



December 20, 2015
4th Sunday of Advent



*Why has this happened to me,
 that the mother of my Lord
 comes to me?*
Luke 1

MASS TIMES

Monday to Friday 8:30 am
 Saturday 5:00 pm
 Sunday 8:30am, 10:30am & 7:00 pm
 Praise & Worship at 6:45 pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament after 8:30 am Mass every
First Friday of the month.

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4:30—4:45 pm
 Sunday 8:00—8:15 am & 10:00—10:15 am

ALSO BY APPOINTMENT

BAPTISM—Baptisms take place during one of the weekend
 Masses. Our diocesan policy is to do Baptism Preparation for the first
two children. Please contact us a month in advance of desired date.

MARRIAGE—Please contact our Parish Office at least 6 months in
 advance for potential booking—250-860-6776 or email:
charlesgarnier@gmail.com

CONTACT US:

3645 Benvoulin Road, Kelowna, B.C. V1W 4M7
Website: www.stcharlesgarnier.ca

Pastor: Pat Monette
 Pastor's direct line: 778-478-6288

Office Manager: Marilee O'Donnell
Office Phone: (250) 860-6776 **Fax:** (250) 860-0542
Office e-mail: charlesgarnier@gmail.com

Catechism Coordinator: Leslie Piasentin
 Email: children@stcharlesgarnier.ca or
leslie@stcharlesgarnier.ca

MINISTRY COORDINATORS

If you wish to become involved contact the Parish Office **250-860-6776** or:

- Altar ServersRenae Clarkson 250-769-7979
- Campus Ministry email: ubco.focus@gmail.com
- Children's Liturgy
- Eucharistic Ministers Patti Cook 778-478-6563
- Hospital Visitation & Eucharist. .Ethel Robidoux 250-860-2101
- MusicJoAnn Young 250-764-0485
- Readers..... Karen Sanesh 250-763-4618
 or email: karen.sanesh21@gmail.com
- Sacristans Flo Pasutto 250-764-8716
- Safe Environment Coordinator—Bob Fortier 250-861-8709
 or email: frolics41@yahoo.ca
- Security Patrol.....
- Ushers Gino Servedio 250-764-3182

CONTACT NUMBERS

- CLUBHOUSE DAYCARE 250-860-4393
- CREIGHTON MODEL FERTILITY CARE 250-491-1088
- CURSILLO John or Gail Schlosser. 250-764-7007
- DIOCESE OF NELSON—Catholic Pastoral Centre 250-448-2725
- ELIZABETH SETON HOUSE OF PRAYER 250-764-4333
- FREEDOM'S DOOR freedomdoor@shaw.ca 250-717-0472
- GRIEF TO GRACE ... www.GriefftoGrace.org 250-878-7603
- KELOWNA RIGHT TO LIFE 250-862-8202
- PREGNANCY CARE CENTRE 250-763-2112
- RACHEL'S VINEYARD rvnelsondiocese@shaw.ca 250-762-2273
- REACH OUT YOUTH COUNSELLING & FAMILY SERVICES 250-763-7892

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

- BICYCLES FOR HUMANITY** ... Keith Germaine 250-764-2942
- CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE**
 Meet second Tuesday of the month at 9:30 am
 President: ... Diane Cey. 250-868-9636
 Membership inquiries: ... Benita Spencer 250-868-8608
- DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE** Mary Lou Johnson .. 778-478-0620
- KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS** www.stcharleskoc.com
 Meet second Thursday of the month at 7:30 pm.
 Grand Knight: ... Rob Grifone 250-862-9354
 Email: rgrifone@stcharleskoc.com
Last Sunday of each month—Knights Breakfast after a.m. Masses
- FR. PANDOSY 4TH DEGREE ASSEMBLY**—Knights of Columbus
 Inquiries Gino Servedio. 250-764-3182
- PRAYER TO ST. PEREGRINE**
 If you have friends or family members with cancer, add them to our
 list, as we pray daily for them. Contact:
 Alice 250-860-3541—email: alicemccrea@shaw.ca or
 Christine 250-768-5274—email: cbreevesac@shaw.ca
- SECULAR FRANCISCAN ORDER** Alice. 250-860-3541
 Email: alicemccrea@shaw.ca
- SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT de PAUL**
 Meet second and fourth Wednesdays at 9:00 am. 250-860-2536
Last Sunday of each month—SSVP donations

