

# Our Lady Queen of Peace Church (since 1930)

## SHRINE TO INFANT JESUS of PRAGUE (since 2003)



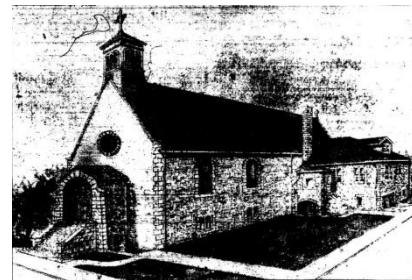
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**OUR LADY QUEEN of PEACE, 849 OLD ESQUIMALT Road, VICTORIA, BRITISH COLUMBIA V9A 4W9**

**MONDAYS: PARISH OFFICE IS CLOSED** ☎ 250.384.3884  
 Parish Office OPEN TUESDAY - FRIDAY 9.30 a.m. - 3.30 p.m. Contact e-mail: office@qop.ca Fax: 250.384.3664

SUNDAY	10:00am	12:00	2:30 am 3:30 on 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month	2:00 pm on 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month
	HOLY MASS	TRADITIONAL LATIN MASS	ORDINARIATE OF THE CHAIR OF SAINT PETER	HUNGARIAN MASS

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
ORDINARIATE OF THE CHAIR OF SAINT PETER <a href="http://www.VICTORIAORDINARIATE.COM">www.VICTORIAORDINARIATE.COM</a>	9:30 am	9:30 am	9:30 am	9:30 am	10:00 am	9:30 am
TRADITIONAL LATIN MASS	-	-	-	-	8:30 am	-
ROSARY	-	11:30	11:30	11:30	11:30	-
WEEKDAY MASS	-	12:10	12:10	12:10	12:10	-
HOLY MASS	-	-	-	-	-	5:00pm
CONFESSION: Please ring the bell, enter when green light is on * 1 <sup>ST</sup> SATURDAY of the month	-	11:30	11:30	11:30	11:30	4:00 – 4:45 3:00 -4:00*
Devotion to MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP	-	-	-	-	-	-
Devotion to INFANT JESUS OF PRAGUE	-	after the Noon Mass	-	-	-	-

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<p><b>The CWL:</b> meets monthly on the 2<sup>nd</sup> WEDNESDAY after the Noon Mass                  PRESIDENT: ELSIE LAMBTON                  (No meetings in July &amp; August)</p>	<p><b>KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS:</b>                  Contact: Don Lambton ☎ 250.995.1531                  e-mail: lambton@shaw.ca</p>
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**KEEPING IN CONTACT:** We extend our hands and hearts in Christian fellowship to you here, celebrating with us, whether long time residents or newly arrived in the Parish. We thank God that you are with us. If we may assist you, please fill out the form below and place in the collection basket or mail to the PARISH OFFICE (address on top). Please mark the proper BOX

New Parishioner

I am going to be in the hospital, please call on me

I would like Sunday Collection Envelopes

Have moved here is my new address:

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

☎ HOME ..... ☎ WORK .....

e-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ @ \_\_\_\_\_

## 'Legacies'

Our Lady Queen of Peace acknowledges with gratitude past legacies which we use to maintain the integrity of our Church.

Please include us in your 'LAST WILL', how will we survive without it?

Legacies are a way of providing assurance that the parish has income or savings in the event of unforeseen emergencies.

The monthly 'Building Fund and Collection' pays for maintenance/replacement items.

### Report Sexual Abuse to an Independent Agency

To report sexual abuse by a clergy member, religious, employee, or volunteer visit:

<https://www.rcdvictoria.org/responsible-ministry>

or call: 1-800-968-3146

To report abuse or cover-up by a Catholic Bishop, visit:

<https://bishopreportingsystem.ca/>

or call: 1-866-892-3737

### A National Indian Residential School Crisis Line

A National Indian Residential School Crisis Line has been set up by the Indian Residential School Survivors Society (IRSSS) to provide support for former students and those affected. **People can access emotional and crisis referral services by calling the 24-hour line at 1-866-925-4419**

### Vancouver Island Crisis-Line

The Vancouver Island Crisis Society is contracted by **Island Health**. We are a registered non-profit agency whose services include: **24-hour crisis lines: 1-888-494-3888**

**Crisis Text Services: 250-800-3806**

(from your mobile) 6pm - 10pm - 7 days a week

**Crisis Chat Services:** 6pm - 10pm - 7 days a week

We work in partnership with Island Health to provide public access to Mental Health & Substance Use services in the communities administered by Island Health.

