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Office Hours: Monday to Friday, 8:30 am - 4:00 pm

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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 —			
Prep Class	Baptism	Prep Class	Baptism
Mar 7 May 9	Jan 25 (9 am) Mar 22 (11 am) May 30 (5 pm)	July 4 Sep 12	July 26 (9 am) Sep 27 (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.

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 parish office by phone (250-388-5571) or by email (standrewscathedral@gmail.com).

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Weekday Eucharistic Liturgies

Monday - Friday: 12:10 pm
Wednesday & Thursday: 5:00 pm

Weekend Eucharistic Liturgies

Saturday: 9:30 am and 5:00 pm (Anticipated Sunday)
Sunday: 9:00 am, 11:00 am, 5:00 pm

Eucharistic Adoration

Saturday: 8:50 am – 9:20am

Reconciliation

Monday – Thursday: 11:30 am – 12:00 pm
Friday: 10:30 am – 11:30 am
Saturday: after morning Mass (*upon request*)
3:45 pm – 4:45 pm

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:

- ☐ New parishioner
- ☐ Current parishioner (change of address)

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone (H): _____ (Cell): _____

Email: _____

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

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

Cathedral Hours: Mon - Fri: 10 am - 4 pm; Sat/Sun: 8 am - 6 pm

Mon Jan 19

11:30 am Sacrament of Reconciliation

12:10 pm **MASS** for Ron Boechler +

Tue Jan 20

11:30 am Sacrament of Reconciliation

12:10 pm **MASS** for the intention of Diane Picken

6:00 pm Legion of Mary (*DCR*)

7:30 pm Prayer Group (*Zoom*)

Wed Jan 21 ST. AGNES

7:00 am Men's Scripture Study (*Library*)

(*Parish Office Opens at 9:30 am*)

11:30 am Sacrament of Reconciliation

12:10 pm **MASS** for Leo Biggie +

2:00 pm Who am I to Judge Faith Study (*CDR*)

6:30 pm Who am I to Judge Faith Study (*Zoom*)

5:00 pm **MASS** for Norma +

6:00 pm Break Free (*MTL*) +

Thu Jan 22

11:30 am Sacrament of Reconciliation

12:10 pm **MASS** for the intention of John Simpson

5:00 pm **MASS** for Clifford Carvalho +

Fri Jan 23

10:30 am Sacrament of Reconciliation

10:45 am Lectio Divina (*Library*)

12:10 pm **MASS** for Lope M Ponferrada +

Sat Jan 24 ST. FRANCIS DE SALES

8:50 am Eucharistic Adoration

9:30 am Mass in Thanksgiving

3:45 pm Sacrament of Reconciliation

5:00 pm **MASS** for Maurice St Hilaire +

Sun Jan 25 3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:00 am **MASS** for Joanne Gunoff +

11:00 am **MASS** for St. Andrew's Cathedral Parishioners

1:00 pm El Shaddai (*Seghers' Hall*)

5:00 pm **MASS** for the intentions of the Peters' Family

WELCOME

Fr Bernard Cotter into the community of St Andrew's and we pray he may enjoy a holy and restful sabbatical from his pastoral duties in Ireland.



"Creating a culture of vocation at the Cathedral"

"Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world."

A peaceful, prayerful scene at dawn. John the Baptist stands slightly in the background, gently pointing toward Jesus, who is walking toward the light. Jesus is portrayed as the Lamb of God—radiant yet humble—surrounded by a warm, golden glow symbolizing **mercy and salvation**. In the foreground, a young man kneels in quiet prayer, his face thoughtful and open, symbolizing vocational discernment. A soft light rests upon him, suggesting God's gentle call.



The photo above is from a UVic/Camosun Chaplaincy Mass at Holy Cross in 2014. Pictured are Fr. Harrison when still a Deacon (a UVic alumni), Bishop Gary, Fr. Dean; and serving are students Kent Grealy (now Fr. Grealy of the Confraternity of St. Peter, serving the extraordinary form Latin Mass community in Vancouver); Julian Malanowski (as of July, Fr. Malanowski of the community of Christ the King Italy, but serving an extraordinary form Latin Mass community in Limerick Ireland); and Carl Rethmeier who is married and living in Ottawa.



