

November 29, 2015 1st Sunday of Advent



Your redemption is drawing near. Luke 21

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

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 Prish 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 Of Altar Servers	250-769-7979
Eucharistic Ministers Patti Cook	778-478-6563
Hospital Visitation & EucharistEthel Robidoux	250-860-2101
Music JoAnn Young	250-764-0485
Readers Karen Sanesh	250-763-4618
or email: karen.sa	nesh21@gmail.com
Sacristans Flo Pasutto	250-764-8716
Security Patrol	
Ushers	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 freedomsdoor@shaw.ca	250-717-0472
GRIEF TO GRACE www.GrieftoGrace.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 SERVICE	S 250-763-7892

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

BICYCLES FOR HUMANITY Keith Germaine
DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE Mary Lou Johnson778-478-0620
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS www.stcharleskoc.com Meet second Thursday of the month at 7:30 pm. Grand Knight:Rob Grifone
FR. PANDOSY 4TH DEGREE ASSEMBLY —Knights of Columbus Inquiries
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

Meet second and fourth Wednesdays at 9:00 am. 250-860-2536

Last Sunday of each month—SSVP donations

Email: <u>alicemccrea@shaw.ca</u>

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT de PAUL

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Monday	Nov. 30	8:30 am	→ Janet Kormish
Tuesday	Dec. 1	1 8:30 am Peter Mlikotic	
Wednesday	Dec. 2	8:30 am	Int. Bradley Sanesh & Fam.
Thursday	Dec. 3	8:30 am	Int. Peter Peczek
Friday	Dec. 4	8:30 am	Int. Jim & Claire Burns & Family
Saturday	Dec. 5	5:00 pm	육 Anita Legare
	Dec. 6	8:30 am	♣ Carolina Pyne
Sunday		10:30 am	Int. Al Tucker & Family
		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
Collections	\$ 429,810	\$ 429,675
Building Fund	\$ 41,918	\$ 86,568

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS:

1st Reading: Baruch 5:1-9

2nd Reading: Philippians 1:3-6, 8-11

Gospel: Luke 3:1-6

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



Thank you to all those who picked up your Pilgrimage of Faith Appeal envelope. Thanks to you we have raised \$ 57,585 toward our Pilgrimage of Faith Appeal Goal. This is 86.3% 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.



'IT WILL BE A HOLY YEAR OF MERCY

4TH ANNUAL WYD INTERNATIONAL CHRISTMAS SONGFEST

Back by popular demand! **Saturday, December 5, 1-3 PM**, St. Charles Garnier Church, Kelowna. Come enjoy spiritual Christmas music, sung in different languages, performed by talented locals from Peachland to Winfield, including **2 priests**. Our Yuletide Café will be open for seasonal goodies. Entrance by donation, all proceeds to World Youth Day 2016 in Kraków, Poland! Bring your family, friends and neighbours. Info: Christine @ 250-768-0284.



FAIR TRADE

We are looking for someone to administer the Fair Trade sales that happen once a month. Karen Sanesh has volunteered to do the purchasing so Keith Germaine would like to hand over the administration of the sales to someone interested in keeping it going. Call Keith 250-764-2942.

PILGRIMAGE

UK, SCOTLAND & IRELAND PILGRIMAGE May 17 – June 3, 2016

<u>UK</u>-London, Kent, Stonehenge, York, Alenwick

SCOTLAND: Edinburgh, St. Andrews, Glasgow

IRELAND: Relfast, Donegal, Knock, Westport, Cr.

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<u>Cost:</u> \$6,300...including taxes and surcharge, tips, breakfast, all entrances included, dinner daily & tourist class hotels...

For more info, please call Fr. Rex at <u>250-492-3162</u> or email him at <u>rvelmonte@shaw.ca</u> Hope to hear from you soon and God bless!

ADVENT RECONCILIATION

PARISH	DAY	DATE	TIME
St. Edward	Wed.	Dec. 2	6:30 pm
St. Joseph Elementary	Thurs.	Dec. 3	10:30 am
St. Pius X	Thurs.	Dec. 3	6:30 pm
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

Catered Christmas Luncheon December 8th @ 11:00 am Mark your calendar for the Christmas Luncheon Cost \$10.00. Tickets are available at the Parish Office. A Christmas gift of socks for the women of the Haven is suggested.

CORPUS CHRISTI PARISH CRAFT FAIR & BAKE SALE

(Formerly St. Theresa's Parish) 750 Rutland Road N, Kelowna on Saturday, December 5 from 8:30 am - 2pm featuring crafts and home baking. The CWL will host Santa's Cafe with muffins for breakfast and three different homemade soups to choose from for lunch. Tables are still available at \$10.00 each, \$15.00 if electricity is required. Call Kate (250)765-3820 to book your table.

ITALIAN MASS



On December 2, 2015 at 5:30 pm Bishop John Corriveau, OFM, Cap. will be the celebrant a Mass in Italian at St. Charles Garnier Parish. A potluck supper to follow. B.Y.O.B. For more information please contact Gino at 250-764-3182.

UNSOLICITED 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 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.

INTERPRETER NEEDED

Our Refugee Committee needs Mandarin-Chinese speakers to help as interpreters for a Burmese family we will be sponsoring soon. If you know of anyone who can help us, please contact Walter @ 250-764-7121—email wmlever@gmail.com.

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE



Our book of remembrance is in the Church entrance. All names of deceased family or friends will be included in the Prayers of the Faithful at all Masses throughout the month of November.

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 or contact the Parish Office.



REFUGEES

We have some exciting news...The family we are sponsoring from Myanmar will be arriving on December 8. They are a couple with 2 girls aged 4 & 1 and much preparation is needed to be ready for their arrival. We are welcoming new volunteers to be part of our team. Please e-mail Pat Lever at patlever81@gmail.com

At this time we need a 2 bedroom accommodation for Dec. 1st.

As well, we are in need of household items, including pillows, sheets and blankets for a queen sized bed and 2 twin beds and towels, kitchen and other household items. We already have car seats and do not need clothing but will need a crib, stroller & diapers for the baby.

If you can help with any of these items, please bring them to the church office. Many thanks

KELOWNA RIGHT TO LIFE

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 @ <u>250.862.8202</u> for information and schedules. Thank you

MILITIA IMMACULATA

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.

MIDNIGHT UNDER THE STARS

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. Everyone welcome! All profits go to OLOL World Youth Day pilgrims.

CATHOLIC MENS GROUP

Calling men of all ages and parishes in Kelowna, Lake Country, and West Kelowna! Come join the Catholic Men's Group this coming Saturday, December 5th for a bonfire, chopping wood, and hot drinks: just some good old fashioned fellowship. Meet at the back of St. Charles Garnier parking lot at 7:00pm.

Any questions, please contact Jon Rowe (bonrowe@gmail.com), or Steve Horsman (stephen.horsman@aecom.com).

CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL OF FINE ART

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.

CARDS FOR KIDS

Raising funds for St. Joseph's operating costs while doing your everyday shopping...at no extra cost to you! Orders are due in the collection basket this Sunday, November

29 (email cardsforkids@cisnd.ca to request an order form). 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 the weekend of November 28th /29th and also the next weekend, December 5th /6th our members will be handing out cloth bags for your dona-

tions 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.

If you or someone you know is in need of a hamper, please call <u>250-860-2536</u>. All requests will be kept confidential.

PEOPLE OF FAITH CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP

The Mighty One has done great things for me, Holy is His Name. Luke 1:49

Greeting to you all!

We will not be meeting at St. Pius X Parish on Tuesday December 1st, instead our prayer group will be attending and supporting the St. Joseph's School fundraiser,

Charlie's Angels, the Singing Nuns. Please purchase your tickets, they are available at St. Joseph's School, I. C. C. and St. Charles Garnier Parishes, and Loaves and Fishes.

Also 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

CHARLIE'S ANGELS CONCERT

The St. Joseph Project Masterpiece Campaign presents:

International Giving Tuesday Event Return of St. Charlie's Angels! The Singing Nuns Uniting Hearts with Music and Laughter Our very own "Nuns" will entertain and delight as they inspire our spirit of generosity to help build a new St. Joseph Elementary School on Tuesday, December 1st, 2015. Time: 7:00 pm - Dessert treats to follow. Location: at St. Charles Garnier Parish Cost: \$15.00/person or \$50.00/immediate family of 4 or more. Tickets available at St. Joseph Elementary School, Immaculata Regional High School, St. Charles Garnier Parish, Immaculate Conception Church and Loaves & Fishes Book Store. Hurry and get your tickets before they sell out!



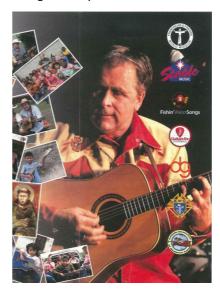
10TH ANNUAL ST. NICHOLAS PARTY

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



EVENING OF SONG

Come and enjoy an evening of song and reflection with award winning singer/songwriter Denis Grady at St. Pius X Parish on December 5th. We will start with the 5:00 pm Saturday evening Mass followed by a Chili dinner at 6:00 pm and the concert at 7:00 pm. You gat all this for a donation which will go to support our refugee family.



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 $^{\text{TM}}$ Retreat.

rvnelsondiocese@shaw.ca 250-762-2273

www.rachelsvineyardkelowna.com

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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.

tax receipt will be sent to you at the address that you registered with.

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 <u>alicemccrea@shaw.ca</u>

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 or Alice 250-860-3541, alicemccrea@shaw.ca.

Please remember:

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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.

Plane		V PARISHIONERS!	aid Office	
Please	complete this form and leave it in	the collection basket or at the Pa	rish Office.	
Name(s):		New Parishioner:	☐ Information Change: ☐	
Address:		Posta	ıl Code:	
Phone:	none: Email:			
CHILDREN		Would you like to be contacted by one of our parish groups?		
Name(s)	D.O.B.— (yyyy/mm/dd)	 □ CWL □ Knights of Columbus □ St. Vincent de Paul □ R.C.I.A. □ Sacristan (Set up for Mass 	UsherAltar Servers	
ledge in the foyer next week?	lay Offertory Envelopes from the Yes No No it, the number identifies you and a		You may also register on-line @ stcharlesgarnier.ca where you can a to be emailed to you each week.	