### Sacramental Information

**Baptism:** Call the office at least 3 months in advance to arrange an appointment with the Pastor. It is assumed that the family has Our Lady Queen of Peace parish connection and practices the faith by attending Sunday Mass on a weekly basis. You may meet with the Pastor and take the course even if your child has not yet been born. **Parents are expected to participate in the Baptismal preparation.** At least one Godparent or both must be baptized and confirmed and are practicing Catholics. **Non-parishioners are required to have a Letter of Recommendation from your Pastor to have your child Baptized in our parish.**

**Marriage:** at Our Lady Queen of Peace because the Church is deeply concerned about each marriage, couples are asked to give a minimum of six months' notice prior to the intended date of their wedding. Church policy requires that marriages be performed in your home parish – unless you are registered and attend elsewhere.

**Funeral:** at Our Lady Queen of Peace individual arrangements with a priest. Begin by calling the parish office.

## 'MASS INTENTIONS'

Feb 27	TUESDAY	†Derrick Deidrick Carol & Louis Molloy
Feb 28	WEDNESDAY	
Feb 29	THURSDAY	
Mar 1	FRIDAY	Stations of the Cross - 7pm
Mar 2	SATURDAY	†Bill VanNoordt Ann VanNoordt

Mar 5	TUESDAY	†Derrick Deidrick Carol & Louis Molloy
Mar 6	WEDNESDAY	†Derrick Deidrick Alex & Ron Fernandez
Mar 7	THURSDAY	
Mar 8	FRIDAY	Stations of the Cross - 7pm
Mar 9	SATURDAY	Holy Souls Ann VanNoordt

Mar 12	TUESDAY	
Mar 13	WEDNESDAY	
Mar 14	THURSDAY	
Mar 15	FRIDAY	Stations of the Cross - 7pm
Mar 16	SATURDAY	Holy Souls Ann VanNoordt

**Please remember the following persons who are ill in your prayers:** Ann VanNoordt, Tony VanNoordt, Regina Brown, Marge Haake, Christine Stornebrink, John & Connie Lerner, Martha Fox,

**Please Note:** If you suffer from Celiac disease, we are able to offer a low-gluten Host. Please inform the priest in the sacristy before Mass.

### Donations



**Our parish offers the following options for your financial contributions to the parish:**

- pre-numbered boxed collection envelopes or
- pre-authorized debit (PAD - weekly or monthly)

If you are a new parishioner, please print clearly on the "Parish Registration" form found on the table in the vestibule in order to receive an income tax receipt at the end of the year. If you've recently moved/changed your telephone number or email address, please contact the parish at 250-384-3884 or email [office@gop.ca](mailto:office@gop.ca) ASAP. Your personal contact information is held in strict confidence.

### Stations of the Cross

During Lent, Stations of the Cross devotions will be offered **every Friday at 7:00pm**

## News from the Diocese

### • **Diocesan Livestream Mass**

<https://www.rcdvictoria.org/events/dailymasslivestreamed>  
<https://www.youtube.com/c/RCDVictoriaLiveOne/about>

• Bishop Robert Barron's video series "The Mass" is now available online. The series was developed to help Catholics understand how to fully, consciously, and actively participate in the source and summit of the Christian life. To view the series, please visit:

<https://videos.wordonfire.org/themassepisode1>

• The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul of Vancouver Island is looking for a Membership and Volunteer Development Coordinator to work at their 4353 West Saanich Road, Victoria office. To learn more about this spiritually rewarding career opportunity, please view the job posting at:

<https://www.ssvpvancoverisland.ca/job-board/view/168-membership-and-volunteer-coordinator>

• Grief to Grace is a retreat program facilitated by mental health professionals and centered on Jesus Christ which helps those who have endured neglect, physical, emotional, sexual, and/or spiritual abuse in their family of origin, their community, from spouses/partners, and/or coworkers or supervisors, find healing and journey to wholeness. The next retreat in Canada is May 14 – 18, 2024 in Kelowna. For more information, please Email: [griegtograncelowna@gmail.com](mailto:griegtograncelowna@gmail.com) or make a confidential call to 250-808-6403.

