Holy Cross Catholic Parish Mission Statement: Twinning with St. Patrick's Parish Rooted in the community of Gordon Head and the University, in communion with the Roman Catholic Church, Holy Cross Parish serves the people of God by sharing, teaching and living the Gospel of Jesus Christ. SUNDAY July 7– July 28, 2019 14th-17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

When Jesus sent out his disciples to continue his work, he gave them definite directions. Afterwards, they returned in a spirit of celebration to report their missionary success. Jesus sent them out in pairs. Although Jesus called each one individually, he never sent missionaries out alone. There are just two episodes when an apostle went out alone: one was to betray him; the other ended up denying him. Preaching healing and reconciliation is dangerous work. No one is to be excluded from this mission of Jesus. The support of others is essential to living the gospel. That is why the church's mission is our mission—all of us! The church's mission doesn't just belong to



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the Pope in Rome or to the Curia and cardinals. It's not only for bishops and missionaries to ponder and propagate. It's not the sole element in Father William's job description. The church's mission is yours as much as mine.

Yet, most of us don't think of ourselves as missionaries. We're not called in that special way to go out and preach, much less cast out demons; we're glad enough just to keep our own demons under wraps. If we believe that, however, we're mistaken. Jesus doesn't call anyone to get baptized for the purpose of visiting a church occasionally, once a week, or even every day. We're baptized to participate in the mission of the 72. We're to bring a blessing of peace to every room we enter, to share the table with everyone who offers, to bring a healing presence to the sick, to remind everyone we meet by our very character that the kingdom of God is near. And if we do these things in the name of Christ, demons will fall; no need for surprise. So please understand why we're here: Because the world is waiting for some good news out there.

All Christians are called to live lives of public witness to Christ. Our discipleship can be summed up in two phases: "Come and see" and "Go and tell." If we have personally felt the value of having Jesus in our lives, we will want to tell others about him. There is a difference between witnessing and preaching. We are all called to witness, but not all are called to preach. But we can all bear witness to Christ, through the quality of our living. N.T. Wright in <u>Surprised by Hope</u> said: our task in the present . . . is to live as resurrection people in between Easter and the final day, with our Christian life . . . as a sign of the first and a foretaste of the second. Let's ask ourselves the challenging question attributed to G. K. Chesterton: "If you were accused of being a Christian, would there be enough evidence to convict you?" On another note, enjoy July and the next bulletin will be the first Sunday in August. Please sign up for our twin parish picnic at Willows Beach on Sunday the 21.

All for Jesus, Father William

OFFICE HOURS Saturday, Sunday, Monday: Closed Tuesday/Wednesday: 9am—2:30pm Thursday/Friday: 9am—2:00pm

Fr. William Hann, Pastor

4049 Gordon Head Road Victoria, BC V8N 3X7 Phone: 250-477-5321 Fax: 250-721-1844 office@holycrossvictoria.org www.holycrossvictoria.org **HOSPITAL EMERGENCY CALLS:** If you or someone you love is admitted to hospital and would like a visit from your office or Eucharistic Minister, please call your parish office or VGH/RJ hospital emergency pager **250-889-3761** and ask for **Fr. Thomas Chinnappa** to make this request.

HOLY CROSS AND ST. PATRICK'S PARISH PICNIC

Come to Willows Beach on **Sunday July 21st from 1-4pm** for some summer fun! Food is provided and there is no cost, just bring your sun hats, sun screen and summer spirit! This is a great opportunity for fellowship and socializing.

Please sign up in the foyer so we can keep track of the numbers expected. Food provided by the St. Patrick's Knights of Columbus and joint parish council. For more information call the parish office: 250-477-5321



SUMMER BAPTISMAL PREPARATION COURSES

Saturday July 27th & August 24th at 10am. Register at St. Pat's Parish 250-592-7391 or Barb Shenton at bjeens958@gmail.com

PRE-AUTHORIZED DEBIT

Summer is a time for fun in the sun, and vacation getaways! However, the needs of Holy Cross continue even during the summer months. One way of keeping the financial needs of the parish in mind over the summer is by setting up monthly automatic PAD payments. Doing so is quick and easy. Please contact the office if you would like to contribute via PAD or pick up a registration package in the church foyer.

