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SHRINE TO INFANT JESUS of PRAGUE (2003)

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MONDAYS: CHURCH & PARISH OFFICE ARE CLOSED

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	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

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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.

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.**

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.

Parish Council

Meeting on Wed. April 30 @ 6:15pm in the Msgr. Wood Rm.

Catholic Women's League

We will have a **Bake Sale** after the Masses on **May 17/18.** Anyone who wishes to donate bake goods please bring them in around 3:00pm on Sat. & on Sun. at 9:00am Thank you for your support.

MASS INTENTIONS

		For: Requested by:
April 15	TUESDAY	Laurence Just anonymous
April 16	WEDNESDAY	Clair Jones Shirley Deidrick
April 17	THURSDAY	'Holy Thursday' no intentions
April 18	FRIDAY	'Good Friday' no intentions
April 19	SATURDAY	'Holy Saturday' no intentions
April 22	TUESDAY	NO MASS
April 23	WEDNESDAY	NO MASS
April 24	THURSDAY	NO MASS
April 25	FRIDAY	James Fitzpatrick(RIP) Mike & Molly Dolan
April 26	SATURDAY	'Feast of Our Lady of Good Council' Catholic Women's League
April 29	TUESDAY	James Fitzpatrick(RIP) Jack & Kath Fanning
April 30	WEDNESDAY	Nova Wauthy(RIP) Bernard Waurthy
May 1	THURSDAY	Isabelle Behan Joan Ripley
May 2	FRIDAY	Laurence Just anonymous
May 3	SATURDAY	Ruth Leeper/Birchall(RIP) Tina Henderson
May 6	TUESDAY	Terry Frost Alex Fernandez
May 7	WEDNESDAY	Bill VanNoordt Ann VanNoordt
May 8	THURSDAY	Miguel Manguerra Augustina Manguerra
May 9	FRIDAY	Aniceto DeVera(RIP) Lydia DeVera
May 10	SATURDAY	Personal Intentions Alex Berns

Note: Please remember the following persons who are ill in your prayers: Marcelina Baldauf, Lucy Praud, Marion Turner, Elaine Shannon, Barbara Dunahee, Eva Gerard, Christine Stornebrink, Lorna Cue, Lynn Wood, Anna Urban, Flora Simonson, Rhea Loiselle, Alberta McIntyre

Holy Week Services

Tuesday, April 15th

12:10pm: Mass

St. Andrew's Cathedral

7:00pm: Chrism Mass (everyone is invited)

Wednesday, April 16th

12:10pm: Mass

Holy Thursday, April 17th - No Noon Mass

7:00pm: Mass of the Last Supper (Adoration following)

Good Friday, April 18th - No Noon Mass

2:00pm: Stations of the Cross

3:00pm: Solemn Afternoon Service

(Veneration of the Cross & Holy Communion)

Holy Saturday, April 19th

8:00pm: Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday, April 20st

10:00am: Mass

12:00noon: Latin Mass

2:00pm: Hungarian Mass

Monday, April 21nd - NO MASS

Tuesday, April 22nd - NO MASS

Wednesday, April 23rd - NO MASS

Thursday, April 24th - NO MASS

**Office Closed - Fri., Sat., Sun, Mon.,
Tues. and Wednesday
April 18th - 23rd**

Friday, April 25th

9:00am: Latin Mass

12:10pm: Daily Mass

Saturday, April 26th

5:00pm: Mass

Sunday, April 27th

10:00am: Mass

12:00am: Latin Mass

2:00pm: Spanish Mass

Good Friday- Pontifical Collection of the Holy Land

Papal Collection for the Holy Places will be held on **Good Friday, Apr. 18th**. We realize as a Church that Jesus is the bread of life: "Whoever eats this bread will live forever." (John 6.51). By sharing in the upkeep of the Holy Land and the mission of the Custody, we give witness to commit our life to help others; the lives of our brothers and sisters in the Holy Land. It is the assurance of a true friendship for LIFE. By giving to the Holy Land, we strengthen our bond of friendship with our fellow Christians who live in the land of Jesus We support the Christians who live there eat there and who are struggling and live in hope. This word of the Gospel is an affirmation of the One who loved to the end. Our donation is a step forward towards the awareness of others and an invitation to change our relationship with Living.