• A number of parishes would like to extend an invitation to all who are interested to join them for their Lenten Missions:

➤ **All Saints Parish's** mission will be led by Fr. Doug MacDonald and will run from **Feb. 19 - 21 at St. Mary's Church in Ladysmith.**

➤ **St. Andrew's Cathedral's** mission will be led by Fr. Mark Cherry and will run from **Feb. 26 – 28.**

➤ **Holy Family Notre Dame Parish** in Port Alberni's mission will also be led by Fr. Mark Cherry and will run from Mar. 1 – 3. Billeting is available for those travelling from out of town; please contact Marnie Wynans at: [marniewynans@hotmail.com](mailto:marniewynans@hotmail.com) for more information.

➤ **Sacred Heart Parish**, will be hosting a Lenten Mission, Forgiveness & Reconciliation on Sat., March 23<sup>rd</sup> to Wed., March 27<sup>th</sup>, led by Father David Reilander.

For the detailed schedule of each mission and further information, please visit the Diocesan Events Calendar at: <https://www.rcdvictoria.org/events-calendar>

• Would you like to help remove invasive plants and restore the properties of St. Andrew's High School, the Pastoral Centre, and Sacred Heart Parish? On Saturday, March 2, all are invited to the first weekly Garry Oak Meadow Restoration Project work party. Please meet in the Sacred Heart parking lot (4044 Nelthope Street, Victoria); the event will run from 10 am – noon, rain or shine. Pruners and shovels will be provided, but please bring your own gloves, safety glasses, and water. For more information and to sign up, please email [jseale1234@gmail.com](mailto:jseale1234@gmail.com)

• Faith Through Film, hosted by Holy Family Notre Dame Parish in Port Alberni, continues with screenings every Wed. afternoon 1-3 pm and Thurs. evening 6-8 pm.

With funding made available through the Bishop's Appeal, all screenings are free of charge, and complimentary popcorn and other snacks will also be offered. Pre-registration is encouraged but not mandatory; please phone 250-723-8912 or email [hfn@rcdvictoria.org](mailto:hfn@rcdvictoria.org)

• In response to the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Calls to Action, Hope Lutheran, Brechin United, and Holy Trinity Catholic Parish are jointly offering a workshop on Reconciliation: Building Relationships. The workshop will run on Friday, March 8 from 7 – 9:30 pm and Saturday, March 9 from 9:30 am – 5:30 pm at Brechin United Church in Nanaimo (2020 Estevan Road). Guest speakers include Adrian Jacobs, senior leader for Indigenous Justice and Reconciliation with the Christian Reformed Church in North America, and Colette Jones, Snuneymuxw Elder and professor in the Studies in Women and Gender Department at VIU. Admission is by donation, but space is limited; please register in advance at <http://tinyurl.com/RBR-register-day1> and <http://tinyurl.com/RBR-register-day2>

• Salt and Light Catholic Media Foundation is searching for a new Chief Executive Officer to oversee their organization. This unique position offers an exciting opportunity for a motivated, mission-based executive to make a significant and positive impact on the Roman Catholic faith, Canadians, and people around the world. For more information and to view the job description, please visit:

<https://slmedia.org/job-opportunity-ceo>

### St Joseph the Worker Parish

Syro-Malabar Liturgy, Fr. Shijo Ottaplackal invites you to join in the celebration of the liturgy of the Syro-Malabar Catholic Church, held at St. Joseph the Worker parish:

• Saturdays at 7:00 pm

• Sundays at 12:00 pm

The Syro-Malabar Catholic Church is the second largest of the 23 Eastern Catholic Churches (the largest being the Ukrainian Catholic Church), which are in full communion with the Pope and with the Roman Catholic Church.

