



St. Charles Garnier Parish

March 26, 2023

Fifth Sunday of Lent.

I am the resurrection and the life.

John 11:1-45



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PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,
 "Our bones are dried up; our hope has gone; we are as good as dead" (Ezekiel 37:12) "Can these bones live?" (Eze 37:3)'Dry bones' symbolize 'Hopelessness'. The book of Genesis 2:23 Explained: "This at last is bone of my bones, and flesh of my flesh". The expression 'bones' symbolize, 1. Strength 2. Stamina 3. Vitality, which enables humans to stand up and face their challenges in life. (Ps 6:3) "Pity me God, I have no strength left, heal me, my bones are in torment, my soul is in utter torment". Job 4:14 "A shiver of horror ran through me, and my bones quaked with fear" & Is 38:13 "Like a lion, he crushes my bones". These expressions reveal when people experience discouragement, enslavement, or an untold misery like the exiled people of Israel /Ukraine. They feel the lifelessness and the catastrophic situation they undergo.

Ezekiel 37:3 asks, "Can these bones live?". Hosea 6:3 answers, "Yahweh / God will bring us back to life, on the third day, He will raise us" and Isaiah 26:19 Promises: " Your dead will come to life. This corpse will rise, awake, and exult, all who lie in the dust and the land of the ghosts will give birth". This is the hope we have in Christ. God will raise them from their graves in order to live with Him eternally in His Presence. (We will have the experience of Paradise, Bliss & Salvation) God can raise people from their graves in order to give New Hope, New Life, New Enthusiasm, New Purpose through His Life-Giving Spirit "Breath of God" (Ge 1: 7) " God breathed into humans' nostrils, a breath of life, and they became a living being". ('Graves' is a metaphor for 'Captivity' & the hope, that God will bring them out of their miserable existence, giving them New Hope) How do we get into the situation of dry bones/ hopelessness?

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Mon	Mar 27	8:30am	+ Genevieve Masson
Tue	Mar 28	8:30am	Int. Phill & Marie Dillon
Wed	Mar 29	8:30am	+ Joe Mlikotic
Thu	Mar 30	8:30am	+ Mella Gray
Fri	Mar 31	8:30am	+ William Rodden
Sat	Apr 1	5:00pm	+ Joe & Jack Finegan
Sun	Apr 2	8:30am	Int. CWL
		10:30 am	+ William Rodden PSCG

Next Week's Readings

1	Isaiah —	50:4-7
2	Philippians —	2:6-11
Gospel	Matthew —	26:14-27:66

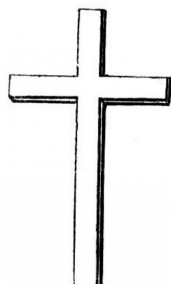
Almost everyone experiences unexpected or sudden challenges such as misfortunes like the Ukrainian people or the several Asian & African people taking hazardous voyages seeking better living conditions or like the people who flock the US borders to get in, for new life. What about the sudden death of our loved ones, loss of a lucrative employment or business, thriving enterprise, untimely change in the family dynamics, break of marriage, sickness, children running away from home & so on. When peoples' hope is robbed, they become 'dry bones'...and experience the loss of vitality, strength and stamina. Our faith community is invited by the Scriptures today to give such people hope, encouragement and boost their morale.

Let's consider the situation of the world for the last few years, due to Corona Virus. It has crippled so many lives, families, economies, factories & industries. So many families are displaced, lost their loved ones, including our best health personnel & healthcare professional.

The Church also has lost so many good & faithful people including several nuns, religious workers and clergy. The church has lost very many of her sons and daughters who went into the frontline to support and care for the vulnerable people. The scriptures extend an invitation at this time to all the living not to give-up the hope, but to rely on the power of God, to make all things new in Christ. Living and Caring in the Spirit of Christ, gives vitality to the community.

All the baptized Christians, who dwell in the Spirit of the Living God, should be able to install this hope and encouragement for the people who experience dry bones in their life. The Spirit of God guides our human efforts & conduct. The Spirit of God and the Spirit of Christ should impel us to action and participate in this noble gesture of rebuilding the lives of our people through our timely care, giving them sure hope and encouragement. Let's make a difference and walk extra miles to make this vision of the Scripture a reality in our time.

All the best.
Affectionately in Christ!
Fr. 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.

** March 26 Development and Peace—Special Collection. If you are in automatic withdrawal please note that there will be some envelopes at the entrance. If you could please help.

** If you would like to become a leader of Development and Peace in our parish please contact Father Gabriel.

IRHS

Immaculata Regional High School has partnered Upstream Kelowna to help with their early intervention programs helping immigrant teens dealing with the threats of racism, teen violence and substance abuse. Upstream is hosting Spring Break Day Camps this week (March 27-31) at K.L.O. Middle School and Spring Valley Middle School, and need your baking for snacks for all five days. Please spread the word to any bakers you may know and contact us: Grant Richard: griehard@cisnd.ca, (250)808-3327 or Philippa Putlitz: pputlitz@bgco.ca, (250)258-7421 if you can help.



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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	2,940	3,427		
E-transfers received					
Monthly total to date	5,362	8,302	11,728		

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
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 Anointing of the Sick is one of the seven sacraments of the Church. This session, we discover the role of this sacramental anointing in the spiritual struggle during serious illness, the final stages of our temporal life, and the hour of our death.

Enjoy a free subscription:

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

if you have any further questions about

Formed.org





**St. Charles Garnier Parish
Knights of Columbus Breakfast
Sunday, March 26, 2023**

The Knights of Columbus are hard at work getting ready for this Sunday's breakfast.