Fr. Julian on his ordination day

From the Rector's Desk

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

As mentioned, and hopefully as you've noticed, we have a new feature section of the bulletin devoted to 'Cultivating a culture of Vocation' at St. Andrew's. I hope it will prove inspirational as well as fruitful in fostering all kinds of vocations: priestly, religious and lay. Related to the subject, I was sent by a parishioner some photos (sample attached) that brought to mind my ministry as Campus Chaplain from 2007 to 2019. One Campus Mass with Bishop Gary in 2014 I was in the sanctuary with then Deacon Harrison Ayre (currently on sabbatical in Edmonton to complete his PhD.) and two young UVic students who went off to become priests in traditional 'extraordinary form' (Latin Mass) communities; Frs. Kent Grealy and Julian Malonowski. I suspect that at the



outset of these men's undergraduate studies at UVic, they could not have foreseen a future as Catholic priests, and certainly it was a surprise to me. However, there are lessons to be learned in creating a culture of vocational discernment, one of which is if you have a son that just 'might' have a calling from the Lord for lifelong priestly service – introduce him to altar

serving. He needs to have received his first communion and confirmation, and be teachable while enjoying the service of Christ at the altar. Women's vocations are equally important and require some special cultivation, but more on that in another issue.

Now that the holy and harried wonderful Christmas season is 'under our belt', we have five short weeks of 'Ordinary Time' until the commencement of Lent with Ash Wednesday on February 18th. The RCIA community begins to ramp up the candidates' formation, children's catechism classes zero in on their Pentecost Sunday preparation for Confirmation and First Holy Communion, and generally we all just hunker down in a season of 'faith work'. As a Catholic Philosopher said simply of the Reformation tendency to separate FAITH and WORKS – both are necessary because true "FAITH WORKS". The office will have a little strain for the next 3 weeks while Anjali visits her mother in India, but we'll be welcoming a new priest to the Rectory, Fr. Bernard Cotter from County Cork Ireland. While he's needing to spend time in

personal studies and renewal, you'll undoubtedly be seeing him at Masses.

Don't forget the pastoral invitation to come for intercessory prayer after this weekend's Sunday 11 am Mass for any and all needs. We continue to strive to offer outstanding liturgical worship which fosters a genuine sense of loving community. I'm attempting to be patient as we wait for Iason's Government of Canada work permit to come and take up his Musical position amongst us. Continue to hound heaven with this petition please.

Blessings upon you and your families.

Fr. Dean

2026 Collection Envelopes



The 2026 numbered collection envelopes are still available at the back of the Cathedral for pickup for those currently using these donation envelopes.

If you're new to the parish and/or would like a boxed set of envelopes assigned to you, please contact the parish office at 250-388-5571 or email saintandrewscathedral@gmail.com

PLEASE DO NOT USE numbered envelopes from previous years as that number may no longer belong to you and you might not get credited for the donation.

For your convenience, we also offer the following additional options for your financial contributions to the parish:

1. **Pre-Authorized Debit** (automatically out of your bank account on a monthly basis)
2. **Credit Card** (VISA or M/C) transactions (automatically billed to your credit card on a monthly basis)
3. **Gifts of Publicly Traded Securities and Mutual Funds**
4. **E-transfer** (direct it to: saintandrewsoffice@gmail.com and be sure to include your full name in the "Message" box)
5. **Online Giving** (via our Canada Helps page: <https://www.canadahelps.org/en/dn/16980>. Not only is it the fastest and easiest way to give a one-time donation to the parish, you get a tax receipt right away!)

Please contact the parish office for more information if you'd like to proceed with options 1 - 3.

Change of Address?



If you have moved or changed your email/phone number in the past year or so, please make sure to update your information with the parish office. Tax receipts for 2025 donations will be prepared soon and having updated information will help the parish save on postage expenses by reducing returned mail.

Recollections for men and women

What better way to start the new year than with a recollection? It's a time we set aside to go deeper into our relationship with God. We spend some time in conversation with Him -- guided by meditation and an examination of conscience. A priest of Opus Dei will be available for confession and/or spiritual direction.

† An evening recollection for women will be held on **Monday, January 19th** from **6:15-8 p.m.** at **St. Joseph the Worker** parish, 753 Burnside Road West, Victoria. It will be preceded by Mass at 5:30 p.m.

† An evening recollection for men will be held on **Tuesday, January 20th** from **6-8 p.m.** at **Sacred Heart** parish, 4040 Nelthorpe Street, Victoria. It will be preceded by Mass at 5:15 p.m.

