



St. Charles Garnier Parish

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December 5, 2010
Second Sunday of Advent

Pastor & Spiritual Director: Fr. Wayne Pfliger

MASSES

Monday to Friday 8:30am
Saturday 5:00pm
Sunday 8:30am, 10:30am & 7:00 pm
Praise & Worship at 6:30 pm
Every 1st Friday evening 7:00pm
Followed by adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 10:00pm

RECONCILIATION

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

BAPTISMS

During Sunday Masses or by appointment. Contact pastor.

MARRIAGE

6 month notice required by the Diocese.
Contact pastor for prep program.

NEW PARISHIONERS

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 Deacon Neil 860-6776
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 Kevin Kishor 863-4296
Music Ingrid Sivorot 764-2759
Readers Walter Lever 764-7121
R.C.I.A. Kevin Kishor 863-4296
Sacristans Brenda Korby 764-6425
Security Patrol Frank Richter 764-3640
Ushers Gino Servedio 764-3182
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

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS INFO.

S.C.G. School Board Reps. Rob Sali 764-8384
Kim Macaulay 764-2924
Immaculata High Principal—John Campbell 762-2730
St. Joseph Elementary Principal—Andrew Wallace 763-3371
Kelowna Catholic Independent Schools 763-1501
Fax: 250-763-7018 www.kelownacatholic.org

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Meet second Tuesday of the month at 7:00 pm
President: Aida McLarty (778) 478-3380
Membership inquiries—Benita Spencer - 868-8608
CLUBHOUSE DAYCARE 860-4393
CREIGHTON MODEL FERTILITY CARE 491-1088
CURSILLO John or Gail Schlosser . . . 764-7007
DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE . . . Keith Germaine . . . 764-2942
DIocese (CHANCERY OFFICE) 1-250-352-6921
ELIZABETH SETON HOUSE OF PRAYER 764-4333
FRIENDS IN FAITH (SINGLES MINISTRY)

Elsie McKernan—862-9596 or Donna Hammerlik—763-7337
GRIEF TO GRACE . . . www.GriefftoGrace.org 878-7603
KELOWNA RIGHT TO LIFE 862-8202
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS www.stcharleskoc.com

Meet second Thursday of the month at 7:30 pm.
Grand Knight: Stefan Farrow 448-0905
Membership inquiries: Gino Servedio - 764-3182

Last Sunday of each month—Knights Breakfast after a.m. Masses
PRAYER TO ST. PEREGRINE

If you have friends or family members with cancer, add them to our list, as we pray daily for each one of them by name.
Betty - 868-9151 Email: heinzk@shaw.ca or Alice - 860-3541
PREGNANCY CARE CENTRE 763-2112
RACHEL'S VINEYARD 762-2273
SECULAR FRANCISCAN ORDER Rolf . . . 769-6861
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 Liann & Laura Nutini

10:30 A.M. TEAM Kate Hopley

PARKING LOT SECURITY SCHEDULE

Sat. Dec. 11th—5:00 pm Pat Palmer
Sun. Dec. 12th—8:30 am Jim Hawkins
10:30 am Yolanta La Salle
7:00 pm Ed Rollheiser

GUIDE TO GIVING

Collections to date this year \$ 368,480
Collections to date last year \$ 361,242
Building Fund to date this year \$ 47,911
Building Fund to date last year \$ 27,982

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Monday Int. Meggan Hutchinson
Tuesday Ivan Mlikotic †
Wednesday Concetta D'Anzica †
Thursday Int. Keating & Landry families
Friday Lorne Self †
Saturday Christa Lee †
Sunday—8:30 a.m. John Fradette †
10:30 a.m. Helen Patterson †

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!**



5:00 pm MASS NEXT WEEK

READERS David Liddicoat
Benita Spencer

EUCCHARIST Marj Lockhart
Donna & Adrian
Van de Mosselaer
Fran Hooker
Gail Schlosser

USHERS Gary Turner
Gerry Baker
Lanier McSweyn
John Polman

8:30 am MASS NEXT WEEK

READERS Harold Hamel
James Atzesberger

EUCCHARIST Vic & Leona Stocker
Bob & Millie Weber
Dave Crane

USHERS Russ Radi
Tony Ackerman
Guy Douville
Phil Dillon

10:30 am MASS NEXT WEEK

READERS Eric Buckley
Garry Tomporowski

EUCCHARIST Rita Smith
Madeleine Allen
Marie Cameron
Marion Aquilon
Merie Vassar

USHERS Tonny Buckley
Ken Aquilon
Max Hoogveld
George Aquilon

7:00 pm MASS NEXT WEEK

READERS Ryan S. & Gavin

EUCCHARIST Pam

USHERS Daviducks

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

Kelowna Right to Life Society is holding their annual *Our Lady of Guadalupe Prayer Vigil* to end abortion outside Kelowna General Hospital on Sunday, December 12th from 2 pm—3 pm. All are welcome to join us in this one hour prayer invoking the Patroness of the Unborn to intercede and end abortion, the human sacrifice of our day. The Divine Mercy Chaplet and rosary will be recited, and hymns will be sung. Contact KRTL office at 250 862-8202 for more information.

