

# Officiants for Marriages or Memorial Services

## The Interfaith Chapel at St. Ann's Academy

The Chapel at St. Ann's Academy was deconsecrated by the Roman Catholic faith in 1974. It was reopened in 1997 as a public facility and was blessed by the interfaith community of Victoria.

## General information regarding Marriages

Please contact the British Columbia Vital Statistics Agency to obtain a marriage license and other related information. Call 1 (800) 663-8328 or visit their website at: <http://www.vs.gov.bc.ca>. If you wish to use a religious person from outside of British Columbia, they will need to contact their BC head office in order to be licensed to perform the ceremony in BC. If you wish to use a person from outside BC to officiate, you may also need to hire a BC Marriage Commissioner in order for the ceremony to be legally recognized.

Civil marriage services in British Columbia are conducted by Marriage Commissioners. These individuals are appointed under the Marriage Act of British Columbia for the purpose of performing civil marriages.

The Marriage Commissioners in the Greater Victoria Area are\*:

| Name                 | Telephone #    | City     | E-mail   |
|----------------------|----------------|----------|--|
| Terri Alcock         | (250) 646-2528 | Sooke    | <a href="mailto:teralcock@aol.com">teralcock@aol.com</a>             |
| Christine Bullen     | (250)656-7299  | Sidney   | <a href="mailto:chrisbullen@shaw.ca">chrisbullen@shaw.ca</a>         |
| Sherry Lynne Easthom | (250) 656-9363 | Sidney   | <a href="mailto:seasthom@shaw.ca">seasthom@shaw.ca</a>               |
| Kerry Ann Fedosenko  | (250) 642-3853 | Sooke    | <a href="mailto:kerryfed@telus.net">kerryfed@telus.net</a>           |
| Donald M. Gunn       | (250) 477-1007 | Victoria | <a href="mailto:gunndm@shaw.ca">gunndm@shaw.ca</a>                   |
| Hewitt Helmsing      | (250) 658-3618 | Victoria | <a href="mailto:helmsing@shaw.ca">helmsing@shaw.ca</a>               |
| Tami Heywood         | (250) 655-0463 | Sidney   | <a href="mailto:heywood@shaw.ca">heywood@shaw.ca</a>                 |
| Joan Hoffman         | (250) 474-5446 | Victoria | <a href="mailto:jnlhoffman@shaw.ca">jnlhoffman@shaw.ca</a>           |
| Patrick Langran      | (250) 598-9669 | Victoria |  |
| Terry Robinson       | (250) 888-9976 | Victoria | <a href="mailto:terryrobinson99@msn.com">terryrobinson99@msn.com</a> |
| Sharon Russell       | (250) 598-0580 | Victoria | <a href="mailto:russellgroup@telus.net">russellgroup@telus.net</a>   |
| Laurie Smith         | (250) 477-5568 | Victoria | <a href="mailto:laurieesmith@shaw.ca">laurieesmith@shaw.ca</a>       |
| Bill Smith           | (250) 361-3077 | Victoria | <a href="mailto:cruiseking@shaw.ca">cruiseking@shaw.ca</a>           |

## Religious Services of any form (weddings, memorials, baptisms, etc.)

If you will be using an official of your own faith, please contact them directly and ensure that they can perform the service you desire at this location. If you are planning a Roman Catholic wedding, you may wish to request a copy from us of the Bishop's letter regarding marriages at St. Ann's Academy. If you wish to consult with a spiritual person regarding your event, you contact one of the following individuals\*:

| Name   | Telephone /email  | Church   |
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| Rev. Alice Durksen, or<br>Rev. David Durksen | (250) 382-1613<br>email: <a href="mailto:unity@vic.uimc.ca">unity@vic.uimc.ca</a>                 | Unity Church of Victoria<br><a href="http://www.vic.uimc.ca">www.vic.uimc.ca</a> |
| Pastor David Lefsrud                         | (250) 721-1213  | Lutheran Church  |
| Lay Chaplain Pam Harte Smith                 | (250) 744-2665, 656-4893  | Unitarian Church of Victoria   |
| Rev. Dr. Gail Schultz                        | (250) 544-0005<br>email: <a href="mailto:info@victoriacsa.com">info@victoriacsa.com</a>           | Victoria Centre for<br>Self Awareness  |
| Rev. Allister Skinner                        | (250) 479-8230<br>email: <a href="mailto:allisterskinner@yahoo.com">allisterskinner@yahoo.com</a> | United Church  |
| Rev. Winston Stokes                          | (250) 652-2356<br>email: <a href="mailto:earthwood@shaw.ca">earthwood@shaw.ca</a>                 | Earthwood Pastoral Services  |
| Pastor Stephen Swift                         | (250) 479-0628<br>email: <a href="mailto:jsswift@shaw.ca">jsswift@shaw.ca</a>                     | Reformed Church in Canada  |
| Rev. Edwin Taylor                            | (250) 595-6013  | Anglican Church  |

\* You are not limited to the persons or faiths listed.