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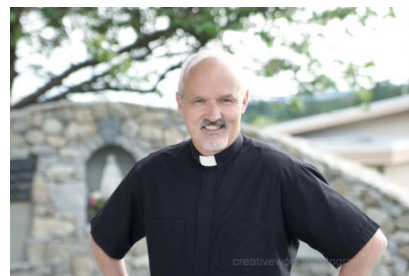
The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

From Fr. William's Desk

MASS TIMES

SATURDAY	5:30pm
SUNDAY	8:30am 10:30am 4:00pm
Tuesday	9:00am
Wednesday	9:00am
Thursday	9:00am
Friday	9:00am
Confession:	
Saturday	4:30pm- 5:15pm

Here is a quote by Anne Lamott about the Trinity: *"I didn't need to understand the hypostatic unity of the Trinity; I just needed to turn my life over to whoever came up with redwood trees."* How good is that? You see, Jesus never defined the Trinity for us. He didn't leave us a theological roadmap or publish a textbook. The theological textbook Jesus left us was his life—and it can sometimes be difficult to read. But along with his life, his stories, his miracles, his death and resurrection, Jesus left us each other.



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Theologian Anthony J. Kelly points out that the Trinity has made its creative imprint not only on the universe in general but also on the human person in particular. "Christian theology speaks of the divine indwelling," he writes. "It is at once God dwelling in us, and ourselves dwelling in God. To search into who we are is find ourselves in the presence of God, the Self in all our selves." We might think of the Trinity therefore as the God to whom we relate as parent, as Son, daughter, brother, and sister, and as an abiding, loving Spirit. The Trinity is one way of saying that God is not alone. God, to be person, must live in relationship. If God is love, then God must be self-giving, overflowing into creativity. To be defined as love means that there must be some relationship to another. That is what it is all about. The Trinity is a family of love. "

The philosopher Beatrice Bruteau, for example, has written, "the cosmos has all the marks of the Trinity." It is both unity and differentiated. "It is dynamic, giving, expansive, and radiant." This relationship between Father, Son and Holy Spirit that we call the Trinity—the relationship is so dynamic; so powerful, so creative, it explodes galaxies into life. It is so intimate and so near, that no matter how frightened, fragmented or isolated we become; we will never ever be alone. That is God's promise to us; we will never be left alone. "And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age. I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now." Miroslav Volf in After Our Likeness writes, "Communion with . . . God is at once also communion with those others who have entrusted themselves in faith to the same God."

The Trinity as a family of love makes sense to me... how about you?

Father William

Next Week at Holy Cross:

- ◆ **Friday, May 27th, 11am: Funeral Mass for Joe Zapotichny.**
- ◆ **Saturday, May 28th, 11:30am: Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon.**

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.

2016/2017 PARISH COUNCIL

A sincere thank you to our outgoing Parish Council members Maria Fernandez Grandizo, Anthony Graham, Victoria MacAulay, John Oleson and Harry Walsh. A warm welcome to our new Council members **Catherine Davis, Eunyoung Lee, Judy Pitre, Debra Prior and Leah Wilcock** who will join our continuing members Esther Sangster-Gormley Chair, Trudy Holden and Jona De Jesus.

INTERESTED IN EXPLORING THE CATHOLIC FAITH?

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 faith issues for those who may be considering following the Catholic Christian way of life. If interested, please contact Father William at 250-477-5321 or email Phil and Sheila Wall walls_in_holland@hotmail.com. The journey begins in late September!

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES TRAINING

A training/refresher workshop for all those who participate in the Saturday and Sunday Liturgies including --- Sacristans, Ushers, Commentators, Lectors, Gift Bearers, Eucharistic Ministers (Bread, Chalice) will be given by Father William, Saturday, June 11, 2016, 1:00-3:00pm in the Church. Everyone involved in Liturgy is kindly asked to attend. Thank you.

PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE: YOUR GIFT TO YOUR FAMILY

When: Saturday, June 11th from 10:00 – 11:30 **Where:** Holy Cross Parish Hall. How many times have we said, “We really should plan our funeral” or “I am not sure how to plan a funeral for one of my loved ones?” **There are two aspects to a funeral** – the church service and the funeral home arrangements. While many of us may have made our burial arrangements, we might not have planned the Mass or memorial service. There are many details to consider when planning a funeral. Come and join us at this short ‘how to’ workshop as we learn how to plan and prepare for the wishes of a family member, friend or ourselves. “Preparing a funeral for yourself or someone you love is an act of love.” We ask that you register so that we can plan. For more information and to register please email Father William at fatherwilliam@shaw.ca

AT THE LIBRARY

(in the Parish Centre –Tue- Fri: 9-12:30)

June will celebrate the feast days of St John Fisher and St Thomas More who opposed the wishes of the Tudor King Henry VIII in the English Reformation. Recent acclaimed scholarship illustrates the difficulty Catholics had in holding on to their faith in Tudor times.

