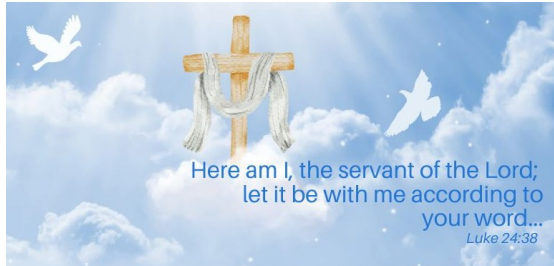


Welcome to St. Charles Garnier Parish

3645 Benvoulin Road, Kelowna, B.C. V1W 4M7 250.860.6776 Website: www.stcharlesgarnier.ca

Bulletin – June 1, 2025



Ascension of the Lord

Gospel of Luke 24:46-53

Next week's readings:

1st – Genesis 11:1-9

2nd – Romans 8:22-27

Gospel – John 7:37-39

Roman Catholic Diocese of Nelson

<https://www.nelsondiocese.org>

Holy Sacrifice of the Mass & Devotions

Livestream click [here](#)

St. Charles Garnier Parish

<http://stcharlesgarnier.ca/>

Holy Sacrifice of the Mass is being

live-streamed Sunday 8:30 am

Livestream click [here](#)

Weekly Mass Intentions

Mon	Jun 2	8:30 am	+ Wolf Gilbert
Tue	Jun 3	8:30 am	Int. Joseph Lawrance
Wed	Jun 4	8:30 am	All souls of purgatory
Thu	Jun 5	8:30 am	Int. Theresa Juricic
Fri	Jun 6	8:30 am	+ Veroni Sikkes
Sat	Jun 7	8:30 am 5:00 pm	Int. Wayne Pfliger Int. Pamela Guilbault
Sun	Jun 8	8:30 am 10:30 am 7:00 pm	Int. Jim Ratcliffe Int. Connie Cournane Parishioners of SCGP

Scripture Message

Ascension Celebrates Jesus being taken up to Heaven (Acts 1:1-11) "Heaven is the Kingdom of the Father" (Mt13:43), where the virtuous will 'Shine like the Sun' in the Kingdom of the Father. But heaven is not above the earth. It is the presence of God that makes Heaven possible & a reality. According to Paul, "Heaven is where Justice, Peace and Love" are experienced (Rm 14:17) Heaven is therefore an experience of the Divine by the people of God = the Redeemed Community of Christ. Heaven is the Promised Land where the believers are intimately realizing their intimacy with the Divine...which we call Eternal Life. Christ ascended into heaven from the Mount of Olives according to the Scriptures. The Mount of Olives is in Galilee. Heaven is not a Physical Place. It's a Spiritual Concept, where the righteous people behold God face to face. Paul in Romans 1:16 -17 tells us that 'it is the power of God saving all who have faith - Jews first, but Greeks as well, since this is what reveals the Justice of God to us: It shows how faith leads to faith, or as Scripture says: "The upright finds life through faith".

The Ascension of the Lord Jesus took place after 40 days of his Resurrection. According to the Book of Leviticus 23:15-22 Forty Days would be a symbolic Number (to offer Yahweh a New Oblation = first fruits of the earth, Sacred Assembly to be Convened = Day of Atonement (Lev 16) and Care of the Poor. Christian people all over the world have observed 40 days of preparation for Easter through Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving. . We also celebrated the Sacred Three Days = Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Vigil. Like the Israelites who celebrated their 'Feast of the Weeks' (Harvest Festival) for Seven weeks, (40 days), with



Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops

For news updates please check the website page:

<https://www.cccb.ca>

People of Faith Prayer Group

Please join us for praise, worship and prayer every second Tuesday, 6:00-7:30 p.m. at Pt. Pius X Parish.

Upcoming dates: May 13 and May 27

Questions? Phone or text Piera at (250) 215-7100

Cont. ...

Pilgrimages to the Jerusalem Temple. We have, similarly celebrated Christ's Glorious Resurrection over sin and Death for the past 40 days and have made special Pilgrimages during this Jubilee Year to Holy Places in atonement for our own failures and weaknesses.

