

ST. ANDREW'S CATHEDRAL

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Website: www.standrewscathedral.com

Schedule:

Daily Mass:
Monday - Friday: 12:10 pm
Saturday: 9:30 am

Sunday Mass:
Saturday: 5:00 pm (Anticipated Sunday)
Sunday: 9:00 am, 11:00 am, 5:00 pm

Eucharistic Adoration
Saturday: 8:50 am
Wednesday: Following Perpetual Help Devotion until 3:00pm

Reconciliation
Monday – Thursday:	11:30 am – 12:00 pm
Friday:	10:30 am – 11:30 am
Saturday:	3:45 pm – 4:45 pm

(See weekly schedule for any changes.)

Sacramental Information

Baptism: If you are seeking the Baptism of an infant, please contact the parish office at 250-388-5571. As Baptism is the first Sacrament of initiation into the Christian faith, we expect that the parents (or guardians) desire to raise the child in the Christian faith and will attend Mass regularly.

Upcoming dates available for baptisms will be the weekends of:

— 2026 —	*— 2027 —*	
Baptism	**Prep Class**	**Baptism**
Nov 28 (5pm)	Jan 9 Mar 13	Jan 31 (9 am) Apr 4 (11 am)

Marriage: Because the Church is deeply concerned about each marriage, couples are asked to give a minimum of six months' notice prior to the intended date of their wedding. Church policy requires that marriages be performed in your home parish – unless you are registered and attend elsewhere.

Funeral: Individual arrangements with a priest. Begin by calling the parish office.

WELCOME! *You enter this Church not as a stranger, but as a guest of God. As a baptized person, you enter it as a son or daughter of the Father in Christ. Come in then with humility of mind, joy of heart and thanks on your lips. Acknowledge the Lord's presence in the Tabernacle and adore him. Come in and pause in prayer in the midst of your busy life and its many worries. Be grateful to those who, for the glory of God and in honour of St. Andrew, built this place of worship with faith and sacrifice, and sanctified it with their songs and prayers.*

Anyone who wishes to practice the Catholic faith by attending this Cathedral church may consider St. Andrew's as his/her own parish, no matter where one lives on the lower island. You simply need to register. Registration forms are available in the Cathedral Narthex. Simply fill it out and place your completed form in the collection basket.

Ministry to the Homebound

If you know of anyone who cannot make it to Mass each week due to sickness or infirmity, and who would like to receive Communion in their home, care homes, or hospital, please contact the office at 250-388-5571 or by email standrewscathedral@gmail.com.

If you find yourself pregnant and in need of accompaniment during your pregnancy, Respect Life Ministry is here for you. We have a broad means of support during and after the pregnancy. Call Annette at Respect Life Ministry to learn more: ***250-812-0087***

+ Hospital Chaplain (RJH, VGH)

Fr. Sean Flynn **250-889-3761**

This Week in the Parish

Rosary: Mon - Fri at 11:40 am; Sat at 8:25 am; Sun at 4:30 pm
Perpetual Help Devotions: Wed following 12:10 pm Mass
Eucharistic Adoration: Wed at 1:00 pm; Sat at 8:50 am
Cathedral Hours: Mon - Fri: 10 am - 4 pm; Sat/Sun: 8 am - 6 pm

Mon Nov 23
11:30 am Sacrament of Reconciliation
12:10 pm **Mass** for Benjamin Legaspi +
7:00 pm Discovery & Growth Faith Studies *(Parish Centre)*

Tue Nov 24 St. Andrew Dũng-Lạc & Companions
11:30 am Sacrament of Reconciliation
12:10 pm **Mass** for Anne Zhang +
6:00 pm Legion of Mary *(DCR)*
7:30 pm Prayer Group *(Zoom)*

Wed Nov 25
Parish Office Opens at 9:30 am
11:30 am Sacrament of Reconciliation
12:00 pm **Funeral Mass** for Jamie Hoffman +
2:00 pm Beginning Apologetics Bible Study (*CDR*)
6:30 pm Beginning Apologetics Bible Study (*Zoom*)
7:00 pm Choir Practice (9 am) *(CDR)*
7:00 pm *Catholic in Recovery*: Men's Purity *(MTL)*

Thu Nov 26
11:30 am Sacrament of Reconciliation
12:10 pm **Mass** for Joseph Zhang +
7:00 pm Choir Practice (11 am) *(CDR)*

Fri Nov 27
10:30 am Sacrament of Reconciliation
10:45 am Lectio Divina *(Library)*
12:10 pm **Mass** for the Fantillo Family +

