

St. Charles Garnier Parish

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December 12, 2010 Third Sunday of Advent

	Third Sunday of Advent		
MASSES			
Monday to Friday			
RECONCILIATION			
Saturday 8:00—8:15 ALSO BY APPOINTMENT			
BAPTISI	MS		
During Sunday Masses or by appoint	intment. Contact pastor.		
MARRIA	IGE		
6 month notice required by the Dio	ocese.		

NEW PARISHIONERS

Contact pastor for prep program.

Please register by filling out the yellow cards in the foyer and placing them in the collection basket. If you would like envelopes please check the box on the reverse. Envelopes will be assigned and placed on the ledge in the foyer for pick up.

PARISH CENTRE RENTAL

Parish Office......860-6776

MINISTRY COORDINATOR

If you wish to become involved contact the Parish Office 860-6776 or: Altar Servers
Children's Religious Education Christine Kishor 863-1982
Eucharistic Ministers Deacon Neil 860-6776
Family Life Ministry Christine Kishor 863-1982
Home Visits for shut-ins Richard Burke 712-9493
Hospital Visitation Ethel Robidoux 860-2101
Liturgy Committee
Music Ingrid Sivorot 764-2759
Readers
R.C.I.A Kevin Kishor 863-4296
Sacristans Brenda Korby 764-6425
Security Patrol. Frank Richter 764-3640
Ushers
Youth—Intermediate/Elementary Deacon Neil 860-6776
Youth & Young Adult/Campus Ministry Kevin Kishor 863-4296

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Meet second Wednesday of the month at 7:00 pm					
Council Chair	Mike O'Donnell	764-4834			
Recording Secretary	Ingrid Sivorot	764-2759			
Director of Evangelization	Kevin Kishor	863-4296			
CWL Rep.	Linda Servedio	764-3182			
S.V.D.P. Rep.	Walter Lever	764-7121			
K. of C. Rep.	Gino Servedio	764-3182			
Dev. & Peace Rep	Keith Germaine	764-2942			
Members	Bernie Schneider	860-8381			
	Frank Richter	764-3640			
	Marina Smith	448-5367			
	Richard Bryant	768-8778			
Pastor & Spirit. Dir.	Fr. Wayne	860-6776			

CONTACT NUMBERS

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CATHOLIC SCHOOLS INFO.				
S.C.G. School Board Reps.	Rob Sali	764-8384		
-	Kim Macaulay	764-2924		
Immaculata High Prin		762-2730		
St. Joseph Elementary Prin		763-3371		
Kelowna Catholic Indepen	dent Schools	763-1501		
	www.kelownacatholic.org			
CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAG	IUE			
Meet second Tuesday of the	month at 7:00 pm			
President: Aida McLarty		3) 478-3380		
Membership inquiries—Ben	ita Spencer - 868-8608			
CLUBHOUSE DAYCARE		860-4393		
CREIGHTON MODEL FERT				
CURSILLO				
DEVELOPMENT AND PEAC				
DIOCESE (CHANCERY OFF				
ELIZABETH SETON HOUSE		. 764-4333		
FRIENDS IN FAITH (SINGLI	•			
Elsie McKernan—862-9596				
GRIEF TO GRACE www	v.GrieftoGrace.org	. 878-7603		
KELOWNA RIGHT TO LIFE				
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS		<u>l</u>		
Meet second Thursday of the				
Grand Knight: Stefan Farrov		448-0905		
Membership inquiries: Gind				
Last Sunday of each month	—Knights Breakfast after	a.m. Masses		
PRAYER TO ST. PEREGRIN	· 			
If you have friends or family				
our list, as we pray daily for				
Betty - 868-9151 Email: heir	nzk@shaw.ca or Alice	- 860-3541		
PREGNANCY CARE CENTRE				
RACHEL'S VINEYARD				
SECULAR FRANCISCAN O				
	or Alice	. 860-3541		

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT de PAUL

Meet second and fourth Wednesday at 9:00 am. 860-2536 *Last Sunday of each month—SSVP donations*

CHILDREN'S LITURGY NEXT WEEK

8:30 A.M. TEAM

10:30 A.M. TEAM Kate

PARKING LOT SECURITY SCHEDULE

Sat. Dec. 18th—5:00 pm Victor Stocker

Sun. Dec. 19th—8:30 am Adrian Van de Mosselaer

10:30 am Ed Rollheiser 7:00 pm James Atzesberger

GUIDE TO GIVING

Collections to date this year\$ 378,991Collections to date last year\$ 369,831Building Fund to date this year\$ 48,838Building Fund to date last year\$ 28,732

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Friday

Saturday

Sunday—8:30 a.m.

