



St. Charles Garnier Parish

February 19, 2023

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time.

Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you...

Matthew 5



CONTACT US:

3645 Benvoulin Road, Kelowna, B.C. V1W 4M7

Website: www.stcharlesgarnier.ca

Pastor: Fr. Gabriel

Pastor's direct line: 778-478-6288

Office Manager: Carmen

Office Phone: (250) 860-6776

Office e-mail: charlesgarnier@gmail.com

Office hours: 9:00 am—2:00 pm Tuesday to Friday

PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ, "Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you" (Mt 5:44-45) is the central message that Jesus wishes to share with us today. In fact, Jesus challenges our behaviors & attitudes. He invites us to show more empathy & compassion when we are faced with enmity, hatred & vengeance. Expressions like 'I hate you, I am outraged by your conduct or action, I want to kill you, I am mad at you, and I am humiliated', etc., send a strong message to the hearer. These are strong 'negative reactions' that we all have in our life.

Jesus gently appeals to our behaviors reminding us (Mt 5:44-45) 'to love our enemies'. As ordinary people, our emotions are hurt or stirred when someone over bounds our boundaries. and at the spur of the moment, we find it very troubling or challenging. So, we use derogatory words to counter that offense. Jesus is teaching us to control our emotions and take control of the challenging / troubling / hurtful situation by our empathy.

The Book of Leviticus deals with the Laws of Worship, Justice, Charity, Personal Holiness regarding Worship and Social Life. Preserving others' personal liberty is very much advised by the author of this book. He advises that we should not take advantage of the weak by stealing or cheating, especially withholding their wages. We should not curse the deaf and a stumbling block for the blind at any time. Rather we should treat the vulnerable with dignity.

Reverence to one's parents and Honor to Our God are priorities of life. Self-love should be the measure of Charity toward our fellow humans. "Love your God with all your heart, soul, mind and strength. You should love your neighbor as yourself". (Deut 6:4 ff)

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Mon	Feb 20	8:30am	+ Peter Weiler
Tue	Feb 21	8:30am	Int. Wayne Allen
Wed	Feb 22	8:30am 5:30 pm	+ Francesca & Salvatore Falco
Thu	Feb 23	8:30am	+ Joe Mlikotic
Fri	Feb 24	8:30am	Int. Fran Hooker & Family
Sat	Feb 25	5:00pm	+ Joe Mlikotic
Sun	Feb 26	8:30am	Int. Russ & Margaret Radi
		10:30	+ Owen Jordan

Next Week's Readings

1	Genesis —	2:7-9, 16-18, 25; 3:1-7++
2	Romans —	5:12, 17-19
Gospel	Matthew —	4:1-11

Continue on page 2...

If we do not practice these principles, we commit sins against charity, which is an offense against God and failure of our responsibility. Therefore, it admonishes us to correct our behaviors.

Retaliation should be avoided. 'No eye for an eye or a tooth for a tooth', but love should reign supreme. Forgiveness and empathy must prevail in our Christian dealings. Pope Francis teaches instead of hating someone, let us try to tolerate their offense or hurt. God sends Sun- Shine and Rain to everyone irrespective of their love or affiliation. We should also show the same kindness to everyone as God does to us. Our Christian morality should distinguish us from the rest. "Christian Community is the Temple of the Living God". (1 Cor 3:16-23) The Indwelling Spirit of God should help us realize this wonderful spirituality of our life. Let us not forget that God gives all things / blessings, for the good of those who love Him.

All the best.

Affectionately in Christ!

Gabriel


LENT WITH ST. CLARE REFLECTIONS

Pray and reflect with a Franciscan saint this Lent

One Palm Sunday, a young noblewoman crept out of her family's house under cover of darkness and escaped to a small chapel outside the city, where her friend Francis of Assisi was waiting to help her devote her life to Christ. She renounced her wealth and title, spent the rest of her life ministering to others, and founded her own religious order. Over 800 years later, St. Clare of Assisi remains a towering figure in the Franciscan tradition.

This Lenten season, Franciscan Media presents a daily email series inspired by the life and legacy of this holy woman. Sign up to learn more about St. Clare and receive daily messages of inspiration and hope, reflections on how St. Clare's holiness can remind us to focus on God today, brief prayers, and videos to enhance your Lenten practices.





