

# Holy Cross Catholic Parish

## Parish Vision

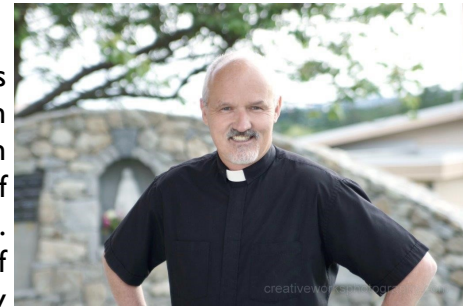
Holy Cross Parish strives to be a welcoming, dynamic, vibrant, and inclusive Catholic community that gathers in unity and reaches out to attend to the needs of others.

**SUNDAY July 2nd, 2017**

**The Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

## From Fr. William's Desk

"Whoever loves father and mother more than me is not worthy of me." Jesus seems to be making an attack on family life, telling us to turn our backs on our own flesh and blood. The consequences of leaving your family in Jesus' time were dire indeed. They are what Jesus had in mind when he spoke of "taking up one's cross" and "losing one's life for my sake." Did he offer anything in exchange? Yes. He set up his own company of followers as a replacement family, a new gathering of people linked by bonds of commitment to Jesus himself. Jesus exhorts these new communities of disciples to practice hospitality toward each other and to make up for loss of family advantage.



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Thus, the opening words of today's Gospel may be understood in two interlocking ways. First, Jesus is saying that no individual and no group of people can so live their lives as to put their own interests absolutely above those of others. The wants of any person or any group of people (e.g. a family) cannot be met by trampling on or denying the rights of others. Family exists for the good of the whole and we are meant to increase love not diminish it. The second meaning of Jesus' words follow logically from this. In the view of Jesus, and it is a theme running right through the New Testament, all who identify with him, who become his followers, belong to a new family. It is a family where every single person, including family members, relatives, friend's as well as complete strangers but, most especially, those in need are truly my brother or sister.

Jesus wished to spell the end of the divisions that bedevil the relations between human beings: divisions according to race, culture, nationality, religion, class, employment and so on. What Jesus in substance is saying is that when we all work hard to ensure that everyone has enough, there will be more than enough for all. Jesus' concern then, is that others have all they need and my concern is that I have all that I need (not just what I want). Some questions: Am I living my life at the expense of others? Do I treat society as a place that owes me - and no one else - a living? Or am I trying to live somehow in solidarity with others? Am I aware of neighbors or people in my area who are in real need? What does 'family' mean to me? Do I see the human family as being part of my family? What is my definition of family?

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## OFFICE HOURS

**Monday**—Closed

**Tuesday/Wednesday:**

9am—2:30pm

**Thursday/Friday:**

9am—2:00pm

**Saturday**—Closed

**Sunday**—Closed

## MASS TIMES

SATURDAY	5:00pm
SUNDAY	8:30am 10:30am
MONDAY	9:00am
TUESDAY	9:00am
WEDNESDAY	9:00am
THURSDAY	9:00am
FRIDAY	9:00am

**Mercy Chapel:** Tues—Fri during office hours

Love in word and deed,  
Father William

### **PASTORAL CARE VISITS WHILE IN HOSPITAL**

We remind the faithful that privacy legislation in BC prevents the release of information regarding hospital admissions. If you or someone you love is admitted to hospital and would like a visit from your pastor or Eucharistic Minister, please call your parish office or VGH/RJ hospital emergency pager **250-889-3761** and ask for **Fr. Ian Stuart** to make this request.

### **TIMELY TALKS**

On **Wednesday July 12th at 9:40** please join us in the Parish Centre as we welcome Donovan Walters, a pharmacist from a local pharmacy in Gordon Head. Donovan will be here to answer any questions you might



have related to pharmaceuticals, cost reduction on prescriptions, drug interactions, side effects, allergies or intolerances, how lifestyle factors affect the way medications work, what to know when you are picking up a new medication, and any other questions you may have. This session is free of charge but registration is required. Sign up sheets are in the foyer, or call the office to register. All are invited to attend.

