

Quotes from Jean Vanier:

“The response to war is to live like brothers and sisters. The response to injustice is to share. The response to despair is a limitless trust and hope. The response to prejudice and hatred is forgiveness. To work for community is to work for humanity. To work for peace is to work for a true political solution; it is to work for the Kingdom of God. It is to work to enable every one to live and taste the secret joys of the human person united to the eternal.”

And

“Every human activity can be put at the service of the divine and of love. We should all exercise our gift to build community.”



Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Chapel (Comox)

20th January 2019

Second Sunday of the Time of the Church



Sunday Mass: 1030 hours

Weekday Masses

Weekly mass are celebrated on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 1100.

Next Week's Readings:

Nehemiah, chap. 8, vs 2 – 10.

1 Corinthians, chap. 12, vs 12 – 30.

Luke, chap. 1, vs 1 – 4 and chap. 4 vs 14 – 21.

Community Timeline

- TODAY: Movie Matinee: Facing the Giants.
- 27 January, 3 February: Course on the Eucharist with Bishop Robert Barron (3 Sundays) Part 1.
- 17 February: Potluck Love fest (Valentine theme)
- 24 February: Course on the Eucharist with Bishop Robert Barron Part 2.
- Upcoming Movie Matinee: The Prince of Egypt.

After reviewing the material, it seems that we will be able to do this formation in 3 weeks instead of 5.

More to come.

Prayer to Saint Michael Archangel

In response to the scandals that struck the Church, the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCC) is taking action to alleviate this problem. Our bishop, Mgr McCaig, writes in his introduction: "I take seriously the responsibility to 'be a shepherd of the Church of God Acts 3, 28' especially since it appears that 'savage wolves have come among us that will not spare the flock (Acts 20, 29)'. The leaders of the Church have been working for a while now in putting in place policies to prevent any more abuse of any kind. But we also have a part to play. In his letter, our bishop says that; "A motion was passed that strongly encouraged each diocese to heed the recent request of Pope Francis to combat evil in our midst by promoting the "St. Michael the Archangel Prayer'. This is all the more fitting in our military context as it admirably reflects the kind of genuine 'warrior spirituality' so sought by our subjects". We are now called to say the prayer right after mass, after I bowed at the altar.

Therefore, I need a favour from you all. Changing habits is never easy. REMIND ME that we need to do the prayer. You will find a copy in your pews.

Thank you for your help and support.

Visit from our Bishop

It is with great pleasure that I would like to announce that our bishop, Mgr Scott McCaig, is scheduled to visit us on Sunday, 3 March 2019. For the occasion, Mgr Scott will preside the Eucharist, and we will then have a potluck, probably at the Rose Annex, but this is to be determined. We better make it count: Ash Wednesday will be 3 days away...

More to come in that regard.

Miscellaneous Announcements

It might sound obvious, but it is important to mention that, if you have things that you would like to be announced in the bulletin, you need to send me an email to that effect.

Now, let me be as clear as I can be:

- Yes, I will filter the information and decide what is pertinent and what is not.
- No, I don't want, nor need personal poems, prayers, reflections or soul searching.

Facebook is filled with that, including some emotional blackmail along the way.

What I am looking for need to be pertinent to the community that we are forming in one way or another. Thanks for your support.

Prayer of the Month

"Alma Redemptoris Mater"

Loving mother of the Redeemer,
gate of heaven, star of the sea,
assist your people who have fallen yet strive to rise again.
To the wonderment of nature you bore your Creator,
yet remained a virgin after as before,
You who received Gabriel's joyful greeting,
have pity on us poor sinners.

- (Guest author)