

#### Now Is The Time

The Gospel this week is a direct continuation of last week's Gospel. Because we are still in the season of Easter it's easy to hear this Gospel and think of it as a post-resurrection discourse. It's not. It's part of a farewell discourse at the Last Supper. He spoke the words while knowing very well what was coming. But even in this potential time of extreme anguish and stress he instructs his disciples to keep his commandments and abide in him, "...just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in him."



Jesus abided in the Father. That means he did not fade away or take his eyes off his Father in spite of knowing what was coming in the future. Neither did he fade away to the past with regrets or with resentment against those who never understood him or his message. Jesus knew that in order to be able to follow God's commands to love, forgive and head into his painful future, his only hope was to abide in the Father in the present moment. The present moment was where his Father was and therefore where his source of truth, grace and peace was. Jesus never asks us to do anything that he himself didn't do in his humanity.

"Yeah, but he was God. He had divine resources that we don't have." Really? Did he not come in order to share all the divine resources he was privy to? The priest prays in the Liturgy of the Mass, "By the mystery of this water and wine may we come to share in the divinity of Christ who humbled himself to share in our humanity." In a couple of weeks we celebrate Pentecost where Christ shared his divinity with his community. We have all the same resources and graces available to us as he had in his life but those resources and graces are difficult to access if we keep fading away.

Love. Forgive. Abide. It's not easy but it's joy.

Jean Allen

We wish all grandmothers, godmothers, and mothers

A HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!!



# **Sixth Sunday of Easter**

May 9, 2021

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Eternal Rest Grant Unto Them, O Lord and May Your Perpetual Light Shine Upon Them.

> Agnes Dummer –(Apríl 26) Andrzej Biernacki–(May 1)

## **Sanctioned Collection**

Pope's Pastoral Works May 9, 2021 https://www.obolodisanpietro.va/en.html

## Live-Streamed Mass Saturday at 6 pm

https://www.youtube.com/channel/ UC9tUalZDIFwILV1imrPkNKg

## Mass: with the Bishop Live-Streamed

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

Sunday 10:00 am Monday to Friday 7:00 pm

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# Join Pope Francis in prayer for an end to the pandemic

**May** is always a month dedicated to our Blessed Mother Marv.



Image: Window in Our Lady of the Rosary Church, Langford, BC This year, Pope Francis is encouraging Catholics across the globe to mark the month in a special way, with a "marathon" of prayer for an end to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Each day in May at 9:00 am Pacific Time, Vatican News will broadcast a recitation of the Rosary from various Marian Shrines around the world.

Broadcasts can be viewed: <a href="https://www.vaticannews.va/en.html">https://www.vaticannews.va/en.html</a>.

Also available at:

https://www.rcdvictoria.org/news/join-pope-francis-in-prayer-for-an-end-to-the-pandemic.

# **Canada's National Week for Life and Family**

Sunday, May 9<sup>th</sup> is Mother's Day, and also the start of the National Week for Life and the Family. The week is celebrated annually by the Church in Canada and this year's theme is "Family, the Domestic Church: A sign of Hope and Life".

Archbishop Richard Gagnon, President of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops, has published a <u>letter to families</u> to mark the occasion. In it, he talks about the Church's mission to proclaim the good news: "This mission to the world is meant to be carried out not only by bishops, priests, and religious, but it is for lay people and families too". He prays that through the grace of baptism and the intercession of the Holy Family, Catholic families will be able to live their lives as a domestic church. "Empowered by the Holy Spirit, you will be a sign of hope and life attracting others to the beauty of God's saving love in Christ Jesus.

The Annual March for Life on Thursday, May 13 in <u>Victoria</u>, is being held virtually this year.

Family, the Domestic Church:
A Sign of Hope and Life

Families with school-aged children might also enjoy baking a batch of <a href="Bible cookies">Bible cookies</a>!

They have also provided a list of digital resources, which include a little something for everyone:

<a href="https://www.vativision.com/">https://www.vativision.com/</a>. The new Vatican streaming service which aims to be a 'Catholic Netflix'

<a href="https://formed.org/">https://formed.org/</a>. An excellent online source of Catholic movies, programs, studies, and books

<a href="https://catholicapps.com/">https://catholicapps.com/</a>. A Canadian website bringing together many different Catholic apps, for everyone from children and teens, to those who are new to the faith, and those who want to deepen their faith and prayer life

<a href="https://www.kofc.org/en/resources/cis/cis319.pdf">https://www.kofc.org/en/resources/cis/cis319.pdf</a>. A scriptural rosary from the Knights of Columbus

<a href="https://catchat.ca/">https://catchat.ca/</a>. A site with many excellent resources for kids, produced by a Canadian Catholic family

<a href="https://video.ewtn.com/kids/">http://video.ewtn.com/kids/</a>. An online resource to help parents teach their children the Catholic faith, including many entertaining videos that are accessible for kids

How will your family celebrate this year's National Week for Life and the Family?

#### **BURSARIES and AWARDS**

Available through the Diocesan website: <a href="https://www.rcdvictoria.org">https://www.rcdvictoria.org</a> under "Programs". Deadline for submissions is July 15.



#### Parish Pastoral Council (PPC)

From PPC Members to all Heads of Ministries

As we all are well aware, this past year has been extremely challenging, and the usual activities within a parish community have been minimized.

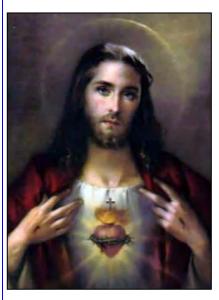
At our Parish Pastoral Council Zoom meeting in March, we all agreed that unless things drastically changed in the ability to gather, we would not have an Annual General Meeting in May, nor any Parish Council elections.

The present members of Sacred Heart Parish Pastoral Council have agreed to stay on as your parish representatives for one more year, even if terms were up, so that we are able to experience continuity.

We ask that the heads of Ministries, or Groups within the parish, submit a report, so that we are able to publish those reports in a bulletin in late May.

Please email your report, **by May 15**, 2021 to Marilyn Bojko at <a href="mailto:123sigmar@gmail.com">123sigmar@gmail.com</a> and/or Fr. Alfredo at amonacelli@rcdvictoria.org

On behalf of the entire parish community, **thank you** for your participation. Sincerely, Marilyn Bojko, PPC Chairperson



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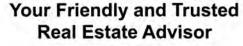
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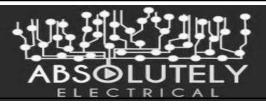




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