



# St. Charles Garnier Parish

March 12, 2023

## Third Sunday of Lent.

The water that I will give will become a spring of water gushing up to eternal life.

John 4:5



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### PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ, "Give me a drink" (Jn 4:7) Jesus asked the Samaritan woman. "Why did you lead us out of Egypt, only to bring us to this wretched place? It is a place unfit for sowing, it has no figs, no vines, no pomegranates and there is not even water to drink!" (Numbers 20: 5) "Sir, said the Samaritan woman, 'give me some of that water, so that I may never get thirsty and never have to come here again to draw water'" (Jn 4:15)

Today's scriptures speak about 'water'(H<sub>2</sub>O) Medical manuals codify the importance of water for human survival. 60% of the human body contains water. Water regulates our internal body temperature by sweating and perspiration. Human body's major systems like heart, brain, lungs and kidneys depend on water to function and survive. WHO reports that 780 Million people do not have access to fresh & clean water for their consumption. 97% of the ground water is salty. 3% of the water is stored in the Glaziers.

The water reserve in the world is decreasing causing concern for the WHO. 'Water will run out faster than oil' some modern thinkers caution. Let us remember that 'Water is a human right'. But water has become a threatened natural resource in the Global South. People walk miles and miles to fetch a pot of water in the drought-borne areas. Govts spend enormous sums of money to dig or deepen tube-wells for providing water for their citizens.

According to the Hebrews/Israelites "Torah is the Living Water" (the first 5 Books of Moses i.e 1.Genesis 2.Exodus 3.Leviticus 4.Numbers & 5. Deuteronomy) It's the treasure from which God gives water for the people to lead a 'Diligent & Dignified Life'. The Book of Numbers 20:2-10 explained how God gave water from the Rock when they grumbled for water in the wilderness.

### WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Mon	Mar 13	8:30am	Int. Bill, Carmen, Matthew & Emily
Tue	Mar 14	8:30am	+ Marian Wloch
Wed	Mar 15	8:30am	+ William Ferguson
Thu	Mar 16	8:30am	+ Joe Mlikotic
Fri	Mar 17	8:30am	Int. Emily Buhman & + Arne Buhman
Sat	Mar 18	5:00pm	+ Ivan Mlikotic
Sun	Mar 19	8:30am	St. Joseph
		10:30 am	Int. Donnay Woods

### Next Week's Readings

1	<b>1 Samuel</b> —	16:1b, 6-7, 10-13
2	<b>Ephesians</b> —	5:8-14
Gospel	<b>John</b> —	9:1-41

This water is given to everyone from His Treasures, who seeks Him in their need. God gives this water (Grace) from His Goodness, whenever His people are challenged with unforeseen concerns and burdens. This water is Divine Vitality, Divine Revelation and Divine Wisdom (Grace) which bestows on us insight and inner vision for enlightenment.

The Book of Sirach 24:20 reminds, "The drinker of this water (Wisdom) will thirst again and again". (The desire for Divine Wisdom is unquenchable) For Christians, "Jesus is the Living Water". Because of His suffering and death on the cross, he nourished / nourishes His people, from His open side, from where this water proceeds (Jn 19:34) This water opens a pathway to our Spiritual Experience, (Ps15 & 24) making us New Creatures (2 Cor 5:7) giving us the Hope of Eternal Life & Immortality. Let us thirst for this water all through our Christian existence.

All the best.  
Affectionately in Christ!  
Gabriel

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

\*\* Nelson Diocese will celebrate the Chrism Mass at the Cathedral of Immaculate Conception Church on Monday, 3rd April 2023. During this occasion all those who are Celebrating their 25th, 30th, 50th, 60th, 65th, 70th, 75th and 80th Wedding Anniversaries will be honored by the Bishop and guests during the Banquet time. Those interested in participating in this auspicious event may kindly talk to Fr. Gabriel.

\*\* Those who wish to participate in the Foot-washing Ceremony Holy Thursday, 06th April 2023 at 7:00 PM may approach Fr. Gabriel.

\*\* On the 17th of March 2023 Friday, we honor the Sainly Irish Bishop Patric, for his stupendous Pastoral leadership. We wish the Irish Missionaries for their special charism today.

\*\* Those who wish to participate in the Hospital Ministry in our Parish are encouraged to speak to Ethel. Volunteers are needed to take communion to the Sick & Elderly, who are in the Care Homes attached to our Parish. if wish to help out please come forward.


