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Office Hours: Tuesday and Thursday from 9:30 am – 2:00 pm

Pastor: Fr. Eduardo da Silva Santos

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November 26th, 2023 – Sunday - Christ the King

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

Nov 19th, 2023

Church costs: \$2,817

Our collection: \$2,647

Shortage: +\$170

Tue, Nov 28 9:00 am	** PRO POPULO **
Wed, Nov 29 9:00 am	
Thur, Nov 30 9:00 am	
Fri, Dec 1 9:00 am	First Friday
Sat, Dec 2 5:00 pm	† Manuel Achadinha (Cheryl Ferreira) † Dobija Domaradzki Family (Anna Biolik)
Sun, Dec 3 11:00 am	† Jaime Ribeiro e David Sayers (Edna Ribeiro) † Mariano e Maria da Gloria Frias e falecidos de familia (Maria Zita Moniz)
12:30 pm	



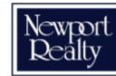
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Saturday December 2 at 5PM
Readers: Jack Grohovac Mladen Grohovac
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Sunday Dec 3rd at 11AM
Readers: Ivan Toledo Sara S. Pinto
Euc Min: Marlene Pedrini
Sunday Dec 3rd at 12:30PM
Readers: Carlos Perez Stephanie Soriano
Euc Min: Adriana Munos

Cleaning: Wilmer Echeverry Adriana Badillo Mari Ossa

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

Health of Parishioners
A reminder that if you aren't feeling well; cold symptoms, cough, fever, etc., please stay home. During cold and flu season, it is very important that we do not pass any illness onto our other parishioners.

Saúde dos paroquianos
Lembrer-se de que se você não está se sentindo bem; sintomas de resfriado, febre, etc., por favor, fique em casa. Durante estes tempo de gripe, é muito importante que não transmitamos nenhuma doença uns aos outros.

Announcements / Avisos

New Year's Eve Party – December 31, 2023 – Our Lady of Fatima Hall
Tickets are now available to purchase! Contact Connie 250 888-7720
Doors open at 6pm, Dinner at 7pm by Casa Nova Catering, and Live Music by Hermano Silva

Festa de Ano Novo – Dezembro 31, 2023 – Salão de Nossa Senhora de Fátima
Bilhetes para a Jantar ja estão a venda. Contacto Connie 250-888-7720
Portas do salão abre as 6pm, jantar as 7pm de Casa Nova Catering, e música ao vivo de Hermano Silva

Festival of Our Lady of Guadalupe – Sunday December 10th, 2023
Everyone is welcome to celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe. Mass will be at 12:30pm in English, Celebrated with Bishop Gary Gordon. After mass, the parish hall will be open for a social gathering and soup will be available to purchase. If anyone would like to donate any baked goods to sell in the Bakesale that would be appreciated.

Festival de Nossa Senhora de Guadalupe – Domingo Dezembro 10, 2023
Todos são bem-vindos para celebrar a Festa de Nossa Senhora de Guadalupe. A missa será às 12:30pm em inglês, celebrada com o Bispo Gary Gordon. Depois de missa, o salão paroquial estará aberto para confraternização e a cozinha esta aberto para comprar sopa. Se alguém quiser doar para o Bakesale, Bakesale, ficariamos agradecidos.

Anawim House
Anawim is asking for your assistance again, there will be a box in your front foyer starting Nov. 25th to accept donations of non-perishable food items such as pasta sauce, noodles, tuna, jam, peanut butter,

or any other common food items to help feed the people Anawim serves. Thank you for your long-term support of Anawim.

Dicoes

- 1) The Bishop's Appeal, Tapestry of Faith, is still accepting 2023 donations. Please consider making a financial commitment to the Bishop's Annual Appeal. Not only are you helping our parish, but you are making a real difference to our greater Diocesan faith community, our religious leaders, and Local Mission Parishes. Donations may be made on-line at: <https://www.rcdvictoria.org/bishops-appeal>

**Homily
Sunday – Christ the King**

Today we celebrate the last Sunday of the liturgical year, and on this Sunday the Church brings before us the figure of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. In the Gospel, which has just been proclaimed, we hear Jesus say that yes, he is king, but that his kingdom is not of this world. It is logical that the people of his time did not understand this statement and his aspirations because everyone wanted Jesus to be a king as they understood a king should be. So much confusion was generated by misunderstandings and erroneous expectations during Jesus' life. For example, when he multiplied the loaves, the people wanted Jesus to be their king, but in the sense that he continues solving their problems with food.

"My kingdom is not of this world." How many times has this statement of Jesus been misunderstood throughout the history of Christianity. It has been quoted to support the opinion that the Church, and therefore Christians, should not meddle in affairs of this world. certainly, the kingdom of Jesus is not identified with any political or social system, and Jesus does not seek any throne of this world. His kingdom has a different origin and another mission; his kingdom is not characterized by the power of weapons, money, or influence. The kingdom of Jesus is a kingdom where love and the justice of God are of foremost importance; we will certainly not see this kingdom fully realized until we are in heaven. However, Jesus came into this world and was in our world where he established the kingdom of God during our problems, of our injustice, and during our sins.

Jesus did not avoid the problems of our world, nor did he call upon anyone to flee from the world. On the contrary, it was here, for us sinners and not for the angels in heaven, that Jesus preached the kingdom of God. It was in this world that Jesus taught us how to live our faith, to express our hope, and to live in charity. It was for the people of this world that Jesus sent us to preach the gospel, and it is here... in this world... where the kingdom of God expands towards eternity.

Today we must ask ourselves if we really recognize the reign of Christ in our lives. We can pose this question by examining our conscience to know if we live the values of the kingdom Jesus established: the love and the justice of God. We can question whether we live in solidarity with all people. Are our social and political choices and actions directed to seeing the values of the kingdom of Jesus lived by all people? God help us with his grace so that our lives are always a good testimony of the Kingdom of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe.