



Monday to Friday 7:00 pm

> Please be advised that all in-person Masses in church remain suspended until further notice. We will keep you updated when we receive new directives from the Bishop and/or the Ministry of Health of B.C.

Mass: Saturday Live-Streamed at 6:00pm

Please click here for the link to the live-streamed Mass on our website

or on YouTube at

https://www.youtube.com/channel/ UC9tUalZDIFwlLV1imrPkNKg

Mass: with the Bishop Live-Streamed https://www.youtube.com/c/RCDVictoriaLiveOne

10:00 am

The parish office remains open during regular hours of operation.

Tuesday - Friday: 9:30 am to 3:00 pm

Sunday

Masks are required before entering the premises.

Fr. Alfie is available for personal Sacraments in the church every Saturday from 11 am to 1 pm

\*\*\* Please sign in at the door \*\*\*

Please observe COVID-19 restrictions and safety protocols when you arrive.

The church is limited to a max of 10 persons at all times.

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#### THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

#### Into The Unknown

We have all been in a desert of one sort or another during the past year. Welcome to Lent, a time to embrace that desert for what it really is and to pay attention to who we really are.

When we find ourselves in desert circumstances, the usual immediate reaction is to say, "This can't be right!" But look at what happened to Jesus as soon as he was baptized and heard the Father's words of love. The Spirit *drove* him into the desert. Jesus had to go there. We know he endured being tempted by Satan but the desert was far more than that for Jesus – and for us.



In the desert, Jesus was deprived of everything that, up to that point, made up his identity. In the desert his carpentry skills were completely unnecessary. The calling he had to teach, heal, proclaim the love of his Father and bring salvation to the world had no bearing in the desert. There was no one to minister to, no one to proclaim to. It was just he and his Father. There were probably many days where he felt set adrift in a barren wilderness where he was nothing at all. Why had he been driven into this void? Why do any of us find ourselves in spiritual and emotional deserts?

Before we are children of our parents, before we are career established and before we discern our vocations, we are sons and daughters of the living God and before we can enter into any other part of our lives we need to know who we are. We need to find our whole identity in God alone. If we don't do that, everything we engage in, as far as roles, careers and vocations go, will be like houses built on shifting sand. The loss of any one of those things can bring our houses tumbling down leaving us without any inner identity. We wonder who the heck we are and what we're supposed to be or do.

The desert forged a bond between Jesus and the Father so strong that nothing was able to break it when he entered into public ministry. He knew who he was. He didn't need the approval or admiration of anyone else. His only source of identity was his Father and he knew he was, without a doubt, Beloved.

Embrace the desert. It is Gift. **Jean Allen** 

#### FROM THE DIOCESE

All Brothers and Sisters: Explore Pope Francis' social Encyclical, Fratelli Tutti.

Every Thursday from **Feb. 18 (7:30 – 8:30 pm)** during the six weeks of Lent, we will have an opportunity to explore the new Encyclical, *Fratelli Tutti* (on Fraternity and Social Friendship).

In *Fratelli Tutti*, Pope Francis reminds us that we all live as one family in our common home, and he proposes concrete actions to restore harmony to the world. As a Diocese we are invited to put forth this new vision of fraternity and social friendship. We invite you to explore this Encyclical during Lent, offered via Zoom.

Register in advance for this webinar at:

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\_cP\_EIIItThCp9uUIQncMDA

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

Beginning 2 March, the CCCB Office for Evangelization and Catechesis will offer a four-part webinar series, "Nurturing Friendship, the *Directory for Catechesis* in Dialogue with the Encyclical Letter *Fratelli Tutti*."

The series is designed for those who have responsibility for evangelization and catechesis including, clergy, consecrated persons, laity involved in ministry, directors and coordinators of evangelization and catechesis, and Catholic educators.

The webinar series is offered at no cost to participants. Please click here to access the online registration form. The deadline to register is Monday, 22 February 2021. Please note that the webinar recordings will be available on the CCCB website and YouTube channel following the last session on 23 March 2021. For more information, contact Mrs. Marg Shea-Lawrence at <a href="mailto:m.shea-lawrence@cccb.ca">m.shea-lawrence@cccb.ca</a>.

**Special Mass** in honour of all **Health Care Workers:** Are you delivering care and services to the sick and ailing throughout the pandemic? Are you a nurse or doctor, community health aide, pharmacist, specialist, or any other of our critical health care workers? Are you a member of the clergy, religious, or a hospital, extended care or homebound visiting minister?