\*\* Next Sunday 19th March 2023, during the 8:30 AM Mass, our parish Pastoral Council members will be commissioned to this ministry. We invite all our Parishioners to participate



Catholic Moms Connect is back!  
Wednesday mornings @ 9:30 to 11:00 am  
St. Charles Garnier Hall  
Childcare provided!  
Contact Abbey Ackerman for more information:  
250-899-4384  
or [aerackerman@gmail.com](mailto:aerackerman@gmail.com)

WEDNESDAYS @ 10:00  
ST. CHARLES GARNIER HALL

SCG—Guide to Giving 2023					
March	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	5,362				
E-transfers received					
Monthly total to date	5,362				



**At this time of lent, let us continue this walk with Christ persevering in Praying, Fasting & Giving**

## 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](#).

### CCCB video series Journey through Lent

Will be available once again on the CCCB website.

This year's Lenten reflections are delivered by His Eminence Gérald Cyprien Cardinal Lacroix, Archbishop of Quebec and Primate of Canada, and the Most Reverend Brian Joseph Dunn, Archbishop of Halifax-Yarmouth.

In [English](#)

In [French](#)

Every Monday throughout Lent, a video will continue to be posted on the CCCB website in English and in French for the following Sunday's eucharistic celebration.

### 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.



### ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC SCHOOL

The Grade 1 students will be hosting our school mass at ICC on April 11th at 9:30am; please join us.

### CHALICE



[Click here](#)

### FORMED



The Story of Death | Eternal Rest | Episode 1  
Where did death come from? What does death mean for the human person? It is simply just part of life, or is it something else? In this first session, we discuss the story of death and God's response to it: Defeating death by dying and rising from the dead.

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.

Please contact Nicole Horsman at:

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

if you have any further questions about

[Formed.org](http://Formed.org)

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St. Charles Garnier Women's Ministry

# REFRESH

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

## Lenten Adoration

March 20th  
7 - 9 PM

All women are invited for an evening of prayer with Jesus in Adoration. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available. Our evening will close with fellowship in the hall. Contact Joelle for additional info - 250-470-8901.

**Please bring a snack to share.**

**SAVE THE DATE!**  
**CELTIC FUSION**  
Tuesday, May 9, 2023  
Kelowna Community Theatre

Featuring:  
Ceol na hEireann (**Music** of Ireland)  
Blakey Okanagan Irish Dancers  
Pipers/Drummer from the Kelowna Pipe Band  
Nelson Diocese Clergy Singers  
Guest Singers: Angela Bittman & Tony Serka  
50/50 Draw

You don't want to miss this family friendly concert. Come out and support Seton House of Prayer—our only remaining diocesan retreat house which welcomes everyone (not just Catholics) to retreat, refresh & recharge. Over the last few years your generous support helped to raise over \$85,000!

### PARISH EVENTS

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Monday to Friday	8:30 am	Mass—Confessions after Mass
Sunday, March 12	8:30 am 10:30 am 1:00—4:00	Mass Mass—Children's Liturgy Little Flowers of St. Francis
Monday, March 13	1:00—4:00	Card Social Group
Tuesday, March 14	9:30—12:00	CWL General Meeting
Wednesday, March 15	9:30 am 5:00 pm	Catholic Moms Connect Family Night

### ANNUAL MASS FOR LIFE

MARK THE DATE: THURSDAY, MAY 11, 2023

"STAND FIRM" is the national theme for the 2023 Canadian March for Life! Join us @ Immaculate Conception Parish for Mass celebrated by Bishop Gregory Bittman @ 7 pm. Following mass there will be coffee & a presentation in the hall.

This theme from Ephesians 6:14 strengthens us against the backlash to the overturning of Roe V Wade in the US, and the increasing expansion of Euthanasia & MAID in Canada. Do not be afraid.

STAND FIRM.

## PILGRIMAGE OF FAITH—2023

Our Pilgrimage of Faith Appeal launches this weekend – This annual appeal provides funding for capital project rebates, Catholic education, social and pastoral programs, and many other key services in our Diocese as well as to our parish.