### **GARDEN PARTY!**

Calling all green thumbs! Our rhododendrons require dead-heading, and many hands will make this sticky job a lot easier. On **Wednesday July 5th at 6:30pm** please join your friends for a short work bee. Everyone is welcome!

### **DONATE YOUR 'TREASURE'**

Just a reminder that Holy Cross offers the following options for your financial contributions to the parish:

- pre-numbered collection envelopes
- pre-authorized debit (automatically out of your bank account on a monthly basis)
- gifts of publicly traded securities and mutual fund

Please contact the office if you want more information on any of these. Thank you.

### **AT THE LIBRARY**

**(in the Parish Centre –Tue- Fri: 9am-2:00pm)**

June celebrates the feast days of *St John Fisher* and *St Thomas More* who opposed the wishes of the Tudor King Henry VIII in the English Reformation. Recent acclaimed scholarship illustrate the difficulty Catholics had in holding on to their faith in Tudor times.

- *A Daughter's Love: How Meg supported her father Thomas More in his later life and death, (2009)* by John Guy
- *The Voices of Morebath: Reformation and Rebellion in an English Village (2001)* by Eamon Duffy
- *The last Divine Office: Henry VIII and the Dissolution of the Monasteries (overseen by Thomas Cromwell of Wolf Hall fame), (2008)* by G Moorhouse
- *The Fires of Faith: Catholic England under Mary Tudor (when Catholicism was briefly restored) (2009)* by Eamon Duffy
- *God's Secret Agents (forbidden priests in the reigns of Queen Elizabeth & James I), (2005)* by Alice Hogge



### PRAYER REFLECTION

Love him totally who gave himself totally for your love.  
—Clare of Assisi

Self-sacrifice is the real miracle out of which all the reported miracles grow.  
—Ralph Waldo Emerson

### AROUND THE PARISH AND DIOCESE

More information and details on bulletin board or parish office

- **ALL DIOCESAN PARISHIONERS WELCOME:** Come to the grounds of St. Ann' Academy on **Sunday July 9<sup>th</sup> from 12:30 - 4 pm** to celebrate the Cathedral's 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Live music, and for the children two bouncy castles along with a clown and balloon figures. Bring your own food or purchase at nominal cost KC burgers and hotdogs or Filipino bbq pig and noodles. Bring your own chair if you wish although there will be tents and chairs on site. In addition to all of the above there will be an opportunity to tour the Chapel (our first Cathedral) and to view a display on Archbishop Seghers. Come for an hour or two and meet friends and make new friends !
- **BIBLE CAMP APPLICATIONS:** July 17 – 21st St. Andrew's summer camp will be held at St. Joseph the Worker parish hall on Burnside. This camp runs from 9:00 to 4:00 each day with an extra hour of care before and after at no extra charge. We provide T-shirts, snacks and plenty of opportunity for activity. We will have two field trips and will be taking Wilson transportation to transport the children. Camp is faith based and open to children from the ages of 4 to 12. The cost of camp is \$50/child. To register, please call the office at 250-388-5571 or [standrewscathedral@gmail.com](mailto:standrewscathedral@gmail.com).
- **JOB POSTING:** Island Catholic Schools invites applications for Full-Time Executive Assistant to the Superintendent of schools and the Office of Religious Education. Details are posted on <http://cisdv.bc.ca/employment-opportunities.php>

### ANAWIM HOUSE DONATIONS NEEDED!

The hot weather months are upon us, and Anawim House has a strong need for cool and light men's clothing for the summer. Smaller sizes are preferred to fit the general clientele. Monetary donations are also always welcomed and gratefully accepted. Any donations can be dropped off at the office during office hours or left in the shopping cart in the foyer of the church. *Please do not leave donations outside the church or office building.* Thank you for your generosity!

