



All flesh shall see the salvation of God.  
Luke 3

**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 Servers .....Renae Clarkson 250-769-7979  
Campus Ministry ..... email: [ubco.focus@gmail.com](mailto:ubco.focus@gmail.com)  
Children's Liturgy .....  
Eucharistic Ministers ..... Patti Cook 778-478-6563  
Hospital Visitation & Eucharist. .Ethel Robidoux 250-860-2101  
Music .....JoAnn Young 250-764-0485  
Readers. .... Karen Sanesh 250-763-4618  
or email: [karen.sanesh21@gmail.com](mailto:karen.sanesh21@gmail.com)  
Sacristans ..... Flo Pasutto 250-764-8716  
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](mailto:freedomdoor@shaw.ca) ..... 250-717-0472  
GRIEF TO GRACE ... [www.GriefftoGrace.org](http://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](mailto: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](http://www.stcharleskoc.com)  
Meet second Thursday of the month at 7:30 pm.  
Grand Knight: ... Rob Grifone ..... 250-862-9354  
Email: [rgrifone@stcharleskoc.com](mailto: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](mailto:alicemccrea@shaw.ca) or  
Christine 250-768-5274—email: [cbreevesac@shaw.ca](mailto:cbreevesac@shaw.ca)  
**SECULAR FRANCISCAN ORDER** .... Alice. .... 250-860-3541  
Email: [alicemccrea@shaw.ca](mailto: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

<b>Monday</b>	Dec. 7	8:30 am	Int. CWL Christ the King 60th Anniversary
<b>Tuesday</b>	Dec. 8	8:30 am	Int. Theresa Gysel & Fam.
<b>Wednesday</b>	Dec. 9	8:30 am	Int. Wendy Engebretson
<b>Thursday</b>	Dec. 10	8:30 am	✠ Gladys Ominski
<b>Friday</b>	Dec. 11	8:30 am	✠ Fran Nutz
<b>Saturday</b>	Dec. 12	5:00 pm	Int. Vance Matthews
<b>Sunday</b>	Dec. 13	8:30 am	✠ Ken Nicholls
		10:30 am	✠ Leo Brockman
		7:00 pm	Parishioners of St. Charles Garnier

### 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
<b>Collections</b>	\$ 439,260	\$ 440,532
<b>Building Fund</b>	\$ 42,487	\$ 87,514

### NEXT WEEK'S READINGS:

1st Reading:	Zephaniah 3:14-18a
2nd Reading:	Philippians 4:4-7
Gospel:	Luke 3:10-18

### 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](http://www.kelownacatholic.org) for more information.

### CATHOLIC SCHOOLS INFO.

<b>S.C.G. School Board Rep.</b>	Rita Smith
<b>Immaculata High</b>	250-762-2730
<b>St. Joseph Elementary</b>	250-763-3371
<b>Our Lady of Lourdes Elementary School</b>	250-768-9008
<b>Kelowna Catholic Independent Schools</b>	250-448-2725 or 250-762-2905
Fax: 1-866-964-3858 Website: <a href="http://www.kelownacatholic.org">www.kelownacatholic.org</a>	

## PILGRIMAGE OF FAITH



Thank you to all those who picked up your Pilgrimage of Faith Appeal envelope. Thanks to you we have raised \$ 59,410 toward our Pilgrimage of Faith Appeal Goal. This is 89.1% of our Diocesan goal.

All packages not picked up have been mailed out. If you did not receive one, please pick up a blank package from the ledge in the foyer. Your gift is important. No gift is too small and our parish is trying to reach 100% participation.

## HOLY YEAR OF MERCY—DIOCESE OF NELSON

Bishop John Corriveau, OFM, Cap. will preside at the **Blessing of the Holy Door** at Mass Tuesday, December 8, 2015 at 10:30 am at the Cathedral of Mary Immaculate in Nelson, BC. Everyone is invited to attend.