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Monday	Dec. 21	8:30 am	✠ Margaret Tolley
Tuesday	Dec. 22	8:30 am	✠ Rose Koslowski
Wednesday	Dec. 23	8:30 am	✠ Leo Brockman
Thursday	Dec. 24	4:00 pm	✠ Gladys Ominski & Lois Bredo
		6:00 pm	✠ Ken Hanak
		8:00 pm	Intentions of Donor
		10:00 pm	Parishioners of St. Charles Garnier
Friday	Dec. 25	10:30 am	✠ Parishioners of SCG
Saturday	Dec. 26	5:00 pm	✠ Ella Gerritsen
Sunday	Dec. 27	8:30 am	✠ Howald & Weingartner fam.
		10:30 am	Parishioners of St. Charles Garnier
		7:00 pm	NO MASS

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK

If you are hospitalized, please be sure to identify yourself as Catholic when being admitted. Family members are also asked to notify the parish office of shut-ins and hospitalized parishioners.

For emergencies *while you are a patient in the hospital*—call the Chaplaincy Phone 250-878-1502.

GUIDE TO GIVING	2015 YTD	2014 YTD
Collections	\$ 460,132	\$ 461,155
Building Fund	\$ 44,585	\$ 90,203

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS:

1st Reading:	Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14
2nd Reading:	Colossians 3:12-21
Gospel:	Luke 2:41-52

REMEMBER OUR CATHOLIC SCHOOLS!

St. Joseph Elementary and Immaculata High provide the Catholic families of our parish (and many others) a superior Catholic educational experience for all grades K-12.

If providing a Catholic education for your family matters, go to www.kelownacatholic.org for more information.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS INFO.

S.C.G. School Board Rep.	Rita Smith
Immaculata High	250-762-2730
St. Joseph Elementary	250-763-3371
Our Lady of Lourdes Elementary School	250-768-9008
Kelowna Catholic Independent Schools	250-448-2725 or 250-762-2905

Fax: 1-866-964-3858 Website: www.kelownacatholic.org

PILGRIMAGE OF FAITH



We have raised \$ 70,025. This is 100% of our Diocesan goal and 10% of our Parish goal. All further contributions will go directly to our Parish goal and will be refunded to our Parish. We thank those who have contributed to date and encourage all parishioners to participate in this program which is vital to our Diocese and our Parish. If you did not receive a package in the mail please pick one up from the ledge in the foyer.

ST PEREGRINE PRAYER GROUP

The St Peregrine prayer group is cancelled for this month. We will resume the last Monday of January at 7:00 pm. **New location St. Charles Garnier Church.** Contact Christine 250-768-5274, cbreevesac@shaw.ca or Alice 250-860-3541, alicemccrea@shaw.ca.

REFUGEE COMMITTEE

The response has been so generous that the Refugee Committee **doesn't need anything** at this time. Please **DO NOT** drop off anything at the church! Thank you!

If you would like to help the refugee families to settle in, give Keith Germaine a call 250-764-2942. Your time would be greatly appreciated.

 **PARISH OFFICE CLOSED** 

The parish office will close December 24th and reopen on January 4th. Wishing you all a very Blessed Christmas!

2016 BOOK OFFERING ENVELOPES

The **2016 offering envelopes** are available for pick up from the tables in the Parish Hall. Please note that the information shown on the label is what will be printed on your tax receipt. Please check this carefully and let us know of any errors or changes as soon as possible. If you are participating in the monthly SAG (preauthorized giving) **you will still need to pick up your envelopes** as you will want to use your envelopes for the Special Collections not covered by your regular SAG donation.

VERY IMPORTANT:

Please **DO NOT** use your new envelopes **before 2016!**

Your envelope number **changes each year.** Using envelopes from other than the current year could result in confusion and not receiving proper tax credit for your donations.

