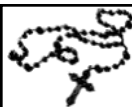




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* 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time | 18 October 2026 *



**In
October**

Join us to
Pray the Rosary
25 minutes
before each Mass



<https://www.missionsocieties.ca/world-mission-sunday-2026/>

The Deception of Masking

By Jean Allen

After being publicly exposed by three very pointed parables, the Pharisees were pretty desperate to trap Jesus. They were so desperate that along with their disciples they recruited some Herodians to go along with them and ask Jesus about the lawfulness of paying taxes to Caesar. Herodians were actually bitter enemies of the Pharisees. They supported Roman law and taxes and the Pharisees decidedly did not. The Herodian presence during the questioning of Jesus really put Jesus in a bad place. If he supported the taxes, the Pharisees would pounce but if he did not support the taxes, the Herodians could get Jesus into deep trouble.

Jesus called them hypocrites, which was basically true in the way we think of hypocrisy today. However, originally, a hypocrite was an actor who wore different masks to denote various emotions. These fellows came along and buttered Jesus up, saying that he was a sincere man and taught God's truth. Those were the masks they were wearing. This time, they weren't showing off their spirituality so people would admire them. They were trying to pull off a deception. But Jesus knew and he knew what kind of impossible trap lay waiting for him. He wasn't fooled and he easily slipped out of the trap.

This made me wonder, do we ever wear masks when we pray to the Lord? Do we ever attempt to trap the Lord by using his own words to pressure him or by buttering him up so he'll be more amenable to our requests? Masks can be very subtle, so subtle that we don't even realize we've been wearing one for years. It's presenting ourselves not as we really are but as someone we think he would approve of. We avoid allowing our true, raw and scabby selves to show. We think that if we can't stand our own reality, how could the Lord?

We're only fooling ourselves and making a real relationship with the Lord difficult. He knows our raw selves and he loves us the way we are really are, not the way we wish we could be.

Find the mask and drop it.



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Thank you for your interest
and registering for
the Sacramental Program
at Sacred Heart Parish.

**Registration
is now closed
for all levels.**

LITURGICAL YEAR A

Saturday:

Mass in English (anticipated Mass) 4:00 pm

Sunday:

Mass in English 9:00 am
Syro-Malabar Rite Mass 11:00 am
Mass in Korean 3:00 pm
Mass in Vietnamese (1st & 3rd Sundays) 5:30 pm

Weekday Masses Mass in English

Tuesday	11:00 am
Wednesday	11:00 am
Thursday	11:00 am
Friday	11:00 am
Exposition	11:30 am
Benediction	12:30 pm

Mass in Korean

Wednesday No Mass this week
Thursday No Mass this week

Syro-Malabar Mass

Thursday (Every 3rd Thurs of the month) 7:00 pm

RECONCILIATION

Tuesday to Friday 10:30 am
Saturday 3:15 am
Sunday 8:15 am

Parish Office Hours

Tuesdays to Fridays, 9:30 am to 3:00 pm

Closed on Sundays, Mondays, and Saturdays

If you would like to register or volunteer for a ministry,
please send an email to sacredheart@rcdvictoria.org

**For Baptism, Marriage, Funerals,
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Please contact:
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Sacred Heart Parish Website >



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To report sexual abuse by a clergy, religious,
employee, or volunteer, visit
RCDVictoria.org/Responsible-Ministry
or call 1-800-968-3146

To report sexual abuse or cover-up
by a Catholic Bishop,
visit BishopReportingSystem.ca or
call 1-866-892-3737



Please Pray For

Those who have died:

*John Baanstra, Rodolfo Gaspar, Georgie Guterres,
Carolyn Ledohowski, John & Helene Oei
Rosette Newbury, Souls in Purgatory, and John Vu.*

Those who are ill:

*Irene Anna, Jon A, Jacobus B, Cora C, Theresa H, John Knapik,
Joe & Sherry O, Walt R, Davide R, Marguerite Thomas, & Dan W.*



Eternal Rest Grant Unto

John Baanstra

(26 September 2026)

Funeral Mass, 11:00 am, Friday, 6 November 2026

***O Lord, and let Perpetual Light Shine Upon him.
May his soul rest in peace. Amen.***

Cherished Belonging: A Diocesan Survey

This survey is an opportunity for you to express how parishes may support their faith needs. Online link: [Cherished Belonging Survey](#)

To download, please select "Duplicate" at the top of the screen.

Catholic Legacy Giving

Support our parish into the future! When you name Sacred Heart Catholic Church in your Will, life insurance policy, or retirement accounts as a beneficiary, you leave a lasting legacy of faith. If you already have a will, a simple legal amendment (a codicil) is often all it takes to include your parish. Please consult with your notary or lawyer to ensure your wishes are carried out accurately.

A bequest in your Will helps to ensure that future generations can continue to encounter Christ here in our parish. Thank you.

Options to Donate

E-Transfer:

The email to use is sacredheart@rcdvictoria.org

Pre-Authorized Debit (PAD)

Automatic Debit Form:

<https://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

Donations through Canada Helps.

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

This is the new QR code for donations: also on display around the church for your convenience.

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!

October 10 & 11, 2026

Envelopes \$ 1,863.00

Cash \$ 319.95

Total \$ 2,784.70

Building Fund \$ 50.00

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

A grateful and heartfelt Thank You

to

**Susan & Mark
Ledohowski**

for donating a
Votive Candle Stand
to the Parish in memory of
their daughter, Carolyn.

