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The Judgement

Jean Allen

“And this is the judgement, that the light has come into the world, and people loved darkness rather than the light because their deeds were evil.”



Judgement is a neutral word but, whenever we hear it, our minds immediately think ‘condemnation’. Judgement simply means assessment and resolution. In the above words, Jesus’s assessment was that the light had come but people were rejecting the light. The resolution was yet to come. To resolve something means to settle, sort out, solve, find a solution for, find an answer to, work out, straighten out, deal with, set right, rectify, iron out and reconcile.

Judgement, then, is a positive and beautiful process! Jesus told Nicodemus that he was not sent into the world to condemn it but to save it. His judgement or assessment was that there was an awful lot of darkness and evil deeds, including the dark states of heart and the less than holy deeds of the Jewish authorities, of which Nicodemus was one. But Jesus came to resolve this problem of evil and the resistance to coming into the light. His teachings were part of the resolution but the main event was the cross. The cross was his final Word that he did not come to condemn but to save.

Nicodemus was presumably a moral and upright man but Jesus did not preclude him from the necessity of salvation. Moral uprightness can be seen and measured but it is no substitute for the indwelling Spirit who comes and goes and cannot be pinned down and measured. What the indwelling Spirit does is draw people into the light so their deeds, if evil and destructive, can be resolved, rectified and reconciled. No one is condemned out of hand. That would just perpetuate the myth of a vengeful God. God’s justice is restorative, not retributive.

Has it been a while since you have experienced metanoia and realized that your moral uprightness is not what will save you? Your upstanding reputation has little to do with your salvation. What has saved you and does save you is Jesus.

Hence the phrase, “The Good News”.



The Week of March 11 to March 17 in our Community

Monday March 11

Parish Office Closed

6:30am Mass Fr. Sean presiding

10:00am **CWL General Meeting - Community Room**

7:30pm **K of C General Meeting - Church Hall**

Tuesday March 12

6:00pm Mass **Special Int. Alice Kish and Family**

Wednesday March 13

6:30am Mass Fr. Sean presiding

6:00pm Mass **Special Int. "In Thanksgiving" Melanie Mathias**

7:00pm **Legion of Mary - Church Hall**

Thursday March 14

6:30am Mass Fr. Sean presiding

9:00am **Mass Special Int. Staff of St. Joseph's School**

7:30pm **RCIA Journey of Faith - Community Room and Church**

Friday March 15

6:30am Mass Fr. Sean presiding

9:00am Mass + **Dianne Durkin**

followed by Adoration until 12:00 noon

7:00pm **Stations of the Cross (Youth)**

Saturday March 16

6:30am Mass Fr. Sean presiding

5:00pm Mass + **Roger Bertrand**

No Youth Group tonight

Sunday March 17 Fifth Sunday Of Lent

Solidarity Sunday

10:00am Mass

No Catechism today

6:00pm Mass **Special Int. "In Thanksgiving" Naomi Chandarana**

Mass Schedule

Weekday Masses

Monday ~ 6:30am

Tuesday ~ 6:00pm

Wednesday ~ 6:30am & 6:00pm

Thursday ~ 6:30am & 9:00am

Friday ~ 6:30am & 9:00am

Weekend Masses

Saturday ~ 6:30am

Saturday ~ 5:00pm (livestream)

Sunday ~ 10:00am

Sunday ~ 6:00pm

Easter Mass Schedule

Holy Thursday March 28

7:00pm (followed by adoration)

Good Friday Service, March 29

3:00pm

Saturday Vigil Mass, March 30

8:00pm

Sunday, March 31

10:00am & 12:00 noon



Syro-Malabar Mass Schedule

Weekend Masses

Saturday ~ 7:00pm

Sunday ~ 12:00 noon

Malayalm Way of Cross

Fridays ~ 8:00pm

Lenten Retreat/Mission

Friday, March 15 ~ 8:00pm

Saturday, March 16 ~ 7:00pm

Sunday March 17 ~ 12:00 noon

Stations of the Cross

Fridays 7:00pm

March 8 - Proclaimers

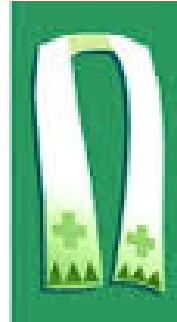
March 15 - Youth Group

March 22 - K of C

St. Joseph the Worker Parish
Reconciliation Service,
Wednesday, March 20, 2024
7 pm

Easter Flower Offerings
Easter flower envelopes are now available at the back of the church. If you would like to contribute to our Easter flowers and remember a loved one, please pick up an envelope, complete and drop in collection basket or donation box.

