

Saanich Peninsula Parish

A ROMAN CATHOLIC COMMUNITY IN COVENANT WITH ST. STEPHEN'S ANGLICAN CHURCH

Our Mission Statement: "Let us be open accepting individuals sensitive to change and willing to take courses untraditional, unknown to us. Let us live as examples of God's love."

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SUNDAY EUCHARIST

ST. ELIZABETH'S, 10030 Third Street, Sidney: **Sat. 4:30 pm and Sunday 10:30 am.**

OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION, 7742 West Saanich Rd.: **Mass suspended temporarily**

WEEKDAY MASSES

AT ST. ELIZABETH'S: Tues., Wed., Thurs. & first Friday of the month: 9:00 am

RECONCILIATION at ST. ELIZABETH'S: Saturdays 3:30 – 4:00 pm or by appointment.

NEXT 2 WEEKS IN OUR PARISH

While Fr. Rolf is away on retreat June 5-9 there is no 9:00 am weekday mass

SATURDAY, June 3, 10

3:30 pm Confessions

4:30 pm Mass at St. Elizabeth

SUNDAY, June 4, 11

10:30 am Mass at St. Elizabeth

11:30 am Filipino Luncheon (June 11)

TUESDAY, June 6, 13

9:00 am Mass at St. Elizabeth (June 13 only)

7:15 pm K of C Executive Meeting (June 6)

WEDNESDAY, June 7, 14

9:00 am Mass at St. Elizabeth (June 14 only)

10:00 am Taiji Qigong

THURSDAY, June 8, 15

9:00 am Mass at St. Elizabeth (June 15 only)

FRIDAY, June 9, 16

9:00 am Mass at St. Elizabeth (June 16 only)

SATURDAY, June 10, 17

3:30 pm Confessions

4:30 pm Mass at St. Elizabeth

Pastor's corner June 4 & 11, 2023

Earlier in May I wrote in the bulletin how our Parish is very generous in our support for organizations which help children and youth become full members of their communities. On a yearly basis we financially help families and youths so that they can pursue wholesome life formation and education whether it is with Hanti Sidra in South Sudan & Eritrea or whether through Pasobolong in Mindanao Philippines, or through the Dominican Missionary Sisters in Timor Leste. In addition individuals and couples in the Parish sponsor children and youths through other organizations.

Here in Canada there also exists **CHALICE**. **This weekend of June 3 and 4 you will be invited with a video and personal testimony to consider becoming a sponsor of a child or elder with Chalice**, Canada's largest Catholic child sponsorship organization, founded in 1992 by Fr. Pat Cosgrove in Nova Scotia and which now supports some 50,000 children and elders in 13 developing countries. Chalice has an A rating with Charity Intelligence and after overhead costs commits 90 % of its spending in support of programs. You will get a charitable tax receipts for the full amount of your sponsorship.

Here are a few points which you are encouraged to consider :

What should I know before I become a sponsor?

- That you are going to make a great difference to a child (or elder) and their family!

- Sponsorship is \$42 per month or \$504 annually.
- Children are enrolled for sponsorship based on need and family circumstances, regardless of race, age, ability, gender, or religion. The children are not necessarily Catholic, although many are.

Sponsorship does not necessarily end at age 18. If your child pursues further education, you can still sponsor (at the same rate) for as long as s/he is studying.

My charitable giving decisions are based on research and financial trustworthiness. Why choose Chalice?

- Chalice has an A rating and is ranked in the Charity Intelligence Top 100 charities.
- For a dollar donated, after overhead costs of fundraising and admin/management, Chalice commits 90.2 percent of its spending in support of programs.
- Chalice's sponsorship model pairs one child with one sponsor. Read more about our family funding model, which is unique in Canada.
- Chalice is in control of distributing funds. The distribution of funds is mandated by Canada Revenue Agency regulations. We are audited by an external auditor and internal auditor. All the funds that are sent to the sites are audited on a quarterly basis.
- You can read our Annual Reports and financial statements at any time. Check out Annual Report & Financials.
- Chalice respects our supporters' privacy. We keep all information on our supporters (and sponsored children) in a very secure system and do not release names or other information to other organizations.
- Chalice is a registered charity in Canada under the Income Tax Act. Our CRA Registration Number is 13759 1012 RR0001.

