

# St. Charles Garnier Parish

**Pastor: Pat Monette**

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## October 9, 2011 - 28th Sunday In Ordinary Time

Invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.

Matthew 22

### MASS TIMES

Monday to Friday . . . . . 8:30am  
 Saturday . . . . . 5:00pm  
 Sunday . . . . . 8:30am, 10:30am & 7:00 pm  
   Praise & Worship at 6:45 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. Phone 2 weeks in advance.

**MARRIAGE**—6 month notice required by the Diocese.

Contact pastor for prep program.

### NEW PARISHIONERS

Please register by filling out the yellow cards found on the ledge 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. The label on the envelopes will have your name on it, the number identifies you and a tax receipt will be sent to you at the address you registered with. You may also register on-line @ [www.stcharlesgarnier.ca](http://www.stcharlesgarnier.ca) where you can also *sign up for the bulletin to be emailed to you each week*

## MINISTRY COORDINATOR

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

- Altar Servers . . . . . Alda Berneaud-daRosa 764-7224
- Children's Liturgy . . . . . Christine Kishor 863-1982
- Eucharistic Ministers . . . . . Murdo & Alanet MacKinnon 717-1993
- Guardians of God's Creation . . . . . Alda Berneaud-daRosa 764-7224
- Home Visits for shut-ins . . . . . Richard Burke 712-9493
- Hospital Visitation & Eucharist. . . . . Ethel Robidoux 860-2101
- Liturgy Committee . . . . . Kevin Kishor 863-4296
- Music . . . . . Ingrid Sivorot 764-2759
- Readers. . . . . Keith Germaine 764-2942
- Religious Education . . . . . Kevin Kishor 863-4296
- 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 . . . . . Andie Kouwenhoven 863-3347
- Young Adult/Campus Ministry . . . . . Kevin Kishor 863-4296

## PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Meet second Wednesday of the month at 7:00 pm

<b>Council Chair</b>	Mike O'Donnell	764-4834
<b>Recording Secretary</b>	Ingrid Sivorot	764-2759
<b>Director of Evangelization</b>	Kevin Kishor	863-4296
<b>CWL Rep.</b>	Linda Servedio	764-3182
<b>SSVP Rep.</b>	Walter Lever	764-7121
<b>K. of C. Rep.</b>	Gino Servedio	764-3182
<b>Dev. &amp; Peace Rep</b>	Keith Germaine	764-2942
<b>Security Patrol</b>	Frank Richter	764-3640
<b>Members</b>	Bernie Schneider	860-8381
	Marina Smith	448-5367
	Richard Bryant	768-8778

## CONTACT NUMBERS

### CATHOLIC SCHOOLS INFO.

<b>S.C.G. School Board Reps.</b>	Rob Sali	764-8384
	Kim Macaulay	764-2924
<b>Immaculata High</b>	Principal—John Campbell	762-2730
<b>St. Joseph Elementary</b>	Principal—Andrew Wallace	763-3371
<b>Kelowna Catholic Independent Schools</b>		448-2725

Fax: 1-866-964-3858 [www.kelownacatholic.org](http://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
<b>CLUBHOUSE DAYCARE</b> . . . . .	860-4393
<b>CREIGHTON MODEL FERTILITY CARE</b> . . . . .	491-1088
<b>CURSILLO</b> . . . . . John or Gail Schlosser. . . . .	764-7007
<b>DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE</b> . . . . . Keith Germaine . . . . .	764-2942
<b>DIocese—Catholic Pastoral Centre</b> . . . . .	448-2725
<b>ELIZABETH SETON HOUSE OF PRAYER</b> . . . . .	764-4333

### FRIENDS IN FAITH (SINGLES MINISTRY)

Elsie McKernan—862-9596 or Donna Hammerlik—763-7337

**GRIEF TO GRACE** . . . [www.GriefftoGrace.org](http://www.GriefftoGrace.org) . . . . . 878-7603

**KELOWNA RIGHT TO LIFE** . . . . . 862-8202

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS** [www.stcharleskoc.com](http://www.stcharleskoc.com)

Meet second Thursday of the month at 7:30 pm.

Grand Knight: Stefan Farrow. . . . . 448-0905

**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**

## PARKING LOT SECURITY SCHEDULE

Saturday, Oct. 15th 5:00 p.m. Mike O'Donnell  
 Sunday, Oct. 16th 8:30 a.m. Steven Biollo  
 10:30 a.m. Dave Crane  
 7:00 p.m. Ed Rollheiser

GUIDE TO GIVING	2011 YTD	2010 YTD
<b>Collections</b>	\$ 318,887	\$ 305,800
<b>Building Fund</b>	\$ 28,280	\$ 30,850
<b>Canadian Church/ Catholic Missions</b>	\$ 3,026	\$ 2,851

## WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

<b>Monday</b>	Oct. 10	8:30 am	Emilio & Salvatore D'Anzica ☩
<b>Tuesday</b>	Oct. 11	8:30 am	Maria & Josa Branco ☩
<b>Wednesday</b>	Oct. 12	8:30 am	Int. Keating & Landry Fam.
<b>Thursday</b>	Oct. 13	8:30 am	Ken Nicholls ☩
<b>Friday</b>	Oct. 14	8:30 am	Augusto Berneaud ☩
<b>Saturday</b>	Oct. 15	5:00 pm	Peter Mlikotic ☩
<b>Sunday</b>	Oct. 16	8:30 am	Frank Shalagan ☩
		10:30 am	Rick Turner ☩
		7:00 pm	<i>Parishioners of St. Charles Garnier</i>

*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.*

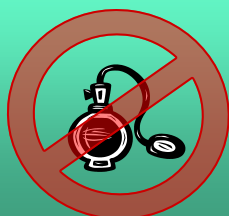
**SPANISH MASS**—Mass will be celebrated in Spanish at 3:30 p.m. on the **4th Sunday** of the month at **St. Theresa's**, Rutland.

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

**Please remember:**

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

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



## 5:00 pm MASS NEXT WEEK

**READERS** Benita Spencer  
Bert Wolf

**EUCCHARIST** Renée Liddicoat  
Donna & Adrian  
Van de Mosselaer  
Flo Smith  
Fran Hooker

**USHERS** Tony Volk  
Val Cylwa  
Walter Lever  
Duncan Boyczuk

## 8:30 am MASS NEXT WEEK

**READERS** Reg Humphries  
Russ Radi

**EUCCHARIST** Vic & Leona Stocker  
Bill Rodden  
Dave Crane  
Ed Rollheiser

**USHERS** Laura Christie  
Len & Bonnie Pelland  
Pat Palmer

## 10:30 am MASS NEXT WEEK

**READERS** Garry Tomporowski  
Hal Spelliscy

**EUCCHARIST** Madeleine Allen  
Marie Cameron  
Merie Vassar  
Rita Clarke

**USHERS** Eric & Tonny Buckley  
Ken Aquilon  
Mike Servedio

## 7:00 pm MASS NEXT WEEK

**READERS** Shadae/Lindsey & Frank

**EUCCHARIST** Pam & Steve

**USHERS** Andie & Lauren

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

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## SINGLES AUTUMN HIKE

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### Singles Autumn Hike to Hardy Falls, October 16th.

Come out and enjoy the fresh air and vibrant fall colours. We will be meeting outside at Bliss Bakery, 4200 Beach Ave., Peachland at 1:30 on Sunday October 16th and then continuing on to Hardy Falls. Please wear comfortable clothing and good walking shoes. Also, please bring a friend and a snack that can be shared. Contact Donna 250-763-7337 or Elsie 250-862-9596.

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## HANDS IN SERVICE


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Hands in Service, Operations of Church Serve Canada is holding their 3<sup>rd</sup> annual Touch of Christmas Crafters and Vendor Fair, Saturday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> 2011 at the New Life Church facility 2041 Harvey Ave. This is an invitation to Crafters to join us in displaying their creations and in serving those in our communities struggling with chronic illness and disability. Deadline for registration is November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2011. Please e-mail [handsinserviceinfo@shaw.ca](mailto:handsinserviceinfo@shaw.ca) or call 250 861-5465 and leave us a message.

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## ST. EDWARD'S FALL FAIR

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 St. Edward's Bazaar will be held on Saturday, Oct. 29th from 9:30 am to 2:00 pm at the Parish Hall, 11123 Okanagan Centre Road East, Winfield. Featuring: *Treasures, Tea Room, Baking, Crafts, Silent Auction, Gifts, Door Prizes* and so much more!!

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## ABORTION LOSS & UNRESOLVED GRIEF

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Our series continues with 4 new sessions on the psychological and spiritual impact of abortion - Thursday evenings, Oct. 20 – Nov. 10<sup>th</sup>, St. Charles Garnier Parish, from 7-9 p m. Sponsored by Rachel's Vineyard. Topics are: Emotional Trauma – Case Studies, Emotional Trauma & the Brain, both presented by Dr. Theresa Burke, The Genesis of Abortion Parts 1 & 2, Men, Couples & Families, Part 3, One Couple's Story. All 3 presented by Kevin Burke. Everyone welcome. See poster on bulletin board or call Sue [778-478-0049](tel:778-478-0049)/Elaine [250-768-4045](tel:250-768-4045).

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## BICYCLES FOR HUMANITY THANK YOU

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Thanks to all those who supported the yard sale and African Dinner, they were a success, in spite of the weather! Thanks to Wally Schredl for donating his van to Bicycles for Humanity. If YOU have a vehicle you don't want sitting around for another winter, consider donating it.

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## EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

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Would you please pick up a copy of the letter outlining some of the guidelines we discussed at our September 24th workshop for the Eucharistic Ministers. A copy can be found in the Sacristy. Thank you.



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## MYAN AFRICAN CHARITY HOUSE

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Myan African Charity House is having a fundraising dinner on Friday, October 14th in St. Pius X hall. We want to finish the construction of the multipurpose hall in MPEPAI, Tanzania that will serve the needs of 15,000 people. Come join us and bring your friends to eat, have fun and still share with those in need. We are looking forward to welcoming you. Tickets are \$25.00 so buy yours early. Thanks for your support. Please contact Lorie Downey at 860-7068 re tickets and more info.

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## PRO-LIFE THRIFT SHOP NEEDS HELP

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Julie Wambeke—Manager, is in desperate need for volunteers to work at the Thrift Shop. Hours: Wednesday to Saturday 10 am to 4 pm. Call Julie at 250-762-4370 if you can help.

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## FREEDOM'S DOOR DINNER

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Celebration and Information Dinner, join us as we serve up a wonderful meal followed by real life stories of hope, encouragement and inspiration. 2 dinner opportunities: **Kelowna**, Thurs. Oct. 27th, Reception @ 5:30 pm, Dinner @ 6:15 pm, Kelowna Gospel Fellowship Church, 3714 Gordon Dr. \$15/each or \$100/table (8 settings, \$20 savings) **West Kelowna**, Thurs. Nov. 17th. See poster in foyer for more info.

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## ITALIAN DINNER

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**Save the date: Friday, October 28th "Little Italy"**, an evening of Italian cuisine, music, prizes and dance at Holy Spirit Parish. Doors open 5pm, dinner at 6pm. Tickets available after Mass or from the Holy Spirit Parish office until Sun. Oct. 16th. This is a fundraiser for their Pilgrimage of Faith Appeal. Adults \$20/ea. Children (under 12) \$10 and children under 3 years are free.

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## CARD SOCIAL IS BACK!

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It's Card Social time again! We will meet every Tuesday afternoon @ 1:00 pm beginning October 11th in the Parish Centre. We welcome any newcomers to join our friendly group for coffee, goodies & fun! For information call Del 250-764-8320.

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## LITURGY WORKSHOP

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Come and learn what the changes in the mass will be and practice some music for the Mass! The Liturgy Committee for the Diocese is sponsoring this workshop on Sat. October 15th from 10:00 until 2:45. Lunch is provided. No Charge. Please register with your parish secretary. We hope each parish will have a number of representatives attending, especially musicians and Liturgy Committees, but all are welcome.

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**Anyone from our Parish who is interested in attending the Workshop MUST register by RSVP to Marilee in our Parish Office by this Tuesday, October 11th 4:00 pm. For general info you can contact Kevin.**  
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## SCG SECURITY PATROL

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**Additional Volunteers Required** – we established a Parish Security Patrol several years ago for our Church parking lot in order to safeguard our Parishioners' vehicles during Mass. Our Security efforts are passive and preventive in nature. By wearing visible vests and having a presence in the parking lot discourages others from unwanted activity. Our Volunteers generally donate one hour of their time each month at a Mass time of their preference. This is a very valuable service that is greatly appreciated by our Parishioners. A briefing will be provided to each new volunteer. There are **Sign-up Sheets in the lobby** for you to participate in this service. If you have any questions or require any additional information please contact **Frank Richter, Security Patrol Coordinator, telephone: 250-764-3640 or email: [frank.richter@shaw.ca](mailto:frank.richter@shaw.ca)**. Thank you very much to all of our current Security Patrol Volunteers for your continued support.