We are glad today to celebrate the Ascension of Christ. The solemnity of Ascension celebrates Jesus' being seated at the 'Right Hand of God' (Psalm 110:1 "Yahweh's oracle to you, my Lord, "Sit at my right hand and I will make your enemies a footstool for you") At his Holy Birth, Jesus, the second person of the Holy Trinity divested his glory and took on the form of Human Flesh to be born as a human child. Today, the Feast of Ascension glorifies Celebrating Jesus, the Servant of God, (Second Person of the Holy Trinity) being taken up to Heaven and Seated at the Right Hand of God, as King of the Universe. He will bestow forgiveness and repentance for those who call upon his name. St. Paul wrote in Philippians 2:6-11 "God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all other names. So that all beings in the Heavens, on earth and in the underworld, should bend the knee at the Name of Jesus and that every tongue should acclaim, Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father".

The Church is grateful to celebrate Jesus' continual Presence even today in our midst by the outpouring of the Spirit. It's a happy occasion for us to Celebrate the Solemnity of Ascension as our 'World Communication Day'. Jesus is inviting all of us to promote the gospel values to the ends of the earth through our honorable living and lively faith initiatives!

In the service of the Lord!

Fr. Gabriel

Rachel's Corner

"Don't be afraid to go into your pain. You can continue hiding, ignoring and silencing for more years, but it won't go away. There is light and hope for you ... for all of us who feel like it is not there. God forgives you and loves you and so does your child. Allow God to lead you and give yourself this time. I know I did, and it has made all the difference in my life."

- Testimonial

It is time. Time to be free of what has been stored away since the abortion decision. To cease being something you always think about and hurt about. Join the men and women on a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat and get to know the person you have always hoped to be.

info@rachelvineyardkelowna.com

f Rachel's Vineyard Kelowna

250-762-2273



Rachel's Vineyard Retreats
KELOWNA, BC

Safe Environment Training

Will be held at St. Charles Garnier Hall on
Tuesday, June 3 @ 9:30 am
Tuesday, June 10 @ 7:30 pm

JUBILEE YEAR OF HOPE PILGRIMAGE

FESTAL SHOUT OF VICTORY!

An ancient biblical act of worship, victory and celebration!

Saturday, July 5, 2025, 11am-1pm

Seton House of Prayer, 5819 Chute Lake Road, Kelowna.

Let us pray in Christian Unity for God's victory over the Okanagan Valley

Prayer, Scripture, Song, FESTAL SHOUT OF VICTORY!

Bring your trumpets, tambourines, maracas, drums & recorders!

BYO water & snacks - Carpooling recommended

Hosted by Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, West Kelowna

Contact: Christine 250-768-0284

For more info, go to Google Doc:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1QimKgWAukyGty8JPLQTj-bj075Kre41-dgnjqcCkPDU/edit?tab=t.0>

JUBILEE YEAR OF HOPE PILGRIMAGE FESTAL SHOUT OF VICTORY!

SATURDAY, JULY 5, 2025, 11 AM - 1 PM

"Make a joyful noise unto the Lord." Psalm 100:1

A Biblical Act of Worship, Victory & Celebration

Let us pray in
Christian Unity
for God's victory
over the Okanagan Valley.

Through prayer,
scripture, and song,
We will celebrate
with Shouts of Victory!



SETON HOUSE OF PRAYER

5819 Chute Lake Rd
Kelowna, BC

Bring your own water & snacks
Carpooling is recommended
All ages welcome!



For more information:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1QimKgWAukyGty8JPLQTj-bj075Kre41-dgnjqcCkPDU/edit?usp=sharing>

Sponsored by Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, West Kelowna
Christine 250-768-0284

St. Charles Garnier CWL

CWL Wind Up Luncheon

Tuesday, June 10, 2025

10:30am short general meeting

12:00pm lunch

1:00 pm guest speaker

Cost: \$20.00/person

Tickets are available in the foyer after all masses and at the church office or by contacting a CWL member.

ALL ladies of the parish are invited.

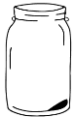
DEADLINE - to purchase tickets June 2nd



St. Charles Garnier CWL

LOOKING FOR..... jam jars aka 1/2 pints for jam.

If you are never going to make jam again and have 1/2 pints **ONLY** taking up space, please bring them to the church and leave them near the office door.



