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## July 14<sup>th</sup>, 2024 – 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Weekend Masses:** Saturday 5:00 pm in English  
Sunday 11:00 am in Portuguese  
12:30 pm in Spanish

**Weekday Masses:** 9:00 am – Tuesday to Friday

**Confessions:** Saturdays, 4:00 pm

**Adoration:** Thursdays, 6:00 pm

**Baptisms and Weddings:** Please contact the office

**Anointing: Hospital Chaplain: 250-889-3761**

### Weekly Cost and Collection Amounts

July 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Church costs: \$3,663

Our collection: \$2,802

Shortage: - \$ 861

Tues, July 16 9:00 am	
Wed, July 17 9:00 am	
Thur, July 18 9:00 am	
Fri, July 19 9:00 am	
Sat, July 20 5:00 pm	† João e Tony Garcia (Cecilia Garcia) † Judite Costa (Fernanda de Medeiros)
Sun, July 21 11:00 am	† Mike Pancel (Maria Pancel) † Pelas intenções de Virginia Ferreira
12:30 pm	



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<b>Saturday July 20<sup>th</sup> at 5PM</b>
Readers: Bob Antaya Veronica Faria
Euc Min: Christina Santos
<b>Sunday July 21<sup>st</sup> at 11AM</b>
Readers: Manuela Furtado Lourdes Frias
Euc Min: Kristina Braz
<b>Sunday July 21<sup>st</sup> at 12:30PM</b>
Readers: Noelia Rivera Olga Andino
Euc Min: Mario Palacios

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**REPORT SEXUAL ABUSE TO AN INDEPENDENT REPORTING AGENCY**

To report sexual abuse by a clergy member, religious, employee, or volunteer, call 1-800-968-3146

To report sexual abuse or cover-up by a Bishop, [click here](#) or call 1-866-892-3737

***Thank you***

Father Eduardo would like to thank the Organizing Committee and everyone who attended his birthday celebration on Sunday, July 7<sup>th</sup>. It was a wonderful party with lots of people, food, and entertainment.

**Announcements / Avisos**

**Serra Club**

Serra is a global organization of lay Catholics who promote and foster vocations to the priesthood and consecrated religious life. Work is underway to start a Serra club in our Diocese, and the organizers invite everyone to their 2nd Anniversary Celebration on Thursday, July 25 at Our Lady of Fatima Parish in Victoria (4635 Elk Lake Dr). Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will start at 6 pm, with Mass at 6:30 and a small reception to follow. To learn more about Serra, please visit <https://serracanada.com/about-serra/>

**Serra Clube**

Serra é uma organização global de leigos católicos que promove vocações ao sacerdócio e à vida religiosa. Estão em curso trabalhos para iniciar um clube da Serra na nossa Diocese, e os organizadores convidam todos para a celebração do seu 2º aniversário na quinta-feira, 25 de julho, na Paróquia de Nossa Senhora de Fátima em Victoria (4635 Elk Lake Dr). A Adoração ao Santíssimo Sacramento terá início às 18h00, com missa às 18h30 e a seguir uma pequena recepção. Para saber mais sobre Serra, visite <https://serracanada.com/about-serra/>

**News From the Diocese**

1) The Catholic Women's Leadership Foundation is now accepting applications for the 2025-2026 cohort of their Leadership Program. This certificate program, offered in partnership with Saint Paul University in Ottawa, was developed to help Catholic women strengthen their leadership skills in an environment which integrates faith and spirituality. The program will begin in June 2025 and is offered mainly online, with a final in-person residency in Ottawa in June 2026. For more information and to apply, please visit <https://www.cwlfcanada.ca/>. The application deadline is December 15, 2024.

**Catechism**

A reminder to anyone interested in registering their children into our Catechism program for this September. Your child must be in at least grade 2 at school and your family must be registered at Our Lady of Fatima. Please see Father Eduardo to pick up a registration form.

**Catecismo**

Um lembrete para todos os interessados em inscrever os seus filhos no nosso programa de Catecismo, que terá início em Setembro. O seu filho deve estar pelo menos no 2º ano da escola e a sua família deve estar matriculada em Nossa Senhora de Fátima. Consulte o Padre Eduardo para levantar a ficha de inscrição.

**Homily  
15<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

A reoccurring theme in the message of Jesus is that of surrendering all to God. Three examples are: *“I came down from heaven not to do my own will but the will of the one who sent me.”* “He advanced a little and fell prostrate in prayer, saying, *“My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from me; yet, not as I will, but as you will.”* and the third is probably most familiar to us in that when Jesus taught the Lord’s Prayer we pray, *“thy will be done.”* In the Gospel this weekend Jesus instructs the disciples that one must leave your possessions behind. In a sense he is saying not to think about possessions, think about serving the Lord. This reflects the first of the great commandments that Jesus gives us, *“You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul and all your mind.”* Jesus is not seeking half-hearted followers, but only those who have the desire to wholeheartedly embrace him.

Jesus tells his disciples this as he gives them instructions before sending them out to minister. He is not only giving them the mission of preaching repentance and casting out demons, he is also giving them a very basic lesson on the cost of discipleship. To be a Disciple of Jesus costs all that we have. There is no room for the dollar store disciple, or a disciple with coupons that will allow him to save something. To be a disciple of Jesus one must be willing to surrender all to the Lord. He is very particular about this, *“take nothing for the journey but a walking stick – no food, no sack, no money in your belts.”* This giving up of our heart, our will and our mind is to be done freely, for God cannot force us to surrender. He instructs, encourages and invites, but there is always the freedom to hold back.

Through our Baptism and Confirmation, we are called to take on the mission of Christ. It is the mission we see in the Gospel for today as Jesus sends out the Apostles to minister two by two. It is the mission Jesus gives to the Apostles the Disciples and the Church in Matthew’s Gospel at the Ascension, *“Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit...”*

My brothers and sisters **this is our mission**, and we prepare best for it when we surrender more and more of ourselves and welcome Christ more and more into our lives.