### **PILGRIMAGE 2012**

#### **Sanctuaries of Eastern & Central Europe**

*(Germany, Czech Republic, Austria, Hungary, Croatia, Slovenia, Hercegovina (Medjugorie), & Italy)*  
---June 18 - July 7, 2012 ---

***Spiritual Director:*** Fr. Rex M. Velmonte

If you are interested and for more information, please call Fr. Rex at 250-492-3169 ([rvelmonte@shaw.ca](mailto:rvelmonte@shaw.ca)) or Bennie Banares at 604-436-0985 ([benniepilgrimage@gmail.com](mailto:benniepilgrimage@gmail.com))

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## OPEN HOUSE AT CATHOLIC PASTORAL CENTRE

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The official opening of the Catholic Pastoral Centre will take place in the spring of 2012, but before the snow flies, the staff would like to invite all to an Open House, with a tour, coffee and munchies. The Open House will be two days: November 5 (Saturday) and 6 (Sunday) between 1 and 3 pm. Staff will be on hand to show you around the new building at 3665 Benvoulin Road, across the lane from St. Charles Garnier.

**Fall Book Study for Men** has been postponed. Email Kevin for info.

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## SPIRITUALITY AND WHOLENESS WORKSHOP

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The Good Samaritan Society Annual Spiritual and Wholeness Workshop. **"Affirming an Ethic of Care: Blending Quality with Compassion"** Guest presenter: Dr. Hazel Markwell, Friday, November 4, 2011 in Kelowna. For more information or to register please go to [www.gss.org](http://www.gss.org).

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## K OF C NEWS

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Knights of Columbus General Meeting this Thursday, October 13th in the hall at 7:30 pm.

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## SOS! SUPPORT OUR SHELTER!

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**Inn from the Cold-Kelowna**, a low-barrier shelter for those experiencing homelessness, is sponsoring an evening of information and awareness at "the Inn", **1157 Sutherland Ave.** (behind Extra Foods, upstairs from the Pro-Life Thrift Store), on **Saturday, October 15, at 7:00 pm.**

**Introductory Comments** from Mayor of Kelowna, Sharon Shepherd  
**Panel of Speakers**, featuring

Sean Spears - Rain City Housing, Vancouver;

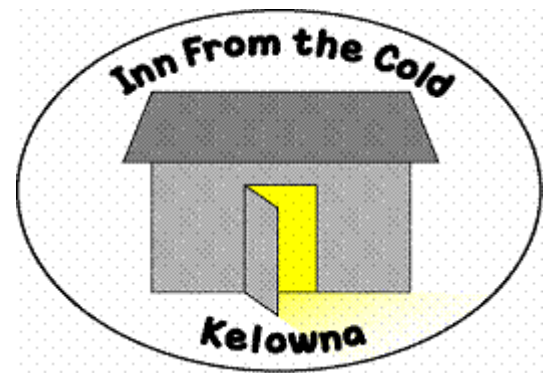
Shirley Chau - UBCO, School of Social Work;

Robyn - who has experienced life on the street and is featured in the film "No Place to Be"

**Music** by Papa Tom

**Appies** catered by Chef Roger Sleiman of Quail's Gate Winery.

**Any person who seeks a true, life-saving experience** may take an extra plunge and gather pledges from friends, family or colleagues. This will entitle our hero (you?) to spend that very night, October 15th, at the shelter. This experience, together with a viewing of "No Place to Be", will give participants a small idea of what it feels like to be drowning in what appears to be calm water - to the casual observer. Sponsors are encouraged to collect at least \$750, the average cost, per night, of running our low-barrier shelter for 35 people. Groups, like a parish organization, class or club may find this an ideal way to pool resources for a worthy cause. A willing member of the group can stay overnight, buoyed up by encouragement and donations on behalf of Inn from the Cold. Pledge forms are available from Tara at Inn from the Cold-Kelowna, 250-448-6403, or by email to [admin.iftc@telus.net](mailto:admin.iftc@telus.net). Thank-you and hope to see you there!



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## PILGRIMAGE OF FAITH

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Our Pilgrimage of Faith Appeal began October 1st. To date 26 parishioners have contributed a total of \$6,865.00 for an average gift of \$264.04. This is 19.9% of our Diocesan Goal and 8.5% 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.

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## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

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More volunteers are needed for Hospital Visitation. Contact Ethel Robidoux 250-860-2101 if you are interested in this ministry. All volunteers will be required to obtain a Criminal records check and be familiar with the Diocesan Abuse Prevention Policy—training provided.

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## SACRISTAN COORDINATOR

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We are looking for a person to be the coordinator for the Sacristans.

If you are interested in serving in this ministry, please contact Brenda Korby 250-764-6425.