ST. CHARLES GARNIER PARISH
(Dedicated to the memory of Father Charles Pandey)
3645 BENVOLIN RD
KELOWNA BC V1W 4M7



My Offering

To: _____

ST. JOSEPH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL THANK YOU

Based on kind community support, especially from the Knights of Columbus, the Robotics Club from St. Joseph Elementary School in Kelowna participated at the Western Canadian Robocup Junior Games, December 11th at the Centre for Learning at Okanagan College. In the robot soccer challenge the St. Joseph team took home top spots – the local story is available at <http://www.castanet.net/edition/news-story-153932-1-.htm#153932>

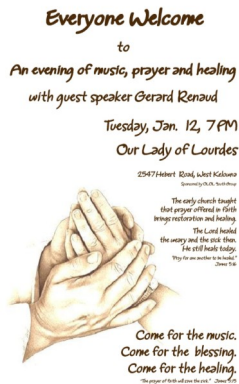
Thank you for the kind support and Merry Christmas!

AN EVENING OF MUSIC, PRAYER & HEALING

The early church taught that prayer offered in faith brings restoration and healing. The Lord healed the weary and the sick then. He still heals today.

Tuesday, Jan. 12, 7:00 pm at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, 2547 Hebert Road, West Kelowna.

Come for the music.
Come for the blessing.
Come for the healing.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BURSARY

Bishop Thomas J. Lobsinger, OMI Memorial Bursary Program Underway

The annual British Columbia and Yukon Bursary Program is known as the Bishop Thomas J. Lobsinger, OMI Memorial Bursary Program. The 2016 program is now receiving applications. Once again we are privileged to offer thirty bursaries of \$500.00 each to Catholic students across the Province of British Columbia. These bursaries are made available on a one-time-only basis to young practicing Catholic students who are in their second or subsequent year of post secondary education at a recognized institute of higher learning within the Province. Applications are accepted from January 1st, 2016 until June 30th, 2016 with the bursaries being awarded in the fall. The Terms of Reference can be found on our web site at http://kofcbe.org/files/2013/08/Bursary_2015-16.pdf.

Requests for applications should be addressed to:

Knights of Columbus BC & Yukon
Attn: Koon Ming Lau, Bursaries Chairman
2456 E.20th Avenue
Vancouver, BC V5M 2T6

We would like to once again congratulate the many recipients over the past years and look forward to the opportunity to assist many more young people in the advancement of their education.



MIDNIGHT UNDER THE STARS

WYD New Year's Eve dinner & dance - Thurs., Dec. 31, 2015, 6:30 pm at Our Lady of Lourdes parish centre in Westbank. Dinner, dance, door prizes & midnight snack! FINAL DAY FOR PURCHASING TICKETS is Sun., Dec. 20. You can get your tickets at Our Lady of Lourdes, Westbank parish office, or by calling Christine at [250-768-0284](tel:250-768-0284). Only \$45 a ticket. It's going to be a great evening! Hope to see you there :)

MASS AT BIG WHITE

Mass will be held at Big White every Sunday @3:30PM, starting Sun., Dec. 20th & concluding on Sun., March 27th (Easter Sunday).
Mass will be held at the Community Policing Station by the Globe Café & Tapas Bar.



Mass will also be celebrated on Christmas Day & New Year's Day @3:30pm



CHRISTMAS/NEW YEARS MASS TIMES

MASS TIMES FOR THE FEAST OF CHRISTMAS

Thursday, December 24th—4:00, 6:00, 8:00 & 10:00pm

Friday, December 25th—10:30 am

MASS TIMES FOR THE FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

Saturday, December 26th—5:00 pm

Sunday, December 27th—8:30, & 10:30 am (NO 7:00 pm)

MASS TIMES FOR THE FEAST OF

MARY, THE MOTHER OF GOD

Thursday, December 31st—5:00 pm

Friday, January 1st—10:30 am

MASS SCHEDULE SIGN UP

Attention all Readers, Eucharistic Ministers, Ushers, Altar Servers and Security Patrol. There are many spots left to fill, so **Please** sign up on the sheet in the foyer for the Christmas & New Years masses at which you are able to assist. **Thank you!**

CARDS FOR KIDS

Thank you, parishioners of St. Charles Garnier, for your support of Cards for Kids. With your help, we have raised over \$4,000 in two months (at no extra cost to you!). We are so grateful that you are changing your shopping habits and providing operating funds for our school. A special thank you to Freedom's Door and the St. Charles Garnier CWL and Knights of Columbus for buying our grocery cards. We will be back in the new year. We look forward to seeing you the last Sunday of each month. Questions? Email cardsforkids@cisnd.ca

