

Our Lady Queen of Peace Church (1930)



SHRINE TO INFANT JESUS of PRAGUE (2003)

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MONDAYS: CHURCH & PARISH OFFICE ARE CLOSED

PARISH OFFICE OPEN TUESDAY – FRIDAY 9.00 – 12.00 & 1.00 – 4.15 ☎ 250.384.3884 Fax: 250.384.3664

	SUNDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
SUNSET LODGE 1 st & 3 rd Wed. at 952 Arm Street	-	-	9.30	-	-	-
ADORATION OF BLESSED SACRAMENT every Tuesday and 1 st Friday of the month	-	10.00	-	-	10.00	-
ROSARY	-	11.45	11.45	11.45	11.45	-
M Weekday	-	12.10	12.10	12.10	12.10	-
A Weekend	10.00	-	-	-	-	5.00
S TRADITIONAL LATIN	12.00	-	-	-	9.00	-
S SPANISH 2 nd & last Sunday of the month	2.00	-	-	-	-	-
HUNGARIAN 3 rd Sunday every month	2.00	-	-	-	-	-
Devotion to MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP			after Mass 12.10			
Devotion to INFANT JESUS OF PRAGUE				after Mass 12.10		

CONFESSIONS: ½ hour before and after Masses and 1st Sat. of every month 3:00- 4:00pm. Ring the bell and enter when GREEN light ON.

BAPTISMS: To have your child baptized at Our Lady Queen of Parish, please call the Parish Office at least 3 months in advance to arrange an appointment with the Pastor. Parents are expected to participate in the Baptismal preparation course TBA.

MARRIAGES: If you wish to have your marriage solemnized at Our Lady Queen of Peace Church, please call the office at least 6 months prior to the intended date as the preparation for this life commitment takes time, thought and considerable paper work. If you are not registered at Our Lady Queen of Peace parish have the documents prepared in your own Parish.

<p>The CWL: meets every month on 2nd WEDNESDAY after Noon Mass. PRESIDENT: ELSIE LAMBTON <i>No meetings in July & August</i></p>	<p>KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS – meetings held at Our Lady Queen of Peace Community Centre 3rd Degree (Council 1256) - 1st Monday & 2nd Thursday at 7.00 p.m. 4th Degree 3rd Thursday of the month at 7.00 p.m. Contact: FAITHFUL NAVIGATOR Shawn Leckie 250.360.2620</p>
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IMPORTANT: IN THE HOSPITAL?

If you or family member is hospitalize or is going to the hospital and would like to be visited by your PARISH PRIEST, Please call the PARISH OFFICE to make this request.

HOSPITAL EMERGENCY ONLY!

After office hours including weekends, holidays or during the night, you can call: the Hospital Chaplain Fr. Vicente Borre ☎250.889.3761

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) . THANK YOU. Please mark the proper BOX (below on the left side).

- New Parishioner
- Have moved here is new address
- I am home-bound and would like someone to visit me
- I am going to be in the hospital, please call on me

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

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e-mail: _____ @ _____

SUNDAY DONATIONS can be done by using: boxed Sunday Envelopes or by automatic bank withdrawal. (The PARISH OFFICE can supply you with necessary documents).

'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.

Baptism at Our Lady Queen of Peace

To have your child Baptized at Our Lady Queen of Peace Church, you must **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.**

Parish Council

Meeting on **Wed. Mar. 19th** has been **Cancelled** until further notice.



SHARE LENT

Lent is a time for transformation inviting us to look at our own lives and make changes that bring us closer to God - acting for the good of other, especially the impoverished, **"One Human Family, Food for All"** is our response to the fact that 1 out of every 8 of God's children still suffer from hunger. To die of hunger in our world of plenty is a scandal and denies the most basic human right - the right to food.

With members of Caritas Internationalis, Development and Peace is working at the local and national levels around the world, and we will truly be able to make a difference for hungry people if we consider our giving our Share Lent donation to this organization.

