



February 5, 2021

Dear Sacred Heart Families,

Yesterday morning the BC Ministry of Education announced some updates to the [Health and Safety Guidelines for K-12 School Settings](#). Please review the [government's news release](#) or visit the [BC Centre of Disease Control's website](#) for more detailed information.

We are in the process of reviewing our health and safety plans to ensure we have implemented all the new regulations and protocols, and will post an updated version of our plans, with highlighted changes on our school website.

At this morning's press conference our government extended current COVID-19 health orders banning social gatherings and events in the province until further notice. Please see the province wide restrictions [here](#). I thank you for following the public health recommendations to help keep the number of cases in our community low. This is most important for keeping our school safe. I am grateful for your support of our school as we journey together helping your child become the best version of themselves, as God has intended.

God Bless,  
Kelly Kozack  
Principal

**Valentine's Day:** Valentine's Day will be here before we know it. Out of an abundance of caution, we ask that you do not send anything to school with your child to be shared with others in our community, including cards.

**Parish Education Committee – Call Out for New Members Starting September 2021!-** The Parish Education Committee (PEC) is seeking new members to join the committee for the next school year.

The PEC is composed of our pastor, our principal and parents, who, together, provide direction for Sacred Heart School. We meet once a month to discuss school matters and work with various sub-committees that support the school (Fundraising, Marketing, Communications, Finance, Parent Participation and other initiatives and activities).



## SACRED HEART SCHOOL

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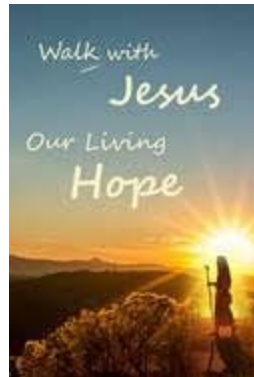
Serving on the PEC is a great opportunity to learn more about Sacred Heart and its programs while using your experience and expertise to ensure a successful future for the school. Your participation in the PEC fulfills your family's annual Parent Participation hours requirement. We encourage parents who are Catholics in good standing and members of the parish to consider joining the PEC.

Please email Tim Dumas, PEC Chair at [tim.dumas@jaks.com](mailto:tim.dumas@jaks.com) , or Ellen Fairn, PEC Parish Liaison at [ellen@modern-line.ca](mailto:ellen@modern-line.ca) if you are interested.

Please see the separate attachments.

**No School February 11 & 12:** These are pro-d days leading into the Family Day long weekend.

**Parish News:** Please see the bulletin from the Parish.





### Rationale

CISVA Policies and Procedures exist for Education Committees to function effectively. The effectiveness of our Catholic schools is strengthened by clergy and lay people working together with faith and commitment for the education of our young people. It is very important, therefore, that those who accept the call to serve on an Education Committee understand the expectations of office and conduct themselves in a way that will foster collaboration and Christian community and put into practice the philosophy of Catholic education as promulgated by the Roman Catholic Bishops of British Columbia.

### Policy

When parishioners allow their name to stand for election or appointment to a Parish or Regional Education Committee (PEC or REC), they are agreeing to adhere to the responsibilities and expectations of a Committee member and CISVA Policies and Procedures. They must conduct themselves in a way that will foster collaboration and Christian community and put into practice the philosophy of Catholic education as promulgated by the Catholic Bishops of British Columbia.<sup>1</sup>

### Procedure

Education Committee members are expected to accept the following responsibilities and commitments:

#### 1. **Agency**

- 1.1 Acknowledge that Catholic schools function within the structure of the Catholic Church and are an expression of its mission.
- 1.2 Understand that the Catholic school that they are called to serve functions within the structure of the Catholic Independent School Vancouver Archdiocese (CISVA).
- 1.3 Understand that the role of the Education Committee is to implement policies and decisions of the CISVA Board of Directors.
- 1.4 Commit to becoming more knowledgeable of CISVA Policies and endeavour to become more knowledgeable about Catholic education, its mission, and educational and religious goals.
- 1.5 Promote Catholic education, its values and benefits to the community.