### OUR LITURGICAL LIFE:

#### SUNDAY, July 2nd

8:30 am Mass: **Bev Laliberte +**  
10:30 am Mass: **Dan Taft +**

#### MONDAY, July 3rd

9:00 am Mass: **Special Intention**

#### TUESDAY, July 4th

9:00 am Mass: **George Garcia +**  
8:30-4pm ICS Faith Formation

#### WEDNESDAY, July 5th

9:00 am Mass: **Angela Murphy +**  
8:30-4pm ICS Faith Formation

#### THURSDAY, July 6th

9:00 am Mass: **Michael Leland +**  
8:30-4pm ICS Faith Formation  
6:30 pm Rosary Group

#### FRIDAY, July 7th

9:00 am Mass: **Angela Murphy +**  
8:30-4pm ICS Faith Formation

#### SATURDAY, July 8th

3:45—4:30 Sacrament of  
Reconciliation  
5:00 pm Mass: **Heidi Crosi +**

#### SUNDAY, July 9th

8:30 am Mass: **Martin  
Demedeiros +**  
10:30 am Mass: **Albertina  
Cordeiro (+)**

## **THANK YOU CORNER!**

Thank you to Shelsey Slipetz, Theresa Vogel, Thea Wapola, and Dominique Sequen, for re-purposing the vestment into the beautiful hanging art that is visible on the walls above the altar.



## **CONTACTS**

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## **HOLY CROSS MINISTRIES**

<b>MINISTRY</b>	<b>COORDINATOR</b>	<b>PHONE</b>
Liturgy Liturgical Ministers	Anna Mendonca	250-477-3552
Usher / Greeter	Maria Arruda	250-477-5526
Altar Server Music	Fr. William Hann Various Choirs	250-477-5321 250-477-5321
Altar Linens	Marg McDonnell	250-477-6332
Flowers/Art Envir.	Ann Francis	250-477-8650
Sun. Coffee, 8:30	Darlene Southwell	250-477-5738
Sun. Coffee, 10:30	Yvonne Hsieh	250-385-8322
Bulletin Folders	Vicki Ponsioen	250-383-0654
Sacramental Wine	Alan Bailey	250-721-5339

### **SERVING OUR HOLY CROSS PARISH COMMUNITY**

Responsible Min.	Martha Oleson Janita McHugh	250-477-6455 250-220-4778
Parish Council	Esther Gormley	250-360-0107
Finance	David Begg	250-658-0870
Maintenance/Bldg.	Ed Boomars	250-881-8124
Cleaning Kitchens	Loretta MacDonald	250-477-6682
Annual Shed Clean	Jack Ponsioen	250-383-0654
Parish Grounds	Joe Mendonca	250-888-8930
Social/Comm. Life		
Baptism Prep.	Cynthia Watson	250-477-5321
Marriage Prep.	Fr. William Hann	250-477-5321
Mom's/Tots	Partnership with St. Patrick's	
Children's Rel. Ed.	Giacinta Bewley	250-652-0204



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## **COLLECTION June 25th, 2017**

### **WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR THESE GIFTS:**

<b>Envelopes</b>	\$ 2,370.00
<b>Loose</b>	\$ 415.00
<b>Pre-Authorized Debit</b>	\$ 962.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 3,747.00</b>

**Sudan Famine Relief** **\$3,636.10**

Children's Liturgy of the Word	Bobbi Bartle-Clar	250-995-1891
Catholicism	Jona De Jesus	250-858-5924
Library	George Murphy	250-658-6061
Outreach/Visiting	Anna Mendonca	250-477-3552
Bereavement / Funeral / Follow-Up	Fr. William Hann	250-477-5321
Funeral Reception	Barb McKrow	250-477-8322

### **SERVING COMMUNITIES BEYOND OUR DOORS**

Diocesan Appeal	Ed Chwyl	
Franciscans and Friends Youth	Maritza Chouza	778-533-1736
Could You Ever Come Back To The Church	Fr. William Hann Glenn Palahicky	250-477-5321 250-479-1331
RCIA	Phil / Sheila Wall	778-265-2134
RCIC	Dan Taft Jr.	250-721-0821
Ecumenism	Terry Marner	250-380-0157
Social & Eco. Justice	Yvonne Hsieh	250-385-8322
Anawim	Alan Bailey	250-721-5339
Christmas Project	Coordinated by the Parish Office	
D&P/Share Lent	Sheila Wall	778-265-2134
Refugees	Trudy Holden	250-472-1079
St. Vincent De Paul	Martin Fletcher	250-592-9297
Univ/Camosun Bursaries	Tony Southwell	250-477-5738
Uvic/Camosun Outreach	John Oleson	250-477-6455