



St. Charles Garnier Parish

December 12, 2021

Third Sunday of Advent.

The crowds asked, "What should we do?".

Luke 3



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PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Sisters and Brothers in the Lord!

"Rejoice in the Lord always, and again I say Rejoice!"
(Phil4:4)

'Joy is born of the heart'. Sigmund Freud, the Father of Modern Psychology explains that there are 2 dominant emotions that rule every human 'Joy & Sorrow'. Joy is always associated with the Birth of a Baby, first employment, first love & first venture. Sorrow is a compelling emotion felt when we lose our loved ones (parents, siblings, friends or those whom we esteemed), loss of reputation especially when someone falls from prosperity to poverty.

Joy comes to God's faithful when we reflect/ponder the mighty acts of God in our life. With an attitude of gratitude, we always remember the saving actions of God in our life. We weep aloud / quietly in our heart cherishing the pleasant moments that God has given us, especially when someone is saved from a life-threatening accident or malignant disease. We experience the 'abiding presence of God' in such moments. We automatically fall on our knees with gratitude and weep in the presence of God overwhelmed with Joy for His saving grace & mercy. Joy comes to us when our hearts are full.

Virgin Mary is the Recipient of God's Grace. Angel Gabriel addressed her "Hail, full of Grace/ Rejoice, so highly favored". (Lk1:28) Mary received the full flow of God's favor. Therefore, she pondered / deeply reflected (Lk 2:51) the wonderful kindness of God in her life, i.e. 'the virginal birth of Christ, which is Incarnation' (The Eternal Word becoming a Human Being) She treasured that pleasant moment and ruminated all her life. Therefore, she was filled with Joy.

We ordinarily express our Joy, having dessert, wine, food, dancing, singing, throwing up things in the air and also sharing our company with friends and family.

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Mon	Dec 13	8:30am	✝ Andraous Habib
Tue	Dec 14	8:30am	Int. El Khoury Family
Wed	Dec 15	8:30am	✝ Ken, Mickey & Kody Nicholls
Thu	Dec 16	8:30am	✝ Andrew & Kazimir Juricic
Fri	Dec 17	8:30am	Int. Kae Krochak
Sat	Dec 18	5:00pm	✝ Peter Mlikotic
Sun	Dec 19	8:30am	Int. Pryce Family
		10:30am	✝ MaryAnne Nikiforuk

Next Week's Readings

1	<i>Micah</i> —	5:2-5a
2	<i>Hebrews</i> —	10:5-10
Gospel	<i>Luke</i> —	1:39-45

Today the Church invites us to share the Joy of the 'Expectant Mother Mary and Rejoice with her for the gift of New life. Therefore, Joy is both Emotional and Spiritual.

Emotional because it makes the person happy, stronger, greater and it is a personal experience such as winning an Olympic medal/prize, Crossing the Niagara Falls, going to the Space Station or Surviving a Holocaust & so on. Joy is Spiritual because it is the gift of the Spirit. It is the sharing of the favor of God. God has shown benevolence and mercy to someone and blessed him/her with His goodness like success in life, good health, new relationship, a new parent and so on. We become the recipients of God's Grace and Benevolence. The Birth of Christ spreads this Joy. The Spirit of Jesus spreads Joy and Peace among those who listen to him. Such people share the Messianic Joy. Let us share the Joy of the Messiah always. "Bride meeting the Groom" (Zeph 3:14-18) Joy is born of the heart! Joy comes when the heart is full.

All the best! Affectionately in Jesus!
Gabriel

FREEDOM'S DOOR CHRISTMAS TREE



In the foyer of our church is a Christmas tree erected by Freedom's Door. For many years this tradition has been carried out within our community. Please take a paper bulb from the tree and then return the bulb along with the gift listed on the back of the bulb. Please do not wrap the gift. Leave the gift under the tree and they will be collected and divided between the 64 men who live at Freedom's Door.

We appreciate your generosity and your contribution to bringing joy into the lives of men in recovery during this Christmas season. Merry Christmas and blessings in the new year!



ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Kindly make it possible to attend the Liturgical Services with Masks covering your nose and mouth for the entire Service, except while receiving Holy Communion. On receiving the Holy Eucharist, please Consume it immediately, and do not walk away with it to your pews. Please do not drop it to the floor. Kindly exercise Caution.
2. All are encouraged to attend the Advent Festival on 15th Dec, between 6:30 PM in our Parish Church. Please come with your mouth and nose covered. On your way-out kindly avail our snacks for fellowship served at the entrance of the Church.
3. The 2023 Synod Questionnaires are available for your use. Interested Parishioners may pick up a questionnaire and write down their answers and drop them off at the Parish office before the End of February 2022 for compiling the answers to the Diocese of Nelson.
4. The Calvary Chapel Initiative invites interested Parishioners to Donate towards the upcoming Stations of the Cross Installation in the Chancery property. 14 Stations will be installed and we request Parishioners to support this most sought out Religious Activity.
5. Our Parish is looking for New Eucharistic Ministers to take up the Care Home Communion Ministry from the New Year 2022. Interested Parishioners may approach Fr. Gabriel. Training will be given and posted to the Care Home of your choice. Could you please consider helping our seniors with a Communion Visit periodically? All are Welcome!

SCG—Guide to Giving		2021			
November	7	14	21	28	
Monthly Parish Collection Budget	41,500	41,500	41,500	41,500	
Collection/Sag/e-transfers received this month to date. (*)	8,710	6,201	5,704	6,787	
Average collection to date	8,710	7,455	6,871	6,850	
Sunday Collection only (*included)	6,732	4,223	5,704	4,315	
Needs of the Church in Canada	40			5	
World Mission		125		5	

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 & 10:30am

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

Chalice (Catholic Charity) invites you to share the blessings of Christmas with children in the developing world. Our Christmas Gift Catalogue allows you to purchase a gift for someone in need in honour of a friend or a loved one. A beautiful handwritten card will be sent to the recipient, telling them of the gift that is given. Any gift purchased through the catalogue will receive an official tax receipt. To order gifts, please visit: <https://chalice.ca/gift-catalogue> or call 1-800-776-6855 or [Click here](#)



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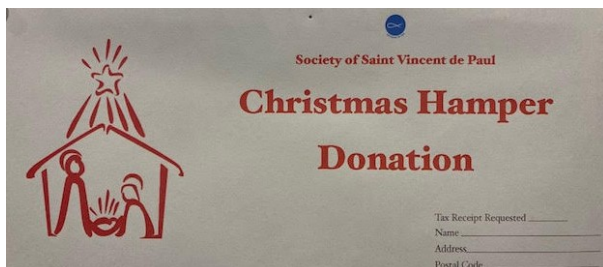
The Society of St Vincent de Paul has launched the annual Christmas Hamper campaign. Like last year, we will be delivering a 'gift card hamper' and gifts for children to households that we have helped throughout the year.

We thank you in advance for taking a donation envelope from the foyer and returning it anytime to the office or to one of the Vincentians at mass. Or donate online by accessing the Canada Helps donating website listed in the bulletin and choosing the Christmas campaign.

CCO RISE-UP CONFERENCE



January 6 – 8, 2022 Rise Up is a conference for young adults hosted by Catholic Christian Outreach, a Canadian university student movement. But Rise Up is more than a conference; it exists to motivate and inspire leaders for the renewal of the world. Registration is available through www.cco.ca/rise-up with early registration pricing until Nov. 30, 2021 (online and in-person options available).



You are invited for
Christmas & New Year Celebration
St. Charles Garnier Parish

3645 Benvoulin Road, V1W 4M7 Kelowna, BC



Christmas Eve:

24th December 2021 (Friday)

4:00 PM Christmas Vigil Children's

Mass—Livestream

7:30 PM Christmas Vigil Night Mass

Christmas Day:

25th December 2021 (Saturday)

10:30 AM Christmas Day Mass

No Saturday Evening Mass

New Year's Masses:

31st December 2021 (Friday)

5:00 PM

1st January 2022 (Saturday)

10:30 AM

1st January 2022 (Saturday—Sunday Mass)

5:00 PM



Advent Festival

Wednesday, December 15th, 2021-6:30 pm

St. Charