

Roman Catholic Our Lady of the Rosary Parish

October 23, Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Office Hours: Monday—Friday 9:30 am - 3:00 pm OLOR Daycare—250-590-6095
(New office location: 2756 Claude Rd Victoria BC V9B 3T6)

For the week of Oct 22 -30

Saturday, Oct 22
6:00pm Mass for Dr. Patrick Keane - RIP
7:30 - 9:30pm AA Group - SH

Sunday, Oct 23 (30th Sunday in Ordinary Time)
9:00am Mass for OLOR Parishioners
10:00 - 10:45am Sacramental Prep 1 - SH
10:00 - 10:45am Sacramental Prep 2 - Preschool
10:15 - 10:45am Youth Group Gatherings - CH
11:00am Mass for the Conversions of Sinners
12:00pm Sunday Coffee - SH - Music Ministry
12:00pm Youth Group - CH
7:45-9:15pm - AA group - SH

Monday, Oct 24
Pastor's Day Off

Tuesday, Oct 25
9:00am Mass for Martin Gerald Dumas - RIP
6:00 - 7:30pm pm AA Group - SH
8:00 - 9:00pm AA group - SH

Wednesday, Oct 26
8:40am Liturgy of the Holy Hours Morning Prayer
9:00am Mass for Mary Keane - RIP
9:30am Adoration
12:00pm Benediction
7:00pm Parish Council Meeting - SH

Thursday, Oct 27
9:00am Mass for Ann & Lloyd Devlin 66th Wedding Anniversary
9:30am Prayer Group Meeting - SH
7:45 - 9:15pm AA Meeting - SH
7:30pm Spanish Rosary - CH

Friday, Oct 28
7:30 - 8:30am Men's Fellowship - SH
9:00am Mass for Matthew Trinh - RIP

Saturday, Oct 29
6:00pm Mass for Nouhad Kozma - RIP
7:30 - 9:30pm AA Group - SH

Sunday, Oct 30 (31st Sunday in Ordinary Time)
9:00am Mass for OLOR Parishioners
10:00 - 10:45am Sacramental Prep 1 - SH
10:00 - 10:45am Sacramental Prep 2 - Preschool
10:15 - 10:45am Youth Group Gatherings - CH
11:00am Mass for the Int of David Leigh
12:00pm Sunday Coffee - SH - Music Ministry
12:00pm Youth Group - CH
12:25pm Holy Land Pilgrims Meet & Greet - Office
7:45-9:15pm - AA group - SH

Parish Support Last Week
We rely on the generosity of your contributions to provide for the ongoing mission to seek the lost and make disciples.
Thank you for your generosity.

Oct 15/16 Envelope Offering: \$1580.00
Loose Collection: \$ 695.90
Building Fund: \$105.00
Evangelization of the Nations: \$20.00
PAD Offering (**September**) : \$ 6509.00

Let us pray for the sick from our families, especially David Leigh, Mandy Gigabur, Pamela Mckay, Irene Major, Diane Bell, for their healing and union with Christ.

Let us pray for all who have died especially Martin Dumas, Mary Keane, Mathew Trinh, Micky Majocho that they may live in the light and peace of God's presence forever.

Youth Adults Update - Jamey Guerrero

40 Days for Life Rosary - Tue, Oct 25, 5pm @ Helmcken St Overpass
Our next time slot for the 40 Days for Life Rosary is Oct 25. After a successful outing this past Tuesday, we decided to do this again! I encourage that you consider spending a couple hours with us to stand up for life. Please let me know if you want to join so we can notify the organizers.

Movie Night - Sun, Oct 30, 5pm @ Jamey and Megan's
A poll will be going up this weekend on our [Facebook page](#). Please share your ideas and vote!

How to Donate

Pre-Authorized Debit (PAD) – PAD form and information are available on our website

E-Transfer:

- Go to your on-line banking site
 - Select Transfer/pay bills
 - Select e-transfer (or electronic transfer)
 - Follow the steps outlined by your bank
 - Funds should be sent to olor@shaw.ca
 - No password is needed.
 - Any special instructions may be added to the notes/memo area.
- Canada Helps online donation** - through Canada Helps If you have any questions on the available options, or would like to make a change in how you donate, please contact the parish office. Thank you!

“But if you do not forgive men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses;”
Jesus Christ Matthew 6:15

God wills it that we forgive. Christianity has been understood as synonymous with Forgiveness. If you are interested in better understanding the meaning and process of Forgiveness, you are invited to attend a series of discussions hosted by Jim and Joan Kiernan at their home on **Wednesday November 2, 9, 16 and 23 from 6:30-8:00 pm**. The discussion will centre on the biblical command to “Forgive” and the emotional and psychological process of doing so. This will be an “interactive” get-together consisting of a presentation of ideas and ensuing discussion. Refreshments will be served. Please register with Cynthia at the OLOR Parish office (250-478-3482).