**Join us before Mass
on Friday, October 23
for the blessing
of the candle stand.**

10:15 a.m. Blessing
10:35 a.m. Rosary
11:00 a.m. Holy Mass
11:30 a.m. Exposition
12:30 p.m. Benediction



All Souls' Day Mass Schedule

Mass in English 12:00 p.m.
Mass in Korean 6:30 p.m.
Syro-Malabar Rite 7:30 p.m.

At the beginning of the All Souls' Day Mass (English), the names of all parishioners who have passed away this past year will be read and tea light candles will be lit, in honour of them.

The **Book of Remembrance** will be at the entrance of the church. Please write the names of your family and friends into the Book to be offered during Masses throughout November.



Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Today Jesus says: "Repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God." When God is the center of our lives there is no problem giving others their due. Through your gift, you help

your neighbour who is hungry, hopeless, and frightened; bringing peace to those who are overwhelmed with life's burdens.

For assistance, please contact the Social Concern Office:
250-727-0007 ext 1 / sacredheart@svdpvictoria.com.

To join, please contact Georgina Short: 250-727-2615

To donate online, specify "Sacred Heart Parish"
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Celebrate the end of the
Month of the Rosary
on
ALL HALLOW'S EVE

Saturday, October 31st



**Enjoy a potluck dinner
after the 4 p.m. Mass**

in the Parish Hall and come dressed as
your favourite saint, angel, or prophet!

The sign-up sheet for the potluck dinner is in the church foyer.



2026 Annual Bishop's Appeal

The Bishop's Appeal will extend support beyond our Diocese through Aid to the Church in Need. Together we will help fund projects like supporting the Maronite Catholics of Sidon feed 7500 people displaced by war. Through your gift, our light reaches the global Church. Learn more about the this life-saving project at www.rcdvictoria.org/bishops-appeal

Online Donation Options:

Diocesan website: www.rcdvictoria.org/bishops-appeal

E-transfer: appealoffice@rcdvictoria.org

Phone the Pastoral Centre directly to make a one-time or monthly donation by credit card 1-250-479-1331

This year our project is to replace the church roof.

Our Parish goal is \$46,000.00

Actual to Date: \$3,616.00

Number of Pledges: 30



From the Diocese

FALL 50/50

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Draw Date: December 31, 2026

Ticket Packages: Package A: 1 Ticket for \$10 (Limit 250)

Package B: 5 Tickets for \$20 (Limit 250)

Package C: 20 Tickets for \$50 (Limit 250)

Package D: 100 Tickets for \$100 (Limit 250)

Every ticket purchased supports the needs and ministries of Our Lady of the Rosary Parish. Thank you for your generosity, prayers, and commitment to our parish community.

Purchase your tickets today at: <https://rafflebox.ca/raffle/oltrp/>



23 Sep to 1 Nov

Every year more than 10,000 unborn babies are killed in the womb in BC, and over 100,000 in Canada. Join 40 Days for Life at Helmcken Road Overpass Park & Ride, from 7 am to 7 pm daily.

<https://www.40daysforlife.com/en/victoriabc>

Employment Opportunities

Caretaker position at White Eagle Hall Victoria

The Board of Directors of the White Eagle Polish Association seek to hire a responsible, reliable, honest, and organized person to be Caretaker/Building Manager. If you are interested, please contact: victoriapolishhall@gmail.com / 250-589-4507

Financial Administrator

The Roman Catholic Diocese of Nelson seek a full-time Financial Administrator, based at the Catholic Pastoral Centre in Kelowna.

For full details and application information, please visit <https://www.nelsondiocese.org/apps/jobs/>



Seminary of Christ the King Vocation Live-In

November 14 & 15, Mission, BC

Young men, grades 7-11, interested in experiencing seminary life or who want to learn how to discern God's call to the priesthood, are invited. For information, or to register, please contact Fr. Anthony: 604.826.8975 / rector.minors@sck.ca



All Souls Mass

9 a.m. Royal Oak Mausoleum

On Saturday, November 7th, Our Lady of Fatima Parish will hold a Mass in honour of All Souls in the Mausoleum at the Royal Oak Burial Park.

Rosary will be at 9:00 am, followed by Holy Mass. The celebrant will be Father Eduardo da Silva Santos from Our Lady of Fatima.

Everyone is welcome



Glorious Mysteries Art Auction Fundraiser

7 pm to 9 pm, October 23, St. Joseph's the Worker Parish Hall

Catholic artists in the Diocese have created original works inspired by the Glorious Mysteries of the Rosary that will be available through a silent auction. Proceeds will support the artists and Our Lady of the Rosary Parish.

For more info: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/the-glorious-mysteries-art-auction-tickets-2001036794920>

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150 for	\$100

For Council 15445

October 1st to December 19th

Beneficiaries are Hospital Foundations, School PACs, Community Food Banks, Scholarships/Bursaries, Special Olympics, Dioceses in BC for outreach programs, and many others.

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	Miriam Podmoroff
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St. Vincent de Paul	Georgina Short

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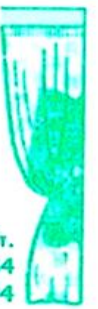
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