

ST. ANDREW'S CATHEDRAL

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Office Hours: Monday to Friday, 8:30 am - 4:00 pm
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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 9 **DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA**
11:30 am Sacrament of Reconciliation
12:00 pm **MASS** for Ceferino G. Valencia +

Tue Nov 10 **ST. LEO THE GREAT**
11:30 am Sacrament of Reconciliation
12:10 pm **MASS** for Pedro Kwan & Family +
6:00 pm Legion of Mary *(DCR)*
7:30 pm Prayer Group *(Zoom)*

Wed Nov 11 ST. MARTIN OF TOURS
Parish Office Closed & Cathedral Closed after Mass for Remembrance Day
11:30 am Sacrament of Reconciliation
12:10 pm **MASS** for those who have died in War and for Peace +
7:00 pm Choir Practice (9 am) *(CDR)*

Thu Nov 12 **ST. JOSAPHAT**
11:30 am Sacrament of Reconciliation
12:10 pm **MASS** for Art Laakso +
7:00 pm Choir Practice (11 am) *(CDR)*

Fri Nov 13
10:30 am Sacrament of Reconciliation
10:45 am Lectio Divina *(Library)*
12:00 pm **REMEMBRANCE MASS** for diocesan clergy & religious
7:00 pm Couples for Christ Prayer Assembly *(Seghers Hall)*

Sat Nov 14
8:25 am Rosary for Vocations
8:50 am Eucharistic Adoration
9:30 am **MASS** for Anthony Kinahan +
3:45 pm Sacrament of Reconciliation
5:00 pm **MASS** for Norman R. Dube +

Sun Nov 15 **33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
9:00 am **MASS** for Morettin & Battiston Families +
11:00 am **MASS** for St. Andrew's Cathedral Parishioners
12:30 pm Sacramental Preparation *(Parish Centre)*
5:00 pm **MASS** for Anna Giang +

Seeking: Tech Tutor

Retired long-time parishioner looking for a one-on-one tech tutor.

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Celebrating Vocations at the Cathedral

"Keep watch, because you do not know the day or the hour."

(Matthew 25:13)

Being watchful means living with purpose and readiness to meet the Lord. Those discerning vocations learn to trust His timing and direction.

What does "being ready" look like in your spiritual life right now?

Pray for discerners to remain attentive to God's call and to respond promptly when they hear His voice.

Jesus calls us to be ready, attentive, and faithful to His invitation. Priesthood and consecrated life ask for hearts that remain vigilant, prepared to serve God and His people with generosity and love. Pray for guidance and clarity in discerning how He may be calling you to serve. 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:** $ 78,653.36; **Number of Gifts:** 221

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

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time **November 8, 2026**

Amongst the varied activities of our packed agenda for the Diocesan leadership 'study days' in Gold River last week was an optional water taxi trip to Yuquot or 'Friendly Cove'. At one point in history, it was a thriving First Nation village on Nootka Island and a home base for whaling hunts. Currently, it's the home of lighthouse personnel and a single Muchalat/Mowachaht family.



Some will recognize the beautiful Emily Carr painting of the first Yuquot Village Church which has been replaced by a third 1950's Church building still used for cultural and spiritual gatherings (image on the left). In fact, Bishop Gary led all of us and our First Nation Elder Margarita in praying (ironically) the luminous mysteries of the Rosary in the darkened historic building (there's no electricity). This is the location of the first contact with Europeans and First Nations on the West Coast of what would become Canada, in the late 1700's. A stained-glass window in the decommissioned Catholic Church is the image of a treaty signed there by Captains George Vancouver and Bodega y Quadra, and witnessed by Chief Maquinna, to settle an international Spanish/English dispute. (see image below).



It was a holy experience in a holy, rugged, and remote place of such historic significance. As a special treat, the Lord granted a visit to the pristine pebble beach of a humpback whale that spent the day rubbing itself upon the smooth stones within incredible proximity to our intrepid band of awed clergy and leaders. It was a sight of marine life rarely witnessed by humans and we all left feeling quite blessed.

With our celebrations of All Saints and All Souls (an impressive number of people gathered for our evening liturgy to commemorate the faithful departed) and anticipating the civic Remembrance Day holiday on Wednesday the 11th, we're well into the month of memory. As the 11th is a holiday, we'll close the Church after the noon Mass and adoration is cancelled. On the 13th the bishop will celebrate the Mass of Remembrance for the Diocesan clergy and religious who've been 'born into eternal life'.

The next day on the 14th we commence our conference on 'Dying with Christ, Heading for Heaven: a Christian Response to Medical intentional hastening of death' with Deacon Larry Worthen. Our registration at the time of writing is underwhelming compared to our hopes for 200 to attend. Please consider registering to help us build a Cathedral culture of compassionate care for all, especially the vulnerable. After Mass last week, a woman told me she'd been approached 14 times to consider MAID. Ghastly!

On the horizon, during Advent, we're planning for an Advent Retreat weekend with retired Abp. Richard Gagnon December 12/13 so mark your calendars now. Simbang Gabi will commence on the 15th, and like two years ago we'll have a Christmas Gift Book Mission with Matthew Kelly's "33 Days of Miracles, Wonders, and Grace". Stay tuned.