#### 2. **Authority**

- 2.1 Develop local policies in collaboration with the Principal and Pastor. Local policies must not supersede provincial or federal legislation or CISVA policy.
- 2.2 Participate in long-term planning in consultation with school stakeholders: Pastor, Principal, parents. Examples include, financial and capital plans and strategic plans.
- 2.3 Ensure the safe and orderly operation of the school in the following areas: collection of fees, payment of operating expenses, facilities, maintenance, parent participation, etc.

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<sup>1</sup> Catholic Bishops of British Columbia, Pastoral Letter of Catholic Education, (4 November 2016).



2.4 Assume other duties as are assigned to Education Committees from time to time by CISVA.

**3. Administrative Relationships**

3.1 Support and recognize the Principal as the educational leader and chief administrator in the school.

3.2 Work in harmony with the Pastor and parish organizations.

3.3 Understand that in matters that affect the Catholicity of the schools, the approval of the Pastor/Archbishop's Representative is required.

3.4 If in the carrying out of their responsibilities the Pastor/Archbishop's representative and the Education Committee come to an impasse they cannot resolve they may appeal to the Board of Directors of CISVA.

3.5 Pray for other members of the Committee, Catholic schools and the communities they serve.

**4. Conduct and Confidentiality**

4.1 Committee members will demonstrate collegiality and respect for one another. The opinions expressed and perspectives given must be conducted in a manner that is always respectful and courteous

4.2 Attend regular, extraordinary and sub-committee meetings and participate in discussion and decisions to the best of their ability.

4.3 Be fully and thoroughly prepared for each meeting by completing the required committee work or reports.

4.4 Share and utilize their knowledge and experience for the betterment of the committee's work and the school as a whole.

4.5 Actively support the principle of collegiality in the decisions taken as a committee and ensure support of these decisions in one's conduct and example both within and outside the committee.

4.6 Be open to stand for election to the executive of their Committee and act as a member of a sub-committee as elected and/or assigned.

4.7 Recognize that they do not officially represent the Committee unless explicitly authorized to do so by both the Chair and the Pastor.

4.8 Ensure confidentiality of all matters dealt with in confidence and in camera.



4.9 Disqualify themselves from discussion and voting on issues where there may be a conflict of interest.

**5. Finances**

5.1 Recommend to the Superintendent and receive his/her permission before increasing or decreasing enrolment by adding or deleting the number of classes or grades. The Superintendent must seek approval of the Board of Directors when the decision could impact other schools or have implication for future capital costs.

5.2 Prepare the budget for the operation and maintenance of the school. Such a budget requires approval of the Pastor/Archbishop's Representative.

5.3 Ensure that proper books and financial records are kept for the purposes of claiming government grants and issuing tax receipts. The Education Committee will complete and submit reports and other documents as may be required by the Board of Directors or the Superintendent.

**6. Personnel**

6.1 Ensure adherence to CISVA Policy 306 in relation to hiring of school personnel and Policy 304 in cases on non-renewal of school personnel.

**7. Removal from Office**

7.1 A member of an Education Committee who ceases to fulfill those conditions of eligibility to hold office, which pertain to membership in the parish or practice of the faith, or who at any time falls into one of the exceptions defined in Policy 107 – Education Committee Elections (see section 1.4, “Procedures before Elections, Eligible for Nominations”) automatically ceases to be a member.

7.2 A member of an Education Committee may be removed from office for conduct unbecoming a member and/or for action contrary to the spirit of the philosophy of Catholic education as promulgated by the Catholic Bishops of British Columbia.<sup>2</sup>

Such a decision by an Education Committee requires a two-thirds majority vote of the Committee. A member so removed may appeal to the Board of Directors of CISVA.

7.3 A member of an Education Committee, after missing three (3) consecutive monthly meetings, may be removed from office by a two-thirds majority vote of the Committee.

7.4 CISVA reserves the right to remove Education Committee members for just cause.

7.5 Loss of membership on an Education Committee automatically will result in the loss of any membership and offices in the Catholic Independent Schools of Vancouver Archdiocese.

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<sup>2</sup> Catholic Bishops of British Columbia, Pastoral Letter of Catholic Education, (4 November 2016).



7.6 Dismissed members are not entitled to membership for positions in CISVA but shall not be entitled to apply or be nominated for a position on the Education Committee from which he/she was dismissed.

