

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 June 18th, 2017 The Solemnity Of The Most Holy Body And Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)

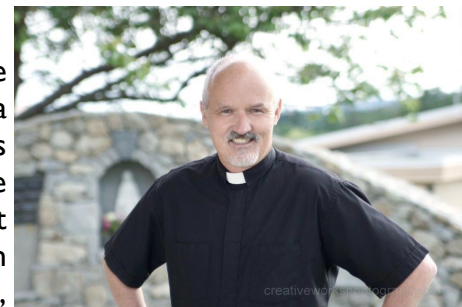
From Fr. William's Desk

Hungry hearts are all around us. We are the people Jesus offers to feed—not with a temporary fix (which is usually what most of us want)—but an everlasting source of sustenance that can be found in the change of heart that happens each time we gather to share a meal in Jesus' name. Christ offers us his body and blood, and when we eat and drink, we, in turn, become part of the Body of Christ. That is what we believe about the Eucharist. But that is not the end of the story; it is only the beginning.

Becoming part of the Body of Christ means that we are united in Christ—in spirit and flesh—with the People of God, and together we offer ourselves as "holy and living sacrifices" and are sent forth to do God's will. Our daily actions, our work, and our relationships must now incorporate Christ. The Eucharist gathers us in and then sends us out in an eternal dance of prayer and action in communion with God and God's people. That dance, that communion is a dance of all that is good and true even if our hearts are hurting and our spirits are weak.

The Body and Blood of Christ isn't only something we "get" at every Eucharist. It's also what we become. That is the part that intrigued the mystics, who wrote often of how God dwells in us and we in God. We receive Christ. We become Christ. And we go forth to bring Christ out to a world in great need of this food. In the Eucharist, we take Jesus into ourselves, we consume him, are fed by him, and are transformed by him. What is really at stake here is that Jesus is the source of life for us. To the extent that we dare to give ourselves over to him, we may become new men and new women.

These gestures, however simple, turn our lives upside down. When we eat and drink here, we accept the life of Jesus as our own. We let him be the norm of our dealing with each other. When we eat and drink here we are not putting the flowers on the grave of someone who is dead. On the contrary, we let our lives be shaped and permeated by him who still lives, but now in us. Happy Father's Day to all the dads gathered here and to our dads in heaven! We thank you for your witness and love.



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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

Blessings and peace
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 are 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.

SOUTH SUDAN FAMINE RELIEF SPECIAL COLLECTION

On the weekend of June 24th and 25th we will be taking up a second collection to help those who have been hardest hit by famine in the South Sudan. More information, and a letter from Bishop Gary Gordon on the issue is posted in the foyer and on the website www.holycrossvictoria.org

CONDOLENCES

Our heartfelt condolences go out to the Stewart family as they grieve the loss of their patriarch Ian Stewart. Ian was a long time 8:30am parishioner at Holy Cross Parish, up until he moved to Vancouver several years ago to be closer to family. Ian died peacefully in hospital on June 14th. A funeral mass will be held in Vancouver at Immaculate Conception Parish on Thursday June 22nd at 2:00pm. A celebration of life will be held in Victoria in July. Details will be made available when we know them. We keep the family in prayer.

AT THE LIBRARY

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

June 11 is Trinity Sunday ---- the Trinity of our beliefs in the Father, Son and Holy Spirit --- the Holy Spirit who informs and encircles us with divine love.

- The Tri Personal God (understanding and interpreting the Trinity by Gerald O'Collins)
- What's Theology got to do with it? (Chapter 4 on the Trinity) by Anthony Robinson
- How To Think About God by Mortimer Adler (co founder of the Great Books Studies)

HOLY CROSS PARISH SERVICE AWARD

The Holy Cross Parish Service Award is available to:

- A graduating grade 12 student who will be attending full time post secondary school.
- Students who have demonstrated outstanding service for many years at Holy Cross.

The value of the award \$500.00. Applications can be picked up at the parish office or emailed to you. *Deadline to apply is on July 1st, 2017.* For more information please contact the office.

LEARN HOW TO SAVE A LIFE!

St John's Ambulance will be here in September to offer CPR training and how to use our AED machine. We need a minimal of nine people to commit to the CPR/AED course before we are able to book a definite date for the training. Cost of the course is \$75.00 per person. Please consider this valuable life saving course. We need at least nine people to register in order for the course to go ahead, therefore, we ask that you please contact the office if you are interested: 250-477-5321.

MONTHLY GREEN TIP

Make your own environmentally friendly cleaning products. See <http://www.womensvoices.org/avoid-toxic-chemicals/diy-recipes/>.