## REFUGEE NEEDS

At this time we are looking for:

- washing machine
- clothes drying rack
- 6 passenger vehicle—gift/loan for 3 months
- baby furniture
- area rugs (large)

Call Keith Germaine 250-764-2942

## UNSOLICITED CLOTHING DONATIONS

**Please DO NOT drop off clothing or shoes in the foyer.** We are becoming overwhelmed with the quantity of things appearing. We have no current needs for clothing or the room to store them. If you have things you want to donate please take them to Inn From the Cold or the Pro Life Thrift Shop both located on Sutherland Avenue. Thank you.

## COLF

The Diocesan Office of Religious Education encourages all parishioners to visit the website **Catholic Organization for Life and Family (COLF)** at [www.colf.ca](http://www.colf.ca) for information on Life and Family Life. Use the tabs Life Topics and Family Topics to navigate to areas that interest you. It has many worthwhile articles including:

1. Parents will your children be happy? This is a reflection on the formation of conscience.
2. A Threatened Solidarity: A reflection on Assisted Suicide and Euthanasia.

A copy of both of these articles will be published on the Diocesan Website under [www.nelsondiocese.org](http://www.nelsondiocese.org), Our Catholic Faith, Marriage & Family Life, listed under More Information.

## ADVENT RECONCILIATION

PARISH	DAY	DATE	TIME
St. Charles Garnier	Tues.	Dec. 8	6:30 pm
Corpus Christi/St. Theresa	Thurs.	Dec. 10	6:30 pm
Immaculata High School	Tues.	Dec. 15	10:30 am
O.L.O.L. School	Wed.	Dec. 16	1:00 pm
O.L.O.L. Parish	Wed.	Dec. 16	6:30 pm
Immaculate Conception	Thurs.	Dec. 17	3:30 pm

## CWL NEWS

Please don't miss these Events & Celebrations:

**Catered Christmas Luncheon** ~ December 8th

Time: 11:00 a.m. Cost \$10.00

Please bring a gift of warm socks for the women of the Haven.

**St. Charles Cradle Update** ~

It is with great joy that we announce the baptism of our dear Katrina on December 13<sup>th</sup> - Time: 10:30 a.m. ~ please join us for refreshments following the baptism.



## PLEASE HELP OUR SENIORS

**Communion of the Sick: the Shut Ins, the Seniors, the Sick, the Handicapped**

Taken from the COMMUNION OF THE SICK:

"At the heart of all Christian life is the mystery of the eucharist, the proof of Christ's infinite love for his people. In the Eucharist we are united with Christ and one another as members of one body. The Eucharist renews and deepens our share in the suffering, death and resurrection of Christ. We are nourished and strengthened to walk as disciples of the Lord and experience a foretaste of the heavenly banquet to which we are called in the kingdom of God."

"The faithful who are ill are deprived of their rightful and accustomed place in the Eucharistic community. In bringing communion to them the minister of communion represents Christ and manifests faith and charity on behalf of the whole community toward those who cannot be present at the Eucharist. For the sick the reception of communion is not only a privilege but also a sign of support and concern shown by the Christian community for its members who are ill."

**PLEASE HELP US GET  
COMMUNION TO THE SHUT-INS  
of SCG**

the rewards are great... Call Kevin Cutting 250-317-8196 or email [kc@kevincutting.com](mailto:kc@kevincutting.com) or contact the Parish Office.



## 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

## MASTERPIECE THANK YOU

Dear Friends of the St. Joseph Project Masterpiece Campaign,

Thank you to all the guests and volunteers who came out to support our very first Masterpiece Fundraising Event! Last Tuesday's sold out performance kicked off our fundraising series on a glorious "♪ high note ♪" by showcasing the amazing harmonies & humour of our very own St. Charlie's Angels. Just as in 1939 when the Sisters of Charity answered the call to first open our school's doors, our "Singing Nuns" again stepped forth to playfully and beautifully launch our coming season of giving and help open the doors of a new and renewed St. Joe's.