MASTERPIECE CAMPAIGN CHRISTMAS GIFT FOR THE CHILDREN

Help frame the future of Catholic Education. Please give a Christmas donation now to build a new St. Joseph Elementary School scheduled to start June 2016. Gifts of \$20 or more will receive a tax receipt for the 2015 year. This gift will impact our faith community for generations to come. Pledge cards are available in the pews or on the Masterpiece Campaign table at back of church. Pledge envelopes can be placed in the collection basket or mailed to the address provided. For more information please contact Holly Routley, Development Coordinator, 250-575-6996 or email: hroutley@cisnd.ca



Rachel's Corner

"An angel of the Lord stood over them and the glory of the Lord shone round them. They were terrified, but the angel said, 'Do not be afraid. Look, I bring you news of great joy, a joy to be shared by the whole people. Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is Christ the Lord.'"

- Luke 2:9-11

Do not be afraid. He has come to set you free from what has caused you great suffering. Come on a Rachel's Vineyard™ Retreat.

info@rachelsvineyardkelowna.com
250-762-2273

www.rachelsvineyardkelowna.com

Like us on Facebook: Rachel's Vineyard Kelowna

FAIR TRADE GOODS

Will be on sale the **first Sunday** of each month. Please sign up for membership in Development and Peace at the same time.



FILIPINO MASS—will be held the first Sunday of the month at **St. Theresa's** Church starting at 5:30 pm. The mass is followed by a pot luck dinner.

PERPETUAL ADORATION Chapel Group at ICC would like to request anyone who will be willing to spend at least one hour a week in our Adoration Chapel to please call Betty Chipeur at 250-860-6444. We need more people who are willing and generous for night time Adoration from 8:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BREAKFASTS MONTHLY SCHEDULE—September through June

First Sunday of the Month
Immaculate Conception Church
and
St. Theresa Parish

Second Sunday of the Month
St. Pius X Parish

Third Sunday of the Month
Our Lady of Lourdes Parish

Last Sunday of the Month
St. Charles Garnier Parish

PEOPLE OF FAITH CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP

Come on out and join us as we gather together to Praise and Worship our Awesome God! Tuesday evenings 7:00 pm at St. Pius X—enter through side off of Fuller Ave. For more info please call Piera 250-762-6150.

SECULAR FRANCISCAN ORDER

"The Little Flowers of St. Francis Fraternity"
meets every 3rd Sunday at 12:30 pm in the meeting room at the Catholic Pastoral Centre. All are welcome to attend. Contact: Alice 250-860-3541 alicemccrea@shaw.ca

ST PEREGRINE PRAYER GROUP—We, Secular Franciscans are holding prayer sessions for those afflicted with cancer and other diseases on the last Monday of each month 7-8pm at St. Charles Garnier. All are welcome. Contact Christine 250-768-5274, cbreevesac@shaw.ca or Alice 250-860-3541, alicemccrea@shaw.ca.

Please remember:

OUR CHURCH IS A **SCENT-FREE ZONE!**

Avoid wearing perfume, after-shave or heavily scented personal care products



DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING ITEMS TO BE INCLUDED IN THE BULLETIN IS THURSDAY NOON.

WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS!

Please complete this form and leave it in the collection basket or at the Parish Office.

Name(s): _____ **New Parishioner:** **Information Change:**

Address: _____ Postal Code: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

CHILDREN

Name(s)	D.O.B.— (yyyy/mm/dd)

Would you like to be contacted by one of our parish groups?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> CWL | <input type="checkbox"/> Music |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Knights of Columbus | <input type="checkbox"/> Reader |
| <input type="checkbox"/> St. Vincent de Paul | <input type="checkbox"/> Usher |
| <input type="checkbox"/> R.C.I.A. | <input type="checkbox"/> Altar Servers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sacristan (Set up for Mass) | |

Would you like to pick up Sunday Offertory Envelopes from the ledge in the foyer next week? **Yes** **No**

The label will have your name on it, the number identifies you and a tax receipt will be sent to you at the address that you registered with.

You may also register on-line @ www.stcharlesgarnier.ca where you can sign up for the bulletin to be **emailed to you each week.**