



**CHRIST THE REDEEMER**  
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**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter—May 3, 2020**

# 'Come away and rest a while'

—Mark 6:31

Although our church is still closed and it's not possible to visit with Jesus in the tabernacle, Christ the Redeemer remains an oasis for prayer, complete with palm trees! We invite you to come here to pray. The **Grotto of Our Lady** has already been very popular, but we are expanding opportunities for private prayer.

Last year a generous family donated a bench for those waiting to be picked up after Mass. We will now place it in **front of the main doors** so that one person (or two from the same household) may pray. Scripture verses will be posted on the doors each week, and supplies for sanitizing the bench will be provided.

The **statue of Christ the Redeemer** at the entrance of the parking lot is also a popular place for a brief prayer.

Wherever you choose to pray, **please** maintain your distance from others for your safety and theirs.



## A Glance at Our Parish Calendar

#ChurchNeverStops—For more information on getting involved email us at [office@ctrwestvan.ca](mailto:office@ctrwestvan.ca).

Today	May 3	10:00 a.m.	Sunday Mass LIVE	<a href="https://rebrand.ly/ctrmass">rebrand.ly/ctrmass</a>
		7:30 p.m.	Youth Ministry— <i>Anchor</i>	RSVP at <a href="https://bit.ly/rsvpmay3">bit.ly/rsvpmay3</a>
Tuesday	May 5	7:00 p.m.	R.C.I.A.	Zoom
Wednesday	May 6	10:30 a.m.	Lectio Divina Posted	<a href="https://rebrand.ly/lectiodivina">rebrand.ly/lectiodivina</a>
Friday	May 8	7:00 a.m.	Men's Prayer Group	Zoom
		10:30 a.m.	Lectio Divina Posted	<a href="https://rebrand.ly/lectiodivina">rebrand.ly/lectiodivina</a>
		2:45 p.m.	Knitting for Charity	Zoom
Sunday	May 10	10:00 a.m.	Sunday Mass LIVE	<a href="https://rebrand.ly/ctrmass">rebrand.ly/ctrmass</a>

### Mass Schedule & Intentions

Watch online liturgies at [rebrand.ly/ctrmass](https://rebrand.ly/ctrmass).

Sun May 3	LIVE AT 10:00 a.m.	Carlo, Fadia, & Rahal Family (int) <i>4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter</i>
Mon May 4		Hank Giefing †
Tues May 5		Tanya Lawlor (int)
Wed May 6		Declan Lawlor (int) <i>St. François de Laval</i>
Thu May 7		Peter Fensslein †
Fri May 8		Leonard Magee †
Sat May 9		Russell Sheehan †
Sun May 10	LIVE AT 10:00 a.m.	Chan Keng Boon † <i>5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter</i>



### Online Giving

There is a simple and easy way to make your weekly gift: the Archdiocese has set up a 'digital offertory basket' for our parish! You can make your contribution (one-time, weekly, or monthly) at [rebrand.ly/ctroffering](https://rebrand.ly/ctroffering).

If you would prefer to donate over the phone, please call Catherine Davidson at 604-922-1371. Thank you all so much for your sacrificial support at this difficult time.



### Discovery Faith Studies

Rediscover the joy of the Gospel and Jesus' personal love for you through a Discovery faith study! We'll be running small-group faith studies virtually via video conferencing. If you are interested in joining us for one of these studies, please email [discovery@ctrwestvan.ca](mailto:discovery@ctrwestvan.ca).



### Confession Schedule

Sundays: 4:15—4:45 p.m.

Saturdays: 9:30—10:00 a.m.

To ensure adequate distance, do not approach our outdoor confessional screens until the area is completely clear—and please stand well back from the screen. We ask you to leave immediately as soon as you've made your confession and not to visit with others in the parking lot.

### Please Pray For

Dianne Etcheverry

All those affected by the COVID-19 virus

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*Kathy Barcenas, Ken Beesley, Helen Bush, Ron Buziol, Noel Callahan, Stephanie Cameron-Anctil, Leo Dy, Ted Ewbank, Mireille Farwagi, Marilyn Goulet, Germaine Guay, Gemma Konar, Vicki Lupton, Annie Mackenzie, Peggy McCormick, Mary Menescardi, Juanita Nazareth, Eduardo Peralta, Graham Ridsdale, Breda Sheehan, Theresa Sheehan, Linwood Trask, Molly Waechter, Ed Wild, and Terry Zweng*

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### Pray for the Repose of the Souls of

Captain Kevin Hagen and the other Canadian Forces members who died in Wednesday's helicopter crash



### Mass Cards

Our parish's Virtual Office can provide electronic Mass cards for you to forward to someone, or will mail an actual card to an address you provide. To request a Mass, please email Mary at [office@ctrwestvan.ca](mailto:office@ctrwestvan.ca) with details and your contact information and she will call you. If you do not have email, please call the office at 604-922-1371 to connect.

Please note: if you want Mass said on a particular date, the first available dates are in **August**.





## Good Shepherd Sunday

### Work of Vocations Collection

Our parish has offered a warm welcome to a number of seminarians and we have seen the generosity and gifts of these men. So we want to support their training in every way possible. One way to do this is through the annual collection for the Work of Vocations. There is an envelope for this purpose in your envelope box dated for May 3, or you may make an online donation through the Archdiocese at [vocationsvancouver.ca/give](https://vocationsvancouver.ca/give).

