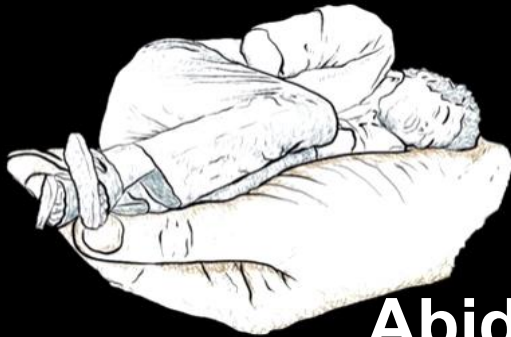




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*** 6th Sunday of Easter | 5 May 2024 ***



Abide II by Jean Allen

you will be dwelling in his love and not fading away or leaving his love. Jesus loves us. Period. No quid pro quo. We can't do anything to make him love us or love us more. "You did not choose me but I chose you." His love is a complete given.

Whether we reside in his love or not is often another matter. I spoke last week about how abide means to stay in the present moment but very often we are caught up in and chasing past wounds and guilt and future problems and possibilities. It is seriously difficult to love in the present moment if you are living in the past or in the future. Jesus also had to live within this principle. Jesus was always in the present moment, dwelling in his Father's love. He wasn't brooding about how those irritating and dangerous Pharisees kept trying to trap him nor was he living in fear and terror over the crucifixion he knew was coming. He was always abiding in the Father's love and therefore had love and compassion for every person he encountered in the moment. He didn't have a policy about how he was going to respond to the moment. He said, "I only do what I see the Father doing," not "what I saw the Father doing." Present moment abiding in his Father was crucial to his life, love and ministry. Jesus never preached what he didn't practice.

By choosing to stay in the present you are choosing to abide and to love.

It's simple – but not easy!

At first reading, it sounds like Jesus is talking about a quid pro quo in today's Gospel. "If you do this THEN I will love you." That's not what he is saying. He didn't say, "then I will love you"; he said, "then you will abide in my love." It's not that if you keep his commandments then he will love you; it's that if you keep his commandments, you will be abiding,

LITURGICAL YEAR B

Saturday:

English Mass (Anticipated Sunday Mass) 4:00 pm

Sunday:

English Mass 9:00 am
Polish 1:00 pm
Korean 3:00 pm
Vietnamese (1st and 3rd week) 5:30 pm

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 3:00 pm

Weekday Masses

English Masses

Tuesdays to Thursdays 12:05 pm
Fridays (Mass followed by Adoration) 12:05 pm

Adoration until 3 pm
(Sign-up sheet, in the foyer)

Korean Masses

Wednesdays 7:30 pm
Thursdays 10:30 am

Diocesan Online Mass

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCRinXZ2d6GBMpnDM7boV1CA>

Parish Office Hours

Tuesdays to Fridays: 9:30 am to 3:00 pm
The office is closed: 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm

Closed: Saturdays, Sundays, and Mondays.

If you are new to the parish, and would like to register, or volunteer for a Parish Ministry, please kindly send an email to

sacredheart@rcdvictoria.org

Baptism, Marriage, Funerals and Anointing of the Sick

Please contact the Parish Office:
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Please pray for the candidates for Confirmation & First Holy Communion

to be administered at the

4 pm Mass, Saturday, June 15, 2024

Amelia, Arianna, Daniel, Izzy, Isabella, Johan, Leighton, Mateo, Raiden, Sophia, Violeta, Benjamin, Stella, Lucy, John, Jennie, Isave, Anthony



Celebrate the 35th Anniversary of Priesthood

(May 13, 1989 to May 13, 2024: Feast of our Lady of Fatima)

Fr. Jan Grotkowski, SDS

Monday, May 13, 2024, Mass is at 6 pm, followed by a Potluck Dinner in the Parish Hall.

The Sign-up Sheet is in the church foyer.



