



# St. Charles Garnier Parish

February 11, 2024



*Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

*"If you choose, you can make me clean."*

Mark 1:40-45



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## SCRIPTURE MESSAGE

"Jesus is the Divine Healer" Isaiah 53:4 "Surely he has borne our infirmities and carried our diseases. By his wounds we are healed". Mark 1:40 "If you choose you can make me clean". Christ the Lord can heal all our wounds, diseases, and ailments. His healing touch/power can save entire humankind. But there are those who still suffer with several of their unhealed & incurable diseases even though they have confided to Christ about them in their prayers. Why can't he heal my cancer/ Why can't he address my child's ailments? Why can't he bind my brokenness? Why can't He heal my weakness of body, mind, and spirit (especially my spiritual and moral sickness?)

The Gospel of Mark 1:40 repeats: "If you choose, you can make me clean". Apostle Mathew in his gospel narrates the story of a woman with a blood flow (hemorrhage). She had this blood flow for several years (about 12 yrs). She had met several medical persons/physicians for assistance. But none of them could help her find a cure. The Book of Leviticus 15:25 considered her unclean (ritually defiled). But she did not wish to disclose her identity. She was unwilling to come/approach Jesus publicly/openly. So, she came from behind secretly and touched his garment. She came in fear and with great anxiety/in panic but with faith in her heart. She made a determination, 'If only I would touch his garment, I would be made well'. She developed this mindset and mustered strength to come out of her comfort zone and made an attempt to touch his garment.

What a surprise. She was instantaneously healed of her blood flow. Today's gospel praises her strong Will Power & Determination. It also encourages us to develop such stamina/similar faith to experience the healing touch of Christ the Lord in our lives.

## WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Mon	Feb 12	8:30 am	Luigi G. Pagliaro
Tue	Feb 13	8:30 am	Int. Abbey Ackerman & Family
Wed	Feb 14	8:30 am	+ Robert Brown
Thu	Feb 15	8:30 am	+ William Ferguson
Fri	Feb 16	8:30 am	Int. Julia Orr & Family
Sat	Feb 17	5:00pm	Int. Joelle Schmidt & Family
Sun	Feb 18	8:30am	Int. Therese McKean
		10:30 am	Parishioners of St. Charles Garnier

## Next Week's Readings

1	<b>Leviticus</b> —	19:1-2, 11-18
2	<b>1 Peter</b> —	3:18-22
Gospel	<b>Mark</b> —	1:12-15

WHO reports that there are about 600,000 leprosy cases attended to every year by medical experts. Leprosy/Hansen's disease is contained in our modern times... but there are numerous skin diseases in the world ...like 'Ebola, scabies & eruption of the skin, etc. We need to be careful to take care of our skin and of our people in a timely manner to get treated with our skin issues. Washing hands, sanitizing them, and keeping them from contamination are a few precautionary measures that we can take to help prevent skin diseases. Moreover, we need to have recourse to medical assistance if there's a need to address any challenge. Hansen's disease along with temporary disorders or symptoms, are curable. Primitive hygiene considered such maladies as highly contagious and demanded complete isolation. Spiritually, the integrity of the body and soul is essential for religious worship. Otherwise, people are afflicted with these malignant symptoms... leading to religious and social ostracism such as the formant of evil forces & superstitious beliefs. Leprosy is contagious. It manifests itself in several forms through spreading, sores that result in discoloration of the surrounding areas of the skin, hair loss, skin blotches, saches resulting from boils or burns, scalp disorders, face eruptions, whiteness of the skin and so on. The priest acted not as a physician, but as an interpreter of the law to certify whether the person in question is clean or unclean. When in doubt a period of quarantine was imposed for a week or two. During such times the unclean person remained outside of town, wearing torn garments, crying repeatedly, " unclean, unclean" to alert people not to come closer. If we are so very careful about our skin disease, how much more we should be troubled with our disease of the soul, which is called 'spiritual leprosy'. May the good Lord help us to seek His Mercy and Forgiveness at the earliest.

All the best.

In the service of the Word!

Gabriel




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## FAITH FORMATION

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If you felt called to get involved in children's catechism or family ministries, we have many volunteer roles that need to be filled. For more information, please reach out to Amanda Tian Seng, Religious Education Coordinator, by calling the parish or email:

[formation.scg.kelowna@nelsondiocese.org](mailto:formation.scg.kelowna@nelsondiocese.org)



## *Ash Wednesday Mass*

- INTO DUST YOU SHALL RETURN -

*WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14TH*

*MASS TIMES OFFERED AT  
8:30AM & 5:00PM*

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## MEDICINE BOTTLES

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If you have empty prescription bottles please bring them to the church with the labels removed please. There will be a basket at the church foyer.



