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* 1ST SATURDAY of the month

Devotion to Mother of Perpetual Help
Devotion to Infant Jesus of Prague

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TRADITIONAL LATIN Mass: Rev. John Domotor HUNGARIAN Mass: Rev. John Domotor SJHN-ORDINARIATE Mass: Rev. Lee Kenyon

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MONDAYS: PARISH OFFICE IS CLOSED

250.384.3884

Parish Office OPEN TUESDAY - FRIDAY 9.00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Contact e-mail:office@qop.ca

Fax:250.384.3664

3:00 -4:00*

| SUNDAY | 10:00am | 12:00 pm | | 2:30 pm 3:30 pm 3 rd Sunday of the month | | | | 2:00 pm on 3 rd Sunday of the month | | |
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| | HOLY MASS | TRADITIONAL LATIN MASS | | ORDINARIATE OF THE CHAIR OF SAINT PETER | | | | Hungarian Mass | | |
| | | | MONDAY | | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSI | DAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
| ORDINARIATE OF THE CHAIR OF SAINT PETER WWW.VICTORIAORDINARIATE.COM | | | 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 | 11:3 | 11:30 | | - |
| WEEKDAY MASS HOLY MASS | | | - | | 12:10 | 12:10 | 12:1 | 10 | 12:10 | 5:00pm |
| CONFESSION: Please ring the hell, enter when green light is on | | | - | | 11:30 | 11:30 | 11:3 | 30 | 11:30 | 4:00 – 4:45 |

| Noon Mass | | | | | | | |
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'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 <u>Island</u> <u>Health</u>. We are a registered non-profit agency whose services include: <u>24-hour crisis lines</u>: <u>1-888-494-3888</u>

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.

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

'MASS INTENTIONS'

| Mar 4 | TUESDAY | † Yvonne Thurier Flordeliza J. Legaspi |
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| Mar 5 | WEDNESDAY | |
| Mar 6 | THURSDAY | |
| Mar 7 | FRIDAY | |
| Mar 8 | SATURDAY | |
| Mar 11 | TUESDAY | † Benjamin C. Legaspi Flordeliza J. Legaspi |
| Mar 12 | WEDNESDAY | |
| Mar 13 | THURSDAY | |
| Mar 14 | FRIDAY | |
| Mar 15 | SATURDAY | |

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

<u>Please Note:</u> 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@qop.ca ASAP. Your personal contact information is held in strict confidence.

Catholic Women's League -Bursary

By way of background, this \$750 bursary was created in 2005 in memory of Freda Smith, a very special long-time CWL Member in the Diocese of Victoria. The bursary is funded by donations made by our members during the collection taken up at one of our Masses during our annual Diocesan Convention in May. It is awarded annually to a graduating Catholic student within the Diocese of Victoria. Please call the parish office for more information.

Holy Confirmation Class

The first Holy Confirmation Class will be held on Saturday March 8th at 2:30 pm downstairs in the Msgr. Wood room. Parents are asked to attend as well.

Reminder!

Daylight Saving Time Begins Mar 9th. Don't forget to change your clocks! On Sunday, March 9, the clocks will go forward by one hour.

News from Diocesan Youth

NET Ministries are BACK!!!! We are excited to welcome our beloved NET teams back to the Diocese of Victoria. We are in search of at least 4 homes that would be able to host 2 men or 2 women for 3 to 6 days at the beginning of May. We would ask that you have a bed/ bedding for each person and would also offer them meals while they are with you. They are a wonderful addition to a family home. Please contact Angela at angelagrohovac@gmail.com or 250 588 3428 for details.

2025 Diocesan Youth Retreat: Living for Greatness We invite youth in Grades 7-12 to join us for the 2025 Diocesan Youth Retreat (DYR)! This transformative weekend will help deepen their faith, build community, and encounter Jesus. This year's theme, Living for Greatness, promises an unforgettable experience. Event Details: • Dates: May 9-11, 2025 at Camp Imadene, Mesachie Lake, Cost: \$199 (includes meals, accommodations, and t-shirt) • Speakers: NET Ministries • Transportation: Complimentary bus from St. Andrew's High School and Langford • Mother's Day Brunch: Complimentary for families on Sunday at 11:15 am To Register: Complete the Google Form by April 15: Google Form Link To Pay: Eventbrite Link For questions, contact Dressler 479-1331 Joelle at (250)jdressler@rcdvictoria.org. We hope your child can join us for this life-changing retreat!

