

St. Charles Garnier Parish

November 12, 2023

Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time.

Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to met him.

Matthew 25:1-13



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WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS Mon Nov 13 8:30 am Int. Benita Spencer Tue Nov 14 8:30 am + Perry Gross Wed Nov 15 8:30 am + William Ferguson Thu Nov 16 8:30 am Int. McKenzie Family Int. Connie Cournane Fri Nov 17 8:30 am Nov₁₈ + Ivan & Joe Mlikotic Sat 5:00pm Int. Fr. Gabriel 8:30am Sun Nov 19 Parishioners of 10:30 am St. Charles Garnier

Next Week's Readings				
1	Proverbs- 31:10-13, 16-18, 20,26,28-31 ++			
2	1 Thessalonians — 5:1-6			
Gospel	Matthew — 25:14-30			

SCRIPTURE MESSAGE

This Sunday is also known as 'Stewardship Sunday' Saint Paul in 1 Cor 4:2 reminds 'Servants of Christ, and Stewards of God's mysteries are required to be found trustworthy'. We, as thoughtful people, are encouraged to be vigilant adults, conscious and well prepared to execute our roles/office to the satisfaction of all. What happens when we are not prepared? We get ridiculed or caught off-guard to meet the consequences. When we are not fully prepared, we will be all over the place, causing chaos & confusion. It would create tension, disappointment and may push us to face failures in our work/endeavors. Being unprepared leads to missing an opportunity (ministerial like the pre-nuptial inquiry for a Wedding or Mass of Christian Burial/personal life like the retirement preparation).

Being prepared would mean 'Ready & Willing'. Being unprepared leads to sluggishness & slumber. In order to get ourselves to be prepared means we are hopeful to be successful. Wisdom, which is Divine Grace, gives us the ability to get prepared. This Weekend Scriptures invite us to get prepared to meet the Lord, the Bride Groom, who comes at an unexpected hour to meet us. If we are not fully prepared, we might miss the opportunity to meet him. Being prepared would mean, being conscious of one's commitments to Christ & the Church, to accompany Him in our journey of love expressed in service.

The Gospel of Mathew 25:1-13 Extends a call, "Stay awake, because you do not know either the hour or the day the coming of the son of Man". Wise followers of Jesus are therefore encouraged to get prepared. Through our ups and downs, God prepares us every day. Let's not miss an opportunity to seek the Lord. Army Veterans are always on the alert.

They are ready and willing to defend their land from hostile powers. Fire fighters are willing to sacrifice food, drink, and comfort to help those who are being hurt by fire disasters. Security personnel are keen to observe every minute of their career and caution the people of the impending danger around.

God cautions our conscience even at night to be vigilant and not to give in into evil thoughts/temptations. He guards us as the mother & father guard their little children from every danger. But are we able to respond to such cautions? Today's Scripture is a call to seriously examine our conscience as to where did I get derailed? Did I miss the opportunity to be vigilant & careful? Why wasn't I prepared to encounter such an annoying situation in my life? Did I miss the opportunity to perceive God's caution and his closeness & nearness to me and to my family? It also invites us to come back to the Lord in order to draw strength & to begin all over again to call on His Holy Name.

Preparations are commendable because they help us with our readiness to meet/face the situation with the grace of God, like a warrior and not as a coward. The coward notices the enemy and runs away. Whereas the valiant is ready and willing to encounter the enemy/situation and be successful. Therefore, we are encouraged by the Scriptures today to be ready and be prepared to meet the Lord. As we come to the final days of this liturgical year "A", the Church reminds us of God's Grace. God is always ready and willing to help out if only we are able to call on His Holy Name. Don't panic but develop this great quality of calling on the Name of Jesus whenever we are faced with a challenge. Let's depend on His saving mercy & goodness all the days of our life. May the grace of God take over our pursuits and bless us with His timely Intervention. All the best.

In the service of the Word!

Gabriel

SCG—Guide to Giving 2023				:3	
November	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	5,151				
E-transfers received					
Monthly total to date	5,151				

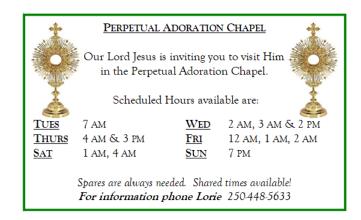
On the initiative of Pope Francis, the World Day of the Poor is Sunday November 19, 2023.

"God of Abraham, everywhere we go we see Lazarus. But we also see so many doors, doors that separate us from Lazarus. Lord, teach us to open those doors to Lazarus, to those needing help, to help them find a just share of your bounty. This World Day of the Poor, help us all turn to those outside our door, to bless, heal and comfort them. Help us to build a world together, where the poor are strangers to none, and the very chains of poverty are broken. Amen

September 2/3 is SSVP Sunday and we thank you for your continuing support. Member volunteers will be in the foyer to accept donations.



