



St. Charles Garnier Parish



March 3, 2024

“Destroy this temple , and in three days I will raise it up.”

John 2:13-25

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SCRIPTURE MESSAGE

"What is the Message of the Cross?". Apostle Paul in 1 Cor 1:18-25 Explained the message of the Cross in the following phrases: 1. Cross is the Power of God & 2. It is the wisdom of God. Suffering is a great mystery, which is fully expressed in Jesus' Passion. Most moderners think that 'suffering is a mere absurdity' and wish to escape or avoid it. But suffering is inevitable and can't be avoided. God seems to be unjust when we see the suffering of the innocent people especially the Ukrainians, Palestinians, Russians, Hebrews, and the Nicaraguans. But suffering brings healing and comfort to human life.

Suffering of Christ is for the Redemption of the whole human race. The effect of Christ's suffering, death, burial, and resurrection are for the reconciliation and redemption of the human race. Jesus died on the Cross for the restoration of the humans with the god the Father. Paul in Ephesian 2:14 wrote, 'Christ is our PEACE!'. Christ has brought the Jews and the Greeks together and made them one in him. Through the cross, he won over the hostility that separated humans and brought peace. Since we are justified, we have peace with God. The decisive moment of the divine plan of salvation was achieved through the passion, death, and resurrection of Christ. The story of the Cross makes Christ the Lord of Glory. He was crucified & buried, but God raised him to new life by His Power. According to Paul, our Redemption is the Gratuitous Initiative of the Father, who loves humans despite our failures.

Paul also informs us, the moderners, that the Cross seems to be a 'stumbling block & scandal', as it had been to the Jews, who expected miracles from the Messiah & the Greeks, who longed for Wisdom and Eloquence. The Greeks always gloried in human achievements along with honor and praise.

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Mon	Mar 4	8:30 am	Int. Erin Haley & Family
Tue	Mar 5	8:30 am	Int. Ingrid Godon & Family
Wed	Mar 6	8:30 am	+ Werner Mahler
Thu	Mar 7	8:30 am	Int. Liz Morrison & Family
Fri	Mar 8	8:30 am	Int. Emily Quiroga & Family
Sat	Mar 9	5:00pm	Int. Stephanie Kendel & Family
Sun	Mar 10	8:30am	+ Homer Roy
		10:30 am	Parishioners of St. Charles Garnier

Next Week’s Readings

1	2 Chronicles —	36:14-17a, 19-23++
2	Ephesians —	2:4-10
Gospel	John —	3:14-21

But Jews and Greeks were blinded to stumble by their own expectations. But Christ manifested the Power and wisdom of God (2 Cor 12:10) My grace is enough for you. In weakness, power reaches its perfection, for "When I am weak then I am strong". The power of Christ crucified makes me strong in my weakness.

According to 1 Cor 2:2 True Wisdom comes from the Cross, which is suffering. Human Wisdom is based on Excellence, Brilliance and superior Activities. But God's Wisdom makes use of the Weakness to manifest His Glory. Worldly wisdom is based on logic/philosophy/learning. It divides people as learned and ignorant paving ways to social imbalance, division, jealousy & competition. But the Wisdom of the Cross reveals the mindset of God. The mindset of God is non-judgmental and welcoming. It leads to 'spiritual maturity, tolerance & acceptance. We learn the lesson that 'God's standards are quite different from human/worldly standards, which may color our judgement and lead to spiritual immaturity. Whereas the Wisdom of the Cross might appear to be weak and foolish, it gives strength and power to those who believe in its merits.

Encyclopedia Britannica reports that in 519 B.C, King Darius of Persia executed 3000 political prisoners through crucifixion. Emperor Alexander the Great executed 800 jews in Israel through Crucifixion during his time. Therefore, the Cross has come to be known as a Curse for people and everyone was aware of this fact. Jesus himself had been crucified on the Cross & he hung on it (He had been cursed) Paul could not reconcile with this fact as a Jew. But Jesus helped him out when he met Paul on the road to Damascus (Acts 19:1-9) through the spectacular activity of Divine Revelation. Here he came to his senses to understand that the cross, which was an instrument of suffering & curse, has the power to transform hearts, minds and the whole being of people. The Cross, which was a stumbling block for many centuries, has become the real remedy for all our ailments. Let us get attached to the Holy Cross of Christ.

All the best.

In the service of the Word!

Gabriel



K OF C—BREAKFAST



Pancake Breakfast



Please note:

March breakfast will be canceled due to the Easter Season!

