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* Easter Sunday | April 17th, 2022 *

Christ is risen! Alleluia!

Easter Message from

Fr. Konrad Zaborowski, S.D.S.

The Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ is most fundamental to our

identity as Christians. We cannot find

any sense in the practice of our faith if

Christ is not risen! Easter Sunday is

the most important, and the most



crucial celebration of the whole year! And the celebration of the Lord's Resurrection was the very first liturgy celebrated by the first church.

If Christ had not been raised, then empty is our preaching. Empty, too, would be your faith. Then we would also be false witnesses to God, because we testified against God that He raised Christ, whom He did not raise, if in fact the dead are not raised (1 Cor 15:14-15).

What happened the moment Jesus Christ was raised?

In the Gospel of St. John, we find the very first encounter of the Risen Lord with Mary of Magdala, and what He said to her:

The Appearance to Mary of Magdala.

But Mary stayed outside the tomb weeping. And as she wept, she bent over into the tomb and saw two angels in white sitting there, one at the head and one at the feet where the body of Jesus had been.

And they said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken my Lord, and I don't know where they laid him."

When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus there, but did not know it was Jesus.

Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" She thought it was the gardener and said to him, "Sir, if you carried him away, tell me where you laid him, and I will take him."

Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni," which means Teacher.

Jesus said to her, "Stop holding on to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and tell them, 'I am going to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God."

Mary of Magdala went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord," and what he told her.

It is fascinating how delicate and sensitive Jesus is towards our human condition. His very first words immediately after His Resurrection were about Mary's sufferance. Why are you weeping? Why are you in pain? The Lord is always close to everyone's suffering. The most amazing miracle of the Empty Tomb has this purpose: to break the bond of death, and sin, and sufferance. After hearing her confession, He re-establishes their personal connection and calls her by her name. Our Lord knows how to deal with our weaknesses and sufferance, and He desires to have an individual personal relationship with each one of His followers. She recognizes Him. At that moment, she knows and understands. He doesn't wait. Immediately, He sends her on the mission, making Mary of Magdala the very first missionary to proclaim the Good News of His Resurrection.

Christ Is Risen! He Is Risen, Indeed! Alleluia!

MASS TIMES

WEEKDAYS Tuesday 6 pm Wednesday to Friday 12 pm WEEKENDS Saturday (live-streamed) 4 pm Sunday 9 am (Polish: live-streamed) 11:30 am (Korean) 3 pm Syro-Malabar Sat. 12:30 pm (Please call the Parish Office) Vietnamese Sun. 6 pm

(Please call the Parish Office)

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 3 pm Sunday 8 am (Polish) 10:45 am Weekdays, half an hour before Mass.

Sacred Heart YouTube Channel

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

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Please pray for:

Those who have died Kok Mui Fong, George & Regina McLaughlin, and Marco Echeverio.

Those who are ill

Baby Alessandro, Hope L, Cora Constantino. Richard Grohovac. Marie Kalnciems. Joan Kenmare. Ken Louie, Barbara Mulrooney, Bruno Rinaldo, and Patricia Ryan.

Renovations in the Courtyard

The renovations toward the Courtyard gardens are a work in progress as per our Landscaping Contract. Removed plants have been replanted in the former Memorial Garden which continues to be under maintenance. New soil has been delivered to the Courtyard and new plantings are under consideration. We welcome all cash donations through the Parish Office toward the purchase of new landscaping plants and shrubs. Sadly, worrisome inflation has increased the cost of all such plants substantially. Mark Lemay: Coordinator.

The Catholic Women's League!

The CWL has been around since the 1920's. Join us as we support one another at Sacred Heart. To become a member or if you have any questions, please contact Miriam: 250-652-6252.

The next CWL General Meeting is on Saturday, April 23rd at 10 a.m. in the Pope John Hall.

Guest speaker: Carmen Rodriguez de France, Ph. D. Indigenous Education~ Faculty of Education, University of Victoria. All are welcome. Contact Miriam: 250-652-6252

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CWL 94th ANNUAL MEETING OF MEMBERS of the Victoria Diocesan Council Saturday, May 14, 2022 in Nanaimo. Guest: National President Fran Lucas. Carpooling is organized. Please register by April 30. Contact Miriam mirpod@yahoo.com or 250-652-6252

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CWL 102nd Annual Convention

Aug. 14-17, 2022, Delta Grand Hotel, Kelowna For more information, please go to www.cwl.ca, or contact Nancy Simms at simmstogether@gmail.com.

> Check out the current cross-Canada themes: National: Catholic and Living It! https://cwl.ca

> **Provincial: Embracing Christ in Everyone** https://bcyukoncwl.com

Diocesan: Sow Love Generously https://cwldov.org

BEWARE ANOTHER SCAM IS CIRCULATING



Please be aware that another scam is circulating using the name of Fr. Konrad, the bishop, and other priests.

Please ignore it, discard it immediately!