RIGHT OF CATHOLIC INITIATION FOR ADULTS

Interested in exploring the Catholic faith through the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults? Parishes in the Victoria region have banded together to do one RCIA Journey of Faith Program. The RCIA program begins in late September. For further information contact Father William at the office, 250-477-5321, or contact Shelia and Phil at <u>walls_in_holland@hotmail.com</u> or 250-385-7007.

SET YOUR SCHEDULE!

Calling all parents from Holy Cross & St. Patrick's. THE SACRAMENTS OF RECONCILIATION, CONFIRMATION & FIRST COMMUNION CLASSES. Registrations for Confession, Confirmation & First Holy Communion classes are available at St. Patrick's Parish or, contact Barb Shenton, our sacramental prep coordinator at <u>bjeens958@gmail.com</u> Classes will take place on Sunday mornings before the I Iam Mass at St. Patrick's Parish beginning in the fall of 2019.

Responsible Ministry office hours will resume from 11:30-1pm every Thursday. If you have any questions or need help with the Praesidium Learn to Protect program come during these hours.

IN THE LIBRARY (Tues-Fri. 9am-2pm)

July Summer reading --- a collection of the most read books from our shelves

- <u>What is the Point of Being a Christian?</u> -- a deep understanding of the human condition by (Dominican) T Radcliffe.
- <u>Dorothy Day, A Biography</u> -- the radical heart and conscience of 20th century American Catholicism" by W. Miller
- <u>A Year of Living Biblically</u>, -- a secular Jew tries to live for a year as an ultra orthodox Jew in New York city. Uplifting and humourus by this gifted writer, A J Jacobs
- <u>A Daughter's Love</u>, How Meg supported her father Thomas More in his later life and eventual execution by Henry VIII, by John Guy
- <u>Pope John XXIII, A Life</u> -- the beloved, saintly, down-to-earth Pope of the Vatican Council 1962-65 by T. Cahill

PRAYER REFLECTION

Sometimes we don't realize the blessings we have until we no longer have them. Appreciate all the blessings in your life. Take none for granted. —*Catherine Pulsifer*

We shall find peace. We shall hear angels. We shall see the skysparkling with diamonds.—Anton Chekhov (1860-1904)

AROUND THE PARISH AND DIOCESE

More information and details on bulletin board or parish office

- <u>HEALING MASS—JESUS HEALS:</u> Shalom Ministry invites you to "Jesus Heals", a unique opportunity to receive physical and spiritual healing. Experience the healing touch of Jesus through the celebration of Healing Mass, spirit-filled Praise and worship, Eucharistic adoration and prayer led by Rev. Fr. Jilto George. This program is a unique opportunity to gather and seek healing from physical sickness and inner spiritual wounds. Wed, July 24th, 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm at St. Joseph the Worker parish and Fri, July 26th, 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm at St. Andrew's Cathedral. Please call 250.885.8546 for any details.
- <u>SUMMERTIME FAMILY FUN!</u>: The 7th Annual Diocesan Family Conference is on from August 22-25 at Nanoose Bay Camp! Your family will return energized and alive in God's love so do not miss out. Register at <u>www.rcdvictoria.org</u>. There are a number of lodging options and the food will be fantastic. Families will gather to pray, play and grow closer to God and to one another! For more information please email: <u>familycamp@rcdvictoria.org</u>.
- SAVE THE DATE: If you deliver care and services to the sick and ailing; are a nurse or doctor; a health aide, pharmacist, specialist, or health care provider; clergy, deacon or religious; or a hospital, extended care, or homebound visiting minister, then you are invited to join Bishop Gary Gordon as he celebrates a special Mass in honour of health care workers and volunteers on Wed., Sept. 18, 2019 @ 7 pm at St. Andrew's Cathedral. For more information and to register, please visit https://www.rcdvictoria.org/events/2019healthcaremass

IMPORTANT DATES IN JULY

Wednesday July 10th: Memorial Mass for Maria McCrae at 2:30pm. Thursday July 11th: Funeral Mass for Adriano Pacheco at 11am. Sunday July 21st: Joint parish picnic at Willow's Beach 1-4pm.

Missing:

*We are missing 3 green funeral planning binders that are normally kept in the library. If you have one of these binders please return it to the library or office.

*If you have accidently walked out the church with a hymnal in hand you're not alone! But please remember to return them as we are slowing running out of hymnals and they are not easy to replace.

OUR LITURGICAL LIFE: July Sunday, July 7th 9:00am Mass: Patricia Carson + Monday, July 8th No Mass Tuesday, July 9th 9:00am Mass: Michael Gormley + Wednesday, July 10th 2:30pm Memorial mass: Maria McCrae Thursday, July 11th 11:00am Funeral Mass: Adriano Pacheco Friday, July 12th 9:00am Mass: Helen Tyshynski + Saturday, July 13th 4:00pm Mass: Eufrocina Narciso + Sunday, July 14th 9:00am Mass: Amaro Martins + Monday, July 15th No Mass Tuesday, July 16th 9:00am Mass: Michael Gormley + Wednesday, July 17th 9:00am Mass: Michael Gormley + Thursday, July 18th 9:00am Mass: Michael Gormley + Friday, July 19th 9:00am Mass: John & Maria Garcia Saturday, July 20th 4:00pm Mass: Orlando & Ciriaco Torralba + Sunday, July 21 st 9:00am Mass: Hilary Ribeiro + Monday, July 22nd No Mass Tuesday, July 23rd 9:00am Mass: Lloyd Ho + Wednesday, July 24th 9:00am Mass: Michael Gormley + Thursday, July 25th 9:00am Mass: Brendan Holden (int) Friday, July 26th 9:00am Mass: Helen Tyshynski + Saturday, July 27th 4:00pm Mass: Maria Huber + Sunday, July 28 9:00am Mass: Noel Gantly + Monday, July 29th No Mass Tuesday, July 30th 9:00am Mass: Souls in Purgatory Wednesday, July 31st 9:00am Mass: Elizabet Braga + Thursday, August 1st 9:00am Mass: Michael Gormley + Friday, August 2nd 9:00am Mass: Frank, Matthew, Mark Murphy + Saturday, August 4th 4:00pm Mass: Eufrocina Narciso +

CONTACTS

Pastor: Fr. William Hann 250-477-5321 whann@rcdvictoria.org

250-294-9615 after hours

Hospital Chaplain: 250-889-3761 Administrative Assistant: Valentina Boyd 250-477-5321 office@holycrossvictoria.org Parish Council: Esther Sangster-Gormley egorm@uvic.ca University Chaplain: Fr. Dean Henderson 250-721-8339 (office) 250-882-2151 (cell) catholic@uvic.ca Children's Religious Education: Barbara Shenton bjeens958@gmail.com



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COLLECTION June 30, 2019 WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR THESE GIFTS:

Envelopes	\$ 3, 720.00
Loose	\$ 41200
Pre-Authorized Debit	<u>\$ 1, 095.00</u>
TOTAL	\$ 5, 227.00

HOLY CROSS MINISTRIES

MINISTRY Liturgy Liturgical Ministries:	COORDINATOR Debby Pietraszek	PHONE 250-477-7375
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. Sun. Coffee, 9:00	Ann Francis Darlene Southwell	250-477-8650 250-477-5738
Bulletin Folders	Vicki Ponsioen	250-383-0654
Sacramental Wine	John Bartle-Clar	250-995-1891

Children's Liturgy of the Word Catholicism	Valentina Boyd	250-813-0230
Library	George Murphy	250-658-6061
Outreach/Visiting Bereavement /	Sheridan Cooper	250-598-0248
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	
Could You Ever Come Back To The Church RCIA	Fr. William Hann Glenn Palahicky Phil / Sheila Wall	250-477-5321 250-479-1331 250-385-7007
RCIC	Barb Shenton	250-592-7391
Ecumenism	Terry Marner	250-380-0157
Social & Eco. Justice	Yvonne Hsieh	250-385-8322
Anawim	Parish Office	250-477-5321
Christmas Project	Coordinated by the	e Parish Office
D&P/Share Lent	Barb McKrow	250-477-8322
Refugees	Trudy Holden	250-472-1079
Refugees St. Vincent De Paul	Trudy Holden Martin Fletcher	250-472-1079 250-592-9297
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Responsible Min.	Martha Oleson Muna Haddad	250-477-6455 778-881-5843
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.	Call office	250-477-5321
Marriage Prep.	Fr. William Hann	250-477-5321
Children's Rel. Ed.	Barb Shenton	250-592-7391

SERVING OUR HOLY CROSS PARISH COMMUNITY