RACHEL'S VINEYARD

Rachel's Vineyard Spring Retreat: Has abortion left you feeling empty and alone? Rachel's Vineyard retreats are available for women, men, couples or anyone who has struggled with the emotional and spiritual pain of abortion. If you are searching for peace and inner healing from an abortion experience, this retreat is for you. Register now for our April retreat in Kelowna. For more information contact Vicki:

250-762-2273 info@rachelsvineyardkelowna.com,
www.RachelsVineyardKelowna.com

Confidentiality assured.




"The Lord manifests Himself to those who stop for some time in peace and humility of heart. If you look in murky and turbulent waters, you cannot see the reflection of your face. If you want to see the face of Christ, stop and collect your thoughts in silence, and close the door of your soul to the noise of external things."

- St. Anthony of Padua

Has your participation in an abortion decision left you with turbulent waters that you have tried to deny and hide for a long time? Join the men and women on a Rachel's Vineyard® Retreat.

info@rachelsvineyardkelowna.com
www.rachelsvineyardkelowna.com

 Rachel's Vineyard Kelowna

250-762-2273

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](#).



Second Sunday of Lent video of the series title “Journey through Lent” is now available:
<https://www.cccb.ca/lent/>

CHALICE



Ukraine Regional Assistance

ST. EDWARD'S CHURCH

ST. PATRICK TEA

Saturday March 16, 2024—12:00 - 2:00 p.m.
In the Parish Hall
1123 Okanagan Centre Rd E - Lake Country.
Come join us for a light lunch, bake sale, cake raffle and live Celtic music and singing by Ceol na hEireann.
Proceeds to support Seton House of Prayer.
Sponsored by the St. Edward's CWL
Everyone is Welcome!

ICC

POLISH COMMUNITY — CONFESSION & MASS

On Saturday March 16th, Fr. Marian Korzeniowski will be at Immaculate Conception Church (839 Sutherland Avenue, Kelowna) to hear confession (in Polish) at 6:00 pm and to celebrate Polish Mass at 7:00 pm.
Saturday, March 30th at 12:30
Fr. Paul will be blessing Easter Food.

ADVENT RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE

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
LOL School	Thursday March 7 th , 2024 10:45 am – 11:40 am 12:45 pm – 1:40 pm

BABIES AND KIDS PRE-LOVED CLOTHING MARKET

ICC Church Hall, 839 Sutherland Avenue – Kelowna, BC
Saturday March 16th, 2024

From 9:00 am to 7:00 pm.

Browse or sell gently used and loved clothing from newborn to tween, including school uniforms!
Tables are available for reservation with a refundable fee.

Full 6ft Table - \$25

Half 8ft Table - \$15

Full 8ft Table - \$30

Please email: christina.icc.cwl@gmail.com to book your table.

Cash or cheque only.

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
no password is required.



SCG—Guide to Giving 2024					
February	4	11	18	25	Total
Monthly Parish Collection Budget	8,350	8,350	8,350	8,350	33,400
Monthly automatic bank donations received (SAG)			9,400		
Sunday Cash/Cheque Collection	5,442	3,290	4,288	4,807	
E-transfers received				1,480	
Monthly total to date	5,442	8,732	22,420	28,707	85.9%

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE

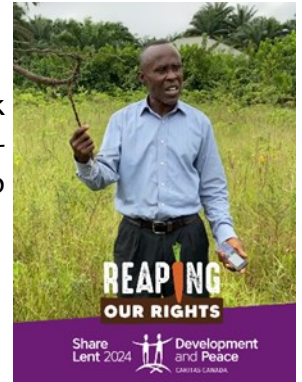
Week 3: March 3

Denouncing oil pollution in Nigeria

Nigeria is Africa's largest economy and biggest oil producer. Despite oil exports worth billions of dollars, millions of Nigerians remain in poverty and face food insecurity. In the south, pollution and contamination by the oil industry are causing great hardship.

Development and Peace — Caritas Canada's partner Health of Mother Earth Foundation (HOMEF) defends farmers' rights and helps protect their lands.