Do not click on it, or its attachment(s), and do not reply to it. None of the clergy would send a private email to you to request for money, gift cards, or anything of the sort.

Grateful thanks to all the ministries, and everyone who prepared and served at the most Sacred Paschal Triduum.

You've made a beautiful and meaningful celebration even more beautiful and meaningful with your presence and service.

We wish you a most **Blessed & Glorious Easter!**

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The Parish Office will be closed

on Tuesday, April 19, 2022.

EXPOSITION ON DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Sunday, 24 April 2022 after the 9 am Mass, followed by the **Divine Mercy Chaplet.**

The Nine-Day Divine Mercy Novena begins on Good Friday, 15 April 2022.

The Novena Brochure will be available on the church foyer table on Good Friday for your devotion at home.

Contributions

Donation Boxes are at the Entrance to the church

The Holy Water Fonts at the entrance of the church are now used as Donation Boxes to receive your donations and cheques.

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 email: 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!

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opes	\$ 1,951.45
Cash	<u>\$ 388.00</u>
Total	<u>\$ 2,339.45</u>

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



From the Diocese



The first phase of Synod 2021-2023 is nearing its completion. Our Diocesan Synod team will be meeting soon to prayerfully consider all the responses that have been received in our Diocese, and to prepare a summary document that will be sent on to other levels of the Church. Eventually, summaries from dioceses around the world will be used in the 2023 Synod of Bishops in Rome.

The final Synod Listening Circle is Tuesday, April 26th, 6:30-8:30 pm. You are encouraged to register for this online session at <u>https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/320452801957</u>.

Share your thoughts through the Listening Church Response Form, available online, or it can be completed on paper. **Responses should be submitted by Saturday, April 30**th, via email to <u>synod@rcdvictoria.org</u>, or by mail to:

Roman Catholic Diocese of Victoria - Synod Committee 1-4044 Nelthorpe Street Victoria BC V8X 2A1

Please also ensure that your parish Circle responses are submitted by April 30th: either by email or by mail.

Thank you so much for the work you have done to promote and facilitate opportunities for the people of the Diocese of Victoria to participate in Synod 2021-2023.

DIOCESAN BURSARIES & AWARDS

The Jawl Bundon LLP Bursary (\$2500): for a grade 12 Catholic student, accepted to a post-secondary institution. Preference will be given to Indigenous students, and students living outside Greater Victoria and Nanaimo.

The Blessed Marie Anne Blondin Bursary (\$1000): for a lay woman, accepted or enrolled in a program or course for ministry in the Church, such as religious education, social justice, liturgy, social action, care of the sick, etc.

The Char Deslippe Memorial Award (\$500): for a teacher working in Island Catholic Schools or a parish catechist serving in children, youth or adult ministry.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Island Catholic Schools is Hiring!

Click on links below for each position: <u>Teachers on Call</u> <u>Educational Assistants</u> <u>Out of School Care Workers</u> Contact us today at <u>cisdv.bc.ca</u>

For more information: https://www.cisdv.bc.ca/employment-opportunities.php



Report Sexual Abuse

For all Responsible Ministry and Safe Environment information and forms <u>https://www.rcdvictoria.org/responsible-ministry</u>

YOU ARE INVITED

During the celebration of the 7 pm Mass on Friday, April 29th at St. Andrew's Cathedral, Bishop Gary Gordon will consecrate Maria Arsenault according to the solemn rite of *Consecratio Virginum*.

Through this consecration to a life of virginity for women living in the world, Maria will commit herself to perpetual virginity and to leading a life of prayer and service.

You are invited to participate in the liturgy, either in person or via the livestream at:

https://www.youtube.com/c/RCDVictoriaLiveOne/

Bishop Thomas J. Lobsinger, OMI Memorial Bursary Program



The annual British Columbia and Yukon Bursary is receiving applications. We are privileged to offer 14 bursaries of \$1,000.00 each to Catholic students across British Columbia.

These bursaries are made available on a one-time basis to young practicing Catholic students in post secondary education at a recognized institute of higher learning within British Columbia.

The deadline is June 30, 2022. The bursaries will be awarded in the fall. The Terms of Reference may be found at: http://kofcbc.org

> Requests for application should be addressed to: Knights of Columbus BC & Yukon 2809 Mara Drive, Coquitlam, BC V3C 5T9 Attn: Herb Yang, Bursaries Chairman Or email: herbykofc@gmail.com

Garden Babies for Birthright Plant Sale

Birthright's Annual Plant Sale is back, at the St. Patrick's Church parking lot: Saturday, May 28, from 10 am to 2 pm. There will be a full complement of plants, from perennials and ground covers to shrubs and edibles.

Find us online, or call Peggy, 250-478-5372,

For more info: <u>https://birthrightvictoria.org/garden-babies-for-birthright-plant-sales/</u>

The Sacrament of Marriage

Prepare to commit in a Sacred Covenant.

Online Marriage Preparation Course

https://www.rcdvictoria.org/marriage-prep

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