

Holy Cross Catholic Parish

Parish Mission

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.

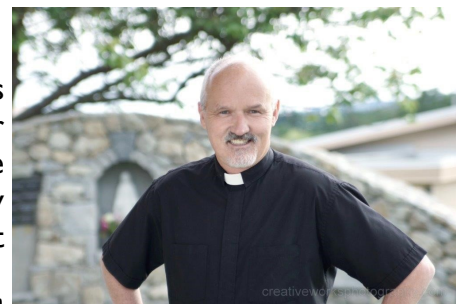
SUNDAY July 9th, 2017

The Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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From Fr. William's Desk

This week, we present the face of Jesus that's easy to love. Jesus offers us rest from our labor, relief from our burdens. He'll take our yoke and replace it with his own, which is light and easy to carry. This Jesus is meek and humble, not strict or demanding..



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Here he speaks to us in everyday language! Abruptly Jesus broke into prayer: "Thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth. You've concealed your ways from sophisticates and know-it-alls, but spelled them out clearly to ordinary people. Yes, Father, that's the way you like to work." Jesus resumed talking to the people, but now tenderly. "The Father has given me all these things to do and say." This is a unique Father-Son operation, coming out of Father and Son intimacies and knowledge. Jesus speaks to **you** today: "Are you tired? Worn out? Burned out on religion? Come to me. Get away with me and you'll recover your life. I'll show you how to take a real rest. Walk with me and work with me—watch how I do it. Learn the unforced rhythms of grace. I won't lay anything heavy or ill-fitting on you. Keep company with me and you'll learn to live freely and lightly".

The same Jesus who offers us rest has cosmic expectations of those who answer the call: "Come to me." Ask yourself the following: Do you get sufficient physical rest? That includes finding the right balance of exercise and sleep, invigorating activity as well as restful, rejuvenating times. Do you enjoy enough emotional rest? Do you plan enough down time, as well as time with family, friends, and colleagues who let you relax? How about spiritual rest? Are you spiritually antsy...suffering from a kind of spiritual insomnia? Or are you able to "rest in God"? In your prayer life, do you turn to God for consolation and strength? Are you able to quiet down the 10,000 voices inside and hear the "still small voice" of God? We're all worthy, by God's grace, of the peace and happiness of rest. We just have to breathe in God's love to experience it! Come to me..... He speaks to you... In this minute.

Rest in divine love,
Father William

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

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: ASK A PHARMACIST

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.

WISH TO BECOME A CATHOLIC?

Also suitable for adult Catholics seeking Confirmation Are you searching for a Church to call your own? Are you interested in finding out more about the Catholic faith? The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a process that begins to explore these and other faith issues for those who may be considering following the Catholic Christian way of life. If interested, please contact the parish office at 250- 477 5321 or contact Phil or Shelia Wall by email at walls_in_holland@hotmail.com or email Father William fatherwilliam@shaw.ca

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.

CELEBRATION OF LIFE FOR IAN STEWART

A celebration of life will be held for Ian Stewart on Monday, July 31st at 2pm at the University Club of Victoria. All who knew and loved Ian are welcome to come to remember him and support his family.

AT THE LIBRARY

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

Some of the books of the late Dr. Ivor Williams are now in our Parish Library

- Marking the Hours: English People and their Prayers, 1240-1570 by E Duffy, 2006
- Mystics of Spain by A Pears, 2002
- Whose Bible Is It?: A History of Scriptures through the Ages by J Pelikan, 2005
- The Making of the King James Version by A Nicolson, 2003
- A History of God: The 4000 year Quest of Judaism, Christianity and Islam by K Armstrong, 1993

PRAYER REFLECTION

Let us . . . acquire that meekness of him who said, "Learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart," so that he may teach us his ways and cause us to rest in the kingdom of heaven.
—*Evagrius Ponticus (c. 345-399)*

The work of the Spirit is the bringing to be of the vision of God The birth of the church is the beginning of the End. . . . The kingdom of God as the miracle of . . . newness when "the blind see" makes its impact on history in the creation of a visionary community.
—*Gabriel Fackre, A Christian Story*

AROUND THE PARISH AND DIOCESE

More information and details on bulletin board or parish office

- **JOB POSTINGS:** 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>
 - Early Childhood Educator (ECE), Queen of Angels, Duncan
 - After School Care Helper, Queen of Angels, Duncan
 - Special Education Assistants (SEA), St. Joseph's School, Victoria

Application forms and details are posted on
<http://cisdv.bc.ca/employment-opportunities.php>
- **5th ANNUAL DIOCESAN FAMILY CONFERENCE:** Featuring guest speakers Josh and Denise Grimard from Telegraph Creek, BC and Ryan Mitchell from Face 2 Face Ministries for teens. **This Aug 24-27th**, 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! This year there is the option of coming a day early to make it a 4 day event! Situated on the shores of Nanoose Bay, this is a weekend designed for relaxing and recharging. All meals and activities including faith formation for the kids are included in one reasonable price. Stay in comfortable cabins or bring your own RV or tent. Don't miss this wonderful opportunity to renew your faith and friendships, make new ones and lasting memories with your family. Register at rcdvictoria.org.

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 9th

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

MONDAY, July 10th

- 9:00 am Mass: **Nishawn's 1st Birthday**

TUESDAY, July 11th

- 9:00 am Mass: **Angela Murphy +**

WEDNESDAY, July 12th

- 9:00 am Mass: **Angela Murphy +**
9:40 am "Timely Talks: Ask a Pharmacist "

THURSDAY, July 13th

- 9:00 am Mass: **Angela Murphy +**
6:30 pm Rosary Group

FRIDAY, July 14th

- 9:00 am Mass: **Mary Campbell +**

SATURDAY, July 15th

- 3:45—4:30 Sacrament of Reconciliation
5:00 pm Mass: **Scot Hartly +**

SUNDAY, July 16th

- 8:30 am Mass: **Zita & Gordon Holden Anniversary**
10:30 am Mass: **Mark De Sousa (+)**

THANK YOU CORNER!

Thank you to everyone how has so generously supported Anawim House over the years. Your donations, monetary and otherwise, have always been most welcome and so greatly appreciated.

MONTHLY GREEN TIP

Support organizations that work to protect the environment like **Some of us** (www.sumofus.org) and the **Council of Canadians** (<https://canadians.org>).

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HOLY CROSS MINISTRIES

MINISTRY	COORDINATOR	PHONE
Liturgy	Anna Mendonca	250-477-3552
Liturgical Ministers		
Usher / Greeter	Maria Arruda	250-477-5526
Altar Server	Fr. William Hann	250-477-5321
Music	Various Choirs	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	250-477-6455
	Janita McHugh	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 July 2, 2017

WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR THESE GIFTS:

Envelopes	\$ 5,035.00
Loose	\$ 350.00
Pre-Authorized Debit	\$ 962.00
TOTAL	\$ 6,347.00

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	250-477-5321
RCIA	Glenn Palahicky	250-479-1331
	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