

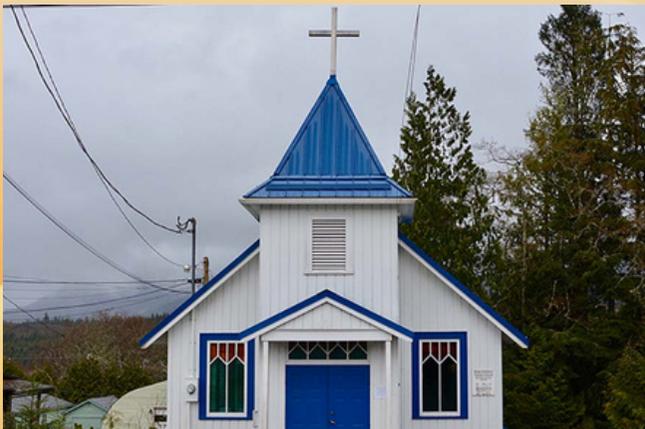
HOLY FAMILY CHURCH

1663 Peninsula Road,
Ucluelet

Holy Family Church in Ucluelet traces its Catholic roots to 1874, when Bishop Charles Seghers and Fr. Auguste Brabant arrived by schooner and baptized 75 children. Later, priests travelled from Christie Residential School to offer Mass, until Oblate Fr. Michael Kearney led efforts to build a permanent church in 1948.

Using a repurposed wartime building, the church opened for Midnight Mass in 1952 and was blessed in 1953. Renovations continued over the years, including a rectory and 1990s upgrades by Brother Stan Racich. The Oblates served until 2010, followed by diocesan priests, then the Religious of the Virgin Mary Sisters, and finally a pastoral administrator in 2024.

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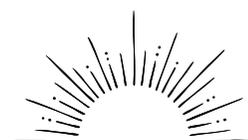


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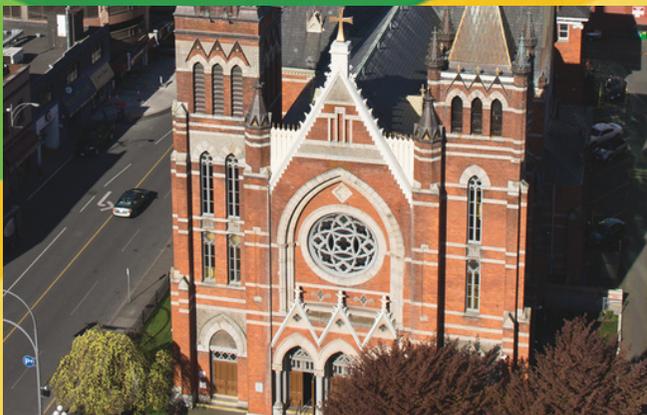
ST. ANDREW'S CATHEDRAL

740 View Street,
Victoria

Built as the third St. Andrew's Cathedral in 1892 at Blanshard and View Streets, St. Andrew's is Victoria's largest Catholic church and a National Historic Site. Designed in High Victorian Gothic Revival style, it features a 175-foot spire, asymmetrical towers, and over 100 stained glass windows. The crypt contains the remains of three notable figures in Diocesan history, including Bishop Modeste Demers, the first Bishop of Victoria.

This third iteration of the cathedral was designated a National Historic Site in 1990 and features Northwest Coast Indigenous-inspired liturgical art.

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www.standrewscathedral.com



ST. ANN'S CHURCH

1775 Tzouhalem Road,
Duncan

St. Ann's Parish in Cowichan Bay has a rich history dating back to 1858 when Fr. Pierre Rondeault arrived to establish a mission among the Cowichan Tribes. He served for 41 years, building the first St. Ann's Church of cedar logs and later the iconic "Butter Church" from locally quarried stone. In 1993, church lands were transferred to the Cowichan Tribes, with Chief Philomena Alphonse setting aside 30 acres for parish use.

St. Ann's remains a significant place of worship, maintaining strong ties with the Cowichan Tribes and a legacy of Indigenous-Catholic collaboration. The Religious of the Virgin Mary (RVM) Sisters now serve as pastoral administrators.

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www.rcdvictoria.org/parishes/st-anns-duncan

OUR LADY OF ASSUMPTION

65 Hemlock Street,
Alert Bay

Built in 1943, Our Lady of Assumption Church in Alert Bay reflects the efforts of Fr. John Leo Bradley and dedicated parishioners. Blessed on Holy Thursday, the 28 x 14-foot church then featured a maple floor, exquisite myrtle wood crucifix with bronze corpus, and handcrafted details.

Catholic roots trace back to the first baptism in 1871, with renewed activity in the 1930s. Priests traveled great distances to serve the small community, and the church was moved from the Archdiocese of Vancouver to the Diocese of Victoria in the 1960s. Renovated in 1987, it remains a symbol of faith and resilience.

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