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 anniv. 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.

Our Lady of the Rosary Parish

Summer Camp, Mon. July 14 – Fri. July 18

9:00 am to 2:00 pm, for 6 -12 years old,

13 and older welcome as volunteers

\$60 for the whole week

Theme for the Week: 'Ball of Saints'

Info: Ph: 250-478-3482 - E-mail: olor@shaw.ca

Veiling of Statues

Looks bare in church right now with the absence of flowers, doesn't it? Soon there will be even less to see. This Sunday, the fifth Sunday of Lent, churches may veil their crosses and statues. At one time, all Catholic churches covered statues during Lent. Or, more specifically, during the last two weeks of Lent, once called Passiontide. This custom dates to around the year 1000. At that time, Christians had to undergo rigorous Lenten penances. That often meant exclusion from the Mass and, specifically, from receiving Eucharist - until Easter. A veil - called the Lenten veil, rood screen or hunger screen - hid the entire sanctuary. This remained in place during Mass, separating the faithful from the central action of the liturgy. This Lenten separation/deprivation lasted until after the 12th century. By then, Elevation of the Host at the consecration had become part of the liturgical action. At the elevation, the Lenten veil was lifted away, so people could see the Host.

During the next century, the rituals of Ash Wednesday became universal in the Latin-rite church. These expressed repentance and the desire to turn back to God without disrupting the ritual of the Mass, also, people were no longer excluded from Eucharist as part of Lenten penance, so the altar veil lost its significance and fell into disuse. However, using veils to express the separation caused by sin remained, seen in the custom of draping statues and crosses in purple. While we may not realize it, there are two levels of reflection during Lent.

The first level, from Ash Wednesday to the Fourth Sunday of Lent (Laetere Sunday), we focus on the solemn glory that led Jesus to the Cross. We hear of the temptations in the desert, the Transfiguration, the woman at the well and the man born blind. After Laetere Sunday, we move to a more solemn level of reflection. The focus of our readings turns to the Passion, and we hear about the death of Lazarus and Jesus' final entries into Jerusalem. The veiling of statues is linked to a verse in John's Gospel immediately after Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem.

After speaking of his coming Passion, "Jesus left and hid from them." (Jn 12:36). Just as Jesus hid from public view before his Passion, so the crosses and statues in church were hidden during Passiontide.

(The Stations remained unveiled, since they portrayed that Passion.) In 1969, the liturgical rites were revised and veiling statues ended with the New

Order of the Mass (1970). Veils were never officially suppressed, but they were discouraged, "except in regions where the Episcopal conferences judge it profitable to maintain this custom" (Commentary on the General Norms for the Liturgical Year, 1969).

In Canada it was always considered optional but possible to veil statues. This has been confirmed in the present Roman Missal. If a parish chooses to veil crosses, it should not do so until after the last Mass on Saturday for the Fourth Week of Lent. And all veils on crosses must be removed on Good Friday after the solemn service.

Our Good Friday focus is the cross. It is the means by which Jesus died - and, at the same time, it manifested his glory, revealing the redemptive love of God. In a fifth century homily, Pope Leo the Great said:

"O wondrous power of the cross! O inexpressible glory of the passion! Yes, Lord, you have drawn all to yourself."

Good Friday draws us to the cross, the sign of our salvation. The altar is stripped and barren; the Eucharistic sacrifice is not offered. There is only the cross, showing how sin separates us from God - and how far God will go to tear down that separation.

Lent draws us unrelentingly to this Cross. Like statues under purple, our lives are veiled by sin. As the Good Friday veil - whether red, the proper liturgical color of Christ's passion, or purple, the color of both repentance and royalty - is taken away, it symbolizes our prayer that our sins be taken away to reveal us as close beside Christ.

If there are other veils in church, they remain there after Good Friday - as we ourselves remain in watchful prayer - until the Easter Vigil. Then, in the light of the Paschal candle - the light of Christ and the first light of Easter - the images of Christ's beloved saints are again revealed.

The Alleluias - gone for Lent - ring out with renewed fervor.

Out of the barrenness of Lent, the silence of Good Friday and the dark night of Holy Saturday, glory shines forth and draws us back into light and warmth. We see the Risen One again and he comes to tear down all that separates us, his beloved ones, from him.

(Sources: Circular Letter Concerning the Preparation and Celebration of the Easter Feasts; The Catholic Encyclopedia; New Dictionary of the Liturgy; The Catholic Liturgical Library at www.catholicliturgy.com.)

CANADA'S TWO NEW SAINTS

FRANÇOIS DE LAVAL and

MARIE OF THE INCARNATION:

(Statement by the Most Reverend Paul-André Durocher President of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops)

It is with great joy and thanksgiving that the Bishops of Canada welcome today's proclamation by Pope Francis that the Universal Church recognizes Bishop François de Laval and Mother Marie of the Incarnation as Saints. Late last year, the Holy Father had consulted the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops about his proposal to proceed with their canonization. We responded then, and we do again today, with a resounding Amen! We are grateful to God for raising up in our midst these two wonderful examples of holiness and service. We thank Pope Francis for this great gift to the Church in Canada, and to all the people of our nation.

Saint François de Laval (1623-1708) was the first Bishop of New France. His diocesan territory originally included most of what is now Canada, much of upper New England and all the Mississippi Valley, extending even to the Rocky Mountains. He is admired for his pastoral work among the Aboriginal Peoples and the settlers of New France, and for trying to defend Native People from being exploited by merchants and governors through the sale of alcohol. He was especially committed to education, founding both a major and a minor seminary.

The Séminaire de Québec, which later established Laval University, has made major contributions in the intervening centuries to higher academic education not only in Quebec and the rest of Canada, but throughout North America. Saint François de Laval was known for his commitment to evangelization and his generosity to the poor. After his resignation as Bishop of Québec, he devoted his final years to prayer, penance and the care of the poor.

Saint Marie of the Incarnation (1599-1672) was an Ursuline nun who founded a convent and school to educate girls in New France. Daughters of the French settlers and of the Aboriginal Peoples were educated together, sharing the same table and the same dwelling

After learning several Aboriginal languages, she compiled catechisms and prayers in Huron and Algonquin, as well as an Algonquin dictionary. She also maintained a voluminous correspondence. Her letters remain today an important witness to her deep and generous mystical spirituality, as well as to the day-to-day history of New France. Saint Marie of the Incarnation began a long tradition throughout our continent of Ursuline elementary and secondary schools, dedicated to the education of girls and young women of all faiths and languages. Her canonization happily coincides with the 375th anniversary of her arrival in what is today Quebec City.

Their proclamation as Saints arrives at two important junctures this year in Canadian history. The 350th anniversary of the canonical establishment of Notre-Dame-de-Québec, the first parish in North America outside Spanish-speaking territories, reminds us of the

missionary nature of the Church as it was planted in Canadian soil. May Saint François de Laval and Saint Marie of the Incarnation renew in us a sense of mission and our commitment to evangelizing in the joy of the Gospel. This year also has witnessed what the Truth and Reconciliation Commission announced would be its final National Event. May our two new Saints assist all of us, Indigenous and non-Indigenous, to build a better future that respects and reverences the contributions that each race and people brings to our country and to our world.

Inspired by the examples of these two Saints, and strengthened in the Holy Spirit, let us all collaborate in renewing the face of the earth and founding a civilization of love and service.

(Information taken from St. Andrew's Cathedral Bulletin)
Thank you Fr. John Laszczyk.

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