### Bursaries & Awards

**K of C Bishop Thomas Lobsinger Bursary** (\$1000): for post-secondary Catholic students in British Columbia up to the age of 25. Fourteen awards are available. For more information, see: <https://kofcbc.org/bishop-lobsinger-bursary-program>

### 40 Days for Life

Birthright - 40 Days for Life, Please Volunteer! Once again, Victorians united in prayer for life call on Christian congregations in this city to help us promote our twice-annual 40 Days for Life prayer vigil, near the General Hospital, running from **Feb. 14 to Mar. 24.**

To join 40 Days for Life Victoria call Glenda at 250 661 2613 Many good works of the Church are widely admired but this one is widely reviled. We do this, nonetheless, knowing the Pro-Life movement is fully opposed to the spirit of this age and its belief that individual rights trump the right to life. Mostly we need patience and warm clothing but sometimes we need courage and forbearance in the face of those whose values we challenge. To join in, please call Glenda at 250-661-2613





## Catholic Women's League

CWL meeting is on **Wed. Mar 13<sup>th</sup> at 1:00pm** in the Msgr. Wood Rm.

### Victoria Diocesan Catholic Women's League

#### "In Memory of Freda Smith" Bursary

Freda Smith (1901-1999) a long-time resident of Victoria, retired as church organist in her parish Our Lady Queen of Peace in Esquimalt at the age of 85. She came to Canada in 1926, settling in Regina; relocating to Victoria in 1946 promoting education whenever possible. She was an active member of the Catholic Women's League, earning the League's highest honour in 1958.

The Bursary (\$750.00) is awarded annually to a graduating Catholic student within the Diocese of Victoria. This Bursary will be awarded to a student proceeding on to a form of higher education. More information and applications can be found on-line by [clicking here](#) **Deadline for applications is Mar 31<sup>st</sup>**

#### Pastoral Letter on Ukraine, Canada, and the Church

Feb.24<sup>th</sup> marks the second anniversary of Russia's invasion of Ukraine. National representatives of Orthodox, Catholic, and Protestant communities have signed a Pastoral Letter on Ukraine, Canada, and the Church, inviting all to join in praying for peace. "Without in any way minimizing or ignoring the suffering and sorrow caused by war and violence in other areas of the world, we stand together in inviting Christians and all people of good will to prayerfully consider how we are all called, and might contribute to, the achievement of peace in and for Ukraine."

– excerpt from the Pastoral Letter

The letter can be read online at:

<http://tinyurl.com/ukr-can-church>

#### Development and Peace "Stand for the Land"

D&P continues to support social justice groups in the global south. This year's campaign is titled "Reaping our Rights". Its focus is supporting agricultural and environmental issues. We support defense of rural communities' right to life, land, water, biodiversity, justice, health, participation in community, decent livelihoods and a healthy environment.

Pope Francis said "Goodness, together with love, justice and solidarity are not achieved once and for all; they have to be realized each day?", so D&P joins with established groups to help them in their defense of life and livelihood.

#### **Here are some of our partners:**

• **Indonesia:** Training next generation farmers to improve their agricultural skills and encourage youth to make agriculture their life's work. Educating the farmers in rural entrepreneurship. To ensure village sovereignty so that farming communities can lead more just, dignified and sustainable lives. Our partner is Payo-Payo – a Peasant School.

• **Bolivia:** Supporting Indigenous and farming communities. To enhance rural, Indigenous farming families' living conditions, support agro-ecology projects that improve food sovereignty and environmental conservation. To support food processing ventures like cheese, yogurt and ice-cream manufacturing that increase and diversify family incomes.

Our partner is a Foundation called NUNA.

• **Nigeria:** Denouncing oil pollution. To work on issues of climate justice, food sovereignty and oil pollution. Defending

farmers' rights to protect their lands from pollution and contamination by the oil industry in southern Nigeria.

Our partner is HOMEF (Health of Mother Earth Foundation).

• Last chance to sign the Stand for the Land petition! **Sunday, February 25 is the deadline for signing a letter** to Honduran ambassador to Canada asking her government to protect those who are fighting to defend forests and rivers in a Honduran national park against pollution from a mine.

The letter is part of Development and Peace — Caritas Canada's Fall 2023 campaign. Over 20,000 Canadians have signed it in solidarity with these struggling communities of Guapinol and the San

Pedro sector. Join the effort and add weight to our demands. **Sign now at [devp.org/act](http://devp.org/act)** Thank you for your solidarity!

• Our solidarity visitor from **Indonesia, Karno Batiran**, will be speaking **at Holy Cross Parish Centre on Tuesday, February 27 at 2:00 pm**. Please join us for coffee and refreshments and hear how he has organized young farmers to develop sustainable agriculture. All are welcome. Spread the word, bring your friends.

