



## St. Joseph's Catholic School

757 West Burnside Rd. - Victoria, BC V8Z 1M9

*St. Joseph's School acknowledges with gratitude that we work, play and pray on the territory and traditional lands of the Lekwungen Speaking Peoples of the Songhees and Esquimalt First Nations whose historical relationship with the land continues today.*

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Out of School Care, Daycare & Preschool

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<https://www.facebook.com/groups/272859616539977> (SJV Parent Support Group Page)

Newsletter  
January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2025



Living,  
**CELEBRATING**  
and Proclaiming  
**OUR FAITH**

### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE:



Dear Families of St. Joseph's,

I trust everyone had a lovely holiday and hopefully were not hit too hard (like many of us at the school) with colds. Now that the wonderful holidays are a distant memory and we are back into the flow of things, I thought I'd share a few more reminders as we begin a hope filled, prosperous and healthy 2025.

#### Parking Lot:

- During pick up at the end of the day you must remain in your vehicle; if your child is taking too long please park.
- Please remind your child to be looking for you and ready for pick up.
- Please be mindful of the cars behind you; two lanes must be formed as you enter the lot so as not to back up traffic on Burnside.

#### New Early Learning Centre Construction:

- Some work will be starting next week; fencing will be going up and some site prep taking place. Please know that student safety will be our number one priority.
- Very soon we will be losing the front gym entrance and our indoor hallway access to the gym. Students will need to access the gym via the tarmac. For morning sports and dance practices students will need to be dropped off at the back so as to access the gym doors off the tarmac.
- Due to the construction, our front waiting area will be more congested; we are asking parents not to wait around but to leave as soon as possible. I do value community building but alleviating after school congestion needs to be prioritized.

Thank you for your understanding. We will keep you informed as much as possible.

In Gratitude,

*Glen Palahicky*

Principal, St. Joseph's Sch



## UNICORN SPOTTED IN SAANICH!

Just kidding, but since we've got your attention... New editions on the 2025 Parent Business Directory Page...Check it out!



## HOT LUNCH - LAST CHANCE!

Ordering will be open until midnight on Friday, Jan. 10<sup>th</sup>. No orders will be accepted after this date. Payment MUST be received at the time of ordering, via email to [sjv-psg@cisdv.bc.ca](mailto:sjv-psg@cisdv.bc.ca). Please ensure you send payment to this email address only and NOT the school's email. All unpaid orders will be cancelled without notice.



## HOMEWORK CLUB

Will resume on Monday, Jan. 13<sup>th</sup> 2:40-3:10pm.



## LOST AND FOUND

Tuesday, Jan. 14<sup>th</sup> is last call for lost and found items.  
All unclaimed items will be donated.



## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

For the super fun Grade 7 "Amazing Race" event on Friday, Jan. 17<sup>th</sup> 12-2:30pm  
Volunteers needed from 12-2:30pm. This is a great way to get your volunteer hours and have fun doing it! Please contact Allison Menzies at [allisonmenz@gmail.com](mailto:allisonmenz@gmail.com) to sign up.



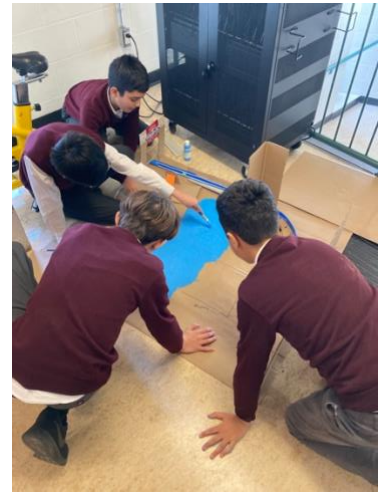
## HIGH SCHOOL APPLICATION

St. Andrew's High School applications went home with Grade 7 students today.  
The deadline to drop applications at the High School is Feb. 21\*.



## WEEKLY SNAPSHOTS

Fun with physics! This week Grade 6 worked on mini gold courses that demonstrate Isaac Newton's three laws of motion.



# WINTER SPORTS PRACTICES

Schedule	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
8:00-8:30am	K+D Boys Volleyball (7:40-8:20)	Jr. Dance (7:40-8:30)	Prim. Dance (7:40-8:30)	Sr. Dance (7:40-8:30)	
11:55-12:25pm	B+C Girls Volleyball	Jazz Dance	D Boys Volleyball		Choir Practice
2:45-3:30pm	Musical Rehearsal	B+C Girls Volleyball (2:45-3:45)	Musical Rehearsal	K Boys Volleyball (2:45-3:30)	Musical Rehearsal

# THE WOLF DEN

# EVENTS 2025

UPCOMING

**JAN** VOLLEYBALL  
**13** PRACTICES BEGIN THIS  
WEEK!

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**JAN** GIRLS VOLLEYBALL  
**28** JAMBOREE

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**JAN** BOYS VOLLEYBALL  
**30** JAMBOREE

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**JAN** SPORTS CIVVIES DAY!  
**31**

**THE WOLF DEN**

St Joseph's Early Learning Centre  
Pro D Day Care  
Registration for Friday, January 24<sup>th</sup>  
**Deadline to register is Friday, January 17<sup>th</sup>**

During Pro D Days, St. Joseph's Child care offers a supervised program of activities operating from 7:30am – 5:00pm. Please pack two snacks, a full lunch and a refillable water bottle. Super Days are civies days and we will all meet in the multi-purpose room above the gym to start the day.

