# Sacred Heart Catholic Church

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# \* 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time | 22 January 2023 \*



# The Promise of the Shepherd By Jean Allen

Sometimes it almost seems as if Jesus is like a chess piece that God is moving around the board. In a way that's true and it is significant in this scripture that Jesus moved to the regions of Zebulun and Naphtali – archaic names unused by people even in the time of Christ. 700 years before Christ, these regions were home to the tribes of Jacob's sons, Zebulun and Naphtali, the first tribes to be deported by the Assyrians and Babylonians. It was about these regions that God said through Ezekiel to the Jewish leaders of the time, "I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep. I'll

# make sure they get plenty of rest. I'll go after the lost, I'll collect the strays, I'll doctor the injured, I'll build up the weak ones and oversee the strong ones so they're not exploited." (Ezekiel 34: 15-19)

Jesus began his public ministry in the regions where, 700 years before, God said that he was going to be the shepherd of his people because the spiritual leadership of the Israelites, those who were supposed to be shepherds, had failed so miserably in caring for God's people. When Jesus called himself the Good Shepherd, the scribes and Pharisees could not mistake the reference to Ezekiel's prophecy. Another nail in his cross.

The thing about the regions of Zebulun and Naphtali was that they were historically downtrodden areas because marauding and violent foreigners would regularly move through those regions enroute to other places. Time after time, the area was trampled and decimated by these marauders. This place of desolation was where God moved his son to begin preaching the wonderful and astounding Good News to those that had ears to hear: the marginalized and the truly downtrodden. This was where Jesus called his first disciples to participate in shepherding his people.





# Please pray for:

**Those who have died** Marci Gardash

Those who are ill Barbara A, Barbara W, Jaime A, Cora C, R & V Gaspar, Kathleen G, Richard G, Derek L, Barbara M and Bruno R.



# **Baptisms**

We welcome the newest member to our Catholic Family Saturday, 21 January 2023 Olivia Ellery Lee Gaoiran

**Congratulations!** 



## **Donation Envelopes**

Donation Envelopes are ready in the church foyer. Please use ONLY the new 2023 envelopes.

Many numbers have been re-assigned.

Please remember to write your name and address on all your Donation Envelopes. This will help the office staff greatly.

Please inform the Parish Office if you have moved, have a new postal address, a new email address, or new phone numbers.

If you do not have Donation Envelopes and would like to have 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

> 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!

### January 14 and 15, 2023

Envelopes \$3,048.00 Cash <u>\$341.00</u> Total **\$3,389.00** 

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

# **Mass for Vocations**

Thursday, January 26 at 12 p.m.

with Fr. Frank Franz. Confessions from 11 a.m. See you in church!



Please take a Vocations Prayer Card home

(from the foyer table) to pray for more vocations!

# **Prayer for Vocations**

Eternal God;

Bless Your Church with holy and faithful priests, deacons, brothers, and sisters.

Give those You have called to the married state, and those You have chosen to live as single persons in the world, the special graces that their lives require.

Form us all in the likeness of Your Son so that in Him, with Him, and through Him, we may love You more deeply, and serve You more faithfully, always and everywhere.

With Mary, we ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.



## **Collection of Palms**

As the Liturgical Year continues, it's time once again to collect palms to be burned for Ash Wednesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> February. Please bring in your palms and leave them in the container in the church foyer.

Deadline: Sunday, 12<sup>th</sup> February 2023.

Make your New Year's Resolution include sharing your talents and time to serve the Lord, and be part of the joyful Sacramental and Liturgical celebrations in our parish.

### Volunteer with a Parish Ministry



Please contact the Parish Office! We look forward to hearing from

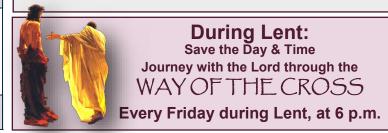
# **CHRISTIAN MEDITATION**

Are you interested to learn about meditation? Our Meditation Group meets on Thursdays, 1 pm - 2 pm.

