



# Sacred Heart Catholic Church

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*Joy*



**\* Third Sunday of Advent | 11th December 2022 \***

## Bishop's Appeal 2022 Growing Together

Check the Diocesan website for more information!

Thank you to everyone who has contributed to the Annual Appeal. Pledges and donations will be accepted until the end of December: so, there is still time to contribute! You may contribute a one-time gift, a monthly deduction, or in any way you are able to in support of the parish communities on our Island. Remember that when our goal of \$51,000 is reached, \$10,200 will come back to our parish, so do please be generous! No gift is too small, and all contributions work to help us all!

Online donations may be made at: <https://www.rcdvictoria.org/growing-together-2022>

Pledged: \$21,056.75 Actual: \$17,156.75 Number of Gifts Received: 84

### LITURGICAL YEAR A WEEKENDS

Saturday 4:00 pm  
Sunday (live streamed) 9:00 am  
Korean 3:00 pm  
Polish (TBD) 4:30 pm

(Please call the Parish Office)

Syro-Malabar Sat 12:30 pm  
(Please call the Parish Office)

Vietnamese Sun 5:30 pm  
(Please call the Parish Office)

### RECONCILIATION

Saturday (only before a Mass) 3:00 pm

### Sacred Heart YouTube Channel

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCzXJfSxennwmYIT4kPyUh6w>

## The Love Path

By Jean Allen

Last week, we looked at how John was expecting the coming of a God of wrath and vengeance – and got Jesus instead! In the Gospel this week, Jesus comments obliquely on John's expectations when he lists his acts for John's disciples to tell John and ends up with, "And blessed is anyone who takes no

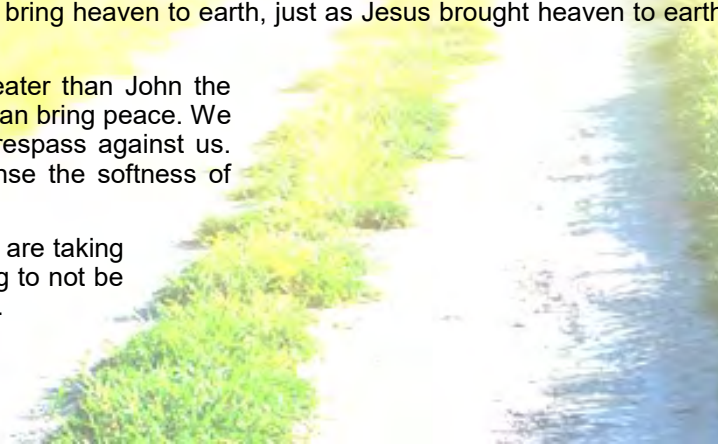
offense at me." Was he aware that John could not only be confused that the Christ was not a roaring lion but also offended that those he deemed broods of vipers were not getting their just punishment? Could John have been consoling himself in prison that Herod and all the Pharisees would soon be swept away in God's wrath.

Later Jesus said that nobody born of a woman was greater than John the Baptist but then he ends on a curious note. "...yet the least in the kingdom of Heaven is greater than he." He wasn't just talking about those who die and go to heaven because Jesus told us that the Kingdom of God is near to us and the Kingdom of God is within. Those who dwell in the Kingdom of Heaven are those who have fully embraced the New Covenant of love, mercy and forgiveness, for themselves and for others. By embracing, fully, the New Covenant we can bring heaven to earth, just as Jesus brought heaven to earth through his forgiveness, love and mercy.

We aren't just mourning in lowly exile here. We are greater than John the Baptist and we have choices. We can bring wrath or we can bring peace. We can swim in resentment or we can forgive those who trespass against us. We can stand rigidly righteous in law or we can dispense the softness of mercy.

If we don't choose the path of love, it's as if we are taking offense at Christ and his Way. We are choosing to not be one of even the least in the Kingdom of heaven.

This Advent – and always – choose love.



## Responsible Ministry Coordinator

We are looking for a volunteer to be our Responsible Ministry Coordinator. The Coordinator will ensure that the Diocesan Responsible Ministry and Safe Environment Policies are followed to ensure the care and protection of children, minors, and the vulnerable of our parish.

If you need more information, or feel you are able to serve the parish in this very important role, please contact the Executive Committee at [sacredheartexec@gmail.com](mailto:sacredheartexec@gmail.com)





### Please pray for:

**Those who have died**  
Tessley Chen, Alec Perez de Tagle  
and Yvonne Simott

### **Those who are ill**

Jaime A, Cora C, Kathleen G, Richard G, Marie K, Derek L  
Barbara M, Bruno R, Patricia R, and Marguerite T.



## PLEASE NOTE

The Parish Office will be closed  
for the Christmas and New Year Season from  
**December 23rd, 2022.**

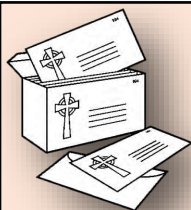
Regular Hours will resume  
on **Tuesday, January 10th, 2023.**



## The Society of St. Vincent de Paul Thanks You!

Although it has been a challenging year,  
your St Vincent de Paul Conference thanks  
you for the donations in cash and groceries  
made this year.