To learn more about the work of HOMEF, read our Mini-magazine and watch the video at devp.org/lent



PARISH EVENTS

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Friday, March 1	6:30 pm	Stations of the Cross—CWL
Saturday, March 2	5:00 pm	Sunday Mass
Sunday, March 3	8:30 am 10:30 am	Sunday Mass—Almsgiving Sunday Sunday Mass—Almsgiving Sunday
Monday to Friday	8:30 am	Morning Mass—Rosary after Mass
Tuesdays and Wednesdays		Confessions after 8:30 am Mass
Monday, March 4	1:00 pm	Card Social group
Tuesday, March 5	9:30 am	CWL—Executive Meeting
Wednesday, March 6	9:30 am 1:00 pm 5:30 pm—7:00pm 5:30—7:00 pm 7:00—8:00 pm	Catholic Mom's Connect Liturgy Meeting Soup and Stations Catechism—1st Reconciliation/1st Communion Catechism—Confirmation
Thursday, March 7	9:30 am	Bible Study—Church Hall
Friday, March 8	6:30 pm	Stations of the Cross

St. Charles Garnier Women's Ministry

REFRESH

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

Re-lent Women's Retreat

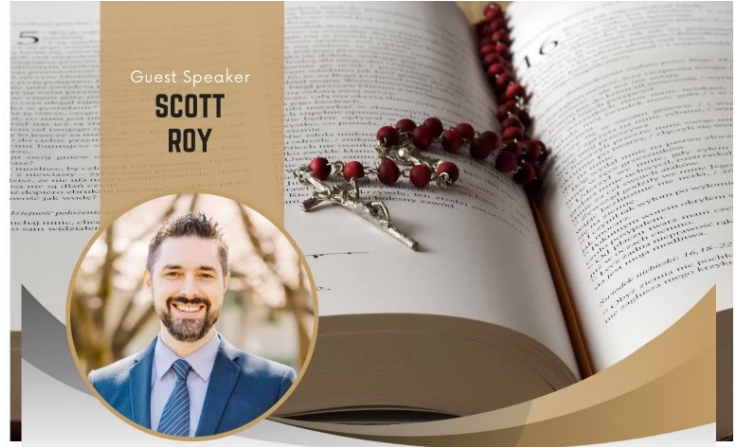
Saturday, March 23
9 AM - 3 PM

Join our fellow parishioners, along with guest speaker, **Gladys Miller**, for a full-day retreat. Lunch and snacks will be provided.

Registration is \$20.

Registration is required by March 18 - email joelleandkevinschmidt@gmail.com for an electronic copy of the form or pick up a physical copy from the church's foyer.

Or register [here](#).



Guest Speaker
**SCOTT
ROY**





RE-LENT

Men's Lenten Retreat

16 March 2024 | At St. Charles
Garnier Parish
9:00am - 3:00pm

REGISTRATION REQUIRED BY MARCH 11TH
\$20 REGISTRATION FEE
LUNCH AND SNACKS PROVIDED

To register please click [here](#).

	Date	Mass Times
Palm Sunday 	Saturday, March 23 Sunday, March 24	5:00 pm 8:30 am & 10:30 am
Holy Thursday 	Thursday, March 28	6:30 pm
Good Friday 	Friday, March 29	12:00 pm & 3:00 pm
Easter Vigil 	Saturday, March 30	6:30 pm
Easter Sunday 	Sunday, March 31	8:30 am & 10:30 am



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Every Friday during Lent
@ 6:30pm

ST. CHARLES GARNIER PARISH

Lenten Reconciliation Service

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13
@ 5:00PM

ST. CHARLES GARNIER

LENTEN FAMILY NIGHTS:



SOUP & STATIONS

JOIN US FOR A POTLUCK SUPPER OF SOUP,
FOLLOWED BY PRAYING THE
STATIONS OF THE CROSS

WEDNESDAYS @ 5:30

*STARTING FEB 21 THROUGH LENT



PIC•COLLAGE



2024 Spring Gala

April 19, 2024

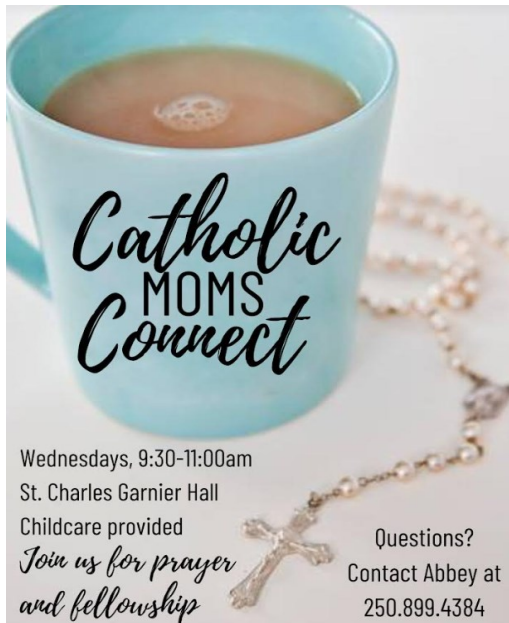
We are proud to announce that
tickets are available to purchase!