The enthusiasm in our community was tangible as everyone packed into St Charles Garnier Church Tuesday night. Several times throughout the performance the massive crowd leapt to their feet in droves clapping in spontaneous ovations and shouting for encores. One of attendee aptly summarized: "This event was the highlight of my year."

*"You would have thought it was the last available Christmas mass in Kelowna the way people rushed in to fill St. Charles last night ... over 600 souls were inspired with spirit and infused with excitement by the triumphant return of St. Charlie's Angels! Whether the playful antics of Kelowna's newest bad-habit "Sister Holly-Lewa", the amazing harmonies & humour of our special Angels, the outstanding wind up speech from our Bishop or the amply circulating treats & hospitality, the evening was precisely the Masterpiece our St. Joseph Project reflects ...*

*Like the Sisters of Charity so long ago, St. Charlie's Angels boldly answered the community's call for support. A year of preparation was packed into just two months for them to put this outstanding show together. Their polish was unquestionable and their spirit unmatched. It is indeed lucky that St. Charles sports a low roof as the enthusiasm raised Tuesday night could easily have had floated all there into the ether."*

*Hal Spelliscy  
Bishops Task Force Chair*

The spirit of our schools, the St. Joseph Project and the Masterpiece Campaign were well received by all. Several pledges were collected that evening and are continuing to be received daily. We are overwhelmed by the accolades and encouragement the community has offered for the project and its continued, exciting progress.

If you or someone you know are ready to bring your gift of time, talent or treasure to the Masterpiece Campaign, please contact our development team. We look forward to hearing from you.

Advent blessings,

Holly Routley, Development Coordinator,  
The St. Joseph Project *Masterpiece Campaign*  
[hroutley@cisnd.ca](mailto:hroutley@cisnd.ca) | (250) 575-6996

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## KELOWNA RIGHT TO LIFE

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### Peter's Independent Grocery (formerly Extra Foods) Receipts

Please save your grocery receipts for Kelowna Right to Life. They may be dropped off at the Pro Life Store on Sutherland Ave. or placed in the collection jars at the entrance to the church.

Receipts must not be more than 6 mo. old. Thank you for helping us help the less fortunate in our community.

### PRO LIFE HOSPITAL VIGIL

Kelowna Right to Life is appealing to you to consider walking for one hour every Tues. @ Kelowna General Hospital.

Any hr. between 7 am and 4 pm is needed. We carry a poster affirming the sanctity of every human life.

Please consider speaking for the unborn who is silenced by abortion. Call the office @ [250.862.8202](tel:250.862.8202) for information and schedules. Thank you

Please join the Kelowna Right to Life Society for our annual **Lady of Guadalupe Prayer Vigil** on Saturday, December 12th from 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm on Pandosy Street across from KGH. For one hour we will pray for a divine intervention to bring an end to the horrible modern day practice of child sacrifice: abortion. For more information, please contact Marlon at [250.862-8202](tel:250.862-8202).

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## MILITIA IMMACULATA

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### DEC. MASS FOR THE MILITIA IMMACULATA

Will be celebrated on Tues. Dec. 8 @ 5:15 mass @ ICC. This will celebrate the feast of the birth of our Blessed Mother.

All members will renew their consecration to Mary at this mass. Following mass there will be a pot luck supper in the hall. Everyone welcome.

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## MIDNIGHT UNDER THE STARS

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**New Year's Eve Dinner & Dance, THURS., DEC. 31, 2015** at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Centre, 2547 Hebert Rd., West Kelowna. **Only \$45 per ticket** ☺ Doors open 6pm, Delicious Dinner at 6:30pm. Choice of: *Crusted Chicken Breast "Italiano", Pork Tenderloin "Portuguese", or Fresh BC Salmon "Canadiana."* Choose your meal when you purchase your ticket. Dance the night away to "Let's Dance DJ Services"! Games & door prizes and Midnight snack—yum! For tickets, call Christine at [250-768-0284](tel:250-768-0284). Everyone welcome! All profits go to OLOL World Youth Day pilgrims.

