get to the Diocese for processing. www.rcdvictoria.org/bishops-appeal

Parish Goal: \$50,000.00 Actual to Date: \$22,256.00 Number of Gifts: 52

Sacrament of Anointing the Sick

On the first Friday of each month, Father Benson will administer the Sacrament of Anointing the Sick during the **12:10pm Mass**. The Catholic sacrament of Anointing of the Sick is a rite of healing and spiritual strength for those who are experiencing ailments (physically or mentally), facing surgery, or suffering from old age. This sacrament can be received more than once and is not exclusively for those at the point of death. It offers physical, spiritual, and mental healing, as well as peace and courage.

St. Andrews Regional High School Christmas Poinsettia Fundraiser

Please consider supporting the poinsettia fundraiser to purchase library resources for all students, in all grades, in all subjects for the school library. Order forms may be obtained in both of the church foyers. **Deadline to order is Monday, November 17th.**



CHRISTMAS CONCERT 'Carols of Hope'

This is the last weekend to purchase tickets for *Carols of Hope – Together We Build*. This joyful Christmas music festival will be held on **Saturday, November 22, 2025**, from **1:00–3:30 pm** at Coastline Church (845 Caledonia Ave, Victoria). This **event supports the construction of the new Our Lady of the Rosary Church in Langford** and will feature an afternoon of uplifting music and community celebration. For details and tickets, visit <https://www.carolsofhope.com/>



PARISH OFFICE CLOSURE ON THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 20th

Please be advised that the Church & Office will be **CLOSED** on **Thursday, November 20th** for 2025 Diocesan Faith Day. We will re-open on Friday, November 21st.



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 sessions available to take a Baptismal Prep course are **Saturday, November 15** or **Saturday, December 13** (from **10:00 am – 12:00 noon**). Please email: hcsbaptismalprep@rcdvictoria.org with your name and contact information.

Knights of Columbus: 64th Annual Charity Appeal for Council 7934

Sales: **October 1st to December 13th**. Tickets: **1 for \$5, 10 for \$25, 50 for \$50**. Cash Prizes and a 2025 Ford Maverick XLT AWD vehicle to be won! Proceeds go to several charities within BC and also supports the Knights of Columbus. [Click HERE to view poster](#)

COLLECTIONS NOVEMBER 9, 2025

Envelopes	\$	3,615.00
Loose Change	\$	626.90
Bldg. Maint. Fund	\$	610.00
Canada Helps	\$	48.00
PAD	\$	4,657.00
Grand Total	\$	9,556.90

FINANCIAL NEWS

	Nov 9, 2025	YTD
Received	\$ 9,556.90	\$ 246,756.24
Budgeted	\$ 4,945.00	\$ 227,470.00
Difference	4,611.90	\$ 19,286.24

UKRAINIAN CHRISTMAS FOOD FAIR AND HOT LUNCH:

Saturday, Nov 29, from 11am - 2pm, at St. Nicholas Ukrainian Catholic Hall, 1110 Caledonia Ave, Victoria.

Sale of perogies, cabbage rolls, borscht, Ukrainian kobassa, nalysnyky (crepes), sauerkraut & preserves, Christmas breads and pastries. Wheelchair accessible. To pre-order call **250-384-2255**.



NEWS FROM THE DIOCESE

Mount St. Mary Hospital will host its annual **Christmas Market** on **Saturday, Nov 29th, from 10:00 am–2:30 pm** at 861 Fairfield Road. Browse local vendors offering handmade gifts, baked goods, plants, Christmas décor, and enjoy live entertainment. **Admission is free!** [CLICK for POSTER](#)



Registration is open for the annual **Diocese of Victoria Camp Homewood Retreat**, taking place from January 30 to February 1, 2026, at Camp Homewood on Quadra Island. **Youth in grades 7–12 are invited to register for this weekend retreat.** This year's theme is "*Blessed Are You.*" The cost is \$195 per participant, which includes all food, accommodation, and activities. [Click to REGISTER](#). For more information, please contact: stpatrickhw@gmail.com

The Diocese of Victoria Health Care Committee has released two resources for families before and after a loved one dies and enters eternal life. A limited number of copies will soon be available at your parish offices upon request. Digital and downloadable copies of the **A Catholic Perspective: What Family Members Need to Know Before and After a Loved One Enters Eternal Life** resources are available on the [Diocesan website](#).

St. Andrew's Regional High School Music Department is hosting "**Coffee House**," a live performance featuring the St. Andrew's Singers, concert and jazz bands, and many talented solo artists. The event will take place on Wednesday, November 19, 2025, at 7:00 pm at St. Andrew's Regional High School. Tickets are \$10 at the door. [CLICK for POSTER](#)

ARBUTUS SINGERS Christmas Concert

Wednesday, December 3rd, from 7:00 - 8:30pm at St. Patrick's Parish
Tickets: \$20 each or \$50 Family Pack, Light refreshments to follow
 Call Julie at 250-384-2840 ([VIEW website](#))



Birthright will be selling **specialty fudges** after both Masses on **November 22/23**. (The packets make great stocking stuffers or gifts for the holiday table and freeze well!) Birthright assists women in difficult or crisis pregnancies, offering hope and encouraging Mothers to give the precious gift of Life to their babies. Please consider supporting this worthwhile cause.

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LIVESTREAM MASSES

Live Mass broadcast this weekend! Mass is livestreamed this week on Sunday, November 16th at St. Patrick's at 11:00am. Click the link here: <http://www.youtube.com/c/StPatricksHolyCrossChurch>

NEXT WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Monday Nov 17	Tuesday Nov 18	Wednesday Nov 19	Thursday Nov 20	Friday Nov 21	Saturday Nov 22	Sunday Nov 23
Church & Office CLOSED	11am to 3:00pm Church & Office Open	11am to 3:00pm Church & Office Open	2025 Diocesan Faith Day, Church & Office CLOSED	11am to 3:00pm Church & Office Open	Church & Office Closed	11am Sunday Mass Baptism Celebration
1pm - St. Patrick's School Grade 4 students Bible Presentation	12:00pm Angelus & Mass	11:30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Angelus & Mass	7pm CWL Appreciation Party	11:30am - Confessions	9:30am - Couples for Christ Wedding Milestones	Children's Liturgy (refreshments after Mass)
7pm AA Peace	7pm AA-Clue	7pm AA Peace	7pm AA Peace	12:00pm Angelus & Mass	6:15pm Confessions	12:15pm - Sacramental Prep Class, Session 1
	7pm - Toastmasters			3pm Divine Mercy Devotion	7pm Saturday Evening Mass	4pm Sunday Mass
				5pm Couples for Christ		
				7pm CA		



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