News from the Diocese

Diocesan Livestream Mass

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

Applications are now being accepted for "Hope on the Horizon", an outreach and leadership program to be held in Vancouver this summer from Jul 14–Aug 22, 2025 Coordinated by the Archdiocese of Vancouver in collaboration with Catholic Street Missionaries, the program is designed to introduce young adults aged 19-30 to the life of a street missionary, sharing a life of prayer and service with others who go out into the streets bringing the love of Jesus to the homeless. For more information see: https://www.catholicstreetmissionaries.org/horizon

"Grief to Grace" will be holding a retreat in May in Kelowna. This program is for people who have endured neglect, physical, emotional, sexual, and/or spiritual abuse in their family, their community, from spouses/partners, and/or coworkers or supervisors. Through a retreat program facilitated by mental health professionals and centered on Jesus_Christ, participants are helped to find healing and journey to wholeness. For more information please email grieftogracekelowna@gmail.com or make a confidential call to 250-808-6403.

More News from the Diocese

Would you like to help remove invasive plants and restore an important Garry Oak ecosystem? Beginning on March 8, and running 2nd and 4th Saturday from 1–4 pm, rain or shine, all are invited to come and help remove invasive species from our property on the slopes of Christmas Hill. Please meet in the Sacred Heart parking lot (4044 Nelthope Street, Victoria). Pruners and shovels will be provided, but please bring your own gloves, safety glasses, and water. For more information and to sign up, email jseale1234@gmail.com

The Catholic Bishops of British Columbia have released a Pastoral Letter on Catholic Schools that highlights Catholic education's key role in evangelization and whole-person formation. It calls for Catholic schools to maintain their identity, integrate faith with learning, and work with families, educators, and pastors to build a Christ-centred community serving both students and society. The letter may be read online at: https://www.rcdvictoria.org/news/pastoral-letter-on-catholic-schools

The Vatican has released Antiqua et Nova, a document on the relationship between artificial intelligence and human intelligence. It highlights the distinction between AI and human intelligence and calls for ethical guidelines to ensure AI respects human dignity and serves the common good. To read the full document, please visit: https://www.vatican.va/roman curia/congregations/cfaith/documents/rc ddf doc 20250128 antiqua-et-nova en.html

Musical Job Posting

St. Andrew's Cathedral is seeking a Director of Musical Worship (DOMW) to start in July 2025. The DOMW is responsible for the planning, coordination and fulfillment of all liturgical music ministry at the Cathedral Parish.

Applications and enquiries should be directed to Father Dean Henderson, Rector of the Cathedral, at:

dhenderson@rcdvictoria.org.

Knights of Columbus

The Knights of Columbus is displaying the Pilgrim Icon of the Sacred Heart at Our Lady Queen of Peace Parish starting now until Saturday March 15th. The prayer hour in front of the icon will be announced shortly.

Knights of Columbus - Bursury

The annual British Columbia and Yukon Bursary program known as the Bishop Thomas J. Lobsinger, OMI Memorial Bursary Program is underway. The 2025 program is now receiving applications. We are privileged to offer fourteen bursaries of \$1,000.00 each to Catholic students across the Province of British Columbia. These bursaries are made available on a one-time only basis to young practicing Catholic students who are in post secondary education at a recognized institute of higher learning within the Province of British Columbia. Applications are accepted from January 1, 2025 until June 30, 2025 with the bursaries being awarded in the fall.

<u>ADVERTISE</u>: Call the parish office at 250-384-3884 for more info. or email: <u>office@qop.ca</u> We appreciate the support of these sponsors. Please support them.



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RCIA - (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)

Are you interested in becoming Catholic? Or perhaps were you baptized Catholic as a child, but have not yet celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist? Parishes in the city of Victoria are collaborating to offer an opportunity to come together in a small group to learn more about our faith. Sessions focus on the teachings and experience of Church and prepare individuals to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist during the Easter season. You are welcome to participate in the process with your questions, your insights and your faith story in a warm, accepting setting.

First you must contact the parish office – 250-384-3884

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 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

SOUP KITCHEN

In 2024 **The Soup Kitchen**, operating in the basement of St. Andrew's Cathedral in Victoria, served over 40,000 nutritious meals to seniors, low-income workers, those unhoused and anyone else living at risk in our community. As a volunteer-run organization, we rely upon donations from generous parishioners to fund our operation.

Thank you for your compassion to those in need in Victora. With gratitude and blessings during this most holy season.

Corinthians 9:11 You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us.