## Roman Catholic Diocese of Nelson website:

<https://www.nelsondiocese.org/>

Holy Sacrifice of the Mass & Devotions

Live stream click [here](#)

## St. Charles Garnier Parish

<http://stcharlesgarnier.ca/>

**Holy Sacrifice of the Mass is being  
live-streamed Sunday 8:30**

Livestream click [here](#)

### NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS—DIOCESE OF NELSON



News and Announcements from Diocese of Nelson please click [here](#).



For Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops website click [here](#).

The CCCB Episcopal Commission for Justice and Peace has today released its *Pastoral Letter on the use of social media* titled: “Let Your Speech Always Be Gracious.” The release is timed with the liturgical memorial of Saint Francis de Sales, who was known for his graciousness in speech and who is invoked as a patron saint of writers and publishers.

It is available in electronic format and can be downloaded from the CCCB website:

In English: <https://www.cccb.ca/announcement/bishops-release-a-pastoral-letter-on-the-use-of-social-media>

In French:

<https://www.cecc.ca/annonce/les-eveques-publient-une-lettre-pastorale-sur-lutilisation-des-medias-sociaux>

It is also attached to this email in [PDF](#) format.

### GRIEF TO GRACE



Through a retreat program facilitated by mental health professionals and centered on Jesus Christ, Grief to Grace helps those who have endured neglect, physical, emotional, sexual, and/or spiritual abuse in their family of origin, their community, from spouses/partners, and/or coworkers or supervisors, find healing and journey to wholeness.

The next retreat in Canada is May 14 - 18, 2024 in Kelowna, B.C. For more information please email:

[griegtogracekelowna@gmail.com](mailto:griegtogracekelowna@gmail.com)

Or make a confidential call to: 250-808-6403

### CHALICE

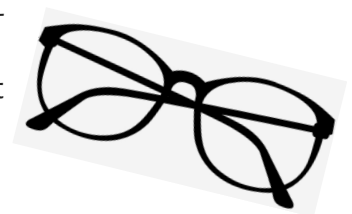


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Christmas Gift Catalogue

### PRESCRIPTION EYEGASSES WANTED

If you have extra prescription eyeglasses that you no longer need, please bring them to the church foyer and place them in the basket provided.

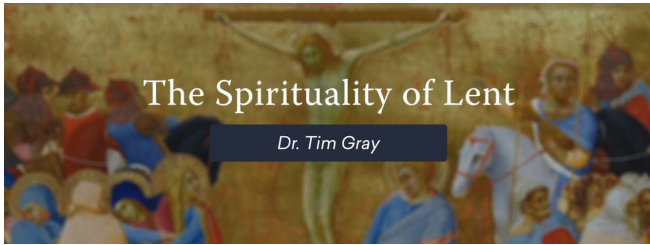
This week will be the last one to collect them.



### TAX RECEIPTS 2023



**2023 Income Tax Receipts are ready to pick up at the church foyer!**



The Spirituality of Lent

Dr. Tim Gray

The Spirituality of Lent

Looking to take Lent more seriously this year? Join Tim Gray for ideas for a Lenten spirituality.

Enjoy a free subscription:

[stcharlesgarnier.formed.org](http://stcharlesgarnier.formed.org)

Don't have an account? Click on Register and enter your email and create a password.

Contact Nicole Horsman at:

[nicolehorsman@telus.net](mailto:nicolehorsman@telus.net)

If you have any further questions about [Formed.org](http://Formed.org)



St. Charles Garnier Women's Ministry

# REFRESH

*I will refresh the weary & satisfy the faint  
Jeremiah 31:25*

## Lenten Retreat

February 20  
7 - 9 PM

All women are invited to begin Lent with a retreat facilitated by Fr. Gerald (Part 2 will take place at Refresh on March 19). A social will follow in the hall.

