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Pastor: Fr. Eduardo da Silva Santos
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September 29th, 2024 – 26th 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

Sept 22th, 2024

Church costs: \$3,663

Our collection: \$1,787

Shortage: - \$1,876

Tues, Oct 1 9:00 am	
Wed, Oct 2 9:00 am	
Thur, Oct 3 9:00am	† Adam Lavoie and Family † Harold and Carolyn Myers and families
Fri, Oct 4 9:00 am	
6:30 pm	
Sat, Oct 5 9:00 am	† Jack and Georgia Travis and families
5:00 pm	† Manuel Furtado Carreiro e famílias falecidos (Rita Carreiro) † Maria e Jaime Amaral (família)
Sun, Oct 6 11:00 am	† Aniversário de Manuel e Virginia Furtado † Elizabet, Lurdes e Manuel Braga
12:30 pm	



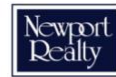
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Saturday Oct 5th at 5PM
Readers: Mishelle Braz Philip Braz
Euc Min: Philip Braz
Sunday Oct 6th at 11AM
Readers: Connie Pereira Christina Santos
Euc Min: Lourdes Frias
Sunday Oct 6th at 12:30PM
Readers: Claudia Garcia Oscar Hinojosa
Euc Min: Carlos Perez

Cleaning:
John and Marie Emanuel Bartle
Virginia Ferreira
Raad, Noor & Tariq Nashmi

**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

Parish Council Meeting
Tuesday, October 1st, 7:00 pm in the basement of the church.

Conselho de Pastoral Paroquial
Terça-feira, 1 de outubro, às 19h00, na basement da igreja.

Announcements / Avisos

Our Lady of Fatima Festival

Saturday, October 12th: 6:30pm – Rosary followed by English Mass then a candlelight procession. Coffee, tea and treats will be served in the hall. Bake sale will be available.
Sunday, October 13th: Regular Mass schedule, followed by bake sale.
The committee will be looking for donations of baked items for the bake sale and donations for flowers.

Festa de Nossa Senhora de Fátima

Sábado, 12 de outubro: Terço às 18h30, depois Missa em inglês seguida de procissão de velas. Café, chá e guloseimas serão servidos no salão. A venda de bolos estará disponível.
Domingo, 13 de outubro: Horário regular da missa, depois venda de bolos no salão.
A comissão irá procurar donativos para os bolos e para as flores.

First Friday of the Month

Friday, October 4th – first Friday of the month. Adoration at 6:00pm, Mass in Portuguese at 6:30pm.

Primeira sexta-feira do mês

Sexta-feira, 4 de outubro – primeira sexta-feira do mês. Adoração às 18h00, Missa em Português às 18h30.

First Saturday of the Month

Saturday, October 5th – first Saturday of the month. Rosary will be at 9:00am, Mass at 9:30am.

Primeiro sábado do mês

Sábado, 5 de outubro – primeiro sábado do mês. Terço será às 9h e missa às 9h30.

Foster and Promote Vocations with the Serra Club

St. Joseph the Worker – Thursday, October 17th from 6-8 pm

Join us for Holy Mass and Eucharistic Adoration followed by an engaging talk by Fr. Sean Flynn who

will share his own vocation story. Be encouraged as he explains the importance of creating a culture of vocations in parishes, specifically how families can nurture a vocational calling to the priesthood for their sons. We will finish the evening with a small reception with food and fellowship. All are welcome!

Portuguese Consulate of Vancouver - Visit to Victoria

Date and time: Saturday, October 5th, 2:00 pm - 5:00 pm
Sunday, October 6th, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm
Location: Our Lady of Fatima Church - 4635 Elk Lake Dr, Victoria, BC V8Z 5M2
Appointments: Appointments are made through the following email: protocol.cgvancover@mne.pt.
Registrations are individual and require confirmation by the Consulate.

Permanência Consular em Victoria

Data e hora: 05/10, sábado, 14h00 - 17h00
06/10, domingo, 09h00 -12h00
Local: Our Lady of Fatima Church - 4635 Elk Lake Dr, Victoria, BC V8Z 5M2
Marcações: O atendimento será efetuado por marcação através do seguinte email: protocol.cgvancover@mne.pt.
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Homily
26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The failure to distinguish between major and minor sinfulness is a special danger in the way in which we organize our priorities in life. It is all too easy to be more concerned about appearances and reputation than about the far greater sinfulness of racism or sexism or other kinds of deep-seated prejudice.

All religions have a tendency to claim exclusive control of the avenues of salvation. But God is surely free to work outside of our familiar religious structures also. This doesn't mean that such structures are unnecessary or unimportant. It does mean that we should work in genuine humility to make our own religious structures as open as possible to the saving power of God.

Scandal is often thought to be behavior that shocks people by departing from traditional patterns. The emphasis is placed on the exceptional nature of the scandalous person's actions. We see in today's gospel that this is not what Jesus meant by scandal. For him, scandal occurs when we use actions or words to mislead and deceive those who are not able to understand what is happening. Thus, a person who holds a position of trust can easily take advantage of those who rely on his or her authority or influence. This is so sinful because it destroys the very fabric of trust, which makes community life possible.

In a certain sense, one can also scandalize oneself by pursuing limited goals and thus endangering the real purpose of life. It is not wrong to seek wealth or power or knowledge, but all these goals must be made subordinate to the goal of eternal life. In other words, they must be placed under the control of unselfish love. Otherwise, the "eye" or the "hand" can become more important than life itself, with disastrous consequences.

The language here seems harsh because so much is at stake. Actually, it means exactly what is intended by the frequent gospel references to gaining one's life in this world but losing it forever.