40 Days for Life is ongoing in Victoria till November 6, holding a daily prayer vigil near the General Hospital. Please join with us and thousands around the world defending unborn babies from abortion in a prayerful, peaceful and positive fellowship, either in prayer or in person. If interested, contact Glenda at 250 661 2613.



Mayra, Our Youth Discipleship Coordinate is in need of a car, please email her (thehappyrs@gmail.com) if you can help her.



WEEKDAY MASSES
Tuesday—Friday 9:00 am

WEEKEND MASSES
Saturday, 6:00 pm
Sunday, 9:00 am
Sunday, 11:00 am

OPEN CHURCH HOURS
Tuesday – Friday 9:00 am – 12:00 noon

Church will be locked at 12 noon.
Please call the parish office to access the door code between 12-3pm. Please note that there will be no access to the church after 3pm.

Parish Mission Statement

In Eucharistic Communion with the whole Catholic Church, as members of Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, we proclaim through our words and actions the Gospel of God's love revealed in the Resurrection of Christ to the Western communities.

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Baptism: Contact the parish office

Reconciliation: Saturday 5:15 pm and Sunday 8:30 am or by appointment

Marriage: Contact Father Dean 6 months in advance of the planned wedding date.

Funerals: Please contact the parish office or Pastor

Anointing of the sick: If you or a family member are admitted to a hospital or other care facility and you wish to have a priest visit, please be sure to have someone call the parish office to make this request.

Hospital Visitation: Roman Catholic Hospital Chaplain for VGH & RJH - Fr. Sean Flynn - 250-889-3761.



From the Pastor's Desk
30th of Ordinary Time – October 23rd, 2022

Sunday after Masses and my whole Monday day off I was flattened by a flu (thankfully not Covid which I had in July) and torn interiorly by competing virtues. If I had a more ordinary job, it would have made sense to call in sick on Sunday, get a replacement, and spare everybody exposure to my germs which I trust mask and sanitizer contained; certainly, a good thing on one level. And if it were Covid, that's what I would have done, replacement or not. However, this vocation, and the Diocesan scarcity of priests, along with the hundreds of faithful who expect and need the Sunday encounter with Christ in Word and Sacrament, love really obliges me to transcend physical incapacity, even if objectively my illness would have dispensed me from obligation to celebrate and preside. I'm better today (Tuesday) and am offering it all up for the ailments and sufferings of my flock, knowing that many are enduring much greater illness. God heal us all.

This brings to mind some instructions on the Sunday Mass and the Eucharist I believe we need reminding of as we are slowly pulling out of the pandemic. Recently Bishop Gary reminded us of the ordinary precept of attending Sunday Mass weekly, unless prevented by serious illness or impossibility such as living in Port Hardy or Tofino where there's only a potential Mass monthly. While online devotion may assist in addition to one's participation in the parish Sunday Mass, it ought to no longer replace it. The Catechism (para. 2042) puts it this way: "You shall attend Mass on Sundays and holy days of obligation" and is simply an extension of God's command to 'observe the sabbath day and keep it holy' (c.f. Exodus 20:2-17). It is estimated that 30 to 35% of our Catholic parish members have not returned to Sunday worship and I pray for their return 'home'. In the meantime, many newcomers are arriving and I'm delighted to see non-Catholics feeling welcomed and exploring the meaning of Catholic Christian discipleship. And this brings up another crucial teaching about the meaning of the Eucharist and eligibility to receive communion. Simply put, the Eucharist is the real presence of Jesus Christ under the appearance of bread and wine. By his Spirit and words of consecration spoken by His priest; "this is my body and this is my blood" Christ effects a real change in the substance so that we are offered in a sacramental way Jesus' real body and real blood. While all are invited to Mass, reception of the Eucharist is for sinners seeking sanctity who are both full communion with the Catholic Church and in a state of grace. Again, the Catechism: (para 1415) "Anyone who desires to receive Christ in Eucharistic communion must be in a state of grace. Anyone aware of having sinned mortally must not receive communion without having received absolution in the sacrament of penance". For some Biblical instruction of the difference between grave (mortal) and venial sin see 2 John 1:16,17. So anyone who has knowledge of having freely committed a serious sin (like skipping Sunday worship), and has yet to participate in the sacrament of reconciliation should participate at Mass but not present themselves for communion. Hence the non-obligatory custom of offering the choice of crossing one's arm over the heart and receiving a blessing while awaiting opportunity to return to full communion with Christ and his body, the Church. Much more could be said, but for now it's enough. A few items of interest in point form.

- Tuesday November 1st All Saints Extraordinary Mass 6:30 p.m. (no incense) Children's All Saints dress up after Mass October 30th at the office yard.
- Are there 18-35-year olds interested in World Youth Day in Lisbon this summer? Let me know!
- All Souls Visit to the Hatley Cemetery 5:30 p.m. (incense to assist our prayers)
- The February Holy Land Pilgrims gather after Mass this Sunday for a meet and greet.
- We'll have the draw for the winner of the Marian-Stained Glass this weekend
- The Annual Diocesan Appeal commences this weekend
- Our Building Committee presents our Church project to the Diocesan Building Commission for the 3rd time on October 26th. The Parish Council meets the same night
- We'll welcome a Ukrainian refugee after the 11:00 Mass this weekend to share her experiences.

Ok, I need a nap!
 Fr. Dean

2022 Bishop's Appeal - Growing Together

Kickoff Week October 22-23 This week we kick off the Bishop's Appeal along with all other parishes and missions throughout our Diocese. The 2022 Appeal theme, Growing Together, provides opportunities for parishioners of all generations to come together in faith while striving to heal and grow the church. Please pledge to the Bishop's Appeal: <https://www.rcdvictoria.org/growing-together-2022>
Parish Goal: \$ \$45,000.00

A fundraiser and historical opportunity for you and your family and/or ministry

November 5th, 6th and 12th, 13th 2022 the opportunity is given to have family and/or ministry group photographs in the current church, what is likely the last opportunity in OLOR church, will give you a tangible memory of where so many memories were made and treasured. The schedule is made available at the back of the church to see what times are available for you. A minimum donation of \$60.00 for 5 digital photographs and for every 8x10" print \$20.00. You can also email Cristina at crissoto@hotmail.com to book a session. You can pay in cash, cheque and e-transfer (pls put FAMILY PHOTO along the note).

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From the Diocese

Registration is now open for the four free webinars being offered by the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishop's Office for Evangelization and Catechesis. The weekly sessions begin on October 25, and topics include becoming joyful messengers of Christ, the synodal way, next steps in solidarity with Indigenous peoples, and our call to care for creation. Each session will be held on a Tuesday from 10 – 11:30 am, and also recorded and shared with registered participants after the event. To register for one or more of the sessions, please visit https://ccc-b.ca/zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_ddzsOg6bT8aO6ntrefnN4A

Island Catholic Schools is recruiting! We are currently searching for:

- After School Care Worker - St. Joseph's School
 - After School Care Worker - St. Patrick's School
 - Teachers on call · Educational Assistants on call · Casual Bus Drivers
- If YOU are interested in joining one of our teams, please use this link:**
<https://cisdv.bc.ca/employment-opportunities/>

Director of Faith Formation and Evangelization. Please click the link for more info. <https://www.rcdvictoria.org/employment>.

The Ukrainian Rite Catholic Bishops of Canada have written a pastoral letter to the faithful of Canada and to all people of good will. It is an invitation to a response of faith to the war currently taking place in Ukraine.

The letter may be read online at <https://www.rcdvictoria.org/news/the-war-in-ukraine-a-call-to-prayer-fasting-and-action>.

Pilgrimage to Holy Land under the spiritual leadership of Fr. Dean Feb 14-23, 2023. Please see details on our website.

Report Sexual Abuse For all Responsible Ministry and Safe Environment information and forms <https://www.rcdvictoria.org/responsible-ministry>

Evangelization of Nation
 (World Mission Sunday) Oct 23, 2022

4th annual Catholic Women's Retreat - Quadra Island at Camp Homewood November 18-20

All women 19+ are invited to join up to 100 women from all over the Diocese of Victoria. Our theme, FIAT, led by Laura O'Reilly from Ottawa, will lead us deep into Mary's life and all the ways she gave her FIAT, her YES, to God and how we can too in every area of our lives.
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/beloved-catholic-womens-retreat-registration-411298092667>

Limited financial assistance is available for those who otherwise could not attend the retreat. Requests for financial assistance must be made prior to registering for the retreat via email: vicatholicwomensretreat@gmail.com. Thank you!

World Youth Day in Portugal - August 2023

The Diocese of Victoria is already in the stages of getting pilgrims together for the pilgrimage to World Youth Day 2023. . If you are interested in joining, please contact Fr Harrison Ayre at hayre@rcdvictoria.org and he will share any of the information you will need and add you to our contact list. Please note: this is reserved for Catholics between the ages of 18 and 35.