Ken Nicholls †

Augusto Berneaud †

John Clarke †

Int. Helen Pfliger

John Fradette †

Carmela Rocino †

Devin Douville †

10:30 a.m. Carmela & Giocomo Amico ♥

If you are confined to your home, in a care home or know of someone who is & would like the Eucharist—or just a visit,

please call the office at 250 860-6776 or Richard Burke 250 712-9493.

SPANISH MASS—Mass will be celebrated in Spanish at 3:30 p.m. on the **3rd Sunday** of the month at **Our Lady of Lourdes**, Westbank and on the **4th Sunday** of the month at **St. Theresa's**, Rutland.

Please remember:

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

Avoid wearing perfume, aftershave or heavily scented personal care products



5:00 pm MASS NEXT WEEK

READERS Bert Wolf

Karen Krout

EUCHARIST Iris & Ron Fournier

Irene Claggett John Campbell Mary Ann Smithwick

USHERS Gerry Goyer

Fred Glynn Loretta O'Brien Mike Dagenais

8:30 am MASS NEXT WEEK

READERS James Atzesberger

Kathleen Baldwin

EUCHARIST Ed Rollheiser

Effie Shalagan Helen Wiltzen Irene Thomas Kevin Schmidt

USHERS Laura Christie

Pat Palmer Gino Servedio Tony Ackerman

10:30 am MASS NEXT WEEK

READERS Garry Tomporowski

Hal Spelliscy

EUCHARIST Jan Schredl

Merie Vassar Rita Clarke Rita Smith

Alda Berneaud-daRosa

USHERS Mike Servedio

Norman Langill Rob Grifone Mario DaRosa

7:00 pm MASS NEXT WEEK

READERS Nick & Luke

EUCHARIST Tyler

USHERS Tyler & John M.

DON'T FORGET OUR 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.

GOOD NEWS BEARS

Please watch for Vincent, the "Bear that Cares", on CHBC's evening Television news. If you make a donation, please write St Vincent de Paul, St Charles Garnier on your cheque in order for the donation to be returned to our parish. Each donation gives you a chance of winning one of the Bears and helps our Christmas hamper program!

KELOWNA RIGHT TO LIFE

Bound4LIFE Kelowna will be holding a candlelight prayer vigil next Sunday, December 19th from 6:00 to 7:00 pm across from KGH. All are invited to take part in this powerful, silent prayer vigil asking God to end the practice of unborn child killing in Kelowna and in our nation. Contact Heidi or Marlon at 250 862-8202 for more information.

TEMPORARY PARISH SECRETARY POSITION

Thank you to all who applied for this job posting at Holy Spirit Parish. The standard of applicants was very high. We have now made a decision and the position has been filled. Holy Spirit welcomes Michelle Innis as our new temporary Parish Secretary.

PARISH MEETING ROOMS

The one thing still lacking in our Parish is adequate meeting rooms for small groups. Our present building is as large as it can be without further fire protection. An opportunity has presented itself with the construction of the new Chancery Office next to our Church. We have been given permission to add two meeting rooms onto the building for Parish use at an approximate cost of \$150,000. This will be added to our Parish debt. We do encourage parishioners to help defer the debt by contributing to the building fund via the parish envelopes. We express gratitude to those already doing so.



PLEASE HELP!!



This is an *urgent appeal* for help from the Society of St. Vincent de Paul who desperately need your help to provide Christmas Hampers with food and gifts for over 175 adults and children in our parish.

To date, our food donations have reached only 55% of last year's and our cash donations are down by 40%. The only number which <u>has</u> increased is the demand for hampers this year. We are most grateful to those who have made donations already but are urgently appealing to those who may not have.

Regardless of the amount of your donation *IT ALL HELPS*.
Thank you.