**Program Details:**

- We will spend lots of time outside, playing organized games, doing art activities and crafts, and watching a movie.

All students attending Pro- D Day care must be registered with St. Joseph's Before and/or After School Care programs

**Cost:** \$55 per child

Payment must be made at time of registration. E-transfers can be sent to [sjv@cisdv.bc.ca](mailto:sjv@cisdv.bc.ca)  
(Please include your child's name and what the transfer is for.)

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**Pro D Day on Friday, January 24<sup>th</sup>.**

Registration Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Grade(s): Child #1 \_\_\_\_\_

Child # 2 \_\_\_\_\_

Total Payment: \_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**WAIVER:** "Accidents can be result of the nature of the activity and can occur with or without any fault on either the part of the student, or the school or its employees or agents, or the facility where the activity is taking place. By allowing your son/daughter to participate in this activity, you are accepting the risk of an accident occurring, and agree that this activity, as described above, is suitable for your child."

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_



St. Joseph's Elementary School Presents

# SISTER ACT JR.

Scan QR to buy tickets



Or search  
"Sister Act Junior"  
on [Eventbrite.ca](https://www.eventbrite.ca)

**Thursday**  
March 6 | 6:30 pm

**Friday**  
March 7 | 6:30 pm

**Saturday**  
March 8 | 1 pm & 6:30 pm





# BAKE SALES

1st FRIDAY OF THE MONTH

Oct 4th - Grade 7

Feb 14th - Grade 3

Nov 8th - Grade 6

Mar 7th - Grade 2

Dec 6th - Grade 5

Apr 4th - Grade 1

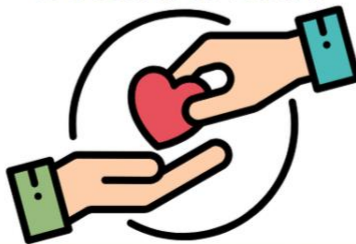
Jan 10th - Grade 4

May 2nd - Kindergarten



# THANK YOU

To our generous and loving community for the gifts of warm socks, toques and mitts. The recipients at Anawim House were thrilled to receive these items at their annual Christmas party on December 19th!





## NEWS FROM THE CHANCERY



On Tuesday, January 14, St. Ann's Parish in Duncan will host a visit of the relics of St. Kateri Tekakwitha, St. Jean de Brébeuf, St. Charles Garnier, and St. Gabriel Lalemant. This visit is part of a national devotional tour which is offering Canadians the opportunity for an encounter with these great saints to receive the graces of healing and reconciliation for themselves, their families, and our country. The relics are expected to arrive at 11:30 am and will be welcomed by members of the Cowichan Nation. Celebration of the Eucharist will follow, and the relics will remain at St. Ann's until 5:00pm, open to all who want to visit and pray. For more information about the national tour, please visit <https://martyrs-shrine.com/relic-tour/>.



The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Prayer Service will be held on Sunday, January 19 at 3:00pm. Christians from across Vancouver Island will gather to reflect on and celebrate our common faith. All are welcome to participate, either in person at St. Andrew's Cathedral in Victoria (740 View St), or via the livestream at <https://youtu.be/COfsyZDAbTA>.

## ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH

### WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE:

Monday: 6:30am

Tuesday: 6:30am and 6:00pm

Wednesday: 6:30am and 6:00pm

Thursday: 6:30am and 9:00am

Friday: 6:30am and 9:00am



### WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday: 6:30am

Saturday: 5:00pm (Livestream)

Sunday: 10:00am

Sunday: 6:00pm

## ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH YOUTH

**GROUP** Youth Group All Youth Grades 6 - 12 are invited to join us on Saturday evenings following! For more information, please contact [SJTWYouthGroup@gmail.com](mailto:SJTWYouthGroup@gmail.com)

# **WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY PRAYER SERVICE**

"Do you believe this?"

John 11:26



Join Christians from across  
Vancouver Island to reflect on  
and celebrate our common faith.  
All are welcome!



**January 19, 2025**

**3:00 pm**

**St. Andrew's Cathedral**

**740 View St, Victoria**

[www.youtube.com/@RCDVictoriaLiveOne/](http://www.youtube.com/@RCDVictoriaLiveOne/)



NATIONAL VISITATION OF  
THE RELICS OF  
**St. Jean de Brébeuf**  
and of  
**St. Kateri Tekakwitha**



MARTYRS' SHRINE



JÉSUITES  
du Canada

JESUITS  
of Canada

January 14, 2025 at St. Ann's Church, Duncan, BC from 11:30 AM to 5:00 PM

Mass is at 12:00 Noon in St. Ann's Church.