<https://stjoseph.hotlunches.net>

Early Bird Tickets available till
March 11th for \$65/person

Tickets sold after March 11th will be
\$75/person

Deadline is March 22 , 2024



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

Third Sunday of Lent (B)

John 2:13-25

Anger in the Temple!

Jesus was furious when he saw what was happening inside the Temple!

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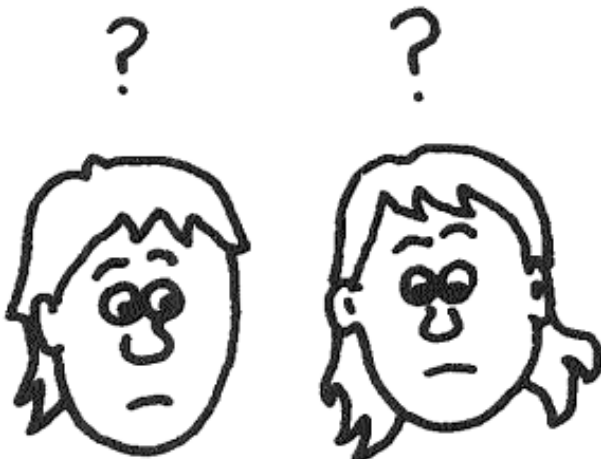
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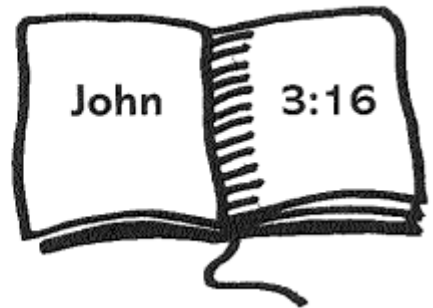
John 2:16

Write the PREVIOUS letter of the alphabet on each line to spell out his words in John 2:16

When we believe in God what may we have?



ANSWER



LIFE

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
K of C—Paul King
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

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

Meet second Thursday of the month at 7:30 pm.
 Grand Knight: Paul Schembri pjaas@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

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
Eucharistic Ministers	Dave Crane	250-861-4085
CMC/Children Choir	Abbey Ackerman	250-899-4384
CMC/Children Choir	Julia Orr	250-718-0060
Women's Ministry	Joelle Schmidt	250-470-8901
Altar Servers	Jonathan Rowe	778-478-1133
Music	JoAnn Young	250-317-8965
Readers	Marlene Crane	250-861-4085
Sacristans	Brenda Korby	250-859-0840
Safe Environment Coordinator		
Ushers	Gino Servedio	250-764-3182
Pilgrimage of Faith	Rhonda Sali rhondasali@gmail.com	
Development and Peace	Karen Krout— karenkrout@gmail.com	
Hospital Visitation	Ethel Robidoux	250-860-2101
Care-Home Visitation	Christine Schmidt	250-763-4798
Youth Ministry	www.kelownacatholicyouthgroup.ca/	
Religious Ed Coordinator	Amanda Tian Seng	

250-860-6776 -Ext: 202 or formation.scg.kelowna@nelsondiocese.org

CONTACT NUMBERS

DIocese of Nelson—Catholic Pastoral Centre	250-448-2725
St. Joseph Catholic School	250-763-3371
Immaculata Regional High School	250-762-2730
Clubhouse Daycare	250-860-4393
Elizabeth Seton House of Prayer	250-764-4333
Freedom's Door . info@freedomdoorKelowna.com	250-717-0472
Grief to Grace www.GriefftoGrace.org	250-870-8517
Kelowna Right to Life . kelownarighttolife@hotmail.com	250-870-4103
Ozanam House . . . manager@ozanamhouse.com	250-762-4673
Pregnancy Care Centre	250-763-2112
Rachel's Vineyard . . . info@rachelvineyardkelowna.com	250-762-2273
Reach Out Youth Counselling & Family Services	250-763-7892
reachoutokanagan@gmail.com	
Canadian Food for Children . . . www.canadianfoodforchildren.ca	
Creighton Model Fertility Care . . https://creightonmodel.com/	

Please remember:
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)	

You may also register on-line @ www.stcharlesgarnier.ca where you can sign up for the bulletin to be emailed to you each week.

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.