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Message from Fr. Konrad

Dear parishioners,

The Lord's words will always be the most important in the life of all people of faith. His words are ageless and timeless. Know that our Lord is never silent. He wants and desires to communicate with each and every one of us, sharing His precious words of wisdom to show us how to live good, happy, and especially holy lives. He wants to guide us and protect us. The Lord's words will always shape our life; guiding us through difficulties to help us navigate through obstacles without running aground: always leading us to eternal life.

This is the message for this week. I invite you to go a little deeper, in understanding this message.

In our relationship with the Lord, we need to find a personal way to be intimate with Him, and to get closer to Him. It is important to remember to ask ourselves; "What is the goal of every faithful person?" and "What needs to be done for me to experience such intimacy with the Word?"

How we approach prayer and receiving the Lord's Word in Bible study, the Sunday Liturgy, and the daily reading of the Bible is the same as our response to letters that we receive from anyone. Our reaction and how we treat the letter is dependent on the person who wrote the letter. For example, if I receive a letter from someone for whom I care and love very, very much, I will open the letter immediately. I will take the time to read it carefully with an open heart, and I will do all I can to understand its essence with great kindness! However, if I receive a letter from a housing co-operative, or cellphone provider etc., it will most likely take a while before I open it, and even then, it will be read without any excitement, and with little time spent on it.

Our contact with the Holy Scriptures, similarly, testifies to our relationship with God. If God is someone we are mindful of, care about, and seek to have a close contact and connection with, then His words will be those that we want to get to know better and understand deeper. If I am indifferent to a relationship with God, then the choice is ours and there is nothing left to do. God will not force our hearts to be open to Him.

It is the same with a person who is deaf. It is impossible to have a conversation with them using the spoken word. If one does not know of any other way to communicate with the deaf, then a relationship with that person is impossible.

Enriching our lives with the Lord's words, not just by simply reading or hearing them, but in trying to understand His words deeply, will help us to strengthen our connection and communication with Him. In turn, this will deepen our relationship with the Lord in ways that He desires, as stated in the opening message above.

God bless you all, Fr. Konrad Zaborowski, S.D.S.

MASS TIMES

WEEKDAYS

Tuesday:6 pmWednesday:12 pmThursday:12 pmFriday:12 pm

WEEKENDS

Saturday: 4 pm Sunday: 9 am

Polish: 11:30 am

Korean: 3 pm (Starting Sunday, Sep. 12th)

Syro-Malabar: 12 pm (last Saturday of the month)

Vietnamese: 6 pm (last Sunday of the month)

RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 3 pm Sunday: 8 am Weekdays, half an hour before Mass begins.



In accordance with provincial health guidelines, the wearing of masks are strongly recommended at this time.

Live-Streamed Mass Saturdays at 4 pm

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

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time September 5, 2021

Pastor	Fr. Konrad Zaborowski, SDS kzaborowski@rcdvictoria.org	
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Parish Office closure

The Parish office will be closed on September 30th and October 1st

Parish Office Hours

Please check the schedule on the website or call us at 250-479 1611 before coming in. Thank you.



Please pray for:

Those who have died

Michael Bach, Juliana Chupick, Georgi Guterres, Kok Mui Fong, Norine Ruzicka, Bernado Sanchez, and Barry Traynor.

Those who are ill

Barbara Mulrooney, Claire Holmes, Ken Louie, Lois Marcoux, Janice Mclean, Yvonne Ready, Shirley Rewega, Bruno Rinaldo, Tanya Silvonen, and Marv Wilson.

A Mass for Tony Dubauskas will be held on Thurs, Sept 16 at 9 am. All are invited.

FAITH FORMATION

Registration is now open for 2021/22Faith Formation: Pre Sacrament (Ages 4 - 6) Sacramental Preparation (Reconciliation, First Holy Communion, Confirmation) Franciscan Youth Group Forms can be found at http://sacredheartvictoria.com/

Inquiries & completed registrations can be sent to religioused@sacredheartvictoria.com



Report Sexual Abuse

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

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Options to donate

Information & links are also available on our website.

E-Transfer to email: sacredheart@rcdvictoria.org

Pre-Authorized Debit: Automatic Debit (PAD)

Canada Helps: Online through Canada Helps

Parish Envelopes

Please email or contact the parish office if you would like to use your assigned Donation Envelopes. We will prepare them for you, and it will be available for pick-up from the church fover the following week.

You are also welcome to use the Visitor's Envelopes that are available in the foyer for the remaining 5 months.