Children's Liturgy at 9 am Mass

Please contact Kinga Hearn through the Parish Office if you are interested:
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Please pray for:

Those who have died

Tony and Dody Archer, Maria Calica, Alfie Lacanlale, Teresa de Lima, Jane Holatko, Fritz and Adi Ketzmerick, Bill, Marion & Bruce Van Munster, Brian Noonan, Jose Olivia, Irene Remedios, Souls in Purgatory, and Brian Tighe.

Those who are ill

Rheza A, Vincenza C, Skarlet, Thérèse A, Jon A, Maritza C, Patricia C, Cora C, Ludwik D, Lesley D, Stan D, Kathleen G, Gwen J, Khanh, Derek L, Lisa L, Monique L, Rafael M-Duke, Matthew M, Davide R, and Maria T.

Grateful Thanks

from Fr. Jan Grotkowski, SDS & the Parish of Sacred Heart to the Estate of Patricia Redfern for their generous donation to the parish.

Thank you!



Moms & Tots

Parish Hall, Twice a month on Mondays
9:30 am to 11:30 am

Come for the company and faith-sharing.
Parents and caregivers are welcome.

Please contact Chantal:
momstots.shvic@gmail.com



Options to Donate

E-Transfer:

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Pre-Authorized Debit (PAD)

Automatic Debit Form:

<http://sacredheartvictoria.com/docs/PAD%20form%202020.pdf>

The PAD form is also available from the Parish Office.

If you use the Special Collection Envelopes, please remember to complete your name and address on those envelopes to receive a tax receipt. Information and links are also available on our website.

Canada Helps

<https://www.canadahelps.org/en/dn/47781>

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!

April 27 to April 28, 2024

Envelopes \$ 2,044.00

Cash \$ 448.05

Total \$ 2,492.05

April 2024

Canada Helps \$ 675.00

PAD \$ 6,485.00

E-Transfer \$ 1,715.00

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



ST. FRANÇOIS DE LAVAL

May 6

François de Laval was born on April 30, 1623 in Montigny-sur-Avre, the Diocese of Chartres, France. He studied with the Jesuits at La Flèche College, where his interest for the missions in Canada blossomed. He was ordained a priest in 1647. He strove for spiritual perfection, caring for the sick and overseeing the education of abandoned children. Named archdeacon of the diocese of Évreux, he visited over 150 parishes,

reforming them according to the spirit of the Council of Trent.

In 1653, he departed for Caen and lived at the hermitage of Jean de Bernières, one of the great mystics of his time. He oversaw the reform of a monastery and affairs of a community of Hospitaliers (a female religious congregation founded in La Flèche, France in 1636). On June 3, 1658, François de Laval was named Apostolic Vicar to Canada. He was consecrated a Bishop in secret in Paris on December 8 and arrived in Québec on June 16, 1659. Taking charge of the colony which numbered only 5 parishes and less than 2,500 inhabitants. He faced challenges with the governors: quarrels over precedence, and his opposition to the trafficking of eau de vie among Indigenous Peoples; a source of revenue for the colony, apart from murder, rape, and other acts of violence.

In 1663, Bishop de Laval founded the Major Seminary of Québec, destined to be the heart of the Church of Canada. In 1668, Bishop de Laval founded a minor seminary and, later, an arts and trades school. Named Bishop of Québec by Louis XIV in 1663, de Laval received endorsement in this function by Rome in 1674.

Bishop de Laval dedicated significant sums of money to help the poor and to educate children and administered the Sacrament of Confirmation to colonial settlers and local Indigenous population. During his 25 years in New France, the number of parishes went from 5 to 15; priests, from 25 to 102; and the number of women religious from 32 to 97. 13 of these priests and 50 women religious were natives of the diocese of Québec.

Returning to Québec in 1688, Bishop de Laval retired at the Seminary. While exercising his functions on May 6, 1708 Bishop de Laval passed away. On June 22, 1980, he was proclaimed Blessed by John Paul II and was canonized by a decree of Pope Francis on April 3, 2014.