More details to follow in next week's bulletin

PARISH EVENTS

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Saturday, February 10	9:30 am 3:30 pm 5:00 pm	Sacristans Meeting Altar Servers Training Sunday Mass
Sunday, February 11	8:30 am 10:30 am	Sunday Mass Sunday Mass—Children's liturgy
Monday to Friday	8:30 am	Morning Mass Rosary after Mass
Tuesdays and Wednesdays		Confessions after 8:30 am Mass
Monday, February 12	1:00 pm	Card Social group
Tuesday, February 13	9:30 am 10:30 am	CWL Pancake Breakfast—By donation CWL General Meeting
Wednesday, February 14	8:30 am 9:00 am 9:30 am 5:00 pm 4:30—5:30 pm 7:00—8:00 pm	<b>Ash Wednesday Mass</b> SSVP Meeting Catholic Mom's Connect <b>Ash Wednesday Mass</b> Catechism—1st Reconciliation/1st Communion Catechism—Confirmation
Thursday, February 15	9:30 am	Bible Study—Church Hall

## RACHEL'S CORNER

“God, you are my God, I pine for you; my heart thirsts for you, my body longs for you, as a land parched, dreary and waterless.”- Psalm 63:1

Come on a Rachel's Vineyard™ Retreat and discover the oasis of His love and mercy which will satisfy all your longings and thirst in a way nothing else possibly can.

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## NATIONAL CATHOLIC HEALTH CARE WEEK



National Health Care week 2024  
 From February 4 to 10.

Pope Francis's [message](#)  
 Integral Human Development [here](#).

## CWL



## CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Invites all Women  
 Shrove Tuesday Pancake Breakfast  
 February 13th, 2024  
 Mass at 8:30 am  
 Pancake breakfast at 9:30 am  
 CWL General Meeting at 10:15 am  
 RSVP by Sunday, February 11th  
 on sign up sheet in Church foyer



## LENTEN CONFESSION SCHEDULES

Parish/School	Date/Time
IMAC High School	Tuesday March 5, 2024 10:00 am – 2:30 pm
St. Joseph's School	Thursday March 14, 2024 10:30 am and 12:40 pm
OLOL School	Thursday March 7 <sup>th</sup> , 2024 10:45 am – 11:40 am 12:45 pm – 1:40 pm
Our Lady of Lourdes Parish	Wednesday March 20, 2024 @ 4:00 pm
St. Pius X Parish	Monday March 11, 2024 @ 5:30 pm
Corpus Christi Parish	Wednesday, March 6 <sup>th</sup> , 2024 @ 6:00 pm
St. Edwards Parish	Wednesday March 13, 2024 @ 5:30 pm
St. Charles Garnier Parish	Wednesday March 13, 2024 @ 5:00 pm
Immaculate Conception Parish	Thursday March 21, 2024 @ 3:00 pm
St. Francis of Assisi Parish	Monday March 19, 2024 @ 5:00 pm

**Catholic MOMS Connect**

Wednesdays, 9:30-11:00am  
 St. Charles Garnier Hall  
 Childcare provided  
 Join us for prayer and fellowship

Questions?  
 Contact Abbey at  
 250.899.4384

## SCGP—DONATIONS BY E-TRANSFER OR CREDIT CARD



E-transfers are accepted at St. Charles Garnier Parish  
Send your offering via e-transfer to:  
[etransfer.SCGK@nelsondiocese.org](mailto:etransfer.SCGK@nelsondiocese.org)  
no password is required.

SCG—Guide to Giving		2024			
February	5	12	19	26	Total
Monthly Parish Collection Budget	8,350	8,350	8,350	8,350	33,400
Monthly automatic bank donations received (SAG)					
Sunday Cash/Cheque Collection	5,442				
E-transfers received					
Monthly total to date	5,442				

## NEW PILGRIM PATH

Lent starts on 14<sup>th</sup> February, and New Pilgrim Path offers a host of online resources to provide spiritual sustenance throughout the Lenten journey. These include online retreats, guided meditations, reflections, poetry and music appropriate to this holy season. To access these, visit:  
[www.newpilgrimpath.ie](http://www.newpilgrimpath.ie)

## CHILD SPONSORSHIP

Please consider sponsoring a child at 25.00 per month, tax receipts are available.  
100% goes to the child, “No Administration Fees”  
See the pictures and the information at the kids corner on the bulletin board in the church foyer.

## HEALING MASS @ ST. PIUS X CHURCH

**Date & Time: February 11 at 6pm**

February 11 is the Feast of our Lady of Lourdes, also known as World Day of the sick.

Patricia Stephen and her healing ministry team will be coming from Edmonton to join us for the Healing Mass. She will give a talk on inner and spiritual healing. With testimonies, she would share stories on how unforgiveness and bitterness can affect not only our spirit but also our bodies. With spiritual and inner healing, many other aspects of our life would fall into place.

In the Gospel for this weekend, the sick man said to Jesus: ‘If you choose, You can heal me’ Jesus said to him: ‘I choose; be made well.’ Jesus desires to heal us.

After Mass, there will be Anointing of the Sick, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, holy water to take home, Confession and opportunity for Patricia and another priest from Edmonton to pray with you privately. We have about 4 priests for Confession.

Come and be healed!