Sat Nov 28
8:25 am Rosary for Vocations
8:50 am Eucharistic Adoration
9:30 am **Mass** for the Corsi Family +
2:00 pm **Funeral Mass** for Rodger Gregory +
3:45 pm Sacrament of Reconciliation
5:00 pm **Mass** for Angela and Vincenzo Fantillo +
6:00 pm "Jam the Van" Food Drive
7:00 pm Couples for Christ Prayer Assembly *(Seghers Hall)*

Sun Nov 29 1st Sunday of Advent
9:00 am **Mass** for Gordon Pringle +
10:30 am "Jam the Van" Food Drive
11:00 am **Mass** for St. Andrew's Cathedral Parishioners
12:30 pm "Jam the Van" Food Drive
12:30 pm Sacramental Preparation *(Parish Centre)*
5:00 pm **Mass** for Mimi Leung +

2027 Sunday Missal Sale

Sunday Missals for the 2026–2027 liturgical year are available for purchase ($5) from the parish office while supplies last.

Celebrating Vocations at the Cathedral

"Whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me."

(Matthew 25:40)

Christ reigns not through power, but through love and mercy. When we serve others, we honor Him as our King.

How can you bring Christ's love to someone in need this week?

Pray for the grace to live under Christ's reign with mercy and humility and to build His kingdom through your vocation.

Christ, the King of kings, calls us to serve Him through our care for others. Every vocation, priesthood, consecrated life, or holy matrimony, is an opportunity to answer His call by loving and serving those in need. How is God inviting you to live out this service in your life, bringing Christ's mercy and compassion to the world? Talk to Fr. Dean or the Director of Vocations for the Diocese: Fr. David Hogman: dhogman@rcdvictoria.org.

✞ Rosary for Vocations

A parish rosary for vocations (and for our seminarians) is said at 8:25AM every Saturday morning before Adoration.

We are also looking for more volunteers to lead the Rosary. If you are interested, please text or email Bernadette on 250-896-4136 or bernadette.oconnor@wsp.com

Bishop's Appeal 2026

The Bishop's Appeal, Be the Light is still accepting donations. Please consider making a financial commitment to the Bishop's Annual Appeal. Not only are you helping our parish, but you are helping build faith communities in our Diocese. When we give, we invest in the faith and future of this and the next generation.

Parish Goal: $ 107,000; **Actual to Date:** $ 98,972.53; **Number of Gifts:** 270; **% of Goal Pledged:** 92.50%

Thank you to those who have already donated. Copies of the Bishop's Appeal brochure are available in the Cathedral Narthex for those who did not receive it by mail.

From the Rector's Desk

Solemnity of Christ the King **November 22, 2026**

Two of the Saints we venerate in the Church calendar this second to last week of Ordinary Time, interestingly were married mothers with heroic love for the poor because of their love for Christ. With recent memory of my summer holiday in Scotland, St. Margaret piqued my interest. When touring Edinburgh Castle, we came across the 12th century chapel built by her son King David 1st in her memory; the oldest surviving building in Edinburgh. (see images from my phone). From her bio in the missalette: "She worked for justice and improved conditions for the poor, guided the Celtic Church toward strong ties with Rome, rebuilt Churches, and brought the Benedictine's to Scotland…she's one of few canonized saints to have reared a large family (8 children) and is the patron of Scotland" (and venerated by Presbyterian and Anglicans as well as Roman Catholics). Notice, the fresh flowers in the chapel which is the mission of the guild of St. Margaret's Chapel since 1942. You could join the guild but only if your name is Margaret! St. Margaret; pray for us!

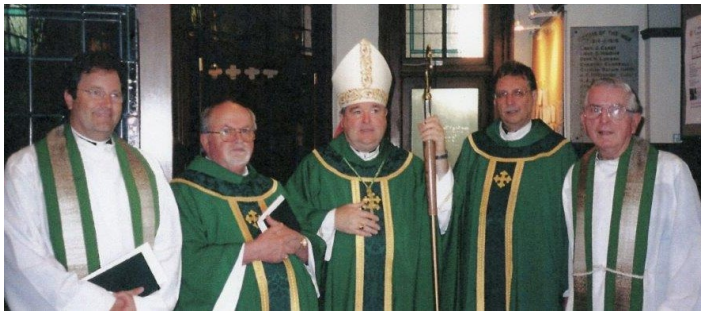
About 75 of us had an inspiring weekend seminar with Deacon Larry Worthen on the difficult subject of countering the temptation of euthanasia with determined faith and love as a Catholic community. My hat's off to Annette Turgeon's leadership, and her pastoral ministry to proclaim and defend life from conception to its natural end. Our Cathedral community, by God's grace and lots of hard work is proclaiming the gospel in many and varied ways. Thanks to all of you who support and participate in carrying Christ's cross and lovingly expand the beautiful Kingdom mission of Jesus' truth and love.