SACRAMENTS



Sacrament of Reconciliation: Fr. Alfie will be available for Reconciliation, in the church, 1/2 hour before evening Masses on Saturday and Sunday, or by appointment. Please call parish office 250-479-7413 to arrange.

Sacrament of Marriage: Inquiries must be made 6 months in advance. Register at the office. Marriage preparation class is compulsory.

Sacrament of Baptism: Celebrated on the **first Sunday** of each month at 11:30am. Please call parish office to register.

Baptism Preparation will be held on the **first Saturday** of each month at 10:00am. Please call parish office to register.

Catechism and Sacraments of Reconciliation, Confirmation and First Communion: email: ourcatechismjourney@gmail.com

Pastoral Care Visits While in Hospital: We remind the faithful that privacy legislation in BC prevents the release of information regarding hospital admissions. If you or someone you love is admitted to a hospital and would like a visit from your Pastor, Eucharistic or Pastoral Care Ministers - also Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, who are commissioned at the discretion of the Pastor, please let the Office staff know.

For a hospital emergency call Fr. Sean Flynn at: 250-889-3761.

Eucharistic Ministry to the Homebound: We are grateful to those who give of their time and care to bring Holy Communion to our parishioners who cannot make it to church each week due to sickness or infirmity. If you know of anyone who would like to receive Communion in their home, please contact Melissa at the parish office by phone or by email: mhogg@rcdvictoria.org

The parish office regular hours of operation are:
Tuesday through Friday
8:30am to 3:30pm (except Statutory Holidays)

Please Note:
Next Sanctioned Collection
Sunday, March 17, 2024
Development & Peace (Shared Lent)

Donation Options



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All Youth Grades 6 - 12
are invited
to join us on Saturday evenings
following
For more information, please contact
Ruth Real at:
SJTWyouthgroup@gmail.com



Catechism Journey

St. Joseph the Worker Parish
Catechism Program (2023/2024)

Sunday Morning

Grades 1 to 4
11:15am - 12:00 Noon (following the 10
am Mass)
St. Joseph's Elementary School
757 Burnside Rd. W

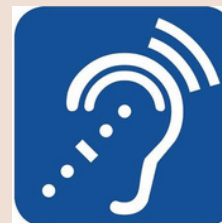
For more information please contact:
OurCatechismJourney@gmail.com

Grade/Level 5 Post Sacrament Class

Saturdays at 6:00pm

For more information or to register please
contact Chris Whiteley at:
whiteley.christopher@gmail.com or
250-886-2407

Our worship area is
equipped with an
Assistive Listening
system. If you
would like to use
this, please contact
the parish office.



Newsworthy and Noteworthy



**TAX RECEIPTS ARE READY
FOR PICKUP
IN THE CHURCH FOYER!**

SAVE THE DATE

Thursdays - May 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30

LOVE AND RESPECT

Marriage Retreat

7 pm - 9 pm

St. Joseph the Worker Parish

Workbook will be provided

St. Joseph's CWL
Prayer Shawl Ministry



Do you enjoy knitting or crocheting? St. Joseph's CWL is organizing a prayer shawl ministry.

Our volunteers receive requests and pray for the recipient while making a beautiful shawl.

Each gift shawl is made for someone in need of comfort, in hospital, in pain, or immobile.

Call Maureen @ 778 400 5714 for more information.

HOPE ON THE HORIZON

Applications are now being accepted for

HOPE ON THE HORIZON

an outreach and leadership program to be held in Vancouver this summer from **August 6 - 21**. Coordinated by the Archdiocese of Vancouver in collaboration with Catholic Street Missionaries, the program is designed to introduce **young people aged 19 - 30** to the life of a street missionary, sharing a life of prayer and service with others who go out into the streets bringing the love of Jesus to the homeless.

For more information and to apply, please visit:

<https://www.catholicstreetmissionaries.org/horizon>

Hosting Families for Ordination

Deacon Joseph Yuson is looking for families willing to host seminarians who might come to Victoria for his ordination on the weekend of **21-24 June**. If you are willing and able, please contact him at jyuson@rcdvictoria.org.