These donations have enabled us to  
help the poor during Christmas time  
and throughout the year. Thank you  
and we wish you and your family a  
very blessed and holy Christmas!



## 2023 Donation Envelopes

**Dear Parishioners, the Donations  
Envelopes are ready for pick up in the  
church foyer. Please do not use them until  
January 1st, 2023.**

Please inform the Parish Office if you have moved  
and have a new postal address, or a new email  
address or phone numbers. If you do not have Donation Envelopes  
and would like a box, or if you wish to discontinue using the  
Donation Envelopes, please inform the Parish Office. Thank you.

## Contributions

### Pre-Authorized Debit (PAD)

If you are PAD user, please remember to complete your name and  
address on the Special Collection envelopes, if you would like to  
receive a tax receipt.

Information & links are also available on our website.

### Options To Donate

#### E-Transfer

The email to use is: [sacredheart@rcdvictoria.org](mailto:sacredheart@rcdvictoria.org)

#### Pre-Authorized Debit: Automatic Debit (PAD)

#### Canada Helps

#### Online through Canada Helps

If you have any questions on the available options, or would like to  
make a change in how you donate, please contact the parish office.  
Thank you.

## Thank you for your contributions!

### December 3 and 4 2022

Envelopes \$ 2,556.00

Cash \$ 335.20

**Total \$ 2,891.20**

### Month of November 2022

PAD \$ 5,650.00

E-Transfer \$ 1,915.00

Canada Helps \$ 954.45

**Total \$ 8,519.45**

Donations through PAD, Canada Helps, & e-Transfer  
will be reported after the month ends.

## Weekday Masses

**Mondays to Fridays at 7 pm**

Bp. Gary Gordon

**Wednesdays at 8 pm**

Korean Mass (Fr. Robert Ryu)

**Thursdays at 10:30 am**

Korean Mass (Fr. Robert Ryu)



### PLEASE NOTE THIS UPDATE

There will be **NO 7 pm Mass**  
on the following dates:

Friday, December 9

Monday, December 12

Friday, December 23

## Christmas Season Mass Schedule



Sat, 10 Dec	: 4 pm Mass, Fr. Frank Franz
Sun, 11 Dec	: 9 am Mass, Fr. Eduardo Santos
Sat, 17 Dec	: 4 pm Mass, Fr. Frank Franz
Sun, 18 Dec	: 9 am Mass, Fr. Eduardo Santos

### Saturday, Christmas Eve, 24 December

11:30 am	Syro-Malabar Mass (Fr. Sajj Chakkittamuriyil)
4:00 pm	Children's Pageant/Mass in English (Fr. F. Franz)
6:30 pm	Carolling (before the English Mass)
7:00 pm	Mass in English (Fr. Frank Franz)
9:30 pm	Mass in Korean (Fr. Robert Ryu)

### Sunday, Christmas Day, 25 December

9:00 am	Nativity of the Lord in English (Fr. E. Santos)
TBA	Nativity of the Lord in Vietnamese (Fr. M. Tran)

### Monday, 26 December

12:00 pm	Mass in Polish (Fr. Jan Grotkowski, SDS)
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### Saturday, 31 December

4:00 pm	Mary, Mother of God in English (Fr. F. Franz)
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### Sunday, 1 January 2023

9:00 am	Mary, Mother of God (English : Fr. E. Santos)
3:00 pm	Mary, Mother of God (Korean : Fr. Robert Ryu)
5:30 pm	Mary, Mother of God (Vietnamese : Fr. M. Tran)

### Saturday, 7 January

4:00 pm	Epiphany of the Lord in English (Fr. F. Franz)
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### Sunday, 8 January

9:00 am	Epiphany of the Lord in English (Fr. Eduardo Santos)
3:00 pm	Epiphany of the Lord in Korean (Fr. Robert Ryu)



## Birthright Fudge

If you have ordered your fudge,  
please note pick-up from the Parish  
Office is between 10 am to 2 pm the  
week of Dec. 13 to 16. Thank you.





## Children's Christmas Party



Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus  
Sunday December 18th at 11 am  
in the Parish Hall

## Mass for Vocations

Thursday, December 29  
at 12 p.m.

with Fr. Frank Franz.

Confessions are available from 11 a.m.

**See you in church!**



## CHRISTIAN MEDITATION

Are you interested in learning about meditation?

Our Meditation Group will begin meeting again in person on Thursdays, from 1:00-2:00 pm beginning Thursday, January 5.

**We welcome all newcomers.**

Father John Main (1926-1982), a Benedictine monk, rediscovered this ancient prayer tradition for contemporary men and women, and today there is a world community of Christian meditators in over 100 countries. Meditation, also known as contemplative prayer, is the prayer of silence and stillness beyond word and thought. It is often called the "prayer of the heart". The time together includes a short-taped talk on meditation and 20 - 30 minutes of silence.