MASS INTENTIONS

		For: Requested by:
Mar. 18	TUESDAY	
Mar. 19	WEDNESDAY	Personal Intentions Augustina Manguerra
Mar. 20	THURSDAY	
Mar. 21	FRIDAY	
Mar. 22	SATURDAY	
Mar. 25	TUESDAY	Michael Dunahee & all missing children in B.C. Barbara Dunahee
Mar. 26	WEDNESDAY	
Mar. 27	THURSDAY	
Mar. 28	FRIDAY	
Mar. 29	SATURDAY	

Every Friday during Lent:

Stations of the Cross: 7:00pm

Note: Please remember the following persons who are ill in your prayers:

Marcelina Baldauf, Marion Turner, Lucy Praud, Elaine Shannon, Barbara Dunahee, Eva Gerard, Christine Stornebrink, Lorna Cue, Lynn Wood, Anna Urban, Flora Simonson, Rhea Loiselle, Bibiana Cujec

St. Andrew's Cathedral - 'Chrism Mass'

Tuesday, April 15th at 7:00 p.m. Archbishop Michael Miller will be the principal celebrant at the Mass that is celebrated annually. At this liturgy, we gather, around the bishop, for the blessing and consecration of the oils that will be used in all our parishes in the coming year. The Oil of the Sick, used to strengthen and console and heal those who are infirm, will be blessed. The Oil of Catechumens, used to strengthen and free those who are preparing for baptism, will be blessed. The Sacred Chrism, used to ordain bishops and priests, to confirm, and to dedicate churches and altars, will be consecrated. And we will witness the Rite of Recommitment to Ministry by our priests. May our presence at the Chrism Mass be a sign of our support and gratitude for their ministry—and a reminder that baptism calls all of us to lives of service. All are invited to attend. A reception will follow.

Lenten Reflections

What is Lent?

Lent is a time when the Catholic Church collectively enters into preparation for the celebration of Easter. Lent originally developed as a forty-day retreat, preparing converts to be baptized at the Easter Vigil. It is now a part of our Church's liturgical calendar and a season of conversion for all. Conversion is the process of turning away from sin and turning to God.

Are Sundays a part of Lent? Can I cheat on Sunday

Sundays are always a day of celebration of Christ's passion and Resurrection, so we celebrate on these days. While still part of the season of Lent, they have a mixture of both celebration, (because it is Sunday) and repentance (because it is Lent). Since Sundays are not part of the penitential season, you are not required to practice signs of penitence on these days. But, there is no reason you can't do them either. If you feel you are "cheating" then it isn't helping! Since the Church has some conflicting information (different documents state different things) I think you should do what you feel is best regarding the Lenten season and Sundays. In other words, follow your conscience.

Why forty days and not some other number?

Because 40 is a special number in the Bible, it signifies preparation for something special - as in the 40 day flood of Noah.

- Moses stayed on Mount Sinai for forty days (Ex 24:18),
- Jonah gives the people of Ninevah forty days to repent (Jon 3:4) - (there are many other Old Testament stories)
- Jesus, before starting his ministry, spent 40 days in the desert in prayer and fasting (Matt 4:2).

So, as in the Bible, we spend 40 days in preparing ourselves to rejoice at the Resurrection of our Lord at Easter.

Why do people "give up" things during Lent?

While we are not required to "give something up" we are required to do something penitential. Lent is a great time to break a bad habit and give it to the Lord. These sins and vices we should not take back after Lent. It is also a time to give something up that is good during this season. This is why people give up something they enjoy. In doing so, we can draw closer to God by our temporary sacrifice. We should find an appropriate balance of giving something up and not completely cutting ourselves off of good things. We will find our need for God if we do it correctly.

What else then IS required during Lent?

The Church asks us to increase our prayer, fasting and almsgiving. It is assumed that we are already doing these things and should merely increase them.

LENTEN SUGGESTIONS - Increased Prayer:

- Wake up 20 minutes early and start the day in prayer
- Daily Mass 1-2 times a week.
- Go to Confession.
- Read Scripture daily.
- Read a spiritual book.
- Start to pray a daily Rosary.
- Pray the Liturgy of the hours.
- Pray a Divine Mercy Chaplet.
- Stations of the Cross on Fridays.
- Pray for your enemies.
- Watch "The Passion of the Christ" and then meditate on Christ's life.
- Read about the life of a saint.
- Do an extra spiritual activity at Church
- Get involved in your parish if you aren't already.
- Memorize Scripture verses.
- Increased Almsgiving:
 - When you fast from a meal, give the money you would spend to the poor.
 - Use a coin box from and put all change into it for the poor.
 - Volunteer with St. Vincent de Paul or another charitable organization.
 - Spend more time with your parents.
 - Visit a nursing home.
 - Start tithing.
 - Make a pledge to a worthy charity.
 - Forgive an old grudge.
 - Invite someone to Church.
 - Share your faith with someone.
 - Give someone a Catholic tract or CD.
 - Exercise patience and love.
 - Speak in a pleasant tone to everyone.
 - Look for extra ways to help others.
 - Go out of your way to talk to someone who is shy or difficult.
 - Offer to watch a mother's child(ren).
 - Drive with love.
 - Write a letter to a relative you haven't seen in a while.
- Increased fasting:

The following are good things we can fast from and have back at a later time:

- Fast on bread and water on Fridays.
- Fast from TV
- Fast from snacking or candy.
- Fast from the radio in your car.

- Fast from Facebook, Twitter, and/or the internet.
- Fast from caffeine.
- Do not use seasoning on your food.
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The following are things we fast from and continue to give up:

- Fast from speeding.
- Fast from sarcasm or gossip.
- Fast from envying what others have
- Fast from being lazy or procrastination.
- Fast from not studying / working hard.
- Fast from complaining.

40 Days for Life

March 5 –April 12, 2014 - You could Save a Life!

Join 40 Days volunteers and street counsellors outside Victoria's abortion clinic. Sign up for an hour or two a week. 40 Days is positive, prayerful and peaceful. Sign up at www.40daysforlife.com/victoria

St. Patrick's D & P

Socially responsible investing (SRI) - Have you ever wondered about: What is SRI, sometimes called ethical investing? How do I talk to my financial advisor about SRI? Do I want my investments to reflect my values of justice for all? Dennis Smith a parishioner of St. Patrick's will be the speaker on **Wed. Mar. 26 at 7 pm** in the Lourdes Hall. Time for discussion, questions and conversation about the products we purchase and how that impacts our brothers and sisters in the Global South. Local and fair trade refreshments, hosted by St. Patrick's D&P Committee.

Our Lady of the Rosary Parish

Book sale, on **April 5 & 6th**, amazing books will be available. Wish to donate, please bring to parish office or contact Judy 250-474-2119 to arrange for pick-up.

Pilgrimage to Poland - May 27 – June 9, 2014

With Fr. Paul Szczur, SDS, more information on parish web site at www.olorchurch.ca and click 'Pilgrimage to Poland' or email olor@shaw.ca, or call Fr. Paul at 250-858-6217

A Lifeline for Marriage

Retrouvaille is a Catholic peer ministry, offers a two-month program for married couples with difficulties of all kinds. Register for **Victoria on May 9 - 11**, more information phone 604-530-6710, or email: vancouver@retrouvaille.org or www.retrouvaille.org

St. Andrew's High - 30 Year Celebration

St. Andrew's High School will celebrate its 30th anniversary with an Alumni Dinner on **Sat., May 31**. Tickets available April 15, "Class Nights" (a reunion for your own class) will take place on Friday, May 30. If you would like to help organize this event, contact Angela Power at AngiePower@shaw.ca, next meeting of organizing committee is Apr.1 at 4pm at the school

Family Camp - Save the Date!

July 4-6th, plan to join families from all across the island to relax and play and grow closer to God and your family all in one weekend, at Camp Barnard in Sooke, Fr Dean Henderson, Chaplain for the weekend to celebrate Mass, hear confessions and will also be one of the speakers. Registrations first come first served basis. Contact Sarah Fitzmaurice at: sfitzmaurice@cisdv.bc.ca.

15 Day Holy Land & Jordan Tour

Led by Fr. Alred Alilio of Sacred Heart parish in Victoria, departing **Sept. 23-Oct. 7, 2014** Cost is \$3950 (plus air taxes). Information call Priscilla or Cynthia at Sampaguita Travel, tel. 604-874-9533 ext. 105 or 104

California Here We Come!


Sept 28 – Oct 12, 2014 - A six day cruise (from Van. to San Diego aboard the Holland America Statendam plus 9 day pilgrimage tour of the Franciscan Missions of California. **Chaplain:** Fr. John Laszczyk. **Organizer:** Denise Buckley email, two-bucks@shaw.ca or [250-339-1807](tel:250-339-1807) - for complete itinerary & travel info.

DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION


Island Catholic Schools - Full-Time Position, Diocese of Victoria is looking for an individual to coordinate the Religious Education program for schools and parishes in the Diocese of Victoria. A Master's Degree in theology/ religious education from a Catholic college or university is preferred. Teaching and administrative experience is an asset. Applicants send a cover letter and resume to: Joseph Colistro, Superintendent of Schools 1-4044 Nelthorpe Street, Victoria, BC V8X-2A1 or by email to mcarmichael@cisdv.bc.ca. **Deadline April 4th**, more information on website at www.cisdv.bc.ca or Char Deslippe at 1-250-727-6893

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