



St. Charles Garnier Parish

August 20, 2023

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time.

Woman, great is your faith!

Matthew 15:21-28



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SCRIPTURE MESSAGE

"Does God answer our prayers?", seems to be the question many/all of us have. Mark 11:24 answers, "Ask in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours". Again Matthew 7:7 reiterates, "Ask and you will receive. Search and you will find. Knock and the door will be opened. For the one who asks, always receives. The one who searches, finds. The one who knocks, will have the door opened for him". If our prayer request is according to God's Holy Will and if it is beneficial for our growth, God grants them. If they are not, God takes time (he decides according to His good pleasure and not according to our demands/urgency. But He always assures us of His grace. "His grace is sufficient for us" 2 Cor 12:9)

"What is Prayer?" Prayer is a human experience. It's also a Christian experience. In prayer we express our dependency on a Higher Power (God/Deity) which is our guiding principle. We have the inclination /urge to pray because of our affiliation with the Deity. We have this privilege of asking God for blessings and favours. We cannot control God or dictate to him as to what He should do or should not do for us and to the world at large. We pray for several years depending on God's Mercy/benevolence, but nothing happens. Then we are frustrated. We feel that our prayer requests are unanswered/unheeded, and our circumstances remain unchanged. Oftentimes we complain that God does not seem to be responding. This situation is festering in our heart, mind and soul. St. Paul explained this situation as 'athorn in one's flesh' (2 cor 12:7-9) "Does prayer give a turning point in our lives?". If we are able to depend & allow ourselves to go according to the Plans of God, we all can have a 'turning point' in life. Like Jesus, we should be able to respond, "not my Will, but let thy Will be done".

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WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Mon	Aug 21	8:30am	Int. Lindael Rolstone
Tue	Aug 22	8:30am	Int. Davyd Jones
Wed	Aug 23	8:30am	+ Derek & Don Gill
Thu	Aug 24	8:30am	Int. Marilyn & Lawrance Slivinski 55 Wedding Anniversary
Fri	Aug 25	8:30am	Holy Souls in the Purgatory
Sat	Aug 26	5:00pm	+ Joe Mlikotic
Sun	Aug 27	8:30am	Parishioners of St. Charles Garnier
		10:30 am	+ Tony D'Anzica

Next Week's Readings

1	Isaiah —	22:15, 19-23
2	Romans —	11:33-36
Gospel	Matthew —	16:13-220

(Lk 22:42) Jesus shows us the way out from our challenges. Jesus saw his imminent death, he was completely challenged, devastated, frustrated and annoyed even beyond his endurance. Yet he trusted in the goodness of God, His Father (Mt26:38-39) Jesus had built an abiding relationship with His Father God. (Jn 15:7) Abiding becomes a harmonious blending of heart & mind. It makes us tuned into God's Will. When we reach this stage, we begin to depend on God fully and realize that God listens to our prayers.

Ps 34:18 Tells, "God listens to the Cry of the Poor"...especially the helpless, hopeless, the powerless & lifeless (the anawim of God). "What then is Prayer". Prayer is waiting on God with eager expectation and longing. Whenever our prayer is persistent and sincere, God listens to the cry of the heart. (Ex: 1. The Cannanite Woman (Mt 15; 21-28) & 2. Abraham's Waiting for an offspring, Issac, (Ge 17) prayer also deepens our relationship with God. The Divine Mercy Prayer of Sr. Faustina deepens our relationship with Christ, because it is not born out of material gains, considerations, but it is the pure manifestation of our Genuine Love.

Prayer also helps us to Surrender & Trust more in the Almighty Power of the Deity. The exemplary Trust of Job in the goodness of God is felt when we read, "The Lord gave & He has taken away. Praised be thy Holy Name". (Job 1:21) For the unshakable Trust of Job, the good Lord returned back, "Double Portion' of all that job had lost (Job 42:10) Therefore let us try to depend on the Lord with all our prayer petitions, intercessions and requests, always believing that he will grant us His Blessings in due time!

All the best.

In the Service of the Word!

Gabriel



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 October 24 – 28, 2023 in Kelowna.

For more information please email griegtograncelowna@gmail.com or make a confidential call to: 250-808-6403



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.

WISDOM COLLEGE

Our Lady Seat of Wisdom College is a faithfully Catholic liberal arts college in Barry's Bay, Ontario, offering a three-year Bachelor of Catholic Studies degree. Small class sizes and a strong academic program set students up for success in the classroom and in all future pursuits. Faculty take their Catholic faith seriously and profess an oath of fidelity to the Magisterium of the Church. A vibrant campus life, men's and women's residence houses, and ample spiritual opportunities create a Catholic culture that forms the whole person. Students build life-long friendships, and often discern their vocations. The tuition is affordable, and financial aid is available. There are still spots available for 2023-2024! Please visit www.seatofwisdom.ca

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](#).



We invite you to join our
St. Charles Garnier Parish
Facebook group!

Use the link: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/stcharlesgarnier>
or Scan the QR code



You will be asked to answer the question "who is our pastor" to be accepted into the group.

See what is happening in our Parish!
See what our Ministries are doing!
See why we need more people to serve!



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.



CHALICE



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Our Lady of Lourdes Elementary School is looking for a new team member. Do you have the skills and/or experience/certification to work as a Custodian & Maintenance Groundskeeper?

Do you know someone who would be a great asset to our West Kelowna school? There is an opening for School Custodian/Maintenance at Our Lady of Lourdes Elementary. You can access the position details and see all employment opportunities within CISND by going to our website:

<https://www.cisnd.ca/employment.php>

OLOL also has open teacher positions. Click on "Available Support Positions" or "Available Teaching Positions" For any questions about the application process:

Email:

admin.assist@cisnd.ca

Catholic Moms Connect!