[Accessed Monday 29 April 2024: <https://www.cccb.ca/the-catholic-church-in-canada/saints-blesseds-canada/canadian-saints/st-marie-incarnation-1599-1672-2/>]



Fr. Jan's Birthday

Saturday, May 18

Join us for cake and refreshments in the courtyard after the 4pm Mass

The birthday card is in the church foyer for signing.



Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Donate online and specify "Sacred Heart Parish" at <https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/society-of-st-vincent-de-paul-of-vancouver-island/>

To join the society, please email Georgina: mvgshort@telus.net



Just a reminder...

The link to the Polish community's **Good Friday Way of the Cross** is on our parish website: <http://sacredheartvictoria.com>



CHILDREN'S ART CLASSES

Saturdays at 10:30 am to 12 pm

Art Teacher, Ms. Belle

Please contact the Parish Office

Children aged 6 to 15. Fees are by donation. Materials provided.

Have you offered the roses of your life to Our Lady?

The tradition of dedicating the month of May to Mary began in the 13th century. Like spring, Mary gave new life to the world when she bore our saviour, Jesus Christ. Devotion to Mary is an important part of the Catholic identity. As our mother, she is an example of a committed "Yes" to the will of God. Through devotion to her, many people ask her for help in the most difficult moments of their life as any child would with their mother.



Join us to pray the Rosary in MAY

7 pm Sundays to Fridays

in the church, unless the weather allows us to pray in the courtyard.

3:35 pm Saturdays in church before Mass
8:35 am Sundays in church before Mass



Thank you,
for attending, and we thank the children, who Crowned the stature of Our Lady on Wednesday, May 1st!



PARISH MINISTRIES & GROUPS

Please contact the Parish Office:
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Parish Liturgy Coordinator	Rafael Oei
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Phone-tree	Elizabeth Olcen
Funeral Receptions	Elizabeth Olcen
Social Justice/D & P	Stan Dzbik
St. Vincent de Paul	Georgina Short

Come celebrate the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus

Friday, 7 June 2024
Mass at 5 pm followed by Dinner

The Novena to the Sacred Heart begins on Wednesday, May 29 after each Mass.



CHRISTIAN MEDITATION

Thursdays, 1 pm | Parish Hall
We welcome newcomers.



From the teachings of Fr. John Main (1926-1982), a Benedictine monk. A prayer of silence and stillness beyond word and thought, it is often called the "prayer of the heart". Each week, the group listens to the words of Frs. John Main, Laurence Freeman and others followed by a 20-30 minute period of silent meditation.

To learn more about the Community, visit the Canadian website www.wccm-canada.ca or the World Community website www.wccm.org
For more information, please contact Margie Noonan 250-589-6313 or margielnoonan@gmail.com.



Catholic Women's League

All Catholic women are invited to make a difference and to join. For more information, please contact Denise Owen: 250-580-0066 deniseowen@shaw.ca



From the Diocese

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[The Blessed Marie Anne Blondin Bursary](#) (\$1000): for a lay woman who is 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. <https://www.rcdvictoria.org/blondin-bursary>

[The Char Deslippe Memorial Award](#) (\$500): for a teacher working in Catholic Island Schools or a parish catechist serving in children, youth or adult ministry. <https://www.rcdvictoria.org/char-deslippe-award>



"I will never forget you"

March for Life

Thursday May 9, 2024

For more information, <https://m4lvictoria.ca/>

12:00 pm: Mass, Bishop Gary Gordon
St Andrew's Cathedral

1:45 pm: March, Centennial Square to the Legislature Buildings

2:15 pm: Rally commences at BC Legislature

5:30 pm: Gala Dinner, Cedar Hill Golf Course, 1400 Derby Rd.
Dinner tickets are \$70 each. For Gala Dinner tickets: <https://rcav.regfox.com/march-for-life-gala-2024>

Guest speakers:

- i. Alex Schadenberg, Euthanasia Prevention Coalition
- ii. Angelina Ireland, Delta Hospice Society

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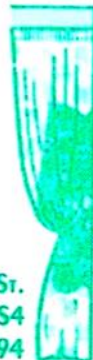
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