

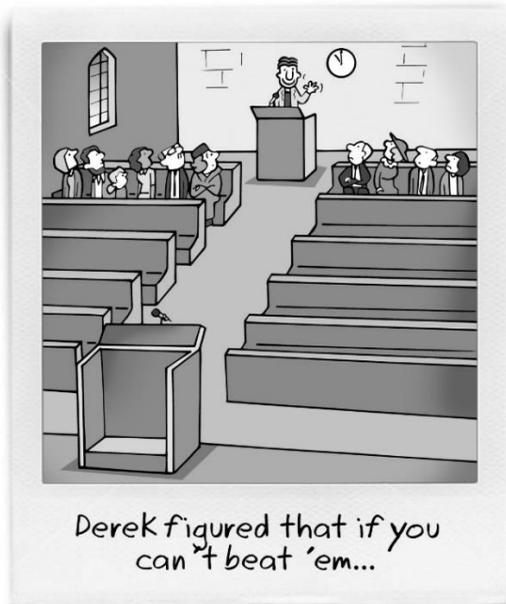
Prayer of the Month

“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)

Quotes from Jean Vanier:

“A growing community must integrate three elements: a life of silent prayer, a life of service and above all of listening to the poor, and a community life through which all its members can grow in their own gift.”



Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Chapel (Comox)

27th January 2019

Third 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:

Jeremiah, chap. 1, vs 4 – 19.

1 Corinthians, chap. 12, vs 31 – Chap. 13, vs13.

Luke, chap. 4 vs 21 – 30.

To our Prayers

Anne Marie Murphy, 102.

Anne Marie's entire life was one of caring, loving with great faith to guide her. She raised her siblings after death of her mother. She married and had 6 children. Anne Marie hosted Bible Study in her home was a valued much loved member of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Chapel and oldest member of the C.W.L. Comox Council. As the years passed her sight and hearing deteriorated but not her amazing memory. She passed her time praying for her church family (she was affectionately called our church mom). Her great Faith and love was shared with whomever she met.

Funeral service will be held in May. We will inform you of the date in due time.

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.

Community Timeline

- TODAY and next week, 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.

2018 Charity Funds Dispersal

Our Parish Community was very generous with their weekly offerings this past year, so we have been able to help some of the most vulnerable of society in our local area and other parts of the world.

- Military Ordinate	\$ 13,687
- St. Martin of Tours	\$ 1369
- Designated Collections	\$ 1845
- Comox Valley Food Bank	\$ 1200
- Courtenay Four Square Church Lunch Program	\$ 1200
- Sunshine Lunch Club	\$1200
- St. Vincent de Paul	\$1200
- L'Arche	\$650
- Community Justice Centre	\$650
- Hospice Society	\$650
- <u>Total Charitable Dispersal</u>	<u>\$23651</u>

Your generosity this year is greatly appreciated. God Bless you all!

Prayer to Saint Michael Archangel

In response the scandals that struck the Church, the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCCB) 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.