PRAYER REFLECTION

Could a body broken and blood spilled 2,000 years ago restore my own damaged life?
—Frederica Mathewes-Green

That God is a certain life eternal, unchangeable, intelligible, intelligent, wise, making wise, some philosophers even of this world have seen.

—Saint Augustine of Hippo

AROUND THE PARISH AND DIOCESE

More information and details on bulletin board or parish office

- **DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE ARTS CONTEST:** For youth of ranging age groups. Create poster, or write an essay or poem on the topic "What are the effects of climate change on countries in the global south". Cash prizes in each category! More info on poster in foyer. **Deadline June 30th.**
- **CONSECRATION OF CANADA:** The Bishops of Canada have announced that they individually will consecrate Canada to Our Lady on July 1st and that this will also be done collectively during their annual meeting in September. **At Holy Cross this consecration will take place July 1st at the 5:00 Mass.**
- **ANNUAL ROSE PRINCE PILGRIMAGE:** The annual Rose Prince Pilgrimage will be held on July 7th, 8th and 9th at the Lejac Site. The schedule of events, and volunteer info is on the poster in the foyer. For any questions regarding the pilgrimage please contact Fr. Vince James OMI at 1-250-699-6593.
- **CANADA DAY CELEBRATIONS:** 2nd Annual Knights of Columbus Canada Day Multicultural Festival! **What:** Canadian & Ethnic Foods, International Dance & Choral Groups, 50's/60's Dance Music. **Where:** St. Joseph's Elementary School Gym, **When:** 5:30 – 11:30 p.m. Sunday July 2nd **Tickets:** \$20 adults; \$10 children 7-17; Family \$50 **Charity:** K of C Fund for Persecuted Christians in the Middle East
- **UPCOMING PASTORAL CARE TRAINING:** St. Edward's Parish (Duncan): **Saturday, October 14, 2017:** Session 1 – *The Healing Ministry of Christ* (Fr. William Hann will be the morning presenter) and **Saturday, November 18, 2017:** Session 2 – *Listening & Communication and Mental Health*. 9:00 am – 3:00 pm. St. Mary's Parish (Ladysmith) will host Sessions 3 and 4 in early 2018. **More details to follow.**
- **BURSARIES FOR YOUTH AROUND THE DIOCESE:** There are several bursaries available to youth in the Diocese of Victoria: **Jawl & Bundon Bursary** (\$2,500 for graduating Catholic student in the Diocese of Victoria, deadline July 15); **Holy Cross Bursaries** (Various at UVic and Camosun); **Bishop Thomas J. Lobsinger OMI Memorial Bursary** (Knights of Columbus, deadline June 30). More information is available on the Diocesan website at <http://www.rcdvictoria.org/bursaries.php>.

OUR LITURGICAL LIFE:

SUNDAY, June 18th

8:30 am Mass: **Ciara Maguire +**
10:30 am Mass: **Jose DeJesus +**

MONDAY, June 19th

9:00 am Mass: **John Woodcok +**

TUESDAY, June 20th

9:00 am Mass: **Peter Balogh +**

WEDNESDAY, June 21th

9:00 am Mass: **Pauline Graat +**

THURSDAY, June 22nd

9:00 am Mass: **Arturo Colangeli +**
6:30 pm Rosary Group

FRIDAY, June 23rd

9:00 am Mass: **Mavis Little +**
(Josephine Loughran's sister)
7:00pm Franciscans & Friends

SATURDAY, June 24th

3:45—4:30 Sacrament of
Reconciliation
5:00 pm Mass: **Theresa & Keith
Middleton (int.)**

SUNDAY, June 25th

8:30 am Mass: **Angela Murphy +**
10:30 am Mass: **Dan Taft +**

THANK YOU CORNER!

To all those who made the AGM a success, ministries leaders, Esther and the Parish Council, and all other involved. Thank you!



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HOLY CROSS MINISTRIES

MINISTRY	COORDINATOR	PHONE
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. Sun. Coffee, 8:30	Ann Francis Darlene Southwell	250-477-8650 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 Annual Shed Clean	Loretta MacDonald Jack Ponsioen	250-477-6682 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 11th, 2017

WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR THESE GIFTS:

Envelopes	\$ 3,136.40
Loose	\$ 427.00
Pre-Authorized Debit	\$ 962.00
TOTAL	\$ 4,525.40
Anawim:	\$ 673.00

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 RCIA	Fr. William Hann Glenn Palahicky Phil / Sheila Wall	250-477-5321 250-479-1331 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 Out- reach	John Oleson	250-477-6455