For further information, phone or email Margie Noonan: 250-589-6313 or margielnoonan@gmail.com.

To learn more about the Community, visit the Canadian website [www.wccm-canada.ca](http://www.wccm-canada.ca) or the World Community website [www.wccm.org](http://www.wccm.org)



## From the Diocese

## Festival of Nine Lessons & Carols by Candlelight



The Catholic community of Saint John Henry Newman invites you to join us for a festival of nine lessons and carols on Tues, 27 Dec, 6:30pm at Our Lady Queen of Peace Church, 849 Old Esquimalt Road. Join us for mulled cider and Christmas cookies following a beautiful liturgy of biblical readings and traditional carols.



Parking on site and on side streets.



ANAWIM HOUSE



This Christmas, to continue to provide a "family" Christmas dinner and gift-giving on Fri, Dec 16, please donate NEW warm winter clothing. The donation box will be at the entrance of the church until December 18. To arrange to donate, please contact:

[info@anawimhouse.com](mailto:info@anawimhouse.com) / 250-382-0283

For financial contributions, please donate at:

<https://www.anawimhouse.com/donations/?preview=true>

Mail: Anawim House, 973 Caledonia Ave. Victoria BC, V8T 1E7.

The popular Island-grown, fresh-cut Christmas trees are now on sale at the house: Mon.-Fri.: 10am to 8pm, Saturday: 9am to 7pm / Sunday: 11am to 6pm.

*May the peace, love and joy of the Christmas season be with each you. Thank you for caring.*

## CFB ESQUIMALT'S ANNUAL CHRISTMAS LESSONS & CAROLS

Our Lady Star of the Sea (595 Galiano Crescent, Victoria)

Join us for our Annual CHRISTMAS LESSONS & CAROLS at 3pm, 11 Dec. featuring The Naden Band, The Military Wives Choir and other local musicians. Sing old favourites and enjoy an afternoon of fine musical performances!



Come for this beautiful annual tradition and recount the Christmas story with readings and song! Donations to the local food bank are gratefully accepted. For more information, please contact: Capt. Justin

Peter at [Justin.peter@forces.gc.ca](mailto:Justin.peter@forces.gc.ca) or call 250 363 4180.

[www.facebook.com/OurLadyStaroftheSeaCFBESquimalt/](http://www.facebook.com/OurLadyStaroftheSeaCFBESquimalt/)

## Ring in the New Year at Our Lady of Fatima Parish Hall!

Saturday, December 31st from 6 pm to 1 am!

Music by the City Slickers, and food by Casa Nova Catering. Tickets are \$80 each for adults and \$40 each for children (ages 5-12).

Please contact Connie Pereira at 250-888-7720 for more information and to buy your tickets.

## Third Sunday of Advent Reflection

"See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way before you."



Are you one to be sent? If God is calling you to be a priest, deacon, sister or brother, please contact Fr. David Hogman: [dhogman@rcdvictoria.org](mailto:dhogman@rcdvictoria.org) Fr. Harrison Ayre: [hayre@rcdvictoria.org](mailto:hayre@rcdvictoria.org) Directors of Vocations in the Diocese of Victoria.

ST. ANDREW'S CATHEDRAL  
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# Simbang Gabi sa Victoria 2022

COME & JOIN US!

DECEMBER 15 TO 23, 2022



## Report Sexual Abuse

For all Responsible Ministry and Safe Environment information and forms

<https://www.rcdvictoria.org/responsible-ministry>

## PARISH MINISTRIES

Please contact the Parish Office:  
sacredheart@rcdvictoria.org

Altar Servers	Karla Montano
Christian Meditation	Margie Noonan
C.W.L. / PrayerLine Ministry	Miriam Podmoroff
Extraordinary Ministers	Gilbert & Chay Santos
Finance Chairperson	Marilyn Turner
Knights of Columbus	Rick Perez de Tagle
Led By The Spirit Group	David MacIntyre
Music Director	Rafael Oei
Parish Liturgy Coordinator	Rafael Oei
Pastoral Care Ministry	Lynda Tan
Phone-tree Ministry	Elizabeth Olcen
Proclaimers	Stan Dzbik
Funeral Receptions	Elizabeth Olcen
Responsible Ministry	TBA
Social Justice/D & P	Stan Dzbik
St. Vincent de Paul	Georgina Short
Ushers	Marisa Tinsay / Isme Liem

## PASTORS

### Executive Committee (Designated Acting Pastor of Sacred Heart Parish)

Marilyn Bojko, Marilyn Turner, & Stan Dzbik  
Sacred Heart Executive Committee  
email: sacredheartexec@gmail.com

**Korean Pastor: Fr. Robert Ryu**  
youngjinryu0758@gmail.com

**Syro-Malabar Pastor: Fr. Sajy Chakkittamuriyil**  
frsajy@gmail.com

**Vietnamese Pastor: Fr. Michael Tran**  
michaeltran@rcdvictoria.org

## PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL 2020 / 2022

Marilyn Bojko (Chairperson)	Vincenza Cameron
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