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Mission:

**We gather as a welcoming community to worship,
grow in faith and serve as Jesus served.**

MASS TIMES

Saturday: 7:00pm
Sunday: 11:00am & 4:00pm
Tuesday to Friday: 12:10pm

CONFESSIONS

Friday: 11:30am to 12:00pm
First Friday of the month: 11:00am to 12:00pm
Saturday: 6:00 to 6:45pm

After hours EMERGENCIES requiring THE PASTOR

Example: Last Rites, etc.

**Call 250-592-7391
and choose option #3**

FUNERALS, BAPTISMS, WEDDINGS

Contact the Parish Office

CONFIRMATION & FIRST COMMUNION

Email: mbristow@rcdvictoria.org

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION CHAPEL 24/7

Call or visit the office for an entry code

CHURCH & OFFICE HOURS

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

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SEPTEMBER 13, 2026

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

My dear people in Christ,

Greetings to all of you. This Sunday, the Word of God invites us to reflect on forgiveness. St. Paul reminds us, “We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord.” Our lives belong to Christ, and therefore our relationships with one another are also called to reflect His love and mercy.

In the Gospel, Peter asks Jesus how many times he should forgive someone who sins against him. Jesus responds, “Not seven times, but seventy-seven times.” Through the parable of the unforgiving servant, Jesus reminds us that we have received God’s mercy far beyond anything we could ever repay. Having received such great forgiveness, we are called to extend that same mercy to others.

Forgiveness does not mean that we ignore hurt or injustice. Rather, it means placing our pain into God’s hands and refusing to let resentment control our hearts. As a parish family, we are called to be a community where mercy, reconciliation, patience, and love have a place.

As we continue growing together as a parish family, I am also happy to share a few updates. We have recently installed a new security system at the rectory and a livestream camera system in the church. These improvements will provide greater security at the rectory and help those who cannot be physically present remain connected to our celebrations of faith.

I am also very happy to remind you that my installation as your pastor will take place this Sunday, September 13, at 11:00 a.m. Bishop Gary Gordon will be with us to celebrate the Eucharist and formally install me as pastor of St. Patrick’s Parish.

This is a very special moment for me. I am deeply grateful to God for the privilege of serving this wonderful parish community. Your kindness, welcome, support, and prayers have already made me feel at home among you.

As we begin this new chapter together, let us place our parish in the hands of the Lord. May we grow not only in numbers and ministries, but especially in faith, forgiveness, unity, and love. May St. Patrick’s always be a place where people encounter Christ, experience His mercy, and know that they truly belong.

Please continue to keep me, our parish, and our ministry in your prayers.

May God bless you and your families abundantly.

With prayers and blessings,

Fr. Silvichan Dominic

Pastor

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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.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat Sep 12 – 7:00pm	+ Joseph Leung
Sun Sep 13 – 11:00am	+Kevin D'Cunha
Sun Sep 13 – 4:00pm	Pro Populo
Tue Sep 15 – 12:10pm	+ Penny Latham
Wed Sep 16 – 12:10pm	+Thelma Sheehan
Thu Sep 17 – 12:10pm	+ Rosa Maria Borges
Fri Sep 18 – 12:10pm	+ Sophie Kess

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Seventh Annual Mass for Our Lady of Penafrancia: In the spirit of fellowship, the Bicolanos of Vancouver Island would like to invite everyone from the Diocese to join our 7th annual Eucharist Celebration of Unity at St. Patrick's Parish on **Saturday, September. 12th.** Rosary at 10:00am, Mass at 11:00am, and potluck lunch at 12pm noon.

OUR PARISH

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 Baptism Preparation Course. Please note that the next session for the course is Saturday Oct 10th from 10am to 12pm. Please email hcsbp baptism prep@rcdvictoria.org with your name and contact information. The coordinator will then contact you.

Signs of Grace Sacramental Preparation Program

Children 7+ years old, with participation of a parent, can prepare for the sacraments of First Reconciliation, Confirmation and First Communion in this 2-year program. A pre-requisite program, called FORGIVEN, provides catechesis for Parents. The first session begins on **Saturday, October 3, 2026.** For more information, contact the Sacramental Prep Coordinator - Michele Bristow at: mbristow@rcdvictoria.org. Please register by September 30th. *Registration forms are available online:*
<https://s3.amazonaws.com/media.cloversites.com/cf/cf43cd4b-2408-4957-a83c-d18c6511d74a/documents/Registration Form 2020 SP - Yrs I II - FILLABLE.pdf>

Mark your calendars for St. Patrick's CWL Fantastic Fall Bazaar on Saturday, October 3rd from 9:30am to 2:00pm. We are accepting donations now for all stalls, please see our attached Fall Bazaar poster.