Rachel's Corner

Come now, let us set things right, says the Lord: Though your sins be like scarlet, they may become white as snow; though they be crimson red, they may become white as wool. If you are willing and obey, you shall eat the good things of the land

- Isaiah 1:18-19

Come on a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat™ and experience the mercy and "good things" of Our Lord. He is waiting for you.

Abortion AfterCare-Healing 250-762-2273 rv.kelowna@hotmail.com

GUARDIANS OF GOD'S CREATION

As we celebrate the 3rd Sunday of Advent - a time to Rejoice in the Hope of the Lord, we continue to prepare for Christmas through prayer and fasting. How can we incorporate that into caring for God's creation? Let's see...

- 1. **PRAY** and reflect on the duty to care for God's Creation and protect the poor and vulnerable. We can change the world with our pocket book for peace and goodness. Start with **1** purchase. First, consider the human and environmental impact of the production and transportation of that item. Then, choose an alternative preferably a product Made in Canada.
- 2. **LEARN** about and educate others on the causes and moral dimensions of climate change. Food produced halfway across the world in countries that do not share Canadian health regulations, will make us sick. Just think, where would you rather spend an extra \$5? On local food and Canadian product, or the pharmacy and the hospital?! As followers of Christ, we are called to spread the Good News.
- 3. **ASSESS** how we as individuals and in our families, parishes and other affiliations-contribute to climate change by our own energy use, consumption, waste, etc. If we join our voices and refuse to buy products that put our own farmers' existence at risk, the government which by the way, is elected by us and paid by us, will LISTEN. But, we must be consistent, patient, and determined to up-hold the dignity of God's creation in all its many forms.
- 4. ACT to change our choices and behaviors to reduce the ways we contribute to climate change. This Christmas, if you are giving somebody cookies and do not have the time to bake, consider local bakeries that offer organic, natural and delicious treats made with locally grown grain flour, fair-trade (no GMO's) sweeteners, and other delectable local products like Okanagan Grocery Artisan Foods. For all your chocolate needs choose Denman Island Chocolates organic fair-trade chocolates made in our very own Gulf Islands. For your delicious turkey dinner contact Peggy Thompson 778-477-4004 for an organic happy turkey. And, if you are looking for "happy pig" sausages try Choices Market Paradise Valley free-range pork. By supporting local farmers and food producers we are living Jesus' second commandment, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." As by choosing sustainability, we abide in the Lord's words expressed in Isaiah 11:9, "They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain." At St. Charles we decorated a locally grown tree. I would like to thank all who lovingly helped in the decoration of the tree and made it such a joyful event.

ADVOCATE for Catholic principles and priorities in climate change discussions and decisions, especially as they impact those who are poor and vulnerable. As a people of faith and as followers of Christ, we must create and participate in a new environmental movement with a moral mandate to care for God's good earth. This Christmas consider gifting "Green Bible" by Harper Bibles - a green, soy-based ink printed on recycled paper and eco-friendly linen bound new edition of the Bible seeking to highlight the message of environment conservation in the Christian holy book. Among the contributors is Pope John Paul II, Wendell Berry, Mathew Sleet, and South African archbishop Desmond Tutu wrote the foreword. www.greenletterbible.com or, "Natural Saints: How People of Faith are Working to Save God's Earth", by Mallory McDuff.

Let our lives be honest and holy in this present age, as we wait for the happiness to come when our great God reveals himself in glory. Titus 2



ADVENT RECONCILIATION SERVICES

MONDAY	Dec. 13	St. Charles Garnier	6:30 pm
TUESDAY	Dec. 14	St. Pius X	6:30 pm
WEDNESDAY	Dec. 15	Our Lady of Lourdes	6:30 pm
THURSDAY	Dec. 16	St. Theresa	6:30 pm
FRIDAY	Dec. 17	St. Edward	6:30 pm

CHRISTMAS/NEW YEAR'S SCHEDULE SIGN-UP

Attention Readers, Eucharistic Ministers, and Ushers. Please sign the sign-up sheet located in the foyer for the Christmas & New Years Masses that you will be attending and at which you would be willing to serve. Thank You!

NEW SCHEDULES

The new schedules for **Readers, Eucharistic Ministers,** and Ushers are available for pick-up in the sacristy, or on-line at www.stcharlesgarnier.ca—look for "Schedules" under the "Home" tab.

A CHRISTMAS GIFT THAT KEEPS GIVING

Donate towards a goat, water container or mosquito net and send a card as a present to someone for Christmas. Money goes to support "Project Grow" run by Vida, a Ghanaian Nurse studying here in Kelowna. Cards are for sale after Masses.

BREAKFAST

Knights of Columbus breakfast this Sunday, December 12th at St. Pius X Parish. Everyone is welcome.

R.C.I.A.

God? Church? Are you or someone you know searching or questioning Faith? Are you considering full initiation into the Catholic Community or want to discover more about ours? Inquiries always welcome (year-round) For more info contact Kevin Kishor 250-863-4296 or <a href="mailto:emailto:ma



OUR PILGRIMAGE OF FAITH

Congratulations! We have exceeded our share of the Diocesan goal. To date 176 parishioners have contributed a total of \$61,746.32 for an average gift of \$350.82. This is 100% of our Diocesan Goal, 59.88% of our Parish goal and 77.18% of our overall goal. We thank all who have contributed to date and encourage all parishioners to participate in this program which is vital to our Diocese and Parish. If you did not receive a package in the mail, please pick one up in the foyer of the Church.

BIG WHITE MASS

As yet we do not have a place confirmed for Mass at Big White. This should be done prior to next weekend. There will be Mass at Big White on Christmas Day, New Year's Day and Sundays beginning December 26th and concluding the Sunday prior to Palm Sunday.

SECURITY PATROL HELP NEEDED

Due to the number of people who are away for the winter and some resignations we are in great need of more people to help with our Security Patrol. Please consider this valuable ministry and contact the Parish Office 250-860-6776, email: charlesgarnier@gmail.com or the Security Patrol Coordinator—Frank Richter 250-764-3640 email: frank.richter@shaw.ca.

NEW SCHEDULES for Dec.—March **including the Christmas season** are available for pick-up in the sacristy or on-line at www.stcharlesgarnier.ca - Look for "Schedules" under the "Home" tab.

SEXUAL ABUSE POLICY FOR NELSON DIOCESE

Our Diocesan Sexual Abuse Policy which has been in effect since 1990 has been updated with consequences for all those involved in Ministry to children, youth and vulnerable adults. All people who are involved in: Religious Education, Children's Liturgy, Youth Ministry, Hospital Visitation, Ministry to Senior's Homes and Shutins—will be required to meet the requirements of the new policy and be instructed in it. Information meetings will be held at various times throughout January. In the mean time people are requested to pick up a copy of the policy from the Parish Office and to have studied it prior to attending the meeting. Other parishioners who are interested in reading the policy will be able to do so at the Diocesan Website which will be launching with a new address soon. As criminal record checks are now required by all listed above, it would be good to apply for them as soon as possible. Reimbursement of the expense can be received from the Parish.



FAMILY LIFE & YOUTH MATTERS @ SCG

"The Future of the Church and the World passes through the Family". (John Paul II)

PREPARE THE WAY OF THE LORD!

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

ADULTS: What can I do this week to be a living witness to my faith in Jesus? **CHILDREN:** What can I do this week to show my friends that Jesus matters in my life?

IMPORTANT DATES/INFO

CATECHISM/SACRAMENTS

Reconciliation Service Dec. 13th at 6:30pm (No Classes – Come as a Family)

CHILDREN'S LITURGY (age 3-9): During Sunday 8:30am & 10:30am Masses.



TEENS (GRADE 8 – 12)

NOW Thursdays at 7pm

GRADE 6-7

Same day/time but on 1st & 3rd weeks of each month! Join us on Facebook ... "St. Charles Garnier Youth Group"



YOUNG ADULTS/UNIVERSITY OR COLLEGE STUDENTS:

Join us on Facebook "Catholic Young Adults Kelowna" and or "FOCUS/CSA" for UBCO Students & stay connected!

WORLD YOUTH DAY 2011 (Spain):

Please support our pilgrims by simply place a cheque in the offertory with WYD in the Memo line and it will get deposited to the fundraising efforts!

BANQUET FUNDRAISER

*POSTPONED until Jan. 21st "Beat the Winter Blues" Evening. Come support our pilgrims and enjoy a great time too! Tickets & Details coming soon

"Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in faith, in love, and in purity". (1 Timothy 4:12)

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