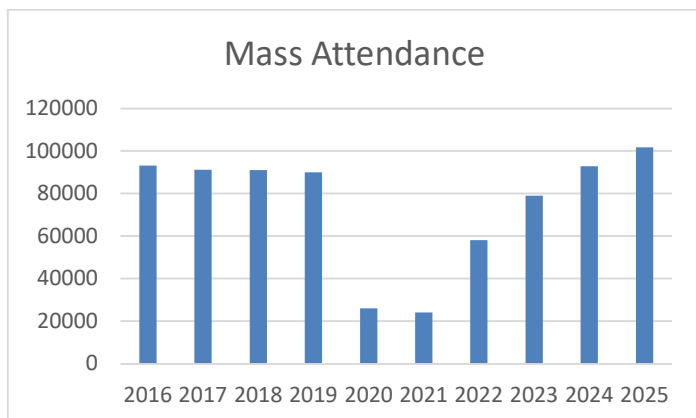
Did You Know: Mass Attendance

In 2025, Cathedral Mass attendance was at a record level, with over 100,000 attendances at Sunday services.

This is highest number of attendances in the last 10 years (2015 to 2025).

Over the last 2 years, attendances have grown by about 29%, with an increase of 18% in 2024 and 9.5% in 2025

	2024	2025	Total
Mass Attendance	17.6%	9.5%	28.7%



From the Desk of Respect Life Ministry

Annette Turgeon

Intercessory Prayer

Intercessory prayer is a vital practice in the Christian faith. It involves praying on behalf of others. This gift allows believers to support one another spiritually. Through intercession, prayers become a powerful tool for change.

Intercessory prayer means praying specifically for others. Unlike personal prayer, where one asks God for their own needs or guidance, intercession focuses entirely on the needs of the person asking for prayer. It is an act of love and compassion, showing concern for the well-being of others. Intercessors stand in the gap between God and those they pray for, acting as spiritual advocates. This kind of prayer is often persistent and filled with faith, trusting that God hears and responds.

Divine Mercy Devotion

St. Patrick's Parish (2060 Haultain Street) offers Divine Mercy Devotion every Friday at 3 pm. On the 1st Friday of the month, the group hosts a potluck and fellowship after prayer. All are welcome. For more details; contact lorrie561@icloud.com

News from the Chancery

- The 2026 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity will take place on January 25, 2026, during the evensong service at Christ Church Cathedral in Victoria. The service begins at 4 pm, and there will be a reception to follow. All are welcome. This service will be livestreamed on the Christ Church Cathedral website: <https://www.christchurchcathedral.bc.ca/live>
- Voices in Motion is seeking "duets" for its winter choir session—each duet is an adult experiencing memory loss together with their caregiver. No singing experience is needed; you are welcome to visit a rehearsal and give it a try. Rehearsals are 90 minutes of music and community, with choirs meeting Wednesdays at Sacred Heart Parish Hall and Fridays at the UVic MultiFaith Centre. For more information, please visit www.voicesinmotionchoirs.org.

REPORT SEXUAL ABUSE TO AN INDEPENDENT AGENCY

To report sexual abuse by a clergy member, religious, employee, or volunteer, visit RCDVictoria.org/Responsible-Ministry or call: **1-800-968-3146**

To report sexual abuse or cover-up by a Catholic Bishop, visit BishopReportingSystem.ca or call: **1-866-892-3737**

Groups to Join at St. Andrew's

BIBLE STUDY

Seasonal guided weekly bible studies. Registration required.

Contact: **Bernadette O'Connor**

bernadette.oconnor@wsp.com 250-896-4136

LECTIO DIVINA

Weekly prayerful reflection and sharing on a scripture passage

Contact: **Rod Crutcher** rodcrutcher@me.com

MEN'S SCRIPTURE STUDY (Wed @ 7 am - Parish Library)

Focusing on specific Bible passages for Sunday's Mass

Led by Father Dean Contact the Parish office to register

SMALL-GROUP FAITH STUDY

Small-group faith study that focuses on the person of Jesus

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YOUNG ADULTS GROUP

Monthly Eucharistic adoration followed by fellowship

Contact: **Alastair Mascarenhas** alastairmascar@hotmail.com

FAMILY MINISTRY

1st Sunday monthly potluck gathering for families with children

Contact: **Andrea & Stephen Collins**

awalkercollins@gmail.com 778-966-4623

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Evangelistic community of families empowered by the Holy Spirit

Contact: **Alvin & Michelle Almonte**

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PEOPLE OF HOPE PRAYER GROUP

Charismatic prayer group that meets weekly online (Zoom)

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250-896-4136

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