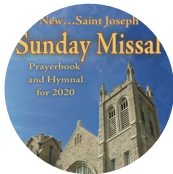
A generous Archdiocesan donor has offered to match every gift made to this collection, so 2020 is an ideal time to offer your support if your finances permit.



## Youth Ministry

CTR Youth is moving online, beginning with **Anchor!** Teens **Grade 8-12**, join us **today (Sunday, May 3) at 7:30 p.m.** for some time to catch up with one another, pray with our music ministry, play games, and more. We'll be meeting on Zoom so if you haven't RSVPed please do so at [bit.ly/rsvpmay3](https://bit.ly/rsvpmay3) and fill out the parent permission form at [bit.ly/ymonline](https://bit.ly/ymonline) so we can forward you the details.

To be added to the Youth Ministry newsletter list so you can stay up to date with everything happening at CTR Youth, go to <https://ctrav.flocknote.com/YMTeens>.



## Missals for Loan

Sunday missals and missals for the daily readings are available for loan to parishioners who want a physical copy for the duration of the pandemic. Drop by the parish office to pick one up from the boxes outside the rectory door!

Daily Mass readings can also be viewed, courtesy of Universalis, on the Archdiocese's website at <https://ctrav.org/prayer-and-spirituality-mass-readings/>.



## Prison Ministry

### Request for Letters

Chaplains still working at prisons and correctional institutions have agreed to post any letters of prayer and encouragement during this time. It is a tough time for many, and in the BC prisons there are no visits from volunteers or family and friends at all. If you would like to write a letter of prayer and support, please send them to the office at [office@ctrwestvan.ca](mailto:office@ctrwestvan.ca) for forwarding to the prison.



## The Parish Bookmobile!

We're launching something new—one of the priests will deliver a good Catholic book straight to your door! We'll offer a couple recommendations each week (see below), but if there's a book you've seen at the library just let us know. The book will be dropped off at your doorstep in a sanitized package and collected at a time convenient for you in three weeks—or you may pick it up at the rectory.

The parish is also loaning our large collection of faith formation and bible study DVDs through the Bookmobile, including popular series by Scott Hahn and Jeff Cavins. Please email us for the full list!

If you prefer to purchase a book to read, we will deliver from the parish gift shop as part of the Bookmobile service. Please email all Bookmobile requests to [office@ctrwestvan.ca](mailto:office@ctrwestvan.ca).

## Recommended Books This Week

### PASTOR'S RECOMMENDATION



- Two copies of a new book by Bishop Robert Barron have arrived in the library this week. **Arguing Religion: A Bishop Speaks at Facebook and Google** offers “the secret to debating religion well”. In the

book, a collection of talks given by him at Facebook and Google, Bishop Barron shares how all—believer and unbeliever alike—can have respectful conversations.

### FR. JEFF'S RECOMMENDATION

- Holy Mary: Getting to Know and Love Our Blessed Mother Through Her Magnificent Titles** by Very Rev. C. J. O'Connell. As our bishops reconsecrate Canada to Mary, Mother of the Church, this is an opportunity to meet her under some of her other comforting titles.



## QR Code How-To

A QR code is a square image like the one you see here on your left. It functions like a barcode in the sense that it contains information (for example, a website link) and conveys it quickly when scanned. It can be scanned from any smartphone that has a camera.

To scan a QR code, open your smartphone's camera app and position the QR code image in your camera so that it is focussed. The phone will detect the code and give you an option to click to go directly to the link in your mobile browser (you'll need internet for it to load).

CTR is currently using QR codes for our online offertory (as above), and some registration links.

## This Week's Online Ideas



- Check out *Man for All Seasons* (1966) – the story of St. Thomas More, who stood up to King Henry VIII when the King rejected the Catholic Church's teachings. Available for rent on [Amazon Prime Video](#) or [YouTube Movies](#).
- Learn more about the Catholic faith and her teachings by checking out the rich collection of [apologetics videos](#) on [Formed](#)—under movies, select “Apologetics” to view.



## FORMED

Our parish pays for a subscription to this Catholic on-demand video service. Formed is **FREE** for you to join—if you already have, please note that all accounts have been reset recently and you'll need to sign up again. To sign up, visit [formed.org](#), click “Sign Up”, and “I belong to a Parish” and search “Christ the Redeemer Parish” in the search bar, find our parish, create an account, and enjoy Catholic films and resources!

## Staying Connected One-on-One

### Our 'Virtual Office'



The parish staff are working from home to meet your needs and committed to respond to you in a timely fashion—although the office is physically closed.

If you don't have internet access, use the priests' cell phones.

- Email: [office@ctrwestvan.ca](mailto:office@ctrwestvan.ca)
- Website: [www.ctrwestvan.ca](http://www.ctrwestvan.ca)
- Facebook: [www.facebook.com/ctrwestvan](https://www.facebook.com/ctrwestvan)
- Msgr. Smith's Cell Phone: 604-657-3715
- Fr. Jeff's Cell Phone: 1-416-882-0310

**For emergencies, always call the priests' phones directly.**



## Our Facebook Community

Find community, fellowship, and share resources on our Facebook group at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/ctrwestvan>.

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