<b>Reference</b>  <b>Cross-reference</b> Policy 108 – Education Committee Meetings Policy 111 – Education Committee Term of Office	<b>Approved</b> Board of Directors
	<b>Date</b> Pre - 1996
	<b>Date(s) Revised</b> 5 July 2016 5 June 2018

**NOMINATION FORM**

To nominate or be nominated a parishioner must meet the following eligibility pre-requisites:

**ELIGIBLE TO NOMINATE:** All persons eligible to hold office

**ELIGIBLE FOR NOMINATION (HOLD OFFICE):**

Those eligible to hold office as a member of a parish education committee or represent the parish on a regional education committee are practising Catholics, approved by the Pastor, who are eligible to vote in that parish and have reached the age of twenty-one (21), with the following exceptions:

- i. teachers and principal of the school;
- ii. past employees of the school until three full calendar years have passed since the termination of employment;
- iii. employees of the parish and/or school;
- iv. spouses, children, parents, brothers and sisters of persons covered in above;
- v. all other teachers/principals employed by CISVA.

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**CANDIDATE NOMINATED:** \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby agree to stand for election to the Education Committee of \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ School and confirm that I am eligible for nomination.

*I also agree to attend the Education Committee Workshop that is held in the Fall.*

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

**PASTORS AUTHORIZATION:** \_\_\_\_\_

The above-named candidate has been nominated by the two undersigned nominators who confirm that they are eligible to nominate:

PRINT NAME	SIGNATURE
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PRINT NAME	SIGNATURE
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This nomination form received by \_\_\_\_\_ representing the Nominating  
Committee of \_\_\_\_\_ School.

Signed	Date
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**IMPORTANT NOTE:** This form must be received by a representative of the Nominating Committee no later than 7 days before the election date.

## EXPECTATIONS FOR MEMBERS OF CISVA EDUCATION COMMITTEES

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Members of CISVA Education Committees, according to Policy Manual, **are expected to:**

- Acknowledge that Catholic schools function within the structure of the Catholic Church and are an expression of its mission.
- Endeavor to become more knowledgeable about Catholic education, its mission, and educational and religious goals.
- Promote Catholic education, its values and benefits to the community.
- Attend regular, extraordinary and sub-committee meetings and participate in discussion and decisions to the best of their ability.
- Be fully and thoroughly prepared for each meeting by completing the required committee work or reports.
- Share and utilize their knowledge and experience for the betterment of the Committee's work and the school as a whole.
- Be loyal and supportive of Committee decisions.
- Be open to stand for election to the executive of their committee and act as a member of a sub-committee as elected and/or assigned.
- Recognize that they do not officially represent the Committee unless explicitly authorized to do so.
- Ensure confidentiality of all matters dealt 'in confidence'.
- Disqualify themselves from discussion and voting on issues where there is a conflict of interest.
- Support and recognize the principal as chief administrator in the school.
- Work in harmony with the Pastor and parish organizations.
- Pray for other members of the Committee, Catholic schools and the communities they serve.

I have read the above expectations and agree to abide by these expectations if I am elected to the Education Committee.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_



# Sacred Heart Catholic Church



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## Augustinian Friars in the Parish:

Fr. Francis Galvan, OSA – Pastor  
Fr. Michael Martell OSA

The Archbishop of Vancouver, following the Provincial Health Order from Dr. Bonnie Henry, directs that all Masses, whether Sunday or weekday, beginning on Friday, November 20th and until further notice, are to be offered without public congregation.

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Our in-person drive through Sunday Adoration is cancelled until further notice.

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Individual Confessions Saturday from 10am-11am in the Chapel.

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Live streaming of Mass on YouTube, Saturdays at 6pm.

## Search:

Sacred Heart Parish Delta

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Chapel is open daily from 10am to 4pm for private prayer. (Except Sundays and holidays)

**Baptisms:** Please contact parish office for more information.

## PARISH CONTACTS

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Erin Seddon	Religious Ed. (PREP)	946-2618
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Martin Grund	Youth Ministry (Gr 8+)	magsh@axionet.com



## Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2021

*Jesus went to a deserted place,  
and there he prayed.*

**Mark 1.29-39**

**Sunday Focus:** Although we may know despair, we are called to live in hope. Despair and grief are part of the human condition, and are often brought on because of loss or suffering. In Christ, however, we experience hope and healing. As disciples working to build the kingdom of God on earth, let us, like Saint Paul, willingly take the Gospel to others and share our hope freely with them. **LITURGY OF THE WORD** Job expresses his despair, describing life without hope or happiness. Saint Paul writes that he has no reason to boast – that preaching the Gospel is an obligation. Thus, he offers the Gospel free of charge and has become all things to all, to save at least some. In the Gospel, Jesus touches and cures Simon's mother-in-law, as well as many others, throughout the whole of Galilee.

**World Day of the Sick on Feb. 11.** We invite you to submit in your prayer requests for you and your family members experiencing illness so that we may pray for them together as a parish community on the **World Day of the Sick, Thursday, Feb. 11** - You may drop them off at the parish office mailbox, chapel, email or postal mail them in. (No phone calls please) We will post the Mass on our Facebook page after 10am for you to watch.

**Daily Mass with Fr. Francis is posted to SHP Facebook page at around 10am daily. Please search for Sacred Heart Parish Delta. (Monday to Saturday)**



**Second Collection** The BC Catholic Newspaper Collection will take place this **Sunday, Feb 7th**. This annual collection helps offset the parish's cost of sending the newspaper to parishioner's homes. If you already receive the newspaper (or desire to sign up) and want to switch to an **environmentally and COVID friendly digital copy** please let us know by email, phone or indicate that on your donation envelope. A suggested donation amount is \$20.00/year

**Online PREP Classes** take place Tuesdays-Newcomers are welcome to participate in our PREP Online Classes (K-Gr 7). To learn more, contact: Erin Seddon, PREP Coordinator: [eseddon@shsdelta.org](mailto:eseddon@shsdelta.org) or (604) 946-2618.

**Our Lil' Saints Preschool** is now accepting registrations for the school year 2021-2022. Registration package is available online: [lilsaintspreschool.org](http://lilsaintspreschool.org)  
Call Mylene Lock at 604-551-0827 or email: [lil'saintspreschool@shsdelta.org](mailto:lil'saintspreschool@shsdelta.org) if you need more information.



Lil' Saints preschool is looking for an assistant teacher for one of our classrooms. ECE or ECEA certified preferred. We offer competitive salaries for qualified candidates. Call Mylene Lock at 604-551-0827 or email: [lil'saintspreschool@shsdelta.org](mailto:lil'saintspreschool@shsdelta.org) for more information.



**Needed: Bikes in good condition for our Migrant Workers.** If you have a bicycle to donate please call the parish office and we can arrange for pick up or drop off. 604-946-4522 Ext 100. Thank you for your generosity.

**SUNDAY COLLECTION REPORT**  
**Year to date up to Jan 10th, 2021**

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Target</u>	<u>Variance</u>
Year to Date	\$20,290	\$35,955	-\$15,665

**Our pastoral staff would like to thank everyone for their continued prayers and support for our parish community.** Your support has been and will continue to be important to our parish during this difficult time. If you wish at this time to make a donation, please use one of the following methods.

- 1) Secure mailbox in front of Monastery.
- 2) Mail to Parish: **PO BOX 10 Stn. Main, Delta B.C. V4K 3N5**
- 3) Join our PAP program by calling or emailing the office.
- 4) If you are unable to drop off or mail in your donation please call the parish office and we can make arrangements to have it picked up.

**2021 Donation Envelopes** – Due to COVID and the cancellation of Masses we are asking parishioners to please pick up their offertory envelopes this year from either the front of the Monastery or Chapel area. There will be boxes available 7 days a week. If you are unable to get here please call the parish office and we can arrange to get the box to you. Thank you for your ongoing financial contributions to the parish.



