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Weekday Masses: Mon, Wed, & Fri 5:30pm ~ Tue & Thurs 7:30am
Weekend Masses: Sat. Vigil - 6:00pm; Sun. 8:00am, 10:00am, & 12:00noon (Spanish)
Confessions: Sat. 4:30pm-5:30pm in the Church & 15 min before Weekday Masses in Church Office

Liturgies for the Week

Mon Aug 24 5:30pm +Marshall Windham
 Tues Aug 25 7:30am Mario Rubio (12th Birthday)
 Wed Aug 26 5:30pm +Charles Squyres
 Thur Aug 27 7:30am +R.L. Schuck
 Thur Aug 27 8:15am +Kevin Oppermann
 Fri Aug 28 8:15am +Lewis Epps
 Fri Aug 28 5:30pm +Leonard Wostarek
 Sat Aug 29 6:00pm +Margie Polach Halfmann
 Sun Aug 30 8:00am +Audrey Kouba
 Sun Aug 30 10:00am +Alton Huelsebusch
 Sun Aug 30 12:00noon +Teodora Rosales

Bishop Cahill has extended dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass for Catholics in the Diocese of Victoria through the end of August. This is to protect the physical health of the vulnerable and the emotional needs of those who are uncomfortable with being physically present at this time.

Sunday, August 23, 2020
 Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

"He shall be a father to the inhabitants of Jerusalem" (Isaiah 22:21). Master of the palace: it was a sought-after title, and Shebna knew it. That title gave him far-reaching authority over the king's household and possessions. But he abused that power by taking advantage of perks like the royal chariots and even making a beautiful carved tomb for himself (Isaiah 22:16, 18). That's why God unseated Shebna and established Eliakim in his place. He wanted someone who would exercise that authority with fatherly concern and compassion, not self-promotion, domination, or greed. In other words, the master of the palace should imitate the way God uses His authority: to serve his people.

These words point to something important about God's desires for His kingdom. He wants a kingdom where leaders don't lord their authority over the people in their care. He wants them to show compassion and concern for their people (Matthew 20:25-26).

Jesus gave that type of authority to Peter. Yes, Peter received the "keys to the kingdom" and the power to bind and to loose (Matthew 16:19). But first and foremost, he was to be the rock, the solid foundation upon which the Church would be built. He would not be raised up above all his brothers and sisters; he would be beneath them to support them. That's the type of leadership God wants parents or anyone in authority to exercise. Godly leaders don't put themselves first. They are not greedy for honor or power. His kingdom is a place where, instead of setting themselves up against one another, his people serve one another with love, respect, and honor.

Shebna's story is a lesson to us, especially those times when we are tempted to take advantage of our position. Peter is a role model, too, when we are tempted to think leadership equates to tyranny. Let's take their examples to learn how to be good leaders in our families, our workplaces, and our Church

*"Lord, help me to place serving above being served today."
 (from "The Word Among Us")*

Calendar for the Week

Sun	Aug 23	CDA Chicken Fried Steak Drive Thru Dinner Divine Mercy and Hour of Adoration, 3:00pm in Church
Mon	Aug 24	CDA Meeting, 6:30m in Church
Tues	Aug 25	Rosary led by SAS 8th Graders, 9:30am in Church
Wed	Aug 26	CCD Teacher Meeting, 6:00pm in Church Youth Group, 6:30pm at St. Roch Hall in Mentz
Thurs	Aug 27	SAS Mass for ECH, 1st, 2nd, & 4th grades, 8:15am in Church
Fri	Aug 28	SAS Mass prepared by the 7th grade, 8:15amin Church

Last Weekend's Collection

\$ 4905.00 Envelopes
 \$ 2813.00 Loose
 \$ 675.00 Feast of the Assumption of Mary
 \$ 240.00 Online Giving through Diocese of Victoria website
 \$ 125.00 Picnic Meat Donations

Donations Made Last Week

\$ 53.00 Capital Campaign Donations & Pledges

Donations for New A/C in the Church

\$ 56,163.00 (\$130,000.00 Needed)

"Thank you for your generosity!"

"Building on our Legacy, Building for Christ!"

Your donations are appreciated. Construction of our beautiful school is complete, but we still have a loan with the Diocese, which to date totals **\$1,205,825.06**. (The loan started at \$1,300,214.50, with an interest rate of 4%.) If you would like to make a donation, please see Tracey in the church office. No gift is too small! Thank you!

As we are getting closer to the ordination of our two newest deacons, now is a good time to invest in new matching vestments for the three deacons and Father.

The cost to get all of the liturgical colors will be around \$13,300. If you would like to donate towards these vestments, you can drop your donation in the collection baskets or bring to the church office.

Be an Amazing Parent! The Diocese of Victoria is taking registration for three online workshops with local leaders to help give you the tools you need to be an amazing parent in today's challenging world. The second workshop, "Communicating with Your Children" with the Emmaus Center's Ashley Silvas and Valeria Dubourdieu, will be this Wednesday, August 26, from 6:30-7:45pm. You can find more information and register for the workshops at <https://www.victoriadiocese.org/amazing-parents>.

Please keep
Rusty Theut and
John Glueck

in your prayers as they continue their journey in the Diaconate Program. They will be ordained on November 21, 2020.

Fr. Augustine will be available in his office from 2:00-3:00 on Sunday afternoons if you would like to receive Communion but are unable to attend Mass. Dispensation has been extended through the end of August.

The Church Picnic Raffle Committee would like to thank everyone who donated to the raffle. Your generosity will allow for some great prizes again the year and another successful church raffle! Thank you!!

CCE is looking for a Teacher/Facilitator for the First Communion Prep (Year 1) Class. The job would include organizing materials to be mailed out to students and tracking the work returned by the students. There will be a teacher meeting on Wednesday, August 26, in the church at 6:00pm. Call Lorraine Novosad with questions 733-3872.

Church Picnic Live Auction Items:

Indoor Electric Butterball Turkey Fryer (Marilyn Nelson) * Portrait Session and 16x20 Canvas Portrait (Tracey Lanham, Meadowlark Portraits) * **Quarter Sheet Tres Leches Cake (Eddie and Chrissy Espinosa and Family, made by Chrissy)** * 100 Jiggs-Bermuda Square Bales (Keith Kuhn and John Glueck)

Please note: the next KC Meeting will be Monday, August 31, at 6:30pm at Columbus Hall. There will not be a meeting on September 7 because of Labor Day.

Don't forget to pick up your CDA drive-thru fundraiser meal today!! Meals can be picked up between 11:00am - 1:30pm in the SAS Cafeteria breezeway.

Meat Donation Envelopes can be found at the entrance of the church. Please use these envelopes to help defray the cost of the meal at our church picnic. Every little bit helps!

*"Your kindness, O Lord, endures forever;
 forsake not the work of your hands."
 Psalm 138:8*