

## Commentary on the 'St. Joseph' Icon in Victoria



**The icon of St. Joseph written for St. Joseph the Work parish was based on an icon written by the iconographer for the St. Joseph Seminary in St. Albert Alberta in 1993.**

**The colour for St. Joseph is a traditional earthen colour for his outer garment and a blue (heavenly) for his tunic. Jesus' outer garment leans more to the orangey reds to better represent youth; not the darker red often used for Him as an adult. Jesus' tunic is in the iconographer's signature white with patterns of the Trinity.**

**St. Joseph holds and presents 2 white doves to Christ, the doves that were offered at the Temple as was the custom offering for the first-born son.**

**Christ blesses the viewer with his right hand.**

**The icon is 54' x 40' and is covered with 22 K gold.**