## MASS SCHEDULE—ASH WEDNESDAY—HOLY WEEK—EASTER

	Date	Mass Times
<i>Ash Wednesday</i>	<i>Wednesday, February 14</i>	<i>8:30 am &amp; 5:00 pm</i>
<i>Palm Sunday</i>	<i>Sunday, March 23</i> <i>Sunday, March 24</i>	<i>5:00 pm</i> <i>8:30 am &amp; 10:30 am</i>
<i>Holy Thursday</i>	<i>Thursday, March 28</i>	<i>6:30 pm</i>
<i>Good Friday</i>	<i>Friday, March 29</i>	<i>12:00 pm (TBD) &amp; 3:00 pm</i>
<i>Easter Vigil</i>	<i>Saturday, March 30</i>	<i>6:30 pm</i>
<i>Easter Sunday</i>	<i>Sunday, April 31</i>	<i>8:30 am &amp; 10:30 am</i>

# Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

Mark 1:40-45



**PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL**



- Pastor**—Fr. Gerald
- Chair**—Stephen Horsman
- Co-Chair**—Christine Schmidt
- Liturgy**—Marlene Crane
- Financial**—Kevin Schmidt
- Maintenance**—Don Korby/Margaret Radi
- SSVP**—Arnie Schneider
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- CWL**—Debbie Cloutier
- Outreach**— Abbey Ackerman
- Recorder**—Leah Drebit
- Special Activities**—Carmen & Alan Walisser

**PARISH ORGANIZATIONS**

**CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE**

Meet second Tuesday of the month—**NOTE:** Sep-Oct-Nov @ 6:30 PM  
 Contact: . . . . . Diane Cey . . . . . 250-868-9636  
 Membership inquiries: . Betty Ann Richard [bettyannrichard@gmail.com](mailto:bettyannrichard@gmail.com)

**FR. PANDOSY 4TH DEGREE ASSEMBLY**—Knights of Columbus  
 Meet third Sundays of the month at 2:00 pm  
 Inquiries . . . . . Gino Servedio . . . . . 250-764-3182

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS** [www.stcharleskoc.com](http://www.stcharleskoc.com)  
 Meet second Thursday of the month at 7:30 pm.  
 Grand Knight: . . . . . Paul Schembri . . . . . [pjaaas@gmail.com](mailto:pjaaas@gmail.com)

**St. Peregrine Prayer Circle** (*An Apostolate of The Little Flowers of Saint Francis Fraternity of the Secular Franciscan Order*).

If you have friends/family members with serious illnesses we will add them to our list and pray for them & their family daily. We meet once a month and pray together.

Contact: Christine Reeves, OFS. 250-575-2043 E-mail: [sforeec10@gmail.com](mailto:sforeec10@gmail.com)

**SECULAR FRANCISCAN ORDER** - "The Little Flowers of St. Francis Fraternity"

Meeting the 2nd Sunday of the month @ St. Charles Garnier Parish Hall.

Contact Sandy: 250-212-3596.

**SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT de PAUL** . . . . . 250-860-2536

Meet second and fourth Wednesdays at 9:00 am St. Charles Garnier Parish—Hall

**FIRST SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH—SSVP DONATIONS**

**SSVP DONATIONS-VEHICLE, RV & TRAILER-** KEITH :250-300-1062

**MINISTRY COORDINATORS**

- If you wish to become involved contact the Parish Office . . . . . 250-860-6776
- Children’s Liturgy . . . . . Allison Knittig . . . . . 778-477-3790
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- IMMACULATA REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL** . . . . . 250-762-2730
- CLUBHOUSE DAYCARE** . . . . . 250-860-4393
- ELIZABETH SETON HOUSE OF PRAYER** . . . . . 250-764-4333
- FREEDOM’S DOOR** . [info@freedomdoorcelowna.com](mailto:info@freedomdoorcelowna.com) . . . . . 250-717-0472
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- CREIGHTON MODEL FERTILITY CARE** . . <https://creightonmodel.com/>

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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.**



**St. Charles Garnier Parish  
 WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS!**

Please complete this form and leave it in the collection basket or at the Parish Office.

**New Parishioner:** \_\_\_\_ **Information Change:** \_\_\_\_

Name (s) : \_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_

DOB (yyyy/mm/dd): \_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

CHILDREN		
Name (s)	M/F	DOB (yyyy/mm/dd)

Would you like to be contacted by one of our parish groups?	
CWL ____	Music ____
Knights of Columbus ____	Reader ____
St. Vincent de Paul ____	Usher ____
R.C.I.A. ____	Altar Servers ____
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.