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## CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL OF FINE ART

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Dec. 8 at Immaculata High School. Doors open at 6:30 pm. Gallery of student art work from Grade 8-9 Art classes. Music by Immaculata students. Silent auction of student work (debit/credit machine will be available). Gingerbread raffle/Bake/Craft Sale. Wine by Meadow Vista Honey Wines. Desserts/Beverages will be served. Admission by Donation. All proceeds will go towards the Fine Arts Department.

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## CARDS FOR KIDS

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Raising funds for St. Joseph's operating costs while doing your everyday shopping ... at no extra cost to you! Please pick up your orders after the masses December 12/13. We will also be selling the following shopping cards after all the masses December 12/13: grocery, fuel, Starbucks, Tim Hortons, Canadian Tire, Chapters, American Eagle, Home Depot and Subway. A great opportunity to stock up for your Christmas groceries and to buy some stocking stuffers. In the new year, we will be selling the last Sunday of every month. Thank you for your support.



### *The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul Christmas Hamper program 2015*

On this weekend of December 5th /6th our members will be handing out for the final time any remaining cloth bags for your donations of food items to fill our Christmas hampers. A suggested list of items will be attached to the bag. Because of health and safety concerns, we regret that we cannot accept donations of home preserves, or items not sealed in their original containers. Please check the "best before date" and do not include any outdated items as we cannot use them for our Hampers.

We ask that you please return the bags with your donations on the weekends of Dec 5/6 or Dec 12/13 but no later than Sunday noon, Dec 13. Our donation sorting will take place that afternoon.

We thank you for your generous support of the Christmas hamper program to help God's poor and needy in our area.

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If you or someone you know is in need of a hamper, please call [250-860-2536](tel:250-860-2536). All requests will be kept confidential.

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## PEOPLE OF FAITH CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP

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We will be having our Christmas potluck on Tuesday December 8th, 6:00 pm, St. Pius X Parish.

Bring your favorite dish, come on out and have some fun!

Our next time to gather together will be Tuesday January 5th, 7:00 pm. at St. Pius X Parish .

Celebrate Jesus, Light of the world!

For more info please call Piera [2507626150](tel:2507626150)



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## CHRISTMAS DÉCOR HELP NEEDED

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We are looking forward to the arrival of Baby Jesus and ask for your help in decorating our church on December 22nd and 23rd. If you are interested in helping please call Judy Holtby 778-477-1518 for more info.



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## 10TH ANNUAL ST. NICHOLAS PARTY

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Join us for Family Fun and learn the truth about Santa Claus! **THIS Sunday, December 6th** after the 10:30 Mass. Lunch is included, free hay rides and there may be a visit from St. Nicholas.

Please join us for

*The St. Charles Garnier  
St. Nicholas Party*

On Sunday, December 6th  
after the 10:30am Mass.  
Activities, crafts, and lunch  
will all take place in the  
Church hall.

Please sign up  
on the form in the foyer,  
or email your RSVP to  
[children@stcharlesgarnier.ca](mailto:children@stcharlesgarnier.ca).