This year our goal is **\$ 62,650.00**

We hope that everyone will participate in this year's appeal. Remember to fill out your pledge card and drop it along with a cheque/cash in the collection, or donate via e-transfer to:

[etransfer.pof@nelsondiocese.org](mailto:etransfer.pof@nelsondiocese.org)

or online via Canada Helps at Canada Helps:

<https://www.canadahelps.org/en/dn/24360>

For more information on how to give contact the Pilgrimage of Faith office at the Pastoral Centre at: 250-448-2725 ext. 240 or

email [appeals@nelsondiocese.org](mailto:appeals@nelsondiocese.org) or logon to the Nelson Diocese website:

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

and click on the 'Donate Now' button.

## LENTEN CONFESSION SCHEDULES

Parish	Date	Time
St. Edwards	Wednesday, March 15 <sup>th</sup>	4-6pm
St. Pius X	Thursday March 16 <sup>th</sup>	5pm
St. Francis of Assisi	Thursday, March 23 <sup>rd</sup>	3:30-5pm
Immaculate Conception	Thursday, March 30 <sup>th</sup>	3pm

## Springfield Funeral Home Events and Seminars FREE Public Workshops

Mar 22 - Wills, Estates and Probate  
Mar 30 - Questions About Cremation?  
May 2 - Pre-Need 101  
May 3 - Container Gardening  
June 7 - 9 Struggles Executor's Face

Registration and more information  
[www.springfieldfuneralhome.com/events](http://www.springfieldfuneralhome.com/events)

All seminars for educational purposes only. No sales or solicitation will occur.



## CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

### Position Open for CWL Secretary



Are you a person who enjoys working with a great team of Women who love the Lord? Are you a person who likes organization and has basic computer skills and willing to learn more? Then we need you!

Prayerfully consider answering this calling to be the CWL Secretary.

The pay is nil but the benefits are priceless. For more information please call Judy Boyzcuk, CWL member, at 250-878-8240.



### SHARE the WORDS

#### ACCEPTANCE

The gifts we have are made valuable only by the Catholic Women's League where members willingly share the good things God has giving them.

**We can't wait to meet you!**

### 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 physical, emotional, sexual, and/or spiritual abuse find healing. The next retreat is May 23 – 27, 2023 in Kelowna.

For more information please email or call:

Confidential: 250-808-6403.

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





**Report from film event**

We are grateful that members of St. Charles Parish and the Okanagan community attended the film event on March 5. After watching the film, we had a prayerful reflection and committed to taking action together.

**SHARE INSIGHTS ON CHOICES OF ACTION.**

All are welcome to take part. PERSON'S NAME will be helping lead the team that takes things forward. Please see PERSON'S NAME after the service or contact him/her via THE CHURCH OFFICE/PHONE NUMBER.

**WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER**



**World Wide Marriage Encounter**

Is hosting a weekend retreat April 14-16, 2023 in Kamloops!

Come join us to live your best life in love, renew your marriage and rekindle romance.

For more information and to register visit: Behold Vancouver website:

<https://beholdvancouver.org/events/virtual-worldwide-marriage-encounter-8#overview>

Registration closes Mar 28, 2023

check out the WWME video on Youtube:

<https://youtu.be/VvQUEZ35Ufg>

**NEW PILGRIM PATH**

**Lenten poems for individual and group meditation**

A beautiful Lenten resource for individual and group meditation is Ecce Homo: Poems for Lent and Holy Week, from the Anglican Archdiocese of Algoma, Canada. The daily Lenten poems include poems of lamentation and pain – reminders of Jesus’s suffering – as well as of contemplation, praise and thanksgiving. The poems are rich and varied - from poets as diverse as George Herbert, Dylan Thomas, Sir Thomas More, Christina Rossetti, Wendell Berry, Gerard Manley Hopkins, Mary Oliver, John Greenleaf Whittier, Isaac Watts and many more. Each poem is accompanied by a short reflection, making it an excellent Lenten resource for both groups and individuals. Access this and many other rich and unusual resources at: [www.newpilgrimpath.ie](http://www.newpilgrimpath.ie)



*St. Charles Garnier*

*FAMILY NIGHT:  
Soup & Stations  
of the Cross*

Please join us for  
Potluck dinner of  
soup followed by  
praying a family  
friendly Stations of  
the Cross!

*March 1, 8, & 15th  
5:00pm*



PIC•COLLAGE

**PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS**

Eternal God...

Bless your church with holy and faithful priests, deacons, brothers and sisters.