Spring 2024

40 Days for Life Prayer Vigil

February 14 - March 24

Vigil location: Helmcken Road Overpass on Sidewalk in Front of the Park & Ride

Vigil hours: 7:00 am to 7:00 pm Daily

To Volunteer - Call or Text Glenda @ 250-661-2613

Learn more ... get involved ... and sign up for prayer times by visiting our campaign at the web address at:

40daysforlife.com/Victoria, BC

Knights of Columbus Lenten Food Drive

During Lent, at all the weekend masses, the Knights will be handing out food bags with the assistance of St. Joseph's Conference of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul (SSVP). This is our **annual 40 Cans for 40 Days food drive** with proceeds going to the SSVP Social Concern food bank on Yates St.

Those wishing to donate by cheque or cash should provide their envelope number and write K of C Food drive on the envelope (if by cash) or in the memo space of the cheque. Please issue cheques to "**St Joseph's Conference SSVP**". Thank you in advance for helping make this food drive a success.

Diocesan Family Camp

This year marks the **10th anniversary of the Diocesan Family Camp**. This year's theme is "**On the Way Together**", and the guest speakers will be Bishop Gary Gordon, Sr. John Mary Sullivan (Associate Director of Ministries and Outreach for the Archdiocese of Vancouver) and Joelle Dressler (Director of Faith Formation and Evangelization for the Diocese of Victoria). The camp will run from **August 15 - 18 in Nanoose Bay**.

Please Save the Date !

more information will be coming soon.

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<https://www.32auctions.com/SARHS2024>

MARCH 1-9, 2024

From the Diocese



Journey Through Lent Video Series

The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops has launched its **2024 Journey Through Lent video series**. Beginning on Ash Wednesday, and for **each Sunday in Lent**, a video will be shared the CCCB website featuring pastoral reflections based on the Readings for the Sunday Eucharistic Celebration. This series is meant to offer spiritual inspiration and guidance on how to prepare well for the Easter season. To view the videos, please visit: <https://www.cccb.ca/evangelization-catechesis-catholic-education/video-resources/journey-through-lent/>.

Join Bishop Gary As He Celebrates A Special Mass

Bishop Gary Gordon will celebrate a special Mass at **4:00 pm on Saturday, March 16** in honour of the dedication of those who work or volunteer in health care. Everyone is invited to participate, either in person at **Sacred Heart Church** in Victoria (4040 Nelthorpe St, Victoria, BC), or via livestream at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pFqxWFAvwjE>. A reception will follow in the parish hall for those attending in person.

Solidarity Sunday - Bishop Gary's Letter

March 17 is Solidarity Sunday, an opportunity to support *Development and Peace – Caritas Canada* in its work with the poorest and most marginalized of our human family. **Bishop Gary has written a letter** to the people of the Diocese of Victoria, introducing this year's focus on small-scale farmers and peasant communities, and encouraging all to embody Christ's love through generosity and solidarity. To read Bishop Gary's letter, please visit: <https://www.rcdvictoria.org/news/bishop-gary-gordons-message-for-share-lent-2024>

Celebration Of The Chrism Mass

All people of the Diocese of Victoria are invited to join in the celebration of the **Chrism Mass on Thursday, March 21 at 7:00 pm**. At this yearly liturgy, sacred oils are blessed and given to representatives from each parish in the diocese. These will be presented in each church on Holy Thursday and used during the coming year for Baptisms, Confirmations, and Anointings of the Sick. This year's Chrism Mass **will be celebrated at St. Andrew's Cathedral in Victoria** (740 View Street), and also livestreamed at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CMGHYEro3bg>

St. Vincent de Paul Volunteer Treasurer

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul of Vancouver Island is seeking a **volunteer Treasurer to join their Board**. *"Jesus spoke with authority and his reputation spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee."* As his disciples, we can also speak with authority when we put our faith into action. If you are a CPA and are ready to answer the call, please send your expression of interest to Brian Mann, Board Chair at brian.mann7@gmail.com

Garry Oak Ecosystem Restoration Project

Our Garry Oak Ecosystem Restoration project has begun! A small but hardy band of volunteers has started the work of removing invasive plants from the properties of St. Andrew's Regional High School, Sacred Heart Parish, and the Diocesan Pastoral Centre. For more information and some great pictures, please visit:

<https://www.rcdvictoria.org/diocesanblog/restoring-our-garry-oak-ecosystem>. The project will continue through the spring, summer, and fall - all are welcome to join us on any **Saturday morning from 10 am – noon, rain or shine**.

