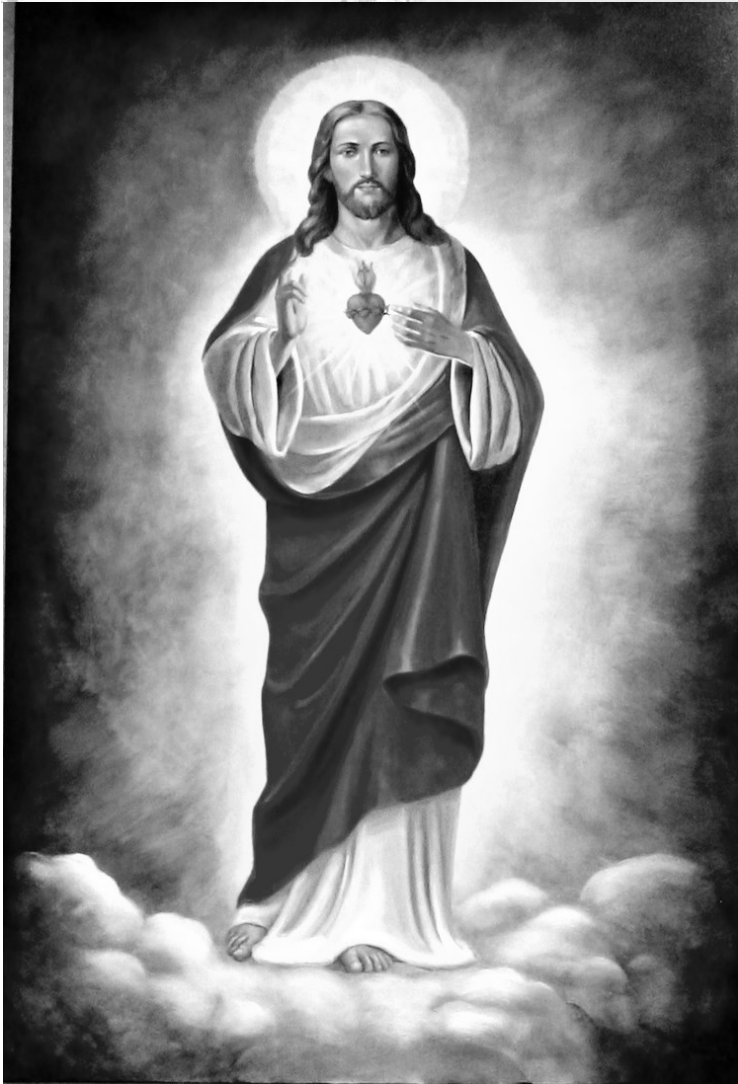


# Sacred Heart Faith Community



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## EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

### WEEKDAY MASS

**Tuesday and Thursday** 9:00am

*Please read the next page for changes. Thank you.*

### WEEKEND MASS

**Saturday** 4:00pm

**Sunday** 9:00am

**Korean—Sunday** 3:00pm

**Polish—Last Sunday of the month** 12:30pm

### OTHER KOREAN MASS TIMES:

**Wednesday** 7:30pm

**Thursday** 7:30pm

### RECONCILIATION

**Saturday** 3:00pm

***Or by appointment with Fr Alfredo.***

*For Sacraments of Baptism, Anointing, Visiting the Sick or Marriage, please contact the Parish Office.*

*A minimum of six months' notice prior to the marriage date is required.*

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## ADDRESS & CONTACT INFO

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Tuesday - Friday 9:30am—3:00pm  
Lunch 12:00pm-12:30pm

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THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

A few words from our Pastor

Rejoice? Yes, Rejoice!

Rejoicing, like loving, is most often a decision, not a feeling.

In today’s second reading Isaiah speaks of the desert rejoicing and blossoming. If we choose to rejoice in the middle of scorching circumstances, what will happen is that we will witness blossoming. By choosing to rejoice in our deserts we open the eyes of our hearts to the subtle manifestations of God’s presence and love. If what we choose to focus on is the negative, harsh, irritating and dry circumstances surrounding us, we will miss the blossoming. We do not create the blossoming by rejoicing; we open our eyes to what is already happening. God is always here blessing, loving and causing blossoms to bloom in impossible places but we miss his abundance because we’re not in the habit of looking for it.

When Paul wrote to the Philippians, “Rejoice in the Lord always. Again, I will say it: Rejoice!” He was in prison facing death. Not a joyful circumstance in anyone’s estimation. Yet time and again throughout his difficult ministry, Paul chose to rejoice in Christ’s love and power rather than focus in despair on all that was going wrong. To Paul, rejoicing was an act of faith, an expression of his absolute trust that God can and will overcome the lifelessness of the desert.

The angels and shepherds rejoiced and witnessed the blooming of a baby in the desert of a broken and hungry world. That baby was a blossom that changed the world for eternity. So easy to miss. Jean Allen

Please pray for:

Those who have died.

Patricia Chauvin, Andrew & Joseph Chong, Alfred Parnis and Mary Ryan.

Those who are ill.

Ted Adamowski, Ryan Chester, Vicky & Thomas Dziekan, Marnie Essery, Joseph Hammell, Maria Kissinger, Barbara Mulrooney, Marlen Pineda, Lino Rama, Bruno Rinaldo, Bea Sheard, and Annette Switalska.