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

ICC PERPETUAL ADORATION

Following available hours for Perpetual Adoration at ICC:

Regular, scheduled hours available are:

- SUN 7 AM, 9 AM & 3 PM
- TUES 7 AM
- WED 2 AM, 5 AM
- THURS 5 AM
- FRI 5 AM
- SAT 4 AM & 8 AM



Thank you, and God Bless!

SCG—Guide to Giving		2023			
February	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	3,642	4,144			
E-transfers received					
Monthly total to date	3,642	7,786			

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](#).

CHALICE



[Click here](#)

DONATIONS BY E-TRANSFER OR CREDIT CARD

E-transfers are accepted at St. Charles Garnier Parish
Send your offering via e-transfer to:
etransfer.SC GK@nelsondiocese.org
no password is required.



FORMED



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

Whole 40: Making a Spiritual Plan for Lent
Sit down with Dr. Ben Akers and Dr. Elizabeth Klein to discuss the purpose of the season of Lent, how to prepare for it, and why it is such a fruitful season in our life of faith

LAST YEAR PALMS

Please bring your last year palms, there will be a basket at the church foyer.



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 Women's Ministry

REFRESH

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

Forgiveness

"Forgive us our trespasses as we
forgive those who trespass
against us."

February 20th
7 - 9 PM

Is there a hurt you are struggling to let go of in your life? All women are invited to come for the opportunity to focus on how to forgive. Join us for prayer, reconciliation, and music in the church followed by socializing in the hall. Contact Joelle for additional info - 250-470-8901.

Please bring a snack to share.



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!



PIC•COLLAGE

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

2022 TAX RECEIPTS

**2022 Income Tax Receipts are
ready to pick up at the church
foyer**



DONATIONS FOR TURKEY AND SYRIA

If you wish to donate to our brothers and sisters in Turkey and Syria please see the following links:

Development and Peace:

[Development and Peace – 55 years of solidarity. \(devp.org\)](https://www.devp.org/)

Red Cross:

[Helping To Strengthen Resiliency - Canadian Red Cross](https://www.redcross.ca/)

PARISH EVENTS

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Monday to Friday	8:30 am	Mass
Saturday, February 18	5:00 pm	Mass
Sunday, February 19	8:30 am 10:30 am 2:00 pm	Mass Mass—Children's Liturgy K of C—4th Degree
Monday, February 20	1:00—4:00 pm Office is closed	Card Social Group Happy Family Day!!
Wednesday, February 22	8:30 am 9:30 am 5:00 pm 4:00 pm	Ash Wednesday Mass Catholic Moms Connect Ash Wednesday Mass Catechism—1st Communion—CANCELED
Sunday, February 26	8:30 am 10:30	Mass—K of C—Pancake breakfast after Mass Mass—K of C—Pancake breakfast after Mass

RACHEL'S CORNER

"I came here full of fear and discovered that I could release all my pain here, and now I feel an immense peace and relief. I have learned on this retreat, that I am worthwhile... what I did is in the past and does not define who I am."

-Testimonial from Retreat

Have you believed that your abortion experience defined who you were? Come on a Rachel's Vineyard™ Retreat and release all that keeps you from His tender and merciful love, which is the only definition you need.

info@rachelsvineyardkelowna.com

www.rachelsvineyardkelowna.com

f Rachel's Vineyard Kelowna
250-762-2273

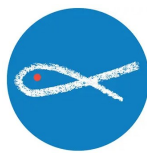


ABORTION HEALING SPRING RETREAT: Many women, men, couples and grandparents who have had an abortion experience, suffer emotional & spiritual pain, afraid to reveal their deep secret. We are now registering for our Spring Retreat Weekend. Come and experience God's mercy, compassion & grace replacing shame, guilt, anger, & grief. Confidentiality assured. www.rachelsvineyardkelowna.com info@rachelsvineyardkelowna.com

