



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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Newsletter
March 7th, 2025



Living,
CELEBRATING
and Proclaiming
OUR FAITH



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE:

Dear Families of St. Joseph's,

Forget the Royal & Macpherson Theatre productions, we are the best show in town! If you haven't heard yet, let me shout it from the mountain tops; Sister Act Jr. is fabulously spectacular!

Last night, the gym and courtyard of St. Joseph's School was transformed into a vibrant celebration of music, joy, and talent as the students presented their rendition of Sister Act Jr. From the moment it started, it was clear that this was no ordinary school play; it was a dazzling showcase of creativity, energy, professionalism and brilliance. We had seasoned theatre folks; professionals who've worked in New York and Winnipeg, comment that they have never seen an elementary production like ours.

The cast, a mix of one's through seventh graders, brought an infectious energy that had the audience clapping along, laughing, and some being moved to tears. The whole performance, expertly crafted by our dedicated Adrienne Grange and her team, is incredible and not to be missed. Students, teachers, organizers and everyone involved should be incredibly proud of this outstanding performance. It left the audience with smiles on their faces and a song in their hearts—a true testament to the spirit of creativity and community at St. Josephs. It is a blessing to our school, larger community and parish family.

Bravo to the cast and crew!

Some tickets are still available for Friday's and Saturday's performances.

In Gratitude,

Glen Palahicky

Principal, St. Joseph's School



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



Don't forget...
The class that sells the most tickets wins an amazing prize!



CALLING ALL ARTISTS!

Ms. Buckie's Kindergarten class is looking for gently used children's standing art easels to satisfy her creative bunch this year. If you have one that is no longer being loved in your home and you would like to generously pass it along, please contact Ms. Buckie at cbuckie@cisdv.bc.ca. Thanks!

USED UNIFORM SALE

Wednesday, March 12th from 8:45am to 9:30am



Dear St. Joseph's Families,

To help families prepare for the spring uniform, we are hosting a Used Uniform Sale. It's a great opportunity to stock up on gently used items that still have plenty of life left in them!

The sale will be held in a new location, which can be accessed from the back door of the school. We hope to see you there!



OFFICE REMINDERS

Practicing Catholic Tuition Rate Request

Please submit ASAP! Any questions please contact msullivan@cisdv.bc.ca

Donation Tax Receipts are here!

Pop into the office 8am-4pm to pick up



NO HOMEWORK CLUB

Homework club will restart after Spring break



THE 2025 ST. JOSEPH'S EASTER PURDY'S FUNDRAISER IS LIVE!

Here is the link: <https://fundraising.purdys.com/1982987-126556>

Orders are due by Friday, March 21*

Families can pick up their orders on April 7th, between 2-3pm in front of the school.

Any questions, please contact Monique: monique.les85@gmail.com



WEEKLY SNAPSHOT

Of course we had to share some BTS Sister Act shots! Thanks to Carly for sending these our way. Congratulations to all of the fantastic cast and crew!





BAKE SALES

1st FRIDAY OF THE MONTH

Oct 4th - Grade 7
Nov 8th - Grade 6
Dec 6th - Grade 5
Jan 10th - Grade 4

Feb 14th - Grade 3
Mar 7th - Grade 2
Apr 4th - Grade 1
May 2nd - Kindergarten



NEWS FROM THE CHANCERY



The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops is hosting a series of videos for Lent titled Journey Through Lent. This series is meant to offer spiritual inspiration and guidance on how to prepare well for the Easter season. New videos will be released each week, you can watch the series here: <https://www.cccb.ca/lent/>



The Rite of Election Mass will take place on March 9th at 1:30 pm at St. Andrew's Cathedral. During this liturgical rite, catechumens—those preparing to join the Church through baptism, confirmation, and the Eucharist at Easter—are presented to the Bishop. All are welcome to attend in person or via the livestream at: <https://youtube.com/live/dEASwsogC0o?feature=share>



Listening Circles are now being held across the diocese as part of our Diocesan Permanent Pastoral Synod journey. All are invited to participate—please contact your parish office to sign up for a Circle. If you're unable to participate in a Circle in person, facilitators are hosting online Listening Circles on various dates beginning March 16. Please sign up here: <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/dpps-online-listening-circles-tickets-1263055064699>



March 16, the Second Sunday of Lent, marks the Jubilee 2025 Day of Action. As people of faith, we are called to act justly and work for change (Micah 6:8). Join the movement for economic and ecological justice by signing the petition to turn debt into hope: <https://www.kairoscanada.org/jubilee-2025-canada>



The Diocese of Victoria is offering a two-day, in-person marriage preparation course on April 5 and 12, from 10:00 am–4:00 pm in Ladysmith (venue TBD), with a remote Zoom option available. Open to all, this course provides essential guidance for couples preparing for marriage. A joint Certificate of Completion will be issued upon completion of all sessions. Please register by March 19 here: <https://in-person-marriage-prep-april-2025.eventbrite.ca>



St. Joseph the Worker Parish is seeking a part-time Secretary to join their team. This role includes working closely with the pastor, staff, and volunteers to create a welcoming environment for visitors while managing administrative tasks and confidential office functions. View the full job description here: <https://www.rcdvictoria.org/employment>

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. For more information, please contact SJTWYouthGroup@gmail.com



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1000X5 would love books from your spring cleaning

14years: 355,000 books

1000 babies and preschoolers/month receive a gift bag of 3 books.

Please check the corners of your house and continue to donate books into the pink bin in front of the library.

Illuminate ²⁰/₂₅

Let His Light Shine

Join us for a one-day youth retreat
as we gather to learn about God's
great love for you!

Saturday,
May 3, 2025

Grades 4-7

St. Joseph's
School
Victoria, BC

Presenters:
NET Ministries



Register
Here!



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SAVE THE GARRY OAKS

Join us in revitalizing an important Garry Oak ecosystem on Christmas Hill by removing invasive species like English ivy, Scotch broom, and Himalayan blackberry!

Our efforts will help prepare the land for a native flower meadow.

-  Every 2nd & 4th Saturday from 1-4 pm
-  Pruners and shovels will be provided
-  Please bring gloves, safety glasses, and water



Learn more here

1-4 pm | Every 2nd & 4th Saturday

Sacred Heart Parking Lot | 4040 Nelthorpe Street

<https://garry-oak-ecosystem-restoration.eventbrite.ca>



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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
WITH QUESTIONS ABOUT SUBSCRIPTIONS

PARENT COMMUNITY BUSINESS DIRECTORY



Activity & Arts

Ponies and Paint

Kaitlyn Hendry

poniesandpaintnights@gmail.com

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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

info@homeroombookkeeping.com

Ph: 604-739-9536

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

Ph: 778-433-8806

Chinese Food (Hillside Shopping Center)



Maize Fusion Cuisine

Cesar Ibarra

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Ph: 250-590-2555

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Restaurant: Mexican Canadian Food



PARENT COMMUNITY BUSINESS DIRECTORY



Health & Wellness

Chatterton Way Dental

Dr. Matthew Foulkes

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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

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Photography Services

Andrea Collins Photography

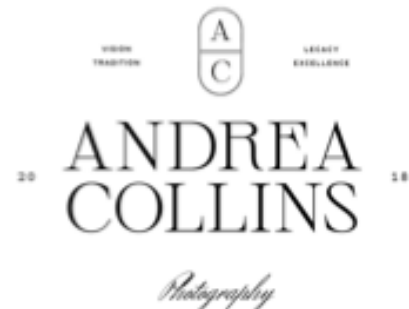
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Michelle & Lee Kamaretsos

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



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Trades & Construction

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