There is so much need in the world...how can I choose a child/elder?

- There are no "wrong choices"- every child or elder is in significant need of sponsorship. If there is a country, age, or gender that speaks to your heart the most, then feel free to let that guide your decision.
- You can also contact us and we will help you choose.
- If you are concerned about the duration of your sponsorship, perhaps consider an older teenager who may only need a few more years of support to complete their education

I'm a sponsor! What does that mean for me?

- You will receive correspondence from your child every year at Christmastime. This will include a new photo, a letter from your sponsor child and a status report from a Field Worker. You will also receive a Christmas card along with a sponsor site update from the Site Director.
- If you need to change your mailing address or anything else about your personal information, just contact us.
- You can write to your child at any time. We highly encourage this! Your sponsored friend would love to know more about you and your family. Many sponsors build strong bonds through their letters. Learn all about how to write to your child.
- We do not facilitate email correspondence or encourage social media connections. This protects both you and your friend's safety and privacy.
- You will get an official tax receipt for the full amount of your sponsorship. Income tax receipts are issued each February for donations processed in the previous year.

Report Sexual Abuse

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

[CHURCH RENOVATION: COLOUR](#)

Thank you for indicating your colour preference of the hardy plank (concrete board pre-painted at the factory) for the upper envelope of the exterior of the church. It seems that the **BLUE** colour is preferred and this has been communicated to the contractor Wakefield.



KIDS CORNER !! [Click Here for June 4, 2023 Children's Liturgy](#)

[FILIPINO LUNCH: JUNE 11 after the 10:30am Mass](#)

Next Sunday June 11, the Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a Philippines' inspired lunch after the 10:30 mass. This will be a by-donation- lunch cooked by Judith Asence and her friends. This is an opportunity for the parish to recognise this particular community that is a vital part of our parish. Please attend and know that any funds raised will be donated to a Philippines based charity with a top up from the Knights of Columbus.

[DEVELOPMENT & PEACE POT LUCK: JUNE 6](#)

Development and Peace is hosting an inter-parish pot luck social on Tues. June 6 at Sacred Heart Church Hall, 6:00-8:00 pm. Bring a contribution of entrée, salad or dessert; beverages provided. RSVP to 250-477-6952 or Nancy-stuart@shaw.ca . If you have an interest in social justice issues, please join us for a meal and fellowship.

[LIBRARY CORNER](#)

Father's Day is coming up on June 18; here is an idea for an alternative gift from the usual ties and socks. Why not donate a book to the library in a loved one's name? We will have a wide selection of books to choose from on display in June on both Saturday the 10TH and Sunday the 11TH as well as on Saturday the 17TH and Sunday, Father's Day June 18TH .

[SURVEY REGARDING THE DIOCESAN APPEAL](#)

The Diocese of Victoria Development Office has created a survey to collect information about the 2022 Bishop's Appeal: *Growing Together* from parishioners. Please read the letter and if you wish to complete the survey you will also find it within the following link: <https://www.rcdvictoria.org/growing-together-2022>). The survey closes on June 12th. The valuable input from this survey will help the Diocese plan for future Appeals.

[NEWS from the DIOCESE:](#)

The [Diocesan Family Camp & Conference](#) will be held on August 17th – 20th. Registration is open for all families in the Diocese of Victoria and beyond. For more info and to register, please visit:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/9th-diocesan-familyconference-august-2023-tickets-593430365197>

Rachel's Vineyard will be hosting their first retreat on Vancouver Island from Aug. 25-27 at the Bethlehem Centre in Nanaimo (2371 Arbot Rd). This ministry is a safe place for people to renew, rebuild and redeem hearts broken by abortion. Weekend retreats offer a supportive, confidential and non-judgmental environment where women and men can express, release, and reconcile painful post-abortive emotions to begin the process of restoration, renewal, and healing. For info contact Nicola at: rachelsvineyardvancouverisland@gmail.com