Contacts in the Parish

Pastor

Deacon

Admin Assistant/Secretary/Bookkeeper

Custodian

Responsible Ministry Coordinator

Altar Server Training/Coordinator

Baptism

Contemplative Community

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Children's Religious Education

Eucharistic Ministry Contact

Usher Coordinator

SJTW Pastoral Care Outreach Ministry

Development and Peace

Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA)

Youth Group - Grades 6 to 12

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Knights of Columbus

St. Vincent de Paul

Legion of Mary

Coffee/Hospitality Committee

Finance Committee Chair

Proclaimer Schedule Coordinator

Proclaimer Training Coordinator

Liturgy Committee

Social and Ecological Justice Committee

Parish Pastoral Council

Fr. Alfredo Monacelli

Deacon Michael Watkins email: mwatkins@rcdvictoria.org

Melissa Hogg/Sandi Duncan/Pat O'Brien

Office hours 8:30am - 3:30pm Tuesday-Friday

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Angela Grohovac

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(2nd & 4th Saturdays @ 10am)

tbd

Christine Armstrong email: ourcatechismjourney@gmail.com

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Ruth Real email: SJTWyouthgroup@gmail.com

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Meetings every 3rd Wednesday 6:00pm to 8:00pm

Lisa Slegg email: lisaslegg@gmail.com

Meetings every Wednesday following 6:00pm Mass

looking for a coordinator

Mel Evangelista email: mel.evangelista@gmail.com

Bernadette D'Souza email: aberniedsouza@gmail.com

Moira King email: moiraking@shaw.ca

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Sr. Marina Smith email: sandseaandsky@gmail.com

Brian Fox (Chair), Mylinh Trinh, George Flint, Karen Wysiecki, Nancy Zacharias,

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**Join Bishop Gary Gordon
as he celebrates**



A Special Mass

**in honour of the dedication of those who
work or volunteer in**

Health Care

Saturday, March 16, 2024

4:00 p.m.

Sacred Heart Parish

4040 Nelthorpe Street, Victoria BC

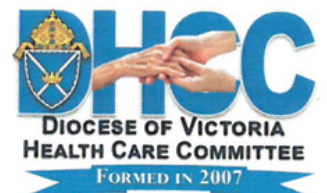
reception to follow

Attend in person or participate via livestream at

<https://youtube.com/live/pFqxWFAvwJE>



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MARCH 1-9, 2024





February 14-March 24

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Vigil hours: 7:00 am to 7:00 pm Daily

Local contact: Call or Text Glenda at 250-661-2613

Learn more ... get involved ... and sign up for prayer times by visiting our campaign at the web address shown below!

40daysforlife.com/Victoria,BC

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Thursday

MARCH 7TH AT 6:30 P.M.

Friday

MARCH 8TH AT 6:30 P.M.

Saturday

MARCH 9TH AT 11:00 A.M.

Saturday

MARCH 9TH AT 2:30 P.M.

Tickets are \$15 - General Admission
Purchase tickets from the school office, through QR Code or
visit [Eventbrite.ca](https://www.eventbrite.ca) and search "Cats"





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Joseph Philippe Yuson

TO THE ORDER OF PRESBYTERS
CONFERRED BY

BISHOP GARY GORDON

SATURDAY 22 JUNE, 2024
10:00AM

St. Andrew's Cathedral
740 View Street
Victoria, BC

*"You are a priest forever, according to
the order of Melchizedek" (Ps 110:4)*

THE FIRST MASS
WILL BE CELEBRATED IN
THANKSGIVING
ON SUNDAY 23 JUNE 2024
AT ST ANDREW'S CATHEDRAL
AT 11:00 AM.

PRAYER IN THE STYLE OF TAIZE



St Philip Anglican Church

North along Foul Bay Ave. Right on Neil St for two blocks, to church on the left.

5:45pm for **6pm - 3rd Fridays – Jan, Feb, March, 2024**

January 19th February 16th March 15th

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**Christopher Chen, #333-1231 Pacific Blvd,
Vancouver, BC V6Z 0E2**

Email: chrischen.kofc@gmail.com.

**Completed applications must be received by
June 30, 2024.**




TRULY, I SAY TO YOU, AS YOU DID IT
TO ONE OF THE LEAST OF THESE
MY BRETHREN, YOU DID IT TO ME.


Matthew 25:40


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August 15th-18th, 2024

Nanoose Bay

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