Here is a link to the video: https://vimeo.com/260114539
Link for tickets here.



Roman Catholic Diocese of Nelson website:

https://www.nelsondiocese.org/

Holy Sacrifice of the Mass & Devotions

Live stream click here

NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS-DIOCESE OF NELSON



News and Announcements from Diocese of Nelson please click <u>here</u>.



For Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops website click here.

KELOWNA CATHOLIC YOUTH GROUP



If you are in grades 7-12 and want to deepen your faith with other Catholic teens, please join us!
Upcoming events ...

FRIDAY, Nov. 10 from 5:00 to 8:30 pm Cookie Baking for St. Vincent de Paul

Sun, Nov. 17 from 6:15 to 8:15 pm: Altaration Series on the Mass Registration form and sign-up required.

For more details, sign-up links and/or registration forms, go to:

www.kelownacatholicyouthgroup.ca

CORPUS CHRISTI PARISH



Corpus Christi Parish will host our annual Christmas Craft Fair and Santa's Café Saturday, December 2nd, 8:00 am - 2:00 pm.

Crafts of all kinds, soup, & home baked goods. 750 Rutland Road North. Everyone is welcome to attend!

St. Charles Garnier Parish

http://stcharlesgarnier.ca/

Holy Sacrifice of the Mass is being

live-streamed Sunday 8:30

Livestream click here

CHALICE



Click here

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.



QUILT WINNER

...and the winner of the beautiful quilt made by Barbara Roy for the baby bottle brigade is:

Joyce Gay.

Congratulations!



ALERT



SCAMMERS are active again!
Please do not open links, suspicious emails or text messages!
If any questions please talk to Fr.
Gerald or call the office.

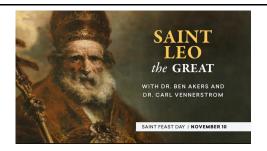
NEW RELIGIOUS EDUCATION COORDINATOR



I am Amanda Tian Seng, a parishioner of St. Charles Garnier since I was a child, and I will be working with Fr. Gerald as the Religious Education Coordinator for the parish. I am excited to work with my parish in this capacity and to create deeper relationships with all the parishioners.

My dedicated work days will be Tuesdays, Wednesdays, & Thursdays if anyone would like to connect with me. I look forward to collaborating with everyone in the parish community.

FORMED



St. Leo the Great | Catholic Saints

Join Dr. Ben Akers and Dr. Carl Vennerstorm as they discuss St. Leo the Great, who served as pope during the tumultuous time of the Council of Chelcedon.

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PARISH EVENTS

DATE	TIME	EVENT		
Saturday, November 11	5:00 pm	Sunday Mass		
Sunday, November 12 8:30 am 10:30 am		Sunday Mass—Children's Liturgy		
Tuesday and Wednesdays	After morning Mass	Confessions		
Monday to Friday	8:30 am	Mass—Rosary after Mass		
Monday, November 13 1:00 pm		Office Closed Card Social Group		
Tuesday, November 14 10:30 am 5:30 pm		Mass—Mountainview CWL-General Meeting		
Wednesday, November 15	9:30 am 4:30—5:30 pm 7:00—8:30 pm	Catholic Moms Connect Catechism—1st Reconciliation/Communion Catechism—Confirmation		
Thursday, November 16 9:30 am 6:00 pm		Bible Study Music Rehearsal for Advent Festival		
Friday, November 17 10:30 am		Mass—Mission Creek		
November 18 & 19		Collection for Catholic Missions in Canada (Envelopes available at the church foyer)		

CHRISTMAS DINNER—CWL & KOFC

The St. Charles Garnier Catholic Women's League (CWL) and the Knights of Columbus (K of C) are hosting a Christmas dinner for members and their escorts. Tickets are available after all Masses and also at the church office.

5:00 pm — Social 6:00 pm — Dinner Entertainment:

> Music by Victor Ukrainetz and his band. DATE: Friday, November 24th, 2023



CWL NEWS



We welcome all women of the parish to join us for our next General Meeting Tuesday, November 14, 2023 beginning with Mass at 5:30 p.m. At 6:00 pm in the hall there will be a Memorial Service for all deceased members, fol-

lowed by a short business meeting and a video presentation.

Social time with refreshments will follow. Looking forward to seeing you there!

RACHEL'S CORNER

"We need no wings to go in search of Him but have only to look upon Him present within us."

St. Theresa of Jesus- Feast Day Oct 15

He was there that day when the abortion decision was made, and He is there with you now within you... only wanting you to know how much you are loved and how He wants to show you His merciful compassion. Will you give him that chance? Join us on a Rachel's VineyardTM Retreat.

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SUMMIT



An Evening of Eucharistic Adoration

To mark the Feast of Christ the King, please join us at Immaculate Conception Church on Saturday, Nov. 25 from 7:00 – 8:30 pm for an

evening of Eucharistic Adoration with music, short talks, prayer, and reflection. Priests will be available for reconciliation. All ages and all parishes welcome!

CATHOLIC FOR THE MISSIONS

Our Diocesan date for Catholic Missions in Canada will be November 18 & 19. Envelopes are available at the foyer. Please drop them off on the Sunday Collection.



Heavenly Father, we pray for our Canadian home missions, from sea to sea to sea.

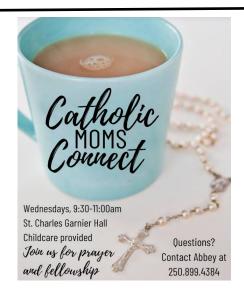
Take into Your care, through our prayer, our brothers and sisters in faith.

We ask protection and strength in faith, hope and love.

Grant zeal with compassion to the missionaries who share the Gospel. Let your face shine upon them.

Through our Lord, Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever.

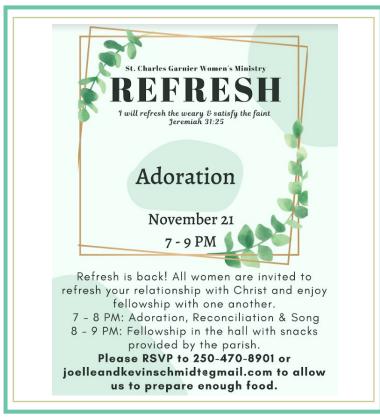
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We invite you to join our St. Charles Garnier Parish Facebook group!

Use the link: https://www.facebook.com/groups/stcharlesgarnier
or Scan the OR 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!





ADVENT & CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL

Come and Join the Choir!
There is still time to join the choir for our annual
Advent and Christmas Festival being held on
Sunday, December 10th @ 2:00 pm, followed by a
social in the hall.

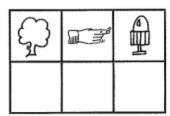
Rehearsals are held on Thursday evenings from 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

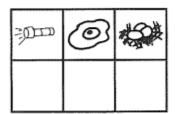
November 16th, 23rd, 30th & December 7th. Attendance at rehearsals is mandatory. Email: joannyoung@shaw.ca if you would like to participate.

Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

Matthew 25:1-13

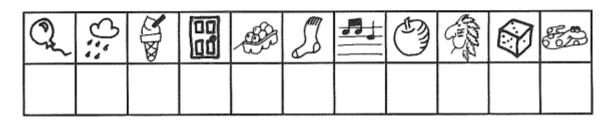
Be ready





In another parable, with whom did Jesus compare the kingdom of heaven?

Write the first letter of each picture in the boxes



Like the wise bridesmaids, Jesus wants us to be prepared for his coming!

Use the secret code pad to find the words of Jesus in Matthew 25:13







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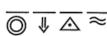
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PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL



Pastor—Fr. Gerald
Chair—Stephen Horsman
Co-Chair—Christine Schmidt
Liturgy—Marlene Crane
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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:
St. Peregrine Prayer Circle (An Apostolate of The Little Flowers of Saint Francis Fraternity of the Secular Franciscan Order). f 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.

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.

Contact: Christine Reeves, OFS. 250-575-2043 E-mail: sforeec10@gmail.com

FIRST SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH—SSVP DONATIONS SSVP DONATIONS-VEHICLE, RV & TRAILER- KEITH: 250-300-1062

MINISTRY COORDINATORS

Eucharistic Ministers	Parish Office	250-860-6776 778-477-3790 250-861-4085 250-899-4384 250-718-0060 250-470-8901 778-478-1133 250-317-8965 250-861-4085
Sacristans		. 250-859-0840
Safe Environment Coordinator	biclida Korby	230 033 0040
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Development and Peace	Karen Krout—karenjkro	
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Care-Home Visitation	Christine Schmidt	
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CONTACT NUMBERS

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Please remember:

OUR CHURCH IS A <u>SCENT-FREE ZONE!</u> 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:	hone: Email:				
	CHILDREN		Would you like to be contacted by one of our parish groups?		
Name (s)	M/F	DOB (yyyy/mm/dd)	CWL	Music	
			Knights of Columbus	Reader	
			St. Vincent de Paul	Usher	
			R.C.I.A	Altar Servers	
			Sacristan (Set up for Mass)		
			Would you like to nick up Sunday Offerto	ory Envelopes from the ledge	

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.