

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 June 7, 2020 The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

May the "The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all." This beautiful greeting and blessing is our Trinitarian God, a God whose infinite, unmerited grace surrounds us, whose unconditional love envelops and permeates us, and whose unitive love gathers us together as one into this most sacred space.

The Most Holy Trinity lives out of a deep relational Love that flows between God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. How can we understand this mystery? We can't, but maybe trying to imagine this mystery in the *ordinary* where our God resides with us every day, we can get a glimpse.

Close your eyes, open your heart, and imagine Trinitarian Love as a unitive dance of Being, weaving "Through Him and with Him and in Him" where we are invited to join in that dance....

Or what about listening to a piece of music where the words, notes, and melody harmonize into a beautiful symphony that reverberates throughout our whole being, transporting us to greater heights....

Or Trinitarian love is like the blending of fragrances when we create a special meal for our family as the aroma wafts through the air making us drool in anticipation....

This loving relationship invites us into it all. When we reflect on Rublev's Icon of the Trinity, we can see a place prepared for us. Let us enter in humble adoration.

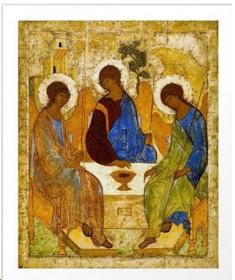
Today's readings reveal a merciful, gracious, forgiving, loving, faith-filled God whose everpresent love and peace does not condemn but saves; a God who call us forth to put things in order,

listen, agree, and live in peace; and a God who we can petition as "We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever" trusting we will be heard.

Take some time this week to become aware of our Trinitarian God, a God who loves us into being, who is our Beloved as we are God's Beloved, and whose love weaves us together as the Body of Christ.

"In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit" – a Trinitarian blessing and protection that tells us whose we are as we go about our days and nights in the safety of God's love,





A NOTE FROM THE DIOCESE

To access the live stream link from the Diocese of Victoria website simply google: Diocese of Victoria or go to www.rcdvictoria.org/diocese-of-victoria-live-stream.

SUNDAY 10 AM MONDAY TO FRIDAY 7 PM

Please note that the suspension of meetings, events and rentals continues throughout the Diocese. Further to the Memo dated March 16, 2020, and out of concern for the well-being of our parishioners, staff, and the public, please note that the directive to suspend all in person meetings and social gatherings in the Diocese remains in place. Communities are encouraged to utilize the various virtual technology options available for meetings. Aside from sacramental ministry (Masses, Baptisms, Funerals, Confession, etc.) all "in person" meetings/gatherings remain suspended, until further notice, including, but not limited to the following:

Pastoral Council, Finance & Liturgy Committees Catholic Women's League Faith Formation & Bible Study Classes Knights of Columbus

Marriage Preparation Courses St. Vincent de Paul Youth Groups & trips Development & Peace events Pastoral Outreach Home & Hospital Visits

Please note that all rentals for Parish hall/facilities continue to be suspended until further notice.

Thank you for your cooperation, solicitude, and prayers as we work together to serve all those entrusted to our care.

At Holy Cross Parish you *must now register* for which Mass you would like to attend. You can register for a Mass by emailing Joanie Bidlake at:

officeassistant@holycrossvictoria.org

Our Mass schedule remains the same for now:

Tuesday -Friday: 9am Mass

Saturday: 4pm Mass (full) Sunday: 9am Mass (full)

*please note that if these Masses are inconvenient for you, you may select a Mass time from St. Patrick's Parish Mass schedule. To do this please call Deborah Mackay at St. Pat's at: **250-592-7391**

The church will remain open for private prayer next week from 9:30am (after morning Mass) to 11:00am Tuesday to Friday only.



holy cross church gordon head rd. victoria, b.c.

COLLECTION for May 31, 2020

WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR THESE GIFTS:

 Envelopes
 \$ 2,435.00

 Pre-Authorized Debit
 \$ 1, 163.00

 TOTAL
 \$ 3, 598.00

OUR VIRTUAL COMMUNITY

Father William has created a **YouTube** page and a **Facebook** page for the combined St. Patrick's and Holy Cross families! Please visit the Facebook page https://www.facebook.com/StPatsHolyCross/

Like and follow the page and please do send photos of the church for posting!

Live Mass broadcast this Sunday! Sunday Mass will be broadcast from Holy Cross Parish on Saturday, June 6 at 4 pm on the YouTube page.

Click the link here: http://www.youtube.com/c/ StPatricksHolyCrossChurch

PASTORAL APPOINTMENT CHANGES

Bishop Gary Gordon and the Priest Personnel Committee have discerned that Fr. Claudio Holzer would be better suited to a much larger urban Diocese, therefore Fr. Thomas Chinnappa will provide pastoral ministry at St. Peter's in Nanaimo, and Our Lady of Victory Mission on Gabriola Island during this time of transition. Fr. Sean Flynn, who has returned to the Diocese after serving in Fort Nelson, will be responsible for the hospital emergency calls in Victoria for the time being.

OFFERTORY

At this time, there will be no Offertory during the Mass. With regard to donations/collections, a basket will be provided and located at the front of the church by the altar and, if you wish, you may leave your contributions in the basket either before or after the Mass.

CONFESSIONS

Many of you have been inquiring about confessions. At this time Fr. William will be hearing confessions at Holy Cross church on Saturdays at 2:30 until 3:15 pm.