- Daughter’s Love --- How Meg supported her father Thomas More in his later life and death, (2009) by John Guy
- The Voices of Morebath: Reformation and Rebellion in an English Village (2001) by Eamon Duffy
- The last Divine Office: Henry VIII and the Dissolution of the Monasteries (overseen by Thomas Cromwell of Wolf Hall fame), (2008) by G Moorhouse
- The Fires of Faith: Catholic England under Mary Tudor (when Catholicism was briefly restored) (2009) by Eamon Duffy
- God’s Secret Agents (forbidden priests in the reigns of Queen Elizabeth & James I), (2005) by Alice Hogge

MERCY REFLECTION

An investment that pays.

Pope Francis learned the value of cooperation from his father, an accountant. "It goes forward slowly," he told his son, "but [cooperation] is sure." The trust earned when we work together goes much further than any profits. If we only see numbers, we lose the heart of our humanity, we abandon mercy, and we sacrifice people for profit. "An economy of exclusion and inequality . . . kills," Pope Francis warns. Considering how decisions impact people and not just profit margins is a difficult task, but it is imperative. We must invest in one another: That's how the economy of mercy works.

THE CATHOLIC FOUNDATION OF VANCOUVER ISLAND

The Catholic Foundation of Vancouver Island will have their Annual General Meeting on **Saturday, June 4, 2016** at 10:00 a.m. St. Peter's Parish, 301 Machleary St., Nanaimo. The Trustees welcome your attendance at this meeting.

SVDP SEEKING BOARD MEMBERS

The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul is a dynamic and growing Catholic Charity on Vancouver Island. Come attend a Board meeting and see if volunteering your time and talents as a Board member is a way in which you can actively live your faith. Please contact Megan Misovic for more information at meganmisovic@gmail.com

JOB POSTING: CHILD CARE PROVIDER

The St. Vincent De Paul Society is hiring a child care manager. This is a full time position, 37.5 hours a week, Monday through Friday. For more details about the posting, salary and benefits please contact the office: 250-477-5321. Application deadline is June 1st.

JOB POSTING: TRANSCRIPTIONIST

A part time (one day a week) and temporary position is available to assist in the Office of the Marriage Tribunal of the Diocese of Victoria. For more information about this opportunity contact the parish office or Moira Gill: mgill@rcdvictoria.org

DIOCESAN FAMILY CONFERENCE

Join other Catholic families from **Aug 12-14** from around the island on the shores of Nanoose Bay at the 4th annual Diocesan Family conference. The keynote speaker will be Fr Clair Watrin, founding chaplain of CCO. Bishop Gary will join us too as we pray, play and deepen our family relationships. To register please go the diocesan website rcdvictoria.org.

94 CALLS FOR JUSTICE

June 2nd marks the one-year anniversary of the release of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's 94 Calls to Action. They are viewed as a way for Canadians to redress the legacy of residential schools and advance the process of Canadian reconciliation. You are invited to a TRC 94 Calls to Action event at the front grounds of the Legislature **11:30 – 1:00 pm on Thursday, June 2nd.**

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH:

SUNDAY, May 22nd

8:30 am Mass: **Angelo Rampon (+)**
10:30 am Mass: **Mark DeSousa (+)**

MONDAY, May 23rd

OFFICE CLOSED
Victoria Day!

TUESDAY, May 24th

9:00 am Mass: **Joseph Reilly (+)**
9:45 - 11:00 Adoration in Fr. Joe Chapel

WEDNESDAY, May 25th

9:00 am Mass: **Patrick Squires (+)**
9:45 - 10:30 Adoration in Fr. Joe Chapel
1:00 pm Wednesday Social Group
7:00 pm Refugee meeting (parish hall)

THURSDAY, May 26th

9:00 am Mass: **Souls in Purgatory**
6:30 pm Rosary Prayer Group

FRIDAY, May 27th

11:00 am Funeral Mass for **Joe Zapotichny** (*No morning Mass*)

SATURDAY, May 28th

11:30am **Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon**
4:30-5:15 Sacrament of Reconciliation
5:30 pm Mass: **Thanksgiving for Sisters in NFDL**

SUNDAY, May 29th

8:30 am Mass: **Bernard McHugh (+)**
10:30 am Mass: **Jose Pacheco (+)**

THANK YOU CORNER!

Mount St. Mary Hospital thanks everyone for their support. This year the hanging basket project delivered a record gift to the hospital. Thank you!

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Care Home Chaplain: Fr. Vince Borre

250-813-3402 (after May 18th)



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COLLECTION May 15th, 2016

WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR THESE GIFTS:

Envelopes	\$2, 197.00
Loose	\$ 375.00
Pre-Authorized Debit	\$ 780.00
TOTAL	\$3, 352.00

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
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	250-704-0204

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	Larry Martell	250-477-9235
Bereavement /	Pat Protti	250-477-7507
Funeral / Follow-Up	Fr. William Hann	250-477-5321
Funeral Reception	Barb McKrow	250-477-8322

SERVING COMMUNITIES BEYOND OUR DOORS

Diocesan Appeal		
Youth – Franciscans	Friar Dan Gurnick	250-595-7733
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	250-721-0821
Ecumenism	Terry Marner	250-380-0157
Social & Eco. Justice	Trish Westwood	250-477-6032
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	Tony Southwell	250-477-5738
Bursaries		
Uvic/Camosun Outreach	John Oleson	250-477-6455