Give those you have called to the married state and those you have chosen to live as single persons in the world, the special graces that their lives require.

Form us all in the likeness of your Son so that in Him, with Him, and through Him we may love you more deeply and serve you more faithfully, always and everywhere.

With Mary we ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen



# Third Sunday of Lent (A)

John 4:5-42

## The Water of Life

Jesus stopped to rest at Jacob's well when a woman came to fill her water jug. Jesus Asked her for a drink.

Find out why the woman was surprised when Jesus spoke to her. Use the code cracker!



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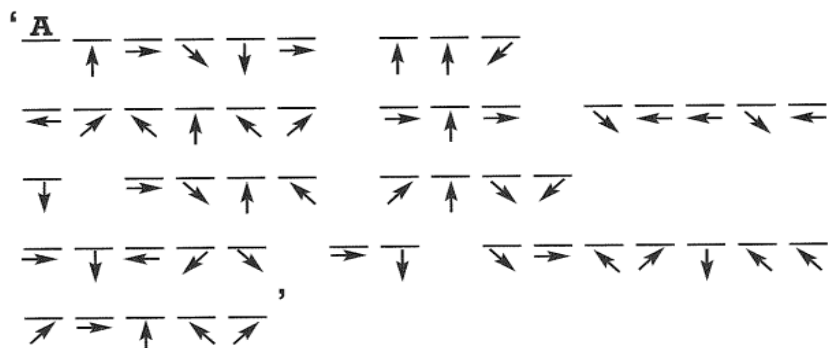
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What did Jesus say to the Samaritan woman?

Follow the arrows to find his words



**PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL**



**Pastor**—Fr. Gabriel  
**Chair**—Stephen Horsman  
**Co-Chair**—Christine Schmidt  
**Liturgy**—Marlene Crane  
**Financial**—Kevin Schmidt  
**Maintenance**—Don Korby  
**SSVP**—Arnie Schneider  
**K of C**—Paul King  
**CWL**—Diane Cey  
**Outreach**—

**PARISH ORGANIZATIONS**

**CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE**

Meet second Tuesday of the month at 9:30 am  
 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: . . . . . Jarrod Stocker . . . . . 250-869-2219  
 Email: [jstocker@shaw.ca](mailto:jstocker@shaw.ca)

**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: [cbreevesac@shaw.ca](mailto:cbreevesac@shaw.ca)

**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  
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 Hospital Visitation . . . . . Ethel Robidoux . . . . . 250-860-2101  
 Care-Home Visitation . . . . .  
 Youth Ministry . . . . . [www.kelownacatholicyouthgroup.ca/](http://www.kelownacatholicyouthgroup.ca/)

**CONTACT NUMBERS**

**CANADIAN FOOD FOR CHILDREN** . . . . . [www.canadianfoodforchildren.ca](http://www.canadianfoodforchildren.ca)  
**CREIGHTON MODEL FERTILITY CARE** . . . . . <https://creightonmodel.com/>  
**CLUBHOUSE DAYCARE** . . . . . 250-860-4393  
**DIOCESE OF NELSON—Catholic Pastoral Centre** . . . . . 250-448-2725  
**ELIZABETH SETON HOUSE OF PRAYER** . . . . . 250-764-4333  
**FREEDOM'S DOOR** . [info@freedomdoorskelowna.com](mailto:info@freedomdoorskelowna.com) . . . . . 250-717-0472  
**GRIEF TO GRACE** . . . . . [www.GriefftoGrace.org](http://www.GriefftoGrace.org) . . . . . 250-870-8517  
**KELOWNA RIGHT TO LIFE** . [kelownarighttolife@hotmail.com](mailto:kelownarighttolife@hotmail.com) . . . . . 250-870-4103  
**OZANAM HOUSE** . . . . . [manager@ozanamhouse.com](mailto:manager@ozanamhouse.com) . . . . . 250-762-4673  
**PREGNANCY CARE CENTRE** . . . . . 250-763-2112  
**RACHEL'S VINEYARD** . . . . . [info@rachelvineyardkelowna.com](mailto:info@rachelvineyardkelowna.com) . . . . . 250-762-2273  
**REACH OUT YOUTH COUNSELLING & FAMILY SERVICES** . . . . . 250-763-7892  
[reachoutokanagan@gmail.com](mailto:reachoutokanagan@gmail.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](http://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.*