Come and enjoy a delicious breakfast of eggs benedict, sausages, potato nuggets, scrambled eggs, toast, juice, coffee and tea.

All for the low cost of 9.00 pp or 25.00 for family...

LENTEN CONFESSION SCHEDULES

Parish	Date	Time
Immaculate Conception	Thursday, March 30 th	3:00pm



Confirmation

If your child is preparing for the sacrament of confirmation and you wish to celebrate at St. Charles Garnier Parish
Please contact Nicole Horsman @
nicolehorsman@telus.net
250-681-0091

CATHOLIC MOUNTAIN STAR

Catholic Mountain Star is back! Article submission deadline for the year 2023 first issue is on Monday, May 15th. Please limit articles to 600 words (fit one page of 8 1/2" x 11" paper) using size 11 font. News articles for parish or caption information limit to 1 or 2 sentences.

Please email all submissions to:
catholicmstar@gmail.com

PARISH EVENTS

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Monday to Friday	8:30 am	Mass—Confessions after Mass
Sunday, March 26	8:30 am 10:30 am	Mass—K of C Breakfast after Mass Mass—K of C Breakfast after Mass ***Development and Peace Collection***
Monday, March 27	10:30 am 1:00—4:00 pm	Safe Environment Session Card Social Group
Wednesday, March 28	9:30 am 5:00 pm	Catholic Moms Connect Family Night
Thursday, March 23	9:45—11:45 am	Bible Study
Sunday, April 2 Palm Sunday	8:30 10:30	Mass Mass

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE

Through their prayer, fasting and almsgiving during Lent, Christians express their desire to turn toward God and to all God's children in preparation for Easter. The Bishops of Canada have reserved the Season of Lent for a collection to assist the Global South. Normally this collection is held on the Fifth Sunday of Lent. On the day of the collection, an appropriate petition may be added to the Prayer of the Faithful.

Founded and mandated in 1967 by the Bishops of Canada, and now a member of the Caritas International network of Catholic agencies, the Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace financially supports development and aid projects in Africa, Asia, the Middle East, Latin America and the Caribbean, as well as informs Canadian Catholics on international social justice questions.

"So many people even today hope to have enough to eat. The planet has food for all, but the will to share with everyone seems to be lacking. To prepare the table for all, and to ask that there be one table for all. Doing whatever we can so that everyone has food, but also reminding the world's powerful that God will call them to be judged one day, and it will be demonstrated whether they have truly tried to provide food for Him in each person (cf. Mt 25.35) and whether they have acted in order that the environment would not be destroyed but would be able to produce this food?" POPE FRANCIS, Homily during the Mass at the opening of the 2015 General Assembly of Caritas Internationalis.

Could you please help!



LITTLE FLOWERS OF ST. FRANCIS

Men and women who wish to deepen their Catholic faith in the charism of St. Francis of Assisi are welcome to explore the vocation of the Secular Franciscan Order. Secular Franciscans are an Order within the Roman Catholic Church.

The Little Flowers of St. Francis Fraternity gathers monthly for prayer, formation, and fellowship.

For more information, contact:

Sandy Kavanagh at: 250-212-3596.



CATHOLIC RENEWAL CONFERENCE

Come with Your Power and Might Conference

April 21-22, 2023

West Kelowna BC - Our Lady of Lourdes Church.

Join Fathers Obi Ibekwe and Gerald Sekanga as they examine the Word of God from Isaiah 61:1, "Rise up in Splendour! Your light has come. The Glory of the Lord shines upon you."

Come, worship and rejoice in the Lord as we experience the Word of God, living and active in us, through the power of the Holy Spirit.

Register April 21, 5-6:30 on site.

There is no registration fee, but a love offering will be accepted.

Look for poster and brochure in your parish, or visit our web:

<https://www.holyspiritbaptizer.com/conference>

More information: call/email Marcia Lawrence 1 (250) 768-2546

2samuel22.17@telus.net

All are welcome: Young adults (18-35) focus/program for children (4+)

Friday Dinner & Saturday Lunch provided. Closing mass: 5 p.m.



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

WORLDWIDE 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>

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



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

FOOT WASHING CEREMONY

(Thursday 06, 2023 @ 7:00PM)

We are delighted to Welcome the following St. Charles Garnier Parishioners for the foot washing Ceremony. Let us pray that God showers upon them His Choicest Blessings!

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| 1. Gaya | 7. Tom Veal |
| 2. Mary Ducharme | 8. Russell Smith |
| 3. Piera Quarengui | 9. Peter Lim |
| 4. Rebecca Gamache | 10. Frank |
| 5. Taylor Sali | 11. Tayler |
| 6. Krelian | 12. Dave Diango |



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



PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL



Pastor—Fr. Gabriel
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—
Recorder—Leah Drebit
Special Activities—Carmen & Alan Walisser

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
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: Jarrod Stocker 250-869-2219
 Email: jjstocker@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

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 Jeremy Orr - jeremy@digitcontracting.ca
 Ushers Gino Servedio 250-764-3182
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 Development and Peace Karen Krout—karenkrout@gmail.com
 Hospital Visitation Ethel Robidoux 250-860-2101
 Care-Home Visitation
 Youth Ministry www.kelownacatholicyouthgroup.ca/
 1st Communion Leah Drebit leahdrebit@gmail.com

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CLUBHOUSE DAYCARE 250-860-4393
ELIZABETH SETON HOUSE OF PRAYER 250-764-4333
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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.