Volunteers Needed! Training will be provided

- Altar Servers: Please contact Angelina Moodie (angelinamoodie@gmail.com)
- ** Catechists **: Please contact Lidia Moodie (religioused@sacredheartvictoria.com)
- Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion Please contact Gilbert or Chay Santos (gilbert.chay@gmail.com)
- Floral Decorators: Please contact Ruby Rivera (angelmother2@icloud.com)
- Proclaimers: Please contact Catherine Minvielle (cmaminvielle@gmail.com)
- Choir & Musicians: Please contact Rafael Oei (music@sacredheartvictoria.com)

** Criminal Record Check will be required for high-risk positions **

Faith Formation / Sacramental Preparation

Faith Formation classes begin in-person on Sunday, September 26th at 10 am

Pre-Sacramental Class (Preschool to Grade 1) in St. John the XXIII Hall (a.k.a Pope John Hall)

> Sacramental Preparation Years 1 & 2 in the Parish Hall

Franciscan Youth Group (Grades 4 & up) Starting Sunday, September 19th at 11 am **Bimonthly Zoom**

Note: Please email religioused@sacredheartvictoria.com for link and registration



From the Diocese

Truth and Reconciliation Day (September 30th)

There will be a new statutory holiday to commemorate the history and ongoing trauma caused by residential schools. In recent years, September 30th has been known as "Orange Shirt Day", named after the residential schools experience of the campaign's founder, Phyllis Webstad. Support of this national day of commemoration is a direct response to one of the *Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Calls to Action.* As such, please note that the Pastoral Centre, parish offices, and all Catholic schools in the Diocese of Victoria will be closed on September 30th to commemorate Truth and Reconciliation Day.

Bishop Gary Gordon's Letter

Senator Murray Sinclair, the Chief Commissioner of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC), once famously said of the residential school system: "It was education that got us into this mess, and education will get us out".

The Diocese of Victoria has online information about residential schools: <u>https://www.rcdvictoria.org/residential-schools</u>. This "Background for Catholics", adapted with permission from material provided by the Archdiocese of Toronto, includes information on the history of the schools, the recent announcements of unmarked graves, the archives and apologies of Catholic dioceses and religious orders, and past and current financial reparations. You can also download all the information in a single PDF <u>here</u>.

Sharing this information is part of the Diocese's response to the TRC's Call to Action #59: to ensure that members of our Diocese learn about our Church's role in colonization, the history and legacy of residential schools, and why apologies to former residential school students, their families, and communities are necessary.

As we read and reflect on this information, we call to mind the closing words of the Canadian Catholic Indigenous Council's <u>Prayer for Tolerance, Forgiveness and Reconciliation</u>:

Reflections on an evening of truth, reconciliation, healing, and affirming the path of friendship, held at Our Lady of the Rosary: https://www.rcdvictoria.org/special-announcements/truth-reconciliation-healing-and-affirming-the-path-of-friendship

Information and resources for the celebration the Season of Creation 2021, which begins today: https://www.rcdvictoria.org/news/season-of-creation-2021-renewing-the-oikos-of-god

Worldwide Marriage Encounter WEEKLY virtual experience!

Starting Sept. 23, 2021 at 7:00pm and running for 7 weeks on Thursdays.

Register by Sept. 17, 2021.

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Registration: <u>https://beholdvancouver.org/events/virtual-</u> worldwidemarriage-encounter-7

Watch Teresa & Paul's testimonial at: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=i8hzCv3QN1A

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Job Postings

The Catholic Independent Schools of the Diocese (Island Catholic Schools) has various positions available. For positions, application forms and details: http://cisdv.bc.ca/employment-opportunities.php

Mount St. Mary Hospital : **Spiritual Care Provider** For more information regarding Mount St. Mary Hospital and this position and the job description, please visit our website at <u>www.mountstmary.ca</u>.

Sanctioned Collections

Church in the Holy Land : September 12 Needs of the Church Collection : September 26



The Pastoral Care Outreach Training series will again be offered online this fall. Nine free sessions will be held via Zoom on Saturday mornings from 9:30 – noon, starting on September 25 and running til November 20, 2021 (with a break on October 9 for Thanksgiving). Through our Baptism we are called to be loving brothers and sisters to all, and to care for the vulnerable, the sick and the marginalized. These sessions will help participants to gain knowledge and skills to actively live this calling, either as volunteer visitors to the sick and shut-ins, or as caregivers for their family members.

Participants require a phone number, an email address, a computer, tablet or smartphone with speakers, microphone and webcam, and a reliable internet connection.

To register, please contact <u>sacredheartchurch@shaw.ca</u>.

For further information, please email moiraking@shaw.ca

Thank you for your contributions!

August 16—August 22, 2021			
Regular envelopes:	\$1,443.00		
Loose cash:	<u>\$ 169.90</u>		
Total	<u>\$1,612.90</u>		
August 23—August 29, 2021			
Regular envelopes:	\$1,625.00		
Loose cash:	<u>\$ 158.00</u>		
Total	<u>\$1,783.00</u>		
PAD	\$6,325.00		
e-Transfer	\$1,030.00		
Canada Helps	\$1,128.69		

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

PARISH MINISTRIES

Parish Ministries / Groups

Altar Servers	A Moodie	angelinamoodie@gmail.com
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