For more information visit their website @ <http://martyrs-shrine.com/relic-tour>





# 1000X5

**1000 Books by Age Five**  
Children's Book Recycling Project Greater Victoria

January 27 - Family Literacy Day  
...Donate books to increase early literacy

*Children are made readers on the laps of their parents.  
(children's book author Emilie Buchwald)*

Cuddling and reading to your little ones shows that you value reading, builds comfort, enjoyment and early skills that last a lifetime.

Help make that true for those still to gain those habits. **January 27 is National Literacy Day.** As well as enjoying a new story with your child, please make an extra effort to drop of gently used picture books for babies and preschoolers in the drop box in the..... All very young children benefit from being read to – help make that a reality for more. Thank you for being part of 350,000books donated over the last 14 years.





## PARENT COMMUNITY

# BUSINESS DIRECTORY



\*Please note that any manner of association, inclusion, and participation of any Businesses within this Directory, is not an indication of endorsement by St. Joseph's Elementary School or Church Parish or any of its affiliates.



### Support Local Parent Owned Businesses!

Our Business Directory is a service provided by the Parents Support Group to help fundraise for our school children and also support our local parent businesses!



## DIRECTORY:

### Activity & Arts

- Ponies and Paint

### Financial & Legal Services

- Homeroom Bookkeeping & Income Tax

### Food & Beverage

- Kung Pao Wok
- Maize Fusion Cuisine

### Health & Wellness

- Chatterton Way Dental
- Eye Etiquette Optical Boutique

### Photography Services

- Andrea Collins Photography

### Real Estate Services

- Kamaretsos Real Estate Team

### Technology Services

- Qmulus

### Trades & Construction

- Lisnabreeny Plumbing Ltd.

CONTACT [SJV-PSG@CISDV.BC.CA](mailto:SJV-PSG@CISDV.BC.CA)  
WITH QUESTIONS ABOUT SUBSCRIPTIONS

# PARENT COMMUNITY BUSINESS DIRECTORY



## Activity & Arts

### Ponies and Paint

Kaitlyn Hendry

[poniesandpaintnights@gmail.com](mailto:poniesandpaintnights@gmail.com)

Ph: 250-588-4121

[poniesandpaintnights.com](http://poniesandpaintnights.com)

*Ponies and Paint Nights strives to provide a unique experience by blending art, horses, and nature in to an all-in-one experience! We do: paint nights, birthday parties, private events, wellness programs, & more! All ages welcome!*



## Financial & Legal Services

### Homeroom Bookkeeping & Income Tax

Teya Jensen

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Ph: 604-739-9536

[www.homeroombookkeeping.com](http://www.homeroombookkeeping.com)

*We provide bookkeeping for all types of small businesses, payroll, GST/PST filings and Personal income tax returns.*



## Food & Beverage

### Kung Pao Wok

Ankie Leung

[kungpaowok\\_victoria@yahoo.ca](mailto:kungpaowok_victoria@yahoo.ca)

Ph: 778-433-8806

*Chinese Food (Hillside Shopping Center)*



### Maize Fusion Cuisine

Cesar Ibarra

[maizefusion@gmail.com](mailto:maizefusion@gmail.com)

Ph: 250-590-2555

[www.maizefusion.com](http://www.maizefusion.com)

*Restaurant: Mexican Canadian Food*



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## Health & Wellness

### Chatterton Way Dental

Dr. Matthew Foulkes

[info@chattertonwaydental.ca](mailto:info@chattertonwaydental.ca)

Ph: 250-598-5441

[chattertonwaydental.ca](http://chattertonwaydental.ca)

*At Chatterton Way Dental, your oral health is our priority. Our dedicated team makes every visit comfortable and stress-free. Experience dental care that keeps you smiling with confidence.*



### Eye Etiquette Optical Boutique

Carolin Roussel

[carolin.etiquette@shaw.ca](mailto:carolin.etiquette@shaw.ca)

Ph: 250-474-1941 and 778-432-3344

[www.eyeketiquetteoptical.ca](http://www.eyeketiquetteoptical.ca)

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## Photography Services

### Andrea Collins Photography

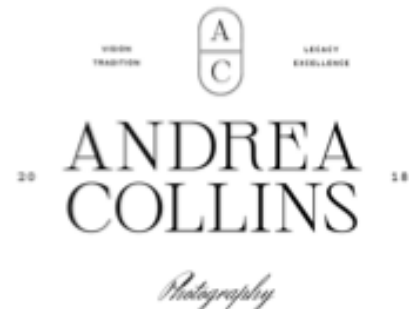
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## Real Estate Services

### Kamaretsos Real Estate Team | Pemberton Holmes

Michelle & Lee Kamaretsos

[michelle@myvictoriarealty.com](mailto:michelle@myvictoriarealty.com)

Ph: 250-686-7590

[www.myvictoriarealty.com/st-joes-parents.html](http://www.myvictoriarealty.com/st-joes-parents.html)

*Real Estate Specialist specializing in residential, investment, and commercial properties in the Greater Victoria areas. See our dedicated link for St. Joes Parents!*



## Technology Services

### Qmulus

Benoni Cabrera

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[qmulusolutions.com](http://qmulusolutions.com)

*Virtual staffing, local recruitment, and technology services.*



## Trades & Construction

### Lisnabreeny Plumbing Ltd.

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