Please **save the date** for a **Special Mass** in honour of all health workers courageously providing care throughout the pandemic. Join Bishop Gary Gordon virtually at **7:00 pm at St. Andrew's Cathedral, at**: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/c/RCDVictoriaLiveOne">https://www.youtube.com/c/RCDVictoriaLiveOne</a>

on Friday, March 19, the Solemnity of Saint Joseph, the Patron Saint of Canada.

#### **Stations of the Cross**

Through Zoom at 12 pm every Friday, from February 19, until March 26, 2021.

To join the Stations of the Cross through Zoom, please click: <a href="https://zoom.us/j/94810539177">https://zoom.us/j/94810539177</a>

The Meeting ID is 948 1053 9177

#### **Catholic Health Association of BC**

CHABC's \$500 Bursary for Graduating Students

This year, the Catholic Health Association of BC (CHABC) will award a bursary valued at \$500 to a graduating student who is enrolled in a Catholic secondary school, a member of a BC or Yukon parish and enrolled in a public secondary school, or who is home-schooled.

To apply for this bursary, students are asked to submit a 500 word essay that demonstrates an awareness and understanding of the significance of Spirituality in Health Care. Applicants are reminded that spiritual health is a much broader concept than religious beliefs, which may very well form a large part of an individual's spirituality.

Before submitting your essay, please ensure that you read the essay guidelines as many past applicants have missed this nuance and failed to capture the true meaning of spiritual care.

Submissions must be received on or before April 2, 2021. For essay and submission guidelines, please visit www.chabc.bc.ca/bursary



The Worldwide Marriage Encounter virtual weekend experience is coming to you!

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https://beholdvancouver.org/events/virtual-worldwidemarriage-encounter-5

#### Click here for info video:

https://www.youtube.com/watch? v=VvQUEZ35Ufg&feature=youtu.be

## Fr. Alfie's Table

Here is the latest edition of Fr. Alfie's Table featuring **Mussels!** 

https://youtu.be/pC7oVtNvkjk



#### **Development and Peace**

This year's *Share Love, Share Lent* campaign is inspired by Pope Francis's encyclical, *Fratelli Tutti* and its call "for a love that transcends geography and distance" and "allows us to acknowledge, appreciate and love each person."

With the entire human family suffering from COVID-19, the Share Lent campaign invites us to share love and express solidarity with our sisters and brothers in the Global South, whose vulnerabilities are being exacerbated by the pandemic.

Remembering the inherent dignity of all human beings, let us heed the Pope's reminder that "justice and solidarity, are not achieved once and for all; they have to be realized each day." (Fratelli Tutti, 11.)

#### **2021 Donations**

#### Options to donate:-

Information and links are also available on our website.

#### E-Transfer

To transfer funds electronically from your bank account, send it as an e-Transfer to our email: sacredheart@rcdvictoria.org (see the instructions below).

Each banak may be slightly different.

Generally the process is:

- 1. Go to your on-line banking site.
- Select 'Interact e-Transfer' (or electronic transfer).
- 3. Select 'Manage Recipients' and follow the steps to 'Add a Recipient'.

Name: Sacred Heart Parish

Email: sacredheart@rcdvictoria.org

- 4. Click 'Send e-Transfer'. Select 'Sacred Heart Parish'.
- 5. Under 'Notes' or 'Message' on the online form, please include your name.
- Ensure that 'Sacred Heart Parish (BISHOP OF VICTORIA)' is registered for auto deposit.
- 7. Click 'Send Transfer'.

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

Canada Helps: Online through Canada Helps

#### 2021 Donation envelopes

Envelope boxes are available for pick-up from the parish office.

#### **2020 Tax Receipts**

Now available in the Parish Office for pick-up.

Please email or call the parish office if you would like your tax receipts emailed or mailed to you.

Thank you! February 2—16, 2021		
Regular envelopes:	\$1,490.00	
E-Transfer Canada Helps Pre-Authorized Debit	\$ 20.00 \$ 220.00 \$1,166.00	
Total	\$2,896.00	

#### **PARISH MINISTRIES**

#### Parish Ministries / Groups

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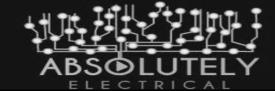
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