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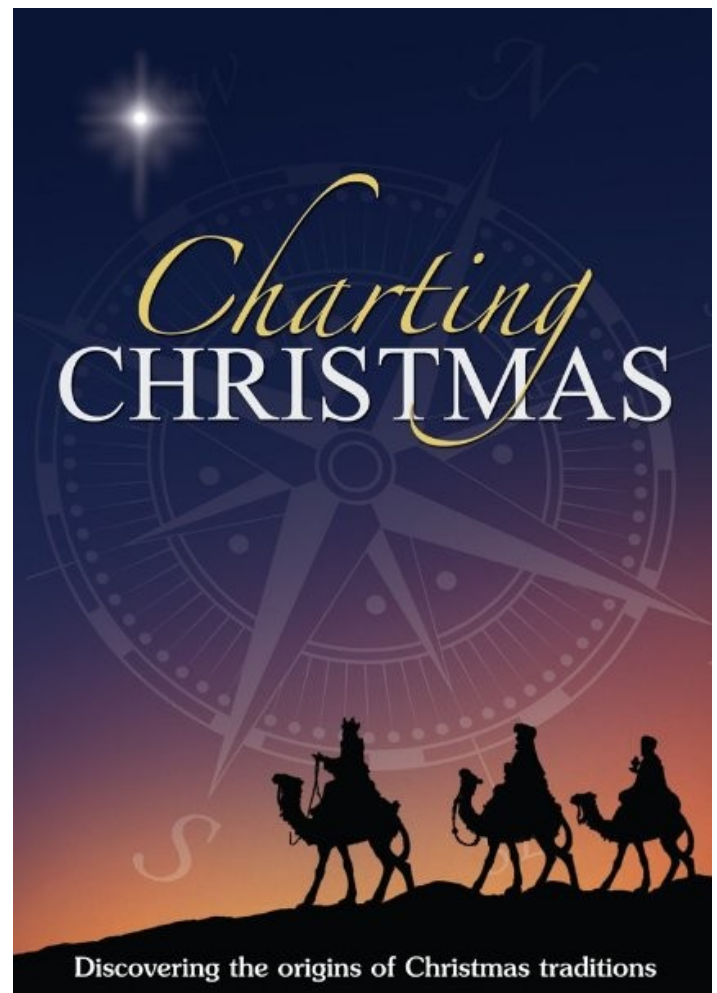
## MOVIE NIGHT

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*Why do we celebrate Christmas on December 25?  
How did Saint Nicholas become Santa Claus?  
Why do we have Christmas trees?*

St. Charles Garnier is happy to present  
**"Fr. Ron's Movie Nights"**  
with Fr. Ron Dechant, OMI.  
The second in the series will feature the documentary  
**"Charting Christmas"**

This is a great movie filmed on location in the Holy Land and the United Kingdom which traces the origins of Christmas traditions. Duration: 41 minutes  
Come and join us Monday, December 14th at 7:00 p.m.  
at St. Charles Garnier hall.  
Entrance by donation.  
Coffee and tea to follow.



## Rachel's Corner

Then I heard a loud voice call from the throne "Look, here God lives among human beings. He will make his home among them; they will be his people, and He will be their God, God-with-them. He will wipe away all tears from their eyes; there will be no more death, and no more mourning or sadness or pain. The world of the past has gone." Then the One sitting on the throne spoke. "Look, I am making the whole of creation new."

-Revelation 21:3-5

Allow God to make all things within you new again on a Rachel's Vineyard™ Retreat.

[rvelsondiocese@shaw.ca](mailto:rvelsondiocese@shaw.ca)

250-762-2273

[www.rachelsvineyardkelowna.com](http://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

<b>First Sunday of the Month</b> <i>Immaculate Conception Church and St. Theresa Parish</i>	<b>Second Sunday of the Month</b> <i>St. Pius X Parish</i>
<b>Third Sunday of the Month</b> <i>Our Lady of Lourdes Parish</i>	<b>Last Sunday of the Month</b> <i>St. Charles Garnier Parish</i>

### 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](mailto: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 in the meeting room at the Catholic Pastoral Centre. All are welcome. Contact Christine 250-768-5274, [cbreevesac@shaw.ca](mailto:cbreevesac@shaw.ca) or Alice 250-860-3541, [alicemccrea@shaw.ca](mailto: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](http://www.stcharlesgarnier.ca) where you can sign up for the bulletin to be **emailed to you each week.**