FEAST OF OUR LADY OF GAUDALUPE

The Spanish Community will celebrate the feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe on Sunday, December 12th at 3:30 pm at **Our Lady of Lourdes Church**, 2547 Hebert Rd, West Kelowna. The Mass will be held both in Spanish and in English languages. There will be singing of “Mañanitas” and other traditional Hispanic hymns. Please come and join us. Following the Mass there will be a social gathering in the parish centre, with “Piñata” and other treats for children. Everyone is welcome to attend the social. Please bring a hot dish to share.

PYROHY SUPPER BUFFET

This Sunday December 5th 4:00 pm—8:00 pm at the Ukrainian Catholic Cultural Centre, 1091 Coronation Ave.



INN FROM THE COLD

A WARM GESTURE! Donations of mitts, gloves, scarves, socks, winter jackets are being accepted for INN FROM THE COLD. Donations can be dropped off at the Pro Life Thrift Shop, 1159 Sutherland Ave. Open Wed.—Sat. 10—4 pm. **Extra Foods grocery receipts** are being collected by Pro Life Thrift Shop. These are redeemed for food vouchers, which are donated to **St. Vincent de Paul**, to assist their clients. Thank you for your consideration.

TEMPORARY PARISH SECRETARY POSITION

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

ST. ALBERT PARISH 150TH ANNIVERSARY

In 2011, our parish of St. Albert in St. Albert, AB will be celebrating the 150th Anniversary of our founding by Fr. Albert Lacombe OMI. We have established a Jubilee website: **www.stalbert150jubilee.com** for the information of any St. Albert parishioners who have retired to the Okanagan.

Rachel's Corner

"Listen and let it penetrate your heart . . . do not be troubled or weighed down with grief. Am I not here who am your mother? Are you not in the folds of my mantle?"

- Our Lady of Guadalupe; Feast: December 12

Pray to Our Lady of Guadalupe, “Mystical Rose,” and let her words of mercy and peace penetrate your heart with hope. We can help.

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

As I prepared to decorate the Christmas tree for the St. Nicholas party, I drove up to the Christmas Tree Farm on Swamp Road.

I was excited to see my friend Hellen again and check on her health. The last time we talked was in the spring and she was awaiting surgery.

As usual life gets in the way and several months went by and I never checked on her progress. As usual, I went to the main house, rang the door bell and eagerly waited for Hellen's big smile. But, there was only silence. No squeaking from Hellen's wheelchair. No one came to the door. My heart sank! As I walked to her son's house, I prayed that maybe she was not feeling well and was resting. Toni Jr. came out, we talked about the weather and the trees, but I just had to ask about Hellen. I was told she passed away in May and Toni, her beloved husband passed away last month. Up until the day he died he worked feverishly building the twig garden furniture that Hellen so loved and enjoyed during her life.

Why am I telling you all this? Well, Hellen was one of the first people that I contacted when looking for sponsors for Trees 4 Dads for Seton House project. At that time, I was very conservatively looking for 50 trees. Hellen immediately donated 10 5' foot trees from her farm. Then, again when I told her about the Willow Tree Fund, she offered another 10 5' foot trees from her farm. Hellen and I barely knew each other. What we had were the phone calls and the chats at her doorstep. But, we connected at a very deep level that is only possible through the Light of Christ. We shared the same Love, the same Passion, and the same Hope. She loved Seton House and she wanted to contribute. I hope and pray that Hellen and her Toni are now our angels in Heaven helping with the reforestation of the grounds at Seton House of Prayer. May they rest in Peace in the arms of our loving God and Creator. In the meantime, Toni Jr. will honour his parent's legacy and continue to grow Christmas trees on the farm. He will also honour his mother's wish to donate a 10' foot tree to St. Charles Garnier every Christmas.