Peace be with you and those you love,

Fr. Dean

News from the Chancery

Mass of Remembrance - Friday, Nov 13

On Friday, November 13, 2026, Bishop Gary will celebrate a Mass of Remembrance for the clergy and religious who served in our Diocese who have died in the past year. The Mass will be held at noon; all are invited to participate, either in person at St. Andrew's Cathedral in Victoria (740 View St), or via the Diocesan livestream at: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dTQixY-wYAw

2026 Diocese Faith Day

All are invited to attend the Diocese of Victoria's annual Faith Day on Saturday, November 21, 2026. The day will begin with Mass at 9:00 am at Sacred Heart Parish (4040 Nelthorpe St, Victoria), followed by speaker at St. Andrew's Regional High School (880 McKenzie Ave, Victoria). Our keynote speaker, Dr. Donna M. Beegle, will speak on "Who Is My Neighbour? Relationship and Belonging with the Poor" as we recognize Christ in the face of the needy and the suffering. Learn more about the 2026 Diocesan Faith Day here: https://diocesan-faith-day-2026.eventbrite.ca

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/

Aid to the Church in Need (ACN)
Red Wednesday, Nov 18

Aid to the Church in Need (ACN) is a Catholic and Pontifical organization that supports poor, oppressed, and persecuted communities. Each year, ACN hosts "Red Wednesday," an event that raises awareness about the persecution and injustice suffered by Christians, while promoting respect, tolerance, and religious freedom for people of all faiths. This year's event will take place on Wednesday, November 18, 2026. Further information and resources are available online at: https://acn-canada.org/red-wednesday/

Book of Remembrance & Banners

Sheets which you may use to write the names of your departed loved ones may be found at the back of the church. Once completed, these sheets may be put in our Book of Remembrance which will be placed on a special table by the Sanctuary for the month of November.

We will also be displaying banners around the church containing the names of those who have been buried from the Cathedral from 1899 - 2016. Names of those who have died after 2017 will be placed in our Book of Remembrance as we wait to have sufficient names to print up a new banner to display.

Wood Carvings from Bethlehem and Jerusalem



On Saturday, November 21st following the 5pm Mass, and Sunday, November 22nd following the morning masses only, you are invited to take a look at the religious olive wood carvings that will be on display in the Cathedral Narthex. These religious articles can be used as gifts for first communions, Christmas and other occasions.

Please note: payment by cash or e-transfer only.

Parish Finances: September 2026

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"As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace."

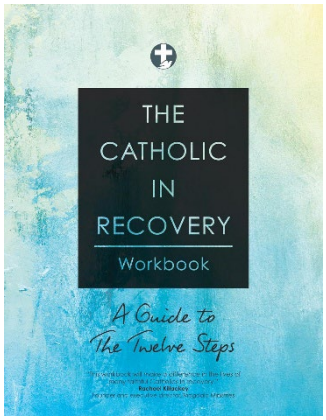
1 Peter 4:10

OPERATIONS	SEPTEMBER YTD 2026	SEPTEMBER YTD 2025
Collections	$597,649	$513,447
Total Expenses	$687,363	$576,782
Deficit	**($89,714)**	**($63,395)**

THANK YOU

A note of thanks, and appreciation, to parishioners for their ongoing financial contributions, and generosity, in support of the operations of St. Andrew's Cathedral. As shown in the table above, collections are $84,000 (16%) higher than that of last year. Parishioner donations cover a large - but not complete - share of parish operating costs, with other revenue sources (facility rentals, etc.) funding the remaining expenses.

Catholic in Recovery



St Andrew's Cathedral is launching **Catholic in Recovery**, formerly Break Free, a ministry helping adult men overcome struggles with purity through the 12 steps and the wisdom of our Catholic faith. Beginning **October 28**, the group will meet **Wednesdays at 7 pm in the parish centre**. All men over 20 are welcome.

To register, contact Rob at **catholic.in.recovery.victoria@gmail.com** or **778-587-6421**. We're also seeking facilitators over 20 with 12-step experience.

Men who struggle — we invite you to step into freedom this Fall. Don't wait! There is no better time to start your journey to purity than now.

For more information about the program, please see https://catholicinrecovery.com/

Italy Pilgrimage Opportunity with Fr. Joseph Yuson

Fr. Joseph Yuson, with gracious assistance of Fr. Dean N. Henderson, is organizing an additional pilgrimage to Italy in April 2027 and invites anyone in the Diocese who may be interested to join.

Pilgrims will have the opportunity to visit many sacred and historic sites in Assisi, Siena, Rome, and more! Registration forms are available in the Cathedral Narthex and the Parish office.

GLORIA Christmas Market Saturday, December 5

Join us for the GLORIA Christmas Market at St. Joseph the Worker Parish Hall in Victoria on Saturday, December 5, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Discover more than 30 local vendors, enjoy live Christmas music, refreshments, and children's activities, and celebrate the season with family and friends. Presented in partnership with the Catholic Women's League and Knights of Columbus.

Admission by donation. All are welcome!



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

DYING WITH CHRIST, HEADING FOR HEAVEN:

A CHRISTIAN RESPONSE TO M.A.I.D.

A Seminar Hosted by St. Andrew's Cathedral



KEYNOTE: DEACON LARRY WORTHEN FROM HALIFAX N.S.

Deacon Larry is the Executive Director of the Christian Medical and Dental Association of Canada and an expert on MAID in Canada. He will be preaching at all weekend Masses, as well as teaching at the Seminar, as he promotes The Gospel of Life in the midst of an advancing culture of death.

The Christian Medical and Dental Association of Canada exists to engage, encourage, and equip physicians and dentists to glorify God by integrating the gospel in practice.

Visitor: Christ's hope and healing for every patient.

November 14
Mass at 8:30am at
St. Andrew's Cathedral
Seminar begins at 9:30am
Seminar ends at 3pm

Registration
This seminar is for 16 and over.
Cost $25.00 (includes lunch)
Registration through the office.

Contact us for more information and Registration
250-388-5571
standrewscathedral@gmail.com

TOPICS COVERED DURING THE SEMINAR

Suffering with Dignity in Christ
Responding to a request for MAID

Understanding MAiD in Canada

Dying in Christ as anticipation for Heaven.
Preparing for death

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