Thank you on behalf of the jam making committee

PARISH PHOTO BOOKLET

IT'S COMING SOON

On the weekend of June 7-8, a photographer will be taking group photos at all four Masses (Saturday night, two Masses on Sunday morning, and one Mass on Sunday evening.) She will be taking photos for the Parish Photo Booklet, to show the parish communities at each of the Masses. So, when you come to Mass on June 7 or 8, please plan to stay to be part of the group photo. If weather and light permit, the photos will be outside.

IPC PORTRAITS If you have any problems, contact IPC Customer Service at 1-800-391-5161, ext. 115.

PHONE CAMERA PHOTOS are still welcome. Send it to Sr. Phyllis: rose2175@gmail.com

Include the names of all the people in the picture.

We don't want to miss anyone who is part of the parish community!




ST CHARLES GARNIER SCHEDULE FOR THIS WEEK

(May 24 - 30)

DATE	TIME	EVENTS
Sat, May 31	7:45 am 5:00 pm	Daily Mass Sunday Mass
Sun, Jun 1	8:30 am 10:30 am 2:00 pm 7:00 pm	Sunday Mass Sunday Mass K of C - 4 Degree meeting Sunday Mass
Mon to Fri	8:30 am	Daily Mass
Tue, Jun 3	9:30 am	CWL Exec. Meeting
Wed, Jun 4	9:30 am 7:00 pm	Mom's Group Catechism - Confirmation
Thu, Jun 5	9:30 am	Bible Study - CANCELLED
Sat & Sun	After Masses	Group Pictures

Kelowna Right to Life Society
presents:
an evening with...


Mrs. Vicki Deschner



Forbidden Grief of Abortion
(from grief to grace)

June 10, 6:30 pm
Evangel Church - 3261 Gordon Drive
admission by donation

kelownarighttolife@hotmail.com / 250 870-4103

 KELOWNA RIGHT TO LIFE SOCIETY

Bottle Drive

Collection Date:

Drop-off Location:
SCG Parish parking lot
3645 Benvoulin Rd.
Beside the seacan

Thank you for supporting us
with your donation!

HOPE ON THE HORIZON
CSM SUMMER OUTREACH
2025



👉 www.catholicstreetmissionaries.org/horizon



See email below...

Peace,
Reverend Pat Monette

Hospital Visitation

If you have family member in the hospital and wish to have a visit/communion.

Please phone/email the office to let us know.
250-860-6776

scgkelowna@nelsondiocese.org

Or call Ethel @ 250-860-2101

Kelowna and area chaplaincy

For the Sacrament of Anointing of the sick pastoral emergencies or for end-of-life blessings (Last Rites) please call: 250-878-1502 (24/7)

or email:

chaplain@nelsondiocese.org

The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick may be received more than once!

DIOCESE OF NELSON PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL

839 Sutherland Avenue

Located off the back of Immaculate Conception Church; entrance is off west alley/driveway.

Our Lord Jesus is Inviting you to visit Him in the Perpetual Adoration Chapel.

Scheduled Volunteer Hours available are:

Sun: 9 am & 4 pm | **Mon:** 1 am, 2 am, 5 am & 4 pm | **Wed:** 1 am, 2 am, 3 am | **Thurs:** 1 am & 9 am | **Fri:** 1 pm | **Sat:** 1 am

Spares are always needed. Shared times available!

For information phone Lorie: 250-448-5633

Hello fellow parishioners of St. Charles Garnier Parish. People are gathering throughout the world to celebrate Laudato Si' Week from May 24 to 31. This is the 10th anniversary of Pope Francis's Encyclical Laudato Si', whose legacy Pope Leo XIV has committed to continue, emphasizing the moral obligation of all Christians and people of goodwill to care for our common home. Laudato Si' is available on the internet at no cost and is a very interesting read, making very clear our obligation to care for our common home and the poor, who are most affected by climate change. Please check out the link to the Laudato Si' Week Campaign attached below.

Another important resource is:

laudatosimovement.org

Thank you, St. Charles Garnier Parish Care of Creation Circle. If you're interested in joining our circle, please contact karenjkroust@gmail.com with the heading "Care of Creation".

Join our [Laudato Si' Week campaign](#) to receive short text messages with quotes from the document, moments of prayer, and ways to live Laudato Si' in your daily life.



Knights of Columbus



St. Charles Garnier 3rd Degree Wind Up Dinner

Thursday, June 12, 2025 (Parish Hall)

4:30-5:30. Social

5:30-6:30 Italian Dinner (catered) (BYOB)

Entertainment to follow with DJ Music

**Cost. 40.00\$ per person
(only members)**

Hello Summer



Gr. 7-12 Kelowna Catholic Youth Group News ...

Year-End Wrap-Up:

Mini Pilgrimage to Seton House of Prayer

Sunday, May 25 ~ 3:00 to 7:30 pm

Together with OLOL Youth Group and our Diocesan Youth Director, Fr. Ferdinand, join us for a Jubilee Year 'mini pilgrimage' to Seton House of Prayer for an outdoor Youth Mass, followed by a BBQ sponsored by the ICC and OLOL Knights of Columbus councils. For more information, to RSVP for this special event and download our Youth Group registration form, go to:

www.kelownacatholicyouthgroup.ca

Congratulations

Fr. Jim



Come celebrate with Fr. Jim Ratcliffe on the 60th Anniversary of his Ordination on June 6th, 2025 at Immaculate Conception Parish.

Mass will begin at 5:30 pm with dinner immediately following in the parish hall. Tickets are \$35 per person and are available at Kelowna area parishes and at Loaves and Fishes

Nelson Diocese

Home Care Visitation

St. Charles Garnier Parish
Mission Creek Landing Mass: 3rd Friday of the month @ 10:30 am
Mountainview Mass: 2nd Tuesday of the month @ 10:30 am
Hawthorn Park Mass: 4 Monday of the month @ 10:30 am
Mission Wood Mass: 4 th Wednesday of the month @ 10:30 am
St. Edward's
Lake Country Lodge Manor Mass: Every Thursday @ 11:00 am
Blue Heron Villa Communion service (Eucharistic Minister) Every Thursday @ 2:30 pm
Immaculate Conception
Village at Mill Creek Mass: 1 st Tuesday of the month @ 9:45 am
Summerwood Retirement Resort Mass: 2 nd Tuesday of the month @ 9:45 am
Cottonwoods Mass: 3 rd Tuesday of the month @ 10:30 am
The Dorchester Mass: Last Tuesday of the month @ 10:00 am
Corpus Christi
Sunpointe Housing Mass: 1st Friday of the month @ 9:00 am
Springvalley Manor Mass: 3rd Friday of the month @ 10:15 am
Chatsworth Mass: 4 th Friday of the month @ 11:00 am
Our Lady of Lourdes
Lakeview Lodge Mass: 1 st Wednesday of the month @ 10:30 am
Heritage Retirement Residence Mass: 2 nd Wednesday of the month @ 10:30 am
Village at Smith Creek Mass: 3 rd Wednesday of the month @ 10:30 am
Brookheaven Care Home Mass: 3 rd Tuesday of the Month @ 10:30 am
St. Pius X
Northwood Regency Mass: 1 st Friday of the month @ 10:30 am
David Lloyd Jones Mass: 2 nd Tuesday of the month @ 10:30 am
Brand Creek Mews Mass: 1 st Wednesday of the month @ 10:30 am
Three Links Manor Mass: 3 rd Tuesday of the month @ 10:30 am



Come and See! Seton House

Wine & Cheese Social We invite you to Come and See! The parishioners of the Nelson Diocese supported the Seton House Fundraiser in October 2024 and we want to invite all of you to come and see the changes at Seton House!

We are excited to have you come and look around. On Friday July 11, 2025 from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. we will hold a Wine & Cheese Social at Seton House of Prayer and Retreat House.

This event is free of charge, but we do require an RSVP by Friday, July 4 so we know how many people to expect. Please go to your parish office to pick up a free ticket to attend.

Tickets are available at:

Loaves and Fishes, 591 Lawrence Ave., Kelowna
Immaculate Conception Parish St. Pius X Parish St. Charles Garnier Parish Corpus Christi Parish St. Edward Parish Our Lady of Lourdes – West Kelowna.

If you live outside of the Kelowna area or can't make it to Loaves and Fishes or one of the parish offices to pick up a ticket, please email:

executive-cpc@nelsondiocese.org to RSVP.

Seton House of Prayer

Designated Pilgrimage Site in Nelson Diocese

Please note that all visits to Seton House of Prayer must be booked in advance. To arrange your pilgrim, visit please call 250-764-4333

or email setonhouse@nelsondiocese.org We would love to welcome you and ensure that you are able to enjoy our beautiful pilgrim site. As we occasionally have private groups on site it is very important that you contact us in advance of your visit.



The Ascension of the Lord

John 24:46-53



CONTACT US

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Email: scgpastor@shaw.ca
Associate Pastor: Fr. Ferdinand
Email: scgkelowna.associatepastor@nelsondiocese.org
Office Manager: Carmen
Office Phone: (250) 860-6776
Office e-mail: scgkelowna@nelsondiocese.org
Office hours: 9:00 am—2:00 pm Tuesday to Friday

Parish Organizations

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Meet second Tuesday of the month @ 9:30 am
 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

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 3rd Sunday of the month @ 1:00 pm at Our Lady of Lourdes-Meeting Room. 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

Please remember: OUR CHURCH IS A SCENT-FREE ZONE!
Avoid wearing perfume, after-shave or heavily scented personal care products.

Ministry Coordinators

If you wish to become involved contact the Parish Office

Children's Liturgy Allison Knittig 778-477-3790
 Eucharistic Ministers Dave Crane 250-861-4085
 CMC/Children Choir:
 Abbey Ackerman 250-899-4384
 Julia Orr 250-718-0060
 Women's Ministry Joelle Schmidt 250-470-8901
 Altar Servers Jon Rowe 778-478-1133
 Music JoAnn Young 250-317-8965
 Readers Marlene Crane 250-861-4085
 Sacristans Lindsay Rowe 778-214-0420

Safe Environment Coordinator

Keith Reeves keefreeves@outlook.com

Ushers Gino Servedio 250-764-3182

Pilgrimage of Faith Rhonda Sali rhondasali@gmail.com

Development and Peace Karen Krout

karenjkrou@gmail.com

Hospital Visitation Ethel Robidoux 250-860-2101

Care-Home Visitation Chris Schmidt 250-763-4798

Youth Ministry:

www.kelownacatholicityouthgroup.ca

Religious Ed Coordinator Amanda Tian Seng

250-860-6776 -Ext: 202 or

formation.scg.kelowna@nelsondiocese.org

Other contact numbers

DIOCESE OF NELSON

CATHOLIC PASTORAL CENTRE 250-448-2725

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC SCHOOL 250-763-3371

IMMACULATA HIGH SCHOOL 250-762-2730

CLUBHOUSE DAYCARE 250-860-4393

ELIZABETH SETON HOUSE OF PRAYER

250-764-4333

FREEDOM'S DOOR

250-717-0472

info@freedomdoorkelowna.com

GRIEF TO GRACE 250-870-8517 - www.GrietoGrace.org

KELOWNA RIGHT TO LIFE 250-870-4103

kelownarighttolife@hotmail.com

OZANAM HOUSE 250-762-4673

manager@ozanamhouse.com

PREGNANCY CARE 250-763-2112

RACHEL'S VINEYARD 250-762-2273

info@rachelsvineyardkelowna.com



St. Charles Garnier Parish

WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS!

Please complete this form and leave it in the collection basket, Parish Office or email to:

scgkelowna@nelsondiocese.org

New Parishioner: ☐

Information Change: ☐

Name (s) : _____ & _____
 (Last) (First) (Middle) (Last) (First) (Middle)

DOB (yyyy/mm/dd): _____ & _____

Address: _____ Postal Code: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

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

Would you like to be contacted by one of our parish groups?	
<input type="checkbox"/> CWL	<input type="checkbox"/> Music
<input type="checkbox"/> Knights of Columbus	<input type="checkbox"/> Reader
<input type="checkbox"/> St. Vincent de Paul	<input type="checkbox"/> Usher
<input type="checkbox"/> R.C.I.A.	<input type="checkbox"/> Altar Servers
<input type="checkbox"/> 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 where you can sign up for the bulletin to be emailed to you each week.