LENTEN CONFESSION SCHEDULES

Parish	Date	Time
Corpus Christi	Wednesday, March 1 st	6pm
Our Lady of Lourdes	Thursday, March 2 nd	4-6pm
St. Charles Garnier	Thursday, March 9 th	3-4:30pm
St. Edwards	Wednesday, March 15 th	4-6pm
St. Pius X	Thursday March 16 th	5pm
St. Francis of Assisi	Thursday, March 23 rd	3:30-5pm
Immaculate Conception	Thursday, March 30 th	3pm

SSVP



Help honours when, to the bread that nourishes, it adds the visit that consoles, the advice that enlightens, the friendly shake of the hand that lifts up sinking courage, when it treats the poor with respect, not only as an equal but as a superior, since (s)he is suffering that which we would perhaps not be able to bear ourselves;" Frederic Ozanam.

Please keep our outreach work and the quest for new volunteer members in your prayers.

Thank you.

CWL



CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE of CANADA

The Catholic Women's League (CWL) is a Roman Catholic lay organisation founded in England, in 1906 by Margaret Fletcher. Our Canadian League began in 1920, with a grant of 3,000.00 from the Knights of Columbus, given to Mrs. R. H. Kneil to travel across Canada organizing subdivisions. The membership continues to grow.

The CWL mission calls its members to grow in faith, and to witness to the love of God through ministry and service.

The League is consecrated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus through the patronage of Mary, Our Lady of Good Counsel, with the motto: Faith, Service, Social Justice

If you want to make a difference in the world, enrich your faith, and uphold family life, consider joining the CWL. Through your membership, of 4.15 a month for a total of 50.00 a year, you can support charitable outreach projects locally and around the world and have a collective voice in Ottawa.

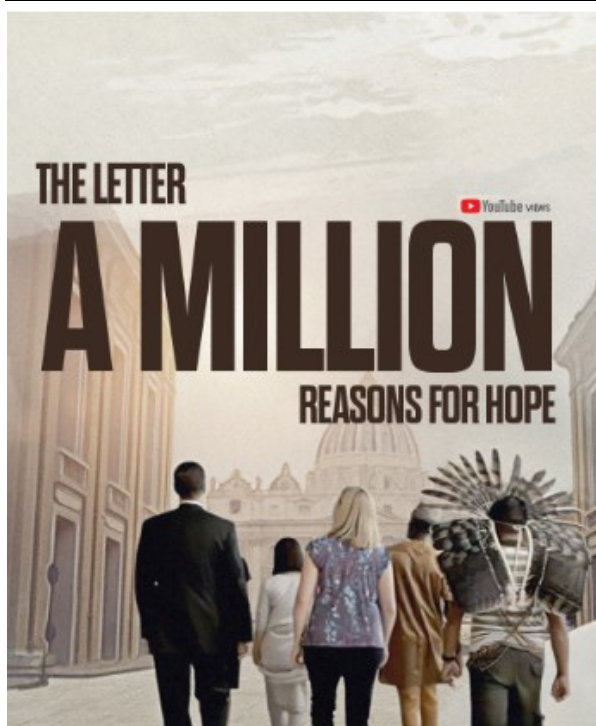
The membership fee can be paid by: Cheque – mailed or put in the collection basket marked CWL or drop off at the office. Cash – put in an envelope addressed to CWL and placed in the collection basket or drop off at the office. Please ensure your name, phone number & e-mail address is inside the envelopes.

E-transfer to: bettyannrichard@gmail.com

Security question – What group? Answer - cwl

Please contact: bettyannrichard@gmail.com if you have any questions.

THE LETTER



Film event hosted by the Laudato Si' Movement

Join us for an event to watch *The Letter*, a visually-stunning documentary film about how our spiritual values call us to take action on the planetary emergency.

We are called to hear both the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor and on March 5 at 3pm, all are invited to watch and discuss the film to consider how we can take action.

More information is available at:

<https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/a-million-reasons-for-hope-free-screening-of-the-letter-tickets-527899972027>

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.



WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER



**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:

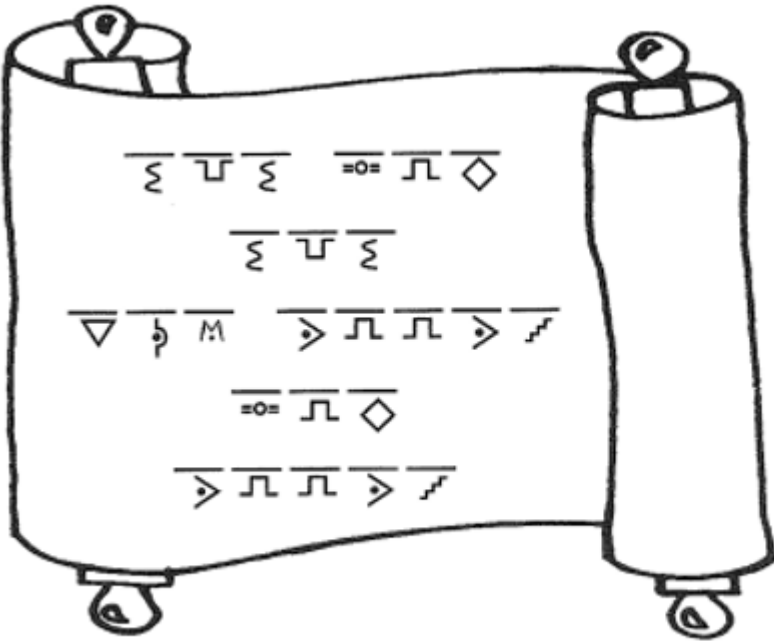
<https://youtu.be/VvQUEZ35Ufg>

Sixth Sunday of the Year (A)

Matthew 5:38-48

Love your enemies

What did the Old Testament teach about enemies?

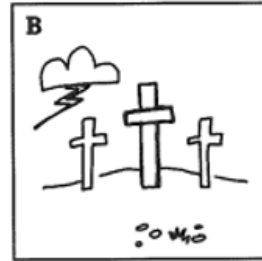
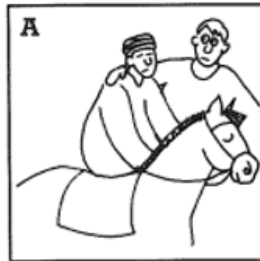


KEY	
A	▽
E	Σ
D	M
O	∟
T	>
F	=O=
H	↗
R	◇
Y	∟
N	⋈

Use the key to find out what is written on this scroll

Matthew 5:38

Jesus showed us how to love our enemies by his words and actions!



A and __

B and __

C and __

Zacchaeus, come down! I want to visit your house today. 1

A good samaritan took care of the traveller. 2

Father, forgive them, they know not what they do. 3

Can you match each picture with its caption?



You can find these stories in the references given

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL



Pastor—Fr. Gabriel
Chair—
Liturgy—JoAnn Young
Financial—Kevin Schmidt
Maintenance—Don Korby
SSVP—Arnie Schneider
K of C—Duncan Boyczuk
CWL—Deborah Cloutier
Outreach—Stephen Horsman

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
 Catholic Moms Connect Group Abbey 250-899-4384
 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
 Pilgrimage of Faith Rhonda Sali - rhondasali@gmail.com
 Development and Peace Karen Krout—karenikrout@gmail.com
 Hospital Visitation Ethel Robidoux 250-860-2101
 Home Care Visitation Christine Schmidt 250-763-4798

CONTACT NUMBERS

CANADIAN FOOD FOR CHILDREN Penticton-Barb. 250-493-1145
CLUBHOUSE DAYCARE 250-860-4393
CREIGHTON MODEL FERTILITY CARE 250-491-1088
DIOCESE OF NELSON—Catholic Pastoral Centre 250-448-2725
ELIZABETH SETON HOUSE OF PRAYER 250-764-4333
FREEDOM'S DOOR . info@freedomdoorkelowna.com 250-717-0472
GRIEF TO GRACE www.GriefftoGrace.org 250-870-8517
KELOWNA RIGHT TO LIFE . kelownarighttolife@hotmail.com 250-870-4103
OZANAM HOUSE . . . manager@ozanamhouse.com 250-762-4673
PREGNANCY CARE CENTRE 250-763-2112
RACHEL'S VINEYARD . . . info@rachelsvineyardkelowna.com 250-762-2273
REACH OUT YOUTH COUNSELLING & FAMILY SERVICES 250-763-7892
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)	

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.