#### Announcement of Ordination:

##### Deacon Joseph Yuson

It is with great joy that I announce, after consulting with the Diocesan Consultors, that Deacon Joseph Yuson, a seminarian for the Diocese of Victoria, presently in formation at St. Joseph's Seminary in Edmonton, Alberta, will be ordained to the Ministerial Priesthood on **Saturday, June 22, 2024 at 10:00 am at St. Andrew's Cathedral in Victoria**.

This is good news indeed for our Diocese. All are invited to join the celebration by participating in Deacon Joseph's ordination Mass, either in person at St. Andrew's or via the livestream at:

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

Your prayers for Joseph and his intentions are appreciated as he prepares for service as a ministerial priest to the People of God in the Diocese of Victoria. Please also pray that we all may discern the vocation which God has planned for us, and respond generously and whole-heartedly to His call.

— Bishop Gary Gordon

#### Save the Date:

St. Joseph the Worker Parish, Reconciliation Service, Wednesday, March 20, 2024 - 7 pm

#### Save the Date:

Diocese of Victoria will celebrate its annual Chrism Mass at St. Andrew's Cathedral Thursday, March 21, 2024, 7 pm

**ADVERTISE:** Your ad can be in the bulletin. Call the parish office at 250-388-5571 for more information or email: [office@gop.ca](mailto:office@gop.ca) We appreciate the support of these sponsors. Please support them.



### Online Marriage Preparation Course

The Diocese of Victoria is now offering our Marriage Preparation Course fully online. The cost is \$80 per couple. The course consists of several modules on relevant subjects, individual and couple activities, and assessments as well as a liturgy planning guide. Couples will be able to work through the program at their own pace. At the end of the course, you will receive a Certificate of Completion, which will be recognized by any parish within our Diocese. For more information, go to the Diocese website:

<https://www.rcdvictoria.org/marriage-prep> or find the course on Eventbrite. Questions? Contact Moira Gill at [mgill@rcdvictoria.org](mailto:mgill@rcdvictoria.org) or 250-470-1331 ext. 237

### Did you know ...?

That the Cathedral has a Columbarium and that a location near the church for the deceased has been a powerful symbol of our faith since the early church. It is a statement of our ultimate goal to live this life in Christ so that one day, through death, we can share in eternal life with God. For information on purchasing a niche in the Cathedral Columbarium call 250-388-5571 and leave a message for Chris Ryzuk to contact you or email: [niche@standrewscathedral.com](mailto:niche@standrewscathedral.com)

### Please Support the Soup Kitchen at St. Andrew's Cathedral

It costs only \$2.25 for **The Soup Kitchen** in the basement of St. Andrew's Cathedral to provide a nutritious meal to one of our guests. This season help us serve soup to the hungry with a financial donation, \$25 feeds 10 dinners; \$225 feeds 100 of our guests. You'll lighten someone's day and give them a chance to turn things around, the Soup Kitchen, 740 View Street, Victoria, BC V8W 1J8. Thank you for your generosity and support to help those in need in our city.

### Like to Cook? The Soup Kitchen Needs You!

The Soup Kitchen, operating in the basement of St. Andrew's Cathedral in Victoria, is looking for a Wed. morning cook to prepare our nutritious soup, in a 70-litre commercial kettle for up to 150 diners, this can be a one or two person job, hours are 4:00am to 6:00am. Duties include making the soup with precut ingredients and cleanup. Onsite training is provided. A current Food Safe certificate is needed, which will be paid for by The Soup Kitchen, please contact Sheila Connelly: (250) 216-7249 For over 40 years, The Soup Kitchen has been a comfort, and in some instances a lifeline, for the downtown community. Please consider joining our dedicated team of volunteers - you will find it both personally and spiritually rewarding.


### SSVP Looking For Treasurer

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul of Vancouver Island is seeking a volunteer to join their board as Treasurer. "Jesus spoke with authority and his reputation spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee." As his disciples, we can also speak with authority when we put our faith into action. If you are a CPA and are ready to answer the call, please send your expression of interest to Brian Mann, Board Chair at [brian.mann7@gmail.com](mailto:brian.mann7@gmail.com)




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