*“Rising very early before dawn, he left and went off to a deserted place, where he prayed...He told them, ‘Let us go on to the nearby villages that I may preach there also. For this purpose have I come.’” Mark 1:35, 38*

In today's Gospel reading we see a perfect example of stewardship. Jesus gives His time to do all that God wishes - healing the sick and preaching. But before He begins, Jesus makes time to be alone with God in prayer. It is through prayer, spending time with God, that we find the strength to do what He wishes us to do. Be sure to find time every day to be with God. *From RCAV: Copyright © 2021 Archdiocese of St. Louis*

### **Virtual Worldwide Marriage Encounter**

If you desire to restore communication & rekindle romance, this weekend is for you! No travel required means you can participate from the comfort of your own home. This weekend is presented by a team of 3 couples and a priest who will help you to learn tools to make your relationship a priority, communicate from the heart, grow in intimacy, renew your commitment to each other, and value the precious gift of your marriage.

It sounds intense but it is a weekend guaranteed to transform your marriage (or you can get your old relationship back!) Rest assured, you won't be staring at your screen the entire time either. The weekend flows nicely between screen presentations and couple work (time off-screen). Join us on Feb. 26-28 (Registration deadline is Feb. 19) OR May 14-16 (Registration deadline is May 7). Register now at [beholdvancouver.org/events](http://beholdvancouver.org/events)

### **Fr. Jim Nisbet Catholic Bible Seminar**

Fr. Jim Nisbet, the renowned Bible scholar and international speaker, will be hosting an online presentation on the Second Letter to Timothy and the Gospel of Mark. As a bonus, Fr. Jim will hold a lenten three-day retreat: on Friday, Feb. 19 from 7:00 to 9:00 pm as well as Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 20 and 21 from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm with breaks. Please pre-register for \$75 per person. For more information visit [beholdvancouver.org](http://beholdvancouver.org) or send an email to [biblestudies@shaw.ca](mailto:biblestudies@shaw.ca).

### **Pope at Audience: Liturgy and prayer unite us to Christ**

*Pope Francis continues his catechesis on Christian prayer at the weekly General Audience, and reflects on how liturgical prayer unites us to Christ.*

In his continuing catechesis on Christian prayer, the Pope spoke about how the Church's liturgical celebrations make Christ present in our lives.

He began by noting that Christian history is rife with movements which pushed liturgical rites aside. "Often," he said, "this tendency claimed the supposed greater purity of a religiousness that did not depend on external ceremonies, which were considered a useless or harmful burden."

Many modern Catholics, he added, attend Mass on Sunday but feed their own spirituality through various personal devotions.

**Liturgy and life** Pope Francis went on to say that the Church has made much progress in recent decades regarding the centrality of the liturgy in the life of faith. Christian prayer, he said, is closely linked to concrete expressions of faith, such as Sacred Scripture, the Sacraments, and liturgical rites. "In Christian life, the corporeal and material sphere may not be dispensed with, because in Jesus Christ it became the way of salvation," he said.

**Prayer based in liturgy** Liturgy, said the Pope, is more than just spontaneous prayer. "It is an act that founds the whole Christian experience and, therefore, also prayer. It is event, it is happening, it is presence, it is an encounter with Christ." He said Jesus Christ "makes himself present in the Holy Spirit through the sacramental signs." "Christianity without a liturgy is a Christianity without Christ," he stressed.

**Heartfelt participation** The Pope continued by saying the liturgy, by its very nature, invites us to participate fully, so that we might receive the grace God offers through it.

"Many Christian prayers do not originate from the liturgy," he said, "but all of them, if they are Christian, presuppose the liturgy, that is, the sacramental mediation of Jesus Christ." Christ, he added, is present every time a Sacrament is celebrated.

**'Celebrating' the liturgy** Pope Francis said prayer is what allows us to interiorize Jesus' sacramental presence. "What is external to us becomes part of us", a reality expressed in the natural action of eating.

"The Mass cannot simply be 'listened to'," he pointed out, "as if we were merely spectators of something that slips away without our involvement. The Mass is always *celebrated*, and not only by the priest who presides over it, but by all Christians who experience it."

**Christ is the center** The Pope concluded his catechesis noting that Christ is the centre of the liturgy, and that every Christian is invited to participate wholeheartedly in the Sacraments.

"Life is called to become worship to God, but this cannot happen without prayer, especially liturgical prayer."

**By Devin Watkins – Vatican News –  
From the Vatican Website**

<https://www.vaticannews.va/>