From now to Christmas, I hope to focus on my priestly basics: daily celebrations of Mass and confessions, with occasional sacramental celebrations of marriage and their validations, baptisms and funerals. The Rectory is well utilized with Fr. Dennis, a Nigerian priest assigned to Port Alberni, who will be staying for the Faith Day on the 19th. During Advent, once again the Parish Council and our pastoral staff would like to offer Christmas support to those in our parish family who might be struggling financially. We'll be using the 'poor box' fund collected all year and would like to offer help to registered Cathedral parishioners; specifically young families and seniors. Details for registration for gift cards will be announced. Considering those who might be struggling, the Knights of Columbus in conjunction with St. Vincent de Paul will coordinate a food drive that will be announced this weekend and collected the first Sunday of Advent. And with the same heart of concern for our poor brothers and sisters in Israel and Palestine, we thank the Lord for Farid's presence this weekend to sell the holy goods from the Holy Land. "Whatever you've done to the least of these, you've done it to me."

You'll notice the Advent Retreat with Archbishop Richard Gagnon in the bulletin. This excellent spiritual opportunity is a novel variation on the 'mission' theme which has proven unsuccessful on the traditional weeknights. In keeping with our vision of following mission principles in the parish "Rebuilt" experience, we'll throw our energy into the weekend only! Each of the talks on "Gift and Mystery" follow a weekend Mass and will include in close proximity an occasion for the sacrament of reconciliation and potentially a time of silent adoration of the exposed blessed sacrament of Jesus body. Our hope is that without a lot of extra time, you'll come to Mass, take in at least one of Archbishop's talks (all will be different) and get to confession in preparation for Christmas celebrations.

The peace of Christ the King of the Universe be with you.

Fr. Dean



Abp. Richard Gagnon will return to his old Diocese to offer an Advent Retreat weekend December 12/13th. He's pictured with our former Rector, Fr. John Laszczyk and Fr. Bernie Hanley to the right and Pere Benoit Laplante and Fr. Dean Henderson to his left.

Anawim Winter Clothing Drive



Anawim is holding their annual NEW winter clothing drive (including socks, underwear, gloves, toques, parkas, pants). Clothing may be placed in the wrapped box in the Narthex.

If you would like to make a donation but are unable to come to the Cathedral in person, contact Anawim House at info@anawimhouse.com or call 250-382-0283.

For financial contributions, please donate at www.anawimhouse.com or by mail at: Anawim House, 973 Caledonia Avenue, Victoria, BC V8T 1E7.

Your continued generosity in support of Anawim Companions Society is greatly appreciated!

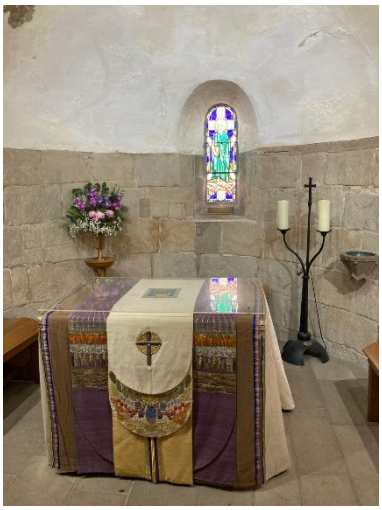
St. Margaret's Chapel

King David I build the chapel in about 1130, probably as part of a great stone tower. He dedicated it to his mother, St. Margaret. The squared stones, distinctive windows and decorated arch reveal its medieval origins.



The chapel was one of the most sacred places in Scotland. The royal family often worshipped within its once brightly painted interior. Robert the Bruce spared the chapel when he destroyed the rest of the castle after it's recapture from England in 1314.

St. Margaret, a Saxon princess, fled to Scotland soon after the Norman conquest of England in 1066. In 1070, she married King Malcom Canmore (who appears in William Shakespeare's play Macbeth) and became renowned for her piety and learning.



After her death in the castle in 1093, Margaret's body was smuggled past a besieging army to be entombed at Dunfermline. She was made Scotland's only royal saint by Pope Innocence IV in 1250. Mary Queen of Scots had a gilded shrine containing Margaret's head brought to the castle in 1566, to protect her during the birth of the future King James VI.

St. Margaret of Scotland, Pray for Us!