As we prepare to decorate this special tree with many lights symbolizing our expectant joy for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, I am cautioned to look for LED lights rather than the old incandescent. These, besides having a very short life, are extremely inefficient since they give out more heat than light. That is one of the reasons for Christmas tree fires. If you still have old incandescent Christmas lights you can have them recycled. All you have to do is take out the bulbs which unfortunately go in the garbage and take the wire garland to the Recycling Depot at - 1988 Kirschner Road or, to the Glenmore Landfill. These are not picked up with regular recycling.

We may offer this as a penance or sacrifice in preparation for the birth of the LIGHT of the World, our Lord Jesus Christ. He was the Light sent to the world to show the way out of darkness.

May God bless you all!

I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life. No one comes to the Father except through Me. John 14

FIFTH ANNUAL ST. NICHOLAS PARTY

Join us today for our fifth annual faith filled and fun **Saint Nicholas Party**, Sunday December 5th following the 10:30 Mass. Hot lunch provided. Games, crafts, cookie decorating and more. Returning to the Party this year **Saint Nicholas HAYRIDES**, not to be missed!!



Celebrate advent and learn about the virtue of generosity which St. Nicholas exemplified. Perhaps there will even be a visit from Saint Nicholas... Everyone welcome to come and celebrate as a community family.

St. Nicholas Generosity Project: Freedom's Door is the St. Nicholas generosity project. Freedom's Door is a non-profit registered society offering hope, healing and wholeness for men with addictions. There will be a tree in the foyer with gift tags on it. Please feel free to take a tag or two and return the items **unwrapped** and place them under the tree. Just as St. Nicholas helped the poor man with three daughters; in

the spirit of St. Nicholas we want these gentlemen to have practical needs met and to be able to provide Christmas Gifts for their children. This project will be ongoing throughout Advent.



ADVENT RECONCILIATION SERVICES

TUESDAY	Dec. 7th	Immaculate Conception	3:30 pm
FRIDAY	Dec. 10	Holy Spirit Parish	7:00 pm
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!

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.

CWL NEWS

Operation Christmas Child

173 boxes were sent to children in Central and South America. Thank you for your generous support.

Canadian Missions need our help. Calendars illustrated by Canadian artists, with Canadian Fest days noted, are being sold by the CWL. All of the money from these sales will go directly to our Canadian Missions. \$10.00 or donations gladly accepted.

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 email kishorkevin6@gmail.com

MARIAN CONSECRATION

The Militia Immaculata will celebrate a Liturgy of Marian Consecration at our next Mass on Wed. Dec. 8th, feast day of the Immaculate Conception. Mass will be celebrated by Fr. Sebastian at 7 pm at Immaculate Conception Church. The recommended preparation materials are available from Loaves & Fishes bookstore. This prayerful preparation is a beautiful spiritual exercise during Advent. Everyone welcome and encouraged to join us.

OUR PILGRIMAGE OF FAITH

Congratulations! We have exceeded our share of the Diocesan goal. To date 162 parishioners have contributed a total of \$56,521.32 for an average gift of \$348.49. This is 100% of our Diocesan Goal, 48.39% of our Parish goal and 70.65% 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.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BUILDING FUND CONTRIBUTION

We thank the Knights of Columbus for a donation of \$10,000.00 towards the building of the two meeting rooms being added on the Chancery Office.

WOMEN'S RETREAT

The Women's Retreat and the youth component were very successful thanks to the hard work of many people. We thank all who contributed in any way to this beautiful event.

PARISH COUNCIL

The Parish Pastoral Council will meet on Wednesday, December 8th at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Office.

Knights of Columbus Breakfast at Immaculate Conception Church this Sunday. \$5.00. All are welcome.

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 Shuttles**—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 December and 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 can do so at the Diocesan Website: www.diocese.nelson.bc.ca If it is not already on the website, it will be in the near future.



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 action can I take to turn my mind and heart around this Advent?

CHILDREN: What does the word *hope* mean to me?

IMPORTANT DATES/INFO

CATECHISM/SACRAMENTS

1st Reconciliation Rehearsal Dec. 6th at 3:30pm – 4:45pm

Workbooks & Baptism Certificates due

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.



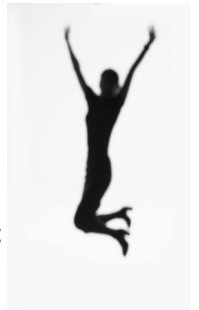
TEENS (GRADE 8 – 12)

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. Simply place a cheque in the offertory with WYD in the Memo line and it will get deposited to the fundraising efforts!

NEW-YEAR’S EVE BANQUET

Plan to ring in 2011 with our WYD pilgrims, a great meal and great time!

Tickets & Details coming next week!

“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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