



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 4th, 2017 Pentecost Sunday

From Fr. William's Desk

When it comes to grasping the meaning and purpose of the Pentecost experience, I would like to suggest that we do not focus exclusively on what happened a little over 2016 years ago. It is better to stay a little closer to home. The point is that what the Risen Jesus accomplished among his first disciples by unleashing the Spirit on them, he wants to accomplish among us as well.



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My dear friends, Pentecost is our feast; it is our feast to take-off with the Spirit. With that Spirit, we must fly in all directions, directions that sometimes are hard to nail down and that is another difficulty: the variety of the Spirit. If you read the scriptures, it is hard to figure her out. She is given at different times, in different ways, in different gifts. But she is also given in different gifts: in the gift of peace making, in the gift of forgiving, in the gift of preaching, in the gift of tongues, in the gift of healing, in the gift of administering, in the gift of dancing, singing and praising the Lord, in the gift of protesting, and in the gift of working for justice. What the Scriptures therefore try to convey to us is a summons to **let ourselves be overcome by the Spirit let loose**, so that we may **take off and fly**. That is why Pentecost remains our feast. We do so by flying on the wind of the Spirit of Jesus, by flying together into the dawn of his Kingdom to come.

Now it is on us, who are baptized in Jesus name and who are empowered with his Spirit, to continue the mission of Jesus. So, we see the fruits of the Spirit in wise leadership, courageous prophetic voices, elderly seers, musicians, catechists, social justice advocates, happy children learning about God and a gathered assembly actively participating in the liturgy fully, consciously and actively. The fruits of the Spirit are also visible among us when through our liturgies and education programs a person's eyes are opened, as if for the first time, to God's presence in his or her life.

In the end, my friends, the newness of Pentecost is a newness in human relations; it is a peace feast, and that is how Jesus introduced it. It is a communication feast, a we-belong-together demonstration, and a forgiveness occasion: real progress, indeed a new era. It is the moment when people become capable not only of speaking all kinds of languages, but when they are willing to use those languages to contact people they would never have thought addressing before. We congratulate our children who were confirmed and received their first Communion this weekend. Welcome Bishop Gary to our family of faith here at Holy Cross!

Pentecost Joy,
Father William

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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

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.

WE NEED YOU!!

We are in desperate need for liturgical ministers at all masses, *especially sacristans, Eucharistic ministers, lectors, and ushers*. The mass happens with the help many hands, and we need yours. Please contact Anna at the office if you would like more information about any of the ministries or to sign up.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Sunday June 11th at 9:30am: Holy Cross Annual General Meeting. All welcome. Annual reports from Holy Cross ministries are posted in the foyer.

“IT’S NOT RIGHT” ELDER ABUSE PREVENTION

Following the 9:00am mass on **June 6th** Holy Cross will be hosting an elder abuse prevention talk, by Cari Taylor from the Victoria Community Response Network. This talk is relevant to the elderly, their children, caregivers, neighbours and friends. No cost but registration is required. Sign up sheets in the foyer! For any questions or to register by phone call Anna at the office 250-477-5321

FATHER LEO ROBERTS BURSARY

Eligibility requirements:

Individual facing family difficulties / financial hardship.

Strong academic marks with experience in community involvement and volunteer work.

Full time student at Post Secondary institution/ college or trade school.

A practicing catholic involved in their parish community.

Scholarship: \$2000 per year. Scholarship will be renewed for up to three additional years based on financial hardship and need.

Essay: Write a one page essay (maximum 200 to 250 words) stating your career objectives, your accomplishments, your community and volunteer involvement. Tell us why you need financial assistance.

Deadline: July 1, 2017

How to apply: email essay to Father William Hann at fatherwilliam@shaw.ca or send in mail to Father William Hann, Holy Cross Parish 4049 Gordon Head Road, BC V8N 3X7

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.

PRAYER REFLECTION

What you are is God's gift to you, what you become is your gift to God.
—Hans Urs von Balthasar, Prayer

I would like to achieve a state of inner spiritual grace from which I could function and give as I was meant to in the eye of God.
—Anne Morrow Lindbergh, Gift from the Sea

AROUND THE PARISH AND DIOCESE

More information and details on bulletin board or parish office

- **ST. PATRICK'S JOB POSTING:** St. Patrick's Parish is searching for a Custodian who will be responsible for all janitorial duties, minor maintenance, security and other miscellaneous duties in order to ensure that the Church and Parish Centre are maintained in a healthy, safe and sanitary manner. Schedule: Tuesdays to Saturdays, from 3:00pm to 9:30pm (30 hours per week). Please mail or deliver resume to St. Patrick's Parish, 2060 Haultain Street, Victoria, BC, V8R 2L7, or by e-mail at stpat190@telus.net, or fax 250-592-7392.
- **MNT ST. MARY SPRING FAIR:** Saturday June 10th from 10am—3pm. Free entry! Kids activities, jewelry sale, music, resident art display, bake sale, BBQ, raffles, silent auction and more. Please come support Mount St. Mary's! 861 Fairfield Road.
- **EXTRA-ORDINARY FORM OF THE MASS:** On **Saturday, June 24th at 11 am** St. Andrew's Cathedral will host an Extra-Ordinary Form of the Mass celebration for the Solemnity of St. John the Baptist. Extra-ordinary refers to the fact that it will be the Mass Ritual as mandated in 1962 and not the Ordinary Mass, which is what we normally celebrate in our parish Churches. The Sung Mass will be in Latin and celebrated by Fr. Pablo Santa Maria Watson from Vancouver. The music will be under the direction of Michael Gormley and will be sung by the CapriCCio Vocal Ensemble. They will sing Palestrina's Mass **Aeterna Christi munera**. This celebration of the Extra-Ordinary Form of the Mass is done in the context of the Cathedral's 125th anniversary celebrations. A collection will be taken to assist with expenses.
- **SAVE THE DATE!:** Mark your calendars for **Aug 24-27th** for the 5th annual Diocesan Family Conference on the shores of beautiful Nanoose Bay! Our theme this year is Our Mission: In the family, in the community, and the world. Email reine_and_ian@hotmail.com for more info. Registration will be open soon on the Diocesan website rcdvictoria.org

OUR LITURGICAL LIFE:

SUNDAY, June 4th

8:30 am Mass: **Rayne Garnsey +**
10:30 am Mass: **Dan Taft +**

MONDAY, June 5th

9:00 am Mass: **Hilary Ribeiro +**

TUESDAY, June 6th

9:00 am Mass: **Lisa Gonsalves +**
9:30 am Session on Elder Abuse

WEDNESDAY, June 7th

9:00 am Mass: **Dan Taft +**

THURSDAY, June 8th

9:00 am Mass: **Mark Vining +**
6:30 pm Rosary Group

FRIDAY, June 9th

9:00 am Mass: **Hazel Gudewill +**

SATURDAY, June 10th

3:45—4:30 Sacrament of
Reconciliation
5:00 pm Mass: **Rayne Garnsey +**

SUNDAY, June 11th

8:30 am Mass: **Rayne Garnsey +**
10:30 am Mass: **Amaro Martins +**

THANK YOU CORNER!

Thank you to John Lucas and Michael Arsenaault, who raised \$915 for Our Place Society through their benefit show, Orlando and the BC Gold Rush.



CONTACTS

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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 May 28th, 2017

WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR THESE GIFTS:

Envelopes	\$ 2, 315.00
Loose	\$ 362.00
Pre-Authorized Debit	\$ 962.00
TOTAL	\$ 3, 639.00

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 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