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## CWL NEWS

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### AN OPEN INVITATION TO ALL OF THE LADIES IN OUR PARISH

We are having a workshop on October 13, 2011 from 8:30 am until 2:00 pm. The topic is “**Faith in Action**” with a video presentation by Father Richard Rohr OFM entitled “St. Paul as Liberator”. The workshop, facilitated by Walter Lever B.Ed, M.Div., is intended to be a day of information, reflection and discussion. Please bring a bag lunch and coffee and tea will be provided. We hope to see you there!

Our **General Meeting** will be on October 11th at 7:00 pm in the parish hall. If anyone is in need of a ride, phone Linda at 250-764-3182.



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## R.C.I.A. INQUIRIES

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If someone you know would like to inquire about Faith or desires full Initiation into the Catholic Church please contact Kevin ASAP [scgred@gmail.com](mailto:scgred@gmail.com) or (250) 863-4296. We will be having our next intake for our RCIA process starting November. Early registration/contact is important so that we can assess the needs of each person to best accommodate them.

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## SECULAR FRANCISCANS

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from Kelowna, Salmon Arm, Vernon will gather on Sunday, October 16 at 12:30 PM, at St. Charles Garnier Church to celebrate the Transitus of St. Francis, which is his passing from earth to eternal happiness in Heaven. You are warmly welcome to join this Celebration and meet some of the Secular Franciscans. Reception to follow. Info Alice 250-860-3541

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## VOLUNTEER RECEPTIONISTS NEEDED

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VOLUNTEER RECEPTIONISTS NEEDED at the Catholic Pastoral Centre, next to St. Charles Garnier Church, Kelowna. Volunteers for this ministry would need to be able to take either a 9-1 or 1-5 shift, be familiar with Catholic life, be comfortable with Outlook email and learning the phone console, and be able to provide a reference from the pastor of their parish. If you would like to minister in this way, contact Sr. Phyllis Giroux at [phyllis.giroux@nelsondiocese.org](mailto:phyllis.giroux@nelsondiocese.org) or 250-448-2725, ext. 200.

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## BABY BOTTLE BRIGADE

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Today is the day to return your bottles.  
For every woman empowered to love her child to life  
For every child born to laugh and dance and sing  
Thanks for joining hands with us!

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## OVPCC FUNDRAISER BANQUET

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A Pearl of Great Price—Okanagan Valley Pregnancy Care Centre is pleased to announce that tickets are now on sale for their 6th Annual Fundraiser Banquet. Mark your calendars for Monday Oct. 24th from 6—9 pm and join us for an evening of delicious food, client testimonies and our special guest speaker, **Garry Jespersen**. Tickets are \$35/person and can be purchased at OVPCC—2622 Pandosy or by calling 250-763-2112 Mon. to Fri. from 9—5 pm.

The **MILITIA IMMACULATA OKANAGAN** will host a **day of Reflection** with Fr. Patrick Greenough on **Sat. Oct. 15**. Begins with **mass @ 9 am** followed by talks & luncheon. Talks will focus on the Holy Eucharist, its History, Theology, Vatican 11 and the New Missal. Held @ St. Charles Garnier from 9 am - 4 pm. Early registration \$20 by **Oct. 10**. \$25 AFTER. Registration with Jerry @ [jerrydusik@shaw.ca](mailto:jerrydusik@shaw.ca), Eileen @ [collinsoka@hotmail.com](mailto:collinsoka@hotmail.com). Everyone welcome to understand Marian Consecration as founded by St. Maximilian Kolbe.

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## MILITIA IMMACULATA MASS

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The Militia Immaculata will celebrate our monthly mass in honour of the **Feast of the Holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary** on Fri. Oct. 7 at 7 pm at ICC. Celebrant will be Fr. Sebastian Puthenpura, our Spiritual Director. The sacrament of *Reconciliation* will be available from 6-6:50 pm. The *rosary* will be prayed at 6:30 pm. Coffee social will follow in the hall. Everyone welcome to join us, to learn about Marian Consecration and the spirituality of St. Maximilian Kolbe.

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## SECULAR FRANCISCANS

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### SECULAR FRANCISCAN SPIRITUAL JOURNEY.....



are you interested? Orientation begins Sunday, Oct. 9th. Learn about the Life of St. Francis and of St. Clare; what is the Tau Cross; Gospel living; embracing the Franciscan Vision and more. Do you have a Franciscan Vocation? More information, phone Alice at 250-86-3541.