News from the Chancery

CCCB urges Parliament to split Bill C-41 and reject advance requests for euthanasia

The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB) is urging Parliament to reconsider proposed changes to federal euthanasia legislation, particularly provisions that would permit advance requests for euthanasia. The bishops are calling for the continued exclusion of euthanasia and assisted suicide when mental illness is the sole underlying medical condition, and the removal of provisions allowing advance requests for euthanasia. To learn more and see how you can support this effort visit: https://www.rcdvictoria.org/news/cccb-urges-parliament-to-split-bill-c-41-and-reject-advance-requests-for-euthanasia

St. Andrew's High School Library Christmas Plant Sale

St. Andrew's Regional High School library is hosting a Christmas plant sale with proceeds going to by library resources for all students, in all grades, in all subjects. Find everything from beautiful red, pink, and white poinsettias, to outdoor porch planters, Christmas Cactus, and more for your home during this special time of year, all while support our students. Easy online ordering at: https://hilltopgreenhouses.com/pages/fundlet/STANDREWS

Mount St. Mary Hospital Holiday Market

Support Mount St. Mary's Hospital at the Holiday Market on Saturday, November 28, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Village Square at Mount St. Mary Hospital (861 Fairfield Road, Victoria). There'll be local vendors, a bake sale, a White Elephant sale, a silent auction, live music and a turkey lunch. The market raises funds for the hospital's Fifth Floor Renewal project.

Our Lady of the Rosary 50/50 Draw

The construction of the new Our Lady of the Rosary Church and Parish Centre is progressing! If you would like to help support the ongoing construction and development costs, you are invited to support their 50/50 Draw. Every ticket purchased contributes directly to completing the new church, where it will serve parishioners and the wider community for generations to come. Purchase your tickets today at: https://rafflebox.ca/raffle/oltrp/

St. Andrews Regional High School Coffeehouse Musical Fundraiser - Nov 25

St. Andrews Regional High School is hosting a Coffeehouse musical fundraiser on November 25 at 7pm. The evening will featuring live performances from St. Andrew's Singers, Concert & Jazz Bands plus many talented solo artists. Tickets are $10 at the door.

Jam the Van Food Drive

Your Knights of Columbus Council 1256 will hold a "Jam the Van" Food Drive for the St. Vincent de Paul Food Bank before and after all Masses on Saturday and Sunday Nov. 28 and 29. The greatest need is canned protein, no more than 1 year past the sell-by date. No dented cans or opened boxes can be accepted.

Cloth bags for this event, provided courtesy of Country Grocer, will be distributed after all Masses on Saturday and Sunday Nov. 21 and 22. Please fill them to the breaking point and return!

For more information please contact:
Joe Cavin, Grand Knight
joseph.cavin@gmail.com
778-533-0405 (cell)



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We Remember, We Celebrate, We Believe

For the month of November a collection of relics, brought to St. Andrew's Cathedral by our third Bishop, Most Reverend Jean Baptiste Brondel O.M.I, will be presented for veneration.



Reliquary A *(from top center then down left to right)*

1. From the Manger of Our Lord Jesus
2. From the stone of the Anointing of Our Lord
3. From the table of the Last Supper
4. From the swaddling clothes of the Infant Jesus
5. Bone from St. Anne, Mother (of Mary)
6. Bone from St. Andrew, Apostle
7. Bone from St. James the Less
8. Bone from St. Thomas Aquinas
9. From the woolen cloak of St. Joseph
10. Bone from St. Charles Borromeo

Reliquary B *(from top center then down left to right)*

1. From the Sudarium (burial facial veil) of our Lord Jesus Christ
2. From the Column of Flagellation of Our Lord
3. Bone from St. Joachim, Father (of Mary)
4. From the Column (of Flagellation) and the Crowning of Our Lord (see "Reliquary B. 2", above)
5. From the Holy Sepulcher of Our Lord
6. Bone from St. James the Greater
7. From the Crown of Thorns of Our Lord
8. St. Francis of Assisi
9. From the "Titulus" (the banner on the Cross)
10. From the Crypt of the Agony of Our Lord

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Advent Retreat

GIFT and MYSTERY

December 12th - 13th, 2026

Saturday December 12th

8:45 AM	Adoration
9:30 AM	Mass
10:15 AM	Conference By Abp. Richard Gagnon
11.00-12.00 PM	Confessions Confessors: Frs. Claude, Dean, Michael Tran, Abp. Gagnon
2:30-4:30 PM	Confessions Confessors: Frs. Sean, Silvan, Abp. Gagnon
5:00 PM	Mass
6:15-7:00 PM	Conference By Abp. Richard Gagnon
7:00 PM	Adoration & Confessions Confessors: Frs. Claude, Dean, Sean, Shijo

Sunday December 13th

9:00 AM	Mass
11:00 AM	Mass
12:30-1:15 PM	Conference By Abp. Richard Gagnon
2:30-4:30 PM	Confessions Confessors: Frs. Alfredo, Dean, Sean, Abp. Gagnon



Retreat Speaker

Abp. Emeritus Richard Gagnon

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