Calling All Men! COR (Latin for Heart) is a gathering of men that seek to build a Christ-centered brotherhood through intentional Prayer, Formation and Fraternity. St. Patrick's COR is sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Council 7934 but is open to all men of the parish and St. Patrick's School. You are invited to join us at our next COR gathering in Our Lady of Lourdes Hall, St. Patrick's Church, **Sunday, September 20 at 5:00 p.m.** We will be watching a short video and having a discussion on the topic of Artificial Intelligence. Pizza, beverages and fellowship time will follow.

St. Patrick's Pastoral Care will be hosting a **"Come & See Gathering"** on Saturday, September 19th at 10:00am in St. Ann's Room. We are the hands and feet of Jesus when we visit the lonely and bring Communion to parishioners who are homebound, in long-term care or hospital due to illness. You are invited to come and find out more about how you can bring joy and peace to others by becoming a Pastoral Care Visitor. Coffee and refreshments will be provided. Please phone or email the parish office by September 15th to let us know you will join us to learn more about this Ministry of Presence.

All current Pastoral Care Visitors are also invited and encouraged to attend the "Come and See Gathering", so that they may share their experiences in this ministry.

Liturgy of the Word for Children

Begins again on Sunday, September 13th at the 11:00am Mass. All children who have not yet received their First Communion and Confirmation are welcome to attend. Children under 3 years old should attend with a parent or caregiver. Please come to the front of the church when Father calls you.

FINANCIAL NEWS

COLLECTION – September 6th, 2026

Envelopes	\$3,100.00
Loose Change	811.55
TipTap	120.00
Bldg Maint Fund	385.00
CanadaHelps	529.25
PAD	5,144.00
GRAND TOTAL	\$10,089.80

	Sept 6, 2026	YTD
Received	\$10,089.80	\$210,845.54
Needed to Cover Expenses	\$7,685.00	\$284,345.00
Difference	\$2,404.80	-\$73,499.46

Development and Peace - Caritas Canada

(DPCC), is the official international development organization of the Catholic Church in Canada and a democratic movement for global solidarity rooted in Catholic Social Teaching. Our Diocesan Fall workshop will take place at Queen of Peace Church Hall, 849 Old Esquimalt Rd., Saturday, September 19th, 9:30-1:30, please bring a brown bag lunch. It will be led by our animator, Raphael Freston, from Vancouver. All are welcome. For info call Nancy Stuart at 250-580-4444.

OUR DIOCESE

St. Francis of Assisi – A city-wide Mass of commemoration of the 800th Anniversary of the death of St Francis of Assisi will be celebrated here at St. Patrick's Parish on **Sunday, October 4th at 4pm**, presided by Bishop Gary. All are welcome and invited to attend this Eucharist in honor of St Francis.

Beloved Catholic Women's Retreat 2026

Women are invited to the 8th Annual Beloved Catholic Women's Retreat, taking place November 13 to 15 at beautiful Camp Homewood on Quadra Island. This year's theme, *Mysterium: Behold the Lamb of God*, welcomes guest speaker Sr. Damien Marie of the Franciscan Sisters of the Eucharist. Enjoy a weekend of teaching, prayer, worship, and joyful fellowship. Registration opens Saturday, September 12 at 9:00am. <https://www.belovedvi.com/>

Voices in Motion Choir: Seeking New Members

Voices in Motion is seeking new choir members for the upcoming season. This unique intergenerational choir welcomes people living with memory loss and their caregivers to enjoy singing, socializing, and building community together. No singing experience is required. For more information or to register, visit <https://voicesinmotionchoirs.org/>

Nepal Flooding Relief Efforts - Caritas Canada

A catastrophic flash flood triggered by a glacial collapse has devastated the Nepal-Tibet border, taking the lives of over 1,000 people, and leaving thousands more missing. We are encouraging our community to pray and support relief efforts through Development and Peace – Caritas Canada, which has launched an emergency collection. To learn more about they are doing on the ground visit: <https://devp.org/en/nepal-floods-necessitate-a-deluge-of-solidarity/> To [donate click here](#) or call 1-888-234-8533 toll-free to donate.

LIVESTREAM MASSES – Mass is livestreamed this week on Saturday, September 12th from Holy Cross Church at 4:00pm. Click the link here: <https://www.youtube.com/c/stpatricksholycrosschurch>

NEXT WEEK IN OUR PARISH

<u>Mon Sep 14</u>	<u>Tue Sep 15</u>	<u>Wed Sep 16</u>	<u>Thu Sep 17</u>	<u>Fri Sep 18</u>	<u>Sat Sep 19</u>	<u>Sun Sep 20</u>
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	CHURCH & OFFICE CLOSED
	11:30am Confessions	11:30am Confessions	11:30am Confessions	11:30am Confessions	10am Pastoral Care Orientation Program	11am Sunday Mass <i>Coffee after Mass</i>
7PM AA CLUE	11:40am Rosary 12pm The Angelus 12:10pm Mass	Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament 12:10pm Mass	11:40am Rosary 12pm The Angelus 12:10pm Mass	11:30am Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament 12:10pm Mass	1pm Celebration of Marriage	3pm COR Gathering 4pm Sunday Mass
	7pm Toastmasters		7pm Couples for Christ Choir Practice	3pm Divine Mercy Devotion	6pm Confessions	
	7pm AA Peace	7pm AA-Peace	7pm AA-Peace	5:30pm - Couples for Christ	7pm Saturday Mass	
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St. Patrick Parish Pastoral Care Ministry

COME & SEE VISITING MINISTRY INFORMATION MEETING

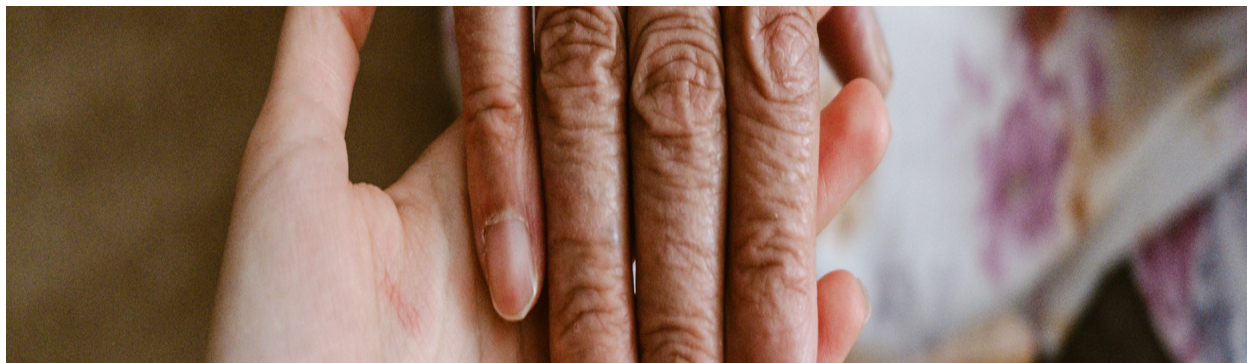
September 19, 2026, 10:00am - Noon

Pope Francis invited us to be “a church capable of walking at people’s side, which accompanies them on their journey.”

Will You be Open to Jesus’ Invitation to Make a Difference?

We pray for new parish volunteers to join our Pastoral Care Visiting team members to help bring comfort, prayer, and connection to those in our community who need it most. We are looking for individuals with compassionate hearts and open ears.

Our parish visiting volunteers help act as a bridge between the community and those who are ill, the lonely and isolated, the palliative, and the dying—in hospitals, extended health care facilities, and homebound. Your visit as compassionate minister would offer a listening ear, emotional support, and a comforting spiritual presence.



So... What is a Compassionate Pastoral Care Ministry?

Pastoral Care is a wonderful reflection of the heart of ministry in the Catholic Church. As Disciples of Christ, we are called to serve others, to reach out to those in need and to ensure that all people come to understand their inherent dignity and value. It is most fundamentally a relationship—a **ministry of compassionate presence**. This was Jesus' caring stance toward all people, especially those who were hurting or in need. Pastoral care enables healing and growth to take place within individuals and their relationships.

Are you a compassionate listener? Do you have a heart to deliver God’s word, to those in our community going through difficult seasons of their lives? We are witnesses to Christ’s own love and caring. Every person deserves great care and compassion since it sends a message of hope.

Why Your Visits Matter

- **Reduces Isolation:** Many individuals in care facilities rarely receive outside visitors.
- **Dignity:** Your presence reminds parishioners in hospital or if homebound or in care facilities that they are valued and not forgotten.
- **Provides Comfort:** A confidential, non-judgmental space allows people to process deep life changes.



Info Meeting Details

Date: Saturday, September 19, 2026

Time: 10:00 - Noon

Location: St. Ann's

Refreshments: Coffee and refreshments provided

What we will cover:

- **The "Why"** behind Pastoral Visitation
- **Where We Serve:** Overview of local hospital, hospice, and home visitation programs.
- **Time Commitment:** Can you spare 2 to 4 hours per month, which usually equates to 1 or 2 visits to bring the joy of Christ to someone experiencing isolation? Flexible scheduling is possible.
- **Training and Support:** No prior experience is needed as the Diocese of Victoria provides training. Details including the diocesan requirement of appropriate screening regarding the Responsible Ministry and Safe Environment (RMSE) Policy.

Join Us

If you have a heart for listening and a desire to support parishioners in hospitals, care facilities, or their homes, this compassionate ministry could be your calling. If you offer your time in this Pastoral Care Ministry, know that you are truly living your Baptism. For when you care for the most vulnerable, you are indeed caring for Jesus himself.

We encourage you to consider joining this important ministry. **RSVP Deadline: Sept. 15th.** If you plan to attend or have any questions prior to the meeting, please contact the parish office 250. 592-7391 or email stpatricks-vic@rcdvictoria.org

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