During the summer we will be meeting on Wednesday mornings with our kids at a local park or beach.

Please check our FB page or contact Abbey Ackerman @ 250-899-4384 or aerackerman@gmail.com



NEW OFFICE EMAIL ADDRESS

In order to standardize communications throughout the Diocese, as of July 15, 2023, St. Charles Garnier Parish office will be using a new e-mail address

scgkelowna@nelsondiocese.org

We will continue using the old email address, please be patient in the transition of emails.

NOTE: E-transfers email hasn't change:

etransfer.SCGK@nelsondiocese.org

SCG—Guide to Giving		2023			
August	6	13	20	27	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	5,854	4,404			
E-transfers received		9,141			
Monthly total to date	5,854	19,399			

Catholic Mountain Star Summer 2023

Please visit the following page:

<https://www.nelsondiocese.org/apps/news/article/839618>

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Pope Saint Pius X

Join Dr. Ben Akers with Lucas Pollice as they discuss the life

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Click on Register and enter your email and create a password.

Contact Nicole Horsman at:

nicolehorsman@telus.net

if you have any further questions about

Formed.org

ST JOSEPH

St. Joseph Catholic School is looking for a bus driver to transport our students from the school to the Clubhouse Farm in Ellison on Wednesdays starting in September. These weekly visits are an important part of our Outdoor Academy program which gives our students hands on learning in nature. If you know someone who could help out, please contact:

sjkinternational@cisnd.ca

PARISH EVENTS

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Saturday, August 19	5:00 pm	Sunday Mass
Sunday, August 20	8:30 am 10:30 am	Sunday Mass Sunday Mass
Tuesday and Wednesdays	After morning Mass	Confessions
Monday to Friday	8:30 am	Mass—Rosary after Mass
Monday, August 21	Office closed	
Wednesday, August 23	9:15 am 10:30 am	SSVP Meeting Mass at Missionwood



YESHUA

We're restless until we rest in Him.

THE MEN'S RETREAT

SEPT 29 - OCT 1, 2023

Rockridge Canyon, Princeton, BC

“Men are yearning to encounter the real person of Jesus. The problem is that in today's fast-paced, digitalized world, many good men are often caught in a whirlwind of responsibilities and distractions. The deeper questions of purpose, faith, and personal connection with God can get sidelined.

The Men's Retreat: Yeshua, is more than just a three-day event; it's an opportunity to rediscover Christ. Guided by Jake Khym and Peter White, attendees will dive deep into understanding not just the teachings, but the very person of Jesus. The Men's Retreat offers:

- * **Personal Discovery:** Learn that Jesus isn't just a figure in history, but a real, competent, and loving Savior who seeks a personal relationship with you.
- * **Brotherhood:** Forge deep connections with like-minded men who are committed to going deeper with Jesus.
- * **Adventure:** Break free from routine, and be immersed in the stunning outdoors of Rockridge Canyon Here's what you need to do:

1. Register for The Men's Retreat at: www.liferestoration.ca/mensretreat
2. Invite a friend or brother priest to join you.
3. Get ready to deeply experience the person of Jesus. Rediscover. Reconnect. Recommit. Register today.”



Please be in prayer regarding the wild fires in West Kelowna , Kelowna and all British Columbia. Know that you all of your are all in our thoughts and prayers.

RACHEL'S CORNER

“We are much better off when we can finally allow someone else to see our life with their perspective and through a lens that is not our own.” CEK
We are quick to judge, shame and condemn ourselves for our role in the abortion decision. Handing your story over to someone who cares about you and can help you see things differently, how God sees you with all His love and mercy, is sometimes the beginning of the healing. Why wait? Join us on the next Rachel's Vineyard™ Retreat.

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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





2023 Sponsorship Update

Child name:	Neil "Jerome" Acaba Pascua		Child code: TON3865
Sponsor:	St. Charles Garnier	Sponsor ID#:	1211828
Current age:	11 years	Country:	Philippines
Date of birth:	Dec 13, 2011	Site/subsite:	TONDO/TON
Hobbies:	watching educational videos	Lives in:	house
Sports:	soccer	Grade/class:	Grade 5
Career goal:	pilot	Favourite class:	language arts
My news:	I am an average student and I'm doing my best to cope with our lessons. The site provided me with an activity called Build Up that that helps me overcome my shyness and develop my confidence and to have self-esteem. I gained weight but still, I am underweight, so the site continue providing me vitamins and Reliv Now supplement and advised me to eat nutritious food and have enough sleep to resolve my malnutrition.		
Family news:	It is a great blessing for us that my mother got hired as a fieldworker at the site. We are happy for her because she just only started as a volunteer parent and she now gained the fruit of her hard work. My brother Justine will be graduating soon from Senior High School.		
Home news:	With your continuous support, we were able to buy new foam mattress and a cabinet for our clothes.		
Social life:	Renz is a good friend of mine. We always play together.		
Message to Sponsor:	Thank you for your untiring support of my studies. May God always bless you more.		

Please note: this update is gathered and translated by our overseas partners and may contain typos or use different terminology than that of native English speakers. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact your donor relations specialist and they would be happy to speak with you.

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

Matthew 1

The Canaanite Woman

Help the woman to find her way to Jesus

A woman came to Jesus to ask for his help



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Her daughter was ill and she wanted Jesus to make her well again

Join the dots to see where her daughter is



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PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL



Pastor—Fr. Gerald
Chair—Stephen Horsman
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Liturgy—Marlene Crane
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Maintenance—Don Korby/Margaret Radi
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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: Paul Schembri 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: 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
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 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
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reachoutokanagan@gmail.com
CANADIAN FOOD FOR CHILDREN www.canadianfoodforchildren.ca
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)	

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.