### We welcome newcomers.

Benedictine monk, Fr. John Main (1926-1982), rediscovered this ancient prayer tradition for contemporary men and women. Meditation is also known as contemplative prayer. Each session includes a recorded talk on meditation and 20 to 30 minutes of silence. For information, contact Margie Noonan: 250-589-6313 or margielnoonan@gmail.com

To learn more, visit the website www.wccm-canada.ca or the World Community website www.wccm.org



A Six-Week Adult Faith Formation Program at Sacred Heart

# G R E A T E R LOVE A BIBLICAL WALK THROUGH CHRIST'S PASSION



### February 21 and 28 March 7, 14, 21 and 28

Tuesdays : 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Sacred Heart Parish Hall or via Zoom

The Zoom link will be emailed after registration and payment

Participants will need to purchase a workbook for \$20.

For more information, and to register, please contact Catherine Minvielle cmaminvielle@gmail.com

Includes a video presentation by Dr. Edward Sri, fellowship, and discussions.

The Workbook may be picked up from the Parish Office, Tuesdays to Fridays during office hours, or on the first night of the course. Cash or cheque accepted. Please make the cheques payable to "Sacred Heart Parish".

From the Diocese

### Online Pastoral Care Outreach Training Starting January 28, 2023

The Nine-Session online Pastoral Care Outreach Training series will be held via Zoom, Saturdays, 9:30 a.m. to noon, from 28 Jan. 2023 until April 1st. No session on March 18: Spring Break. If you are interested, please register with the Parish Office by Mon, Jan 16, 2023.

For further information, please email moiraking@shaw.ca



HEALTH CARE COMMITTEE FORMED IN 2007

# 3rd Ordinary Sunday Reflection

"Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near." Are you willing to proclaim the coming of the kingdom as a priest, deacon, sister or brother?



If God is calling you to be a priest, deacon, sister or brother, please contact

Fr. David Hogman: dhogman@rcdvictoria.org Fr. Harrison Ayre: hayre@rcdvictoria.org Directors of Vocations in the Diocese of Victoria.

### Bishop Thomas J. Lobsinger, OMI Memorial Bursary Program



The annual British Columbia and Yukon Bursary, the Bishop Thomas J. Lobsinger, OMI Memorial Bursary Program is now receiving applications.

There are fourteen bursaries of \$1,000.00 each for Catholic students across the Province of British Columbia. These are one-time only bursaries for young practicing Catholic students in post secondary education at a recognized institute of higher learning within the Province of British Columbia. Applications are accepted from January 1 until June 30, 2023. Bursaries will be awarded in the fall. The Terms of Reference are on our web site (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

Deadline for requests for application is June 1, 2023.

### SAVE THE DATE! 2023 Share Lent Workshop



Sat. 28 Jan, 9:30am to 2pm

St. Patrick's Parish Hall, 2060 Haultain St. D&P animator, Jeremy Laurie, will be presenting the Share Lent campaign, and time for local parish planning.

Morning coffee and muffins will be served. Please bring a brown bag lunch, and a friend.

For more information, please call 250-477-6952.

# **CALLED & GIFTED WORKSHOP**

#### Saturday, February 4, 2023, 9 am to 3:30 pm Holy Cross Parish

This workshop with Sherry Weddell and Katherine Coolidge is an opportunity to discover God's call for your life. Topics include: The Call of the Laity; Catholic Spiritual Gifts Inventory Explained; Role of the Holy Spirit; Charisms Discernment Process; and Role of Charisms in Parish, Community and World. Please register at

- Holy Cross Parish, office@holycrossvictoria.org;

- St. Patrick's Parish, stpat190@telus.net.



### CAMP HOMEWOOD February 3 to 5, 2023 For Grades 7 to 12

Please register on Eventbrite and complete the Youth or Adult / Chaperone Reg. and consent forms. Email the completed forms to Bonni Roset at broset@telus.net by Jan 15.

Group participants paying by cheque or cash: gather payment onto ONE CHEQUE under your group, payable to St. Patrick's Parish. Mail to Bonni or pay at the Camp.

Complete details are in the registration package available from the Parish Office.



### **Report Sexual Abuse**

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



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