## FAMILY LIFE & YOUTH MATTERS @ SCG



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

### QUESTION OF THE WEEK

**ADULTS:** What can I do this week to bring Christ to everyone that I meet?

**CHILDREN:** What is one thing I can do to show my friends that God loves them?

### CHILDREN'S LITURGY (age 3-9):

Only 10:30am Masses.

If you would like to see us offer this at other times please volunteer. [scgliturgy@gmail.com](mailto:scgliturgy@gmail.com)

### CATECHISM/SACRAMENTS (GRADE 1-7)

Registration is now closed.

No Classes this Monday Happy Thanksgiving  
[scgred@gmail.com](mailto:scgred@gmail.com)

1<sup>st</sup> Reconciliation Parent's Meeting Monday Oct. 17<sup>th</sup> 6:30pm

### TEENS

Youth Nights now on FRIDAYS

Juniors (Gr. 6-7) & Seniors (Gr. 8-12) Alternate weeks

Email Andie (below) for info.



### JOIN US ON FACEBOOK

**TEENS:** "St. Charles Garnier Youth Group"

**YOUNG ADULTS:** "Catholic Young Adults Kelowna"

**UBCO/OC STUDENTS:** "FOCUS/CSA UBCO"

Or Email: [scgyas@gmail.com](mailto:scgyas@gmail.com) (New for Young Adults)

*"A new commandment I give unto you: that you love one another, as I have loved you". (John 13:34)*



**Kevin** (Director of Evangelization): C: 863-4296 or [kishorkevin6@gmail.com](mailto:kishorkevin6@gmail.com) (Personal)

**Christine** (Director of Family Life): C: 863-1982 or [christinekishor@gmail.com](mailto:christinekishor@gmail.com) (Personal)

**Andie Kowenhoven** (Youth Minister): C: 863-3347 or [scgyouth@gmail.com](mailto:scgyouth@gmail.com)

OFFICE HOURS (Generally available for appointments/consultation)

**Kevin & Christine:** Monday, Wednesday, Friday 9:30am – 2:30pm (Church)

**Kevin:** Tuesday & Thursday: 9am – Noon (in Home Office call Cell Phone)

**Andie:** always use email or Cell Phone

**PLEASE NOTE:** EMAIL IS THE BEST WAY TO CONTACT ANY OF OUR TEAM!

## GUARDIANS OF GOD'S CREATION

"The hardest arithmetic to master is the one that enables us to count our blessings." *Eric Hoffer*

**Let's try....**

The Lord has truly blessed us with a vibrant, gifted, and generous community. May the Lord continue to bless our parish **St. Charles Garnier** with the gifts of faith, hope and love.

We would like to thank, now, all the hardworking sponsors and the wonderful volunteers that made our Fall events such an extraordinary experience. The 3rd Annual **Save Creation Day** celebration was great fun for all. The children especially enjoyed the eco-friendly homemade **piñatas** and the adults cheerfully participated in the Eco-Trivia game. The fundraiser for the Project - **Trees 4 Dads at Seton House**, was a success thanks to the generosity of all who bid in the Silent Auction items. Our "Planting Blitz" in the new St. Francis garden was a true miracle of combined effort and generosity from all involved. Soil, compost and plants were donated, volunteers gave of their time and energy, and the Lord in His infinite goodness provided all the irrigation needed for the new plantings. God's generosity would manifest itself again the following day. After a rain soaked Saturday, the morning of October 2nd was overcast and cold. The outdoor service - **Blessing of the Animals** in honour of **St. Francis of Assisi** was scheduled to start at 2pm. We prayed for a "rain-less" service. Our prayers were answered with great kindness. As the chairs were being set up on the entrance way, Brother Sun pushed through the clouds and stayed through the service gloriously "drenching" all God's creatures in its warm bright light. All rejoiced! The cats and the dogs, the ferrets and the bunnies, Quillsner - the hedgehog, the majestic horses and, all the loving caregivers. O Lord, the horses were so beautiful... however, the presents they left behind were quite the challenge. What a blessing that the hose from the rectory can reach all the way to the bike rack, phew!!! Next year, we will definitely prepare a proper "Horse Parking" spot. The presentation from TRACS was very poignant and we were very humbled by their passionate work in caring for all animals in need.

We would also like to thank all who contributed with plant materials, fruit and vegetables for the Thanksgiving decorations.

Thank you all for your support.

May the Lord bless you with everything that is good and true. Happy Thanksgiving!

"Gratitude makes sense of our past, brings peace for today, and creates a vision for tomorrow."

~ Melody Beattie