CALENDAR	Monday	16 Dec	Led by the Spirit	St John 23rd Hall	7:15pm
	Tuesday	17 Dec	Christian Meditation	Parish Hall	9:30am
	Wednesday	18 Dec	Knights of Columbus meeting	Parish Hall	6:30pm
	Saturday	21 Dec	CWL General meeting	St John 23rd Hall	10:00am

LITURGY, THE SACRAMENTS, PRAYER AND THE WORD OF GOD

English Mass schedule

Christmas & New Year Season

Tues, Dec 24: 4pm:- Children’s Christmas Mass (with pageant)  
8pm:- Christmas Eve Mass (incense)

Wed, Dec 25: 9am:- Christmas Mass

Thurs & Fri, Dec 26 & 27: No English Mass

Sat, Dec 28 : 4pm:- Feast of the Holy Family

Sun, Dec 29: 9am:- Feast of the Holy Family

Mon, Dec 30: No Mass

Tues, Dec 31: 6pm:- New Year’s Eve Mass

Wed, Jan 1: 9am:- Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

Thurs, Jan 2: 9am: Weekday Mass

Fri, Jan 3: No Mass

Full schedule available on our parish website.

Copies ready for pickup from the table in the foyer or email the parish office.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AND VOCATIONS

St Andrew’s Cathedral Sat, Jan 11, 2020  
Living Deeply – Dying Well

End of Life Health Issues – Workshop  
10:30am – 2:30pm in Seghers’ Hall

We live in a culture where, if we do not prepare to die well, someone else will make decisions for us. Very often, they may not reflect our beliefs or wishes. Each person has a God-given responsibility to make informed decisions and to communicate them to someone they trust.

We plan to live well. It is also our responsibility to plan to die well. Presenters: Phil Jennings, Tim McGee, and Annette Turgeon. Lunch will be provided with a donation requested. To register, call 250-388-5571 or email: standrewscathedral@gmail.com

**Introduction to Theology**

Have you ever wondered what theology is? How do we understand and receive the teachings of the Magisterium? How is Jesus both human and divine? Why is God both One and Three? Why did Jesus institute a Church?

Join Fr. Ayre at St. Andrew’s Cathedral for an introduction to some of the core elements of Catholic theology. Once a month, on a Friday night 7pm – 9pm and then on the Saturday from 10:30am – 12:30pm (see dates below).

Fr. Harrison will be exploring some of the core elements of Catholic theology and teach not only the various elements of Catholic theology, but provide exercises to help the participants think theologically.

This is an introductory class, but come expected to be stretched! To register, please call 250-388-5571 or email standrewscathedral@gmail.com.

Dates are: Jan. 24 & 25; Feb. 7 & 8; March 13 & 14; April 24 & 25; May 22 & 23.

PARISH OUTREACH, SOCIAL JUSTICE AND ECUMENISM

**Christmas at Anawim House**

Anawim House welcomes your financial donations and Christmas gifts of new clothing for the poor to be placed in the Christmas box at the entrance of the church during this Advent Season.

Your generous act of charity will help those that come through the doors at Anawim House.

STEWARDSHIP, ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE

**Sacramentals**

If you wish to discard old or broken sacramentals such as rosaries, statues, images, crucifixes, scapulars and medals, you may drop them off at our parish office for recycling or proper and reverent disposal. Thank you.

**2019 Annual Diocesan Appeal   *Imagine***

Thank you to all who were able to support the 2019 Appeal. We have reached our goal.

There is still time to participate and the parish will now receive 80% of all contributions from now on.

Additional pledge brochures are available on the table in the church foyer or from the parish office.

All donations received by December 31st will generate income tax receipts for 2019.

We sincerely thank all those who have contributed over the last few weeks, those who made a commitment and those who prayed for the success of our appeal.

**As of December 11th:** Number of gifts received: **185**  
Total pledged: **\$62,408.05**

**Letter to a Suffering Church** by Bishop Barron  
*A Bishop* Speaks on the Sexual Abuse Crisis.

Available at the foyer before / after weekend Masses.  
Cost: \$3 each. Limited supply.

**2019—2020 Sunday Missals**

Available at the foyer before / after weekend Masses.  
Sunday Missals: \$5, Children’s Sunday Missals: \$10.

**2020 Donation envelopes**

Envelope boxes are ready to be picked up from the church foyer.

All the boxes are arranged in alphabetical order, according to family names.

If you are a registered parishioner and are unable to locate your box, please write your name and contact number on the sheet provided.

Your envelope box will be ready the following week.

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

*Thank you!*

<b><u>November 16th &amp; 17th 2019</u></b>	
Envelopes/Loose	\$3,561.10
PAD	\$ 987.00
Other Revenue	\$ 450.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$4,998.10</b>

<b><u>November 23rd &amp; 24th 2019</u></b>	
Envelopes/Loose	\$3,123.30
PAD	\$ 987.00
Other Revenue	\$ 450.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$4,560.00</b>

<b><u>November 30th &amp; December 1st 2019</u></b>	
Envelopes/Loose	\$3,980.75
PAD	\$ 987.00
Other Revenue	\$ 450.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$5,417.75</b>

<b><u>December 7th &amp; 8th 2019</u></b>	
Envelopes/Loose	\$4,151.00
PAD	\$ 987.00
Other Revenue	\$ 450.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$5,588.00</b>

PARISH MINISTRIES

Parish Ministries / Groups

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Knights of Columbus	R Perez de Tagle	384 6655
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Proclaimers	C Minvielle	proclaimers@sacredheartvictoria.com
Receptions	E Olcen	477-8115
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Social Justice/D & P	S Dzbik	380-6350
St. Vincent de Paul	G Short	727-2615
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Ushers (9am)	L Stearns	ushers10@sacredheartvictoria.com

PARISH PASTORAL  
COUNCIL 2019 / 2020

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Michele Ricard  
Marilyn Bojko  
Steven Boucher  
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Jeff Kucharski  
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