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August 17th, 2025 – 20th 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

Aug 10th, 2025

Church costs: \$3,663

Our collection: \$2,065

Shortage: - \$1,598

Tues, Aug 19 9:00 am	
Wed, Aug 20 9:00 am	
Thur, Aug 21 9:00 am	
Fri, Aug 22 9:00 am	
Sat, Aug 23 5:00 pm	† Maria e Peter Dsouza (Vincy Dsouza) † Louis e Maria Dsouza (Vincy e Kelly)
Sun, Aug 24 11:00 am	† João e Tony Garcia (Cecilia Garcia) † Mike Pancel (Maria Pancel)
12:30 pm	

Saturday Aug 23rd at 5PM

Readers: Marcelo Correia Mariana Correia

Euc Min: Marcelo Correia

Sunday Aug 24th at 11AM

Readers: Blanca do Souto Connie Pereira

Euc Min: Kristina Braz de Melo

Sunday Aug 24th at 12:30PM

Readers: Claudia Garcia

Oscar Hinojosa
Euc Min: Claudia Garcia

Oscar Hinojosa

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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, <u>click here</u> or call 1-866-892-3737

<u>Catechism - 2025 - 2026</u>

Catechism registration for the 2025-2026 year will continue until September 15. Registration is online. Please see the QR code on the bulletin board in the church entrance to register, or go to our website at: ourladyoffatimavictoria.com .

Children must be registered in our parish and must be minimum starting grade 2 this fall. Teens are welcome to register and will be placed in a separate class.

Announcements / Avisos

<u>40th Anniversary of the Festival of Senhor Bom Jesus da Pedra –</u> August 28th to 31st

The schedule for the festival is as follows:

Thursday, August 28th - Mass at 6:00 pm in Spanish

Friday, August 29th – Mass at 6:00 pm in Portuguese

Saturday, **August 30**th – Mass at 6:00 pm in English (starting outside the church then a procession for the moving of the statue to the church)

Sunday, **August 31**st – One mass at 12:00 pm followed by a procession around the parking lot. Father Marcus Ceratti from Brazil, will be here to help us celebrate the 40th anniversary of Senhor Bom Jesus da Pedra at Our Lady of Fatima Parish.

The Committee is looking for:

- 1. Donations of prizes for the bazaar and money for flowers. Also, if you will have flowers available in your garden for that weekend, and would like to donate them, please let Joe Pinheiro know.
- 2. Bake sale items.
- 3. Volunteers willing to help out that weekend.

40.º Aniversário da Festa do Senhor Bom Jesus da Pedra – 28 a 31 de agosto

O programa da festa é o seguinte:

Quinta-feira, 28 de agosto – Missa às 18h00 em espanhol

Sexta-feira, 29 de agosto – Missa às 18h00 em português

Sábado, 30 de agosto – Missa às 18h00 em inglês (começando fora da igreja, seguida de procissão para a trasladação da imagem para a igreja)

Domingo, 31 de agosto – Uma só missa às 12h00, seguida de procissão à volta do parque de estacionamento.

O Padre Marcus Ceratti, do Brasil, estará connosco para ajudar a celebrar o 40.º aniversário do Senhor Bom Jesus da Pedra na Paróquia de Nossa Senhora de Fátima.

O Comité está a pedir:

- 1. Donativos de prémios para o bazar e dinheiro para flores. Também, se tiver flores disponíveis no seu jardim para esse fim de semana e as quiser doar, por favor avise o Sr. Joe Pinheiro.
- 2. Bolos e doces para a venda.
- 3. Voluntários dispostos a ajudar nesse fim de semana.

Diocese News

1) WorldWide Marriage Encounter Vancouver is hosting a marriage retreat October 24–26, 2025, in the Fraser Valley to help couples rekindle romance, deepen connection, and strengthen their relationship. Register by September 11 for the early bird rate; final registration closes October 11—please find details at: https://beholdvancouver.org/events/couple-retreat-by-worldwide-marriage-encounter

Homily **20**th Sunday in Ordinary Time

It may be hard to hear Jesus' words in today's Gospel as "good news," since He speaks of suffering and division. Yet they are indeed good news, because He came to free us from the slavery of sin and false values — greed, violence, idolatry. As St. Paul reminds us, all humanity is under sin, unable on our own to live fully according to God's will.

Through His ministry, Jesus shows God's power at work: casting out demons, healing the sick, and setting people free to live in a new way. His own life reveals what it means to live not under the reign of sin, but under the loving reign of the Father.

When we hear these words at Mass, they call us to a decision: Do I measure my life by the world's standards or by God's will? Is my idea of success shaped more by the Gospel or by society? What false securities does Jesus need to unsettle in me to reveal true freedom?

My brothers and sisters, Christ our Risen Lord is among us to make God's Kingdom real in our lives. Though it may cost us, His grace empowers us to bring hope, healing, and liberation to others. With Him, we can become instruments of freedom for those still bound by the chains of sin.

SALMO RESPONSORIAL Senhor, socorrei-me sem demora.

ALELUIA, ALELUIA

As minha ovelhas escutam a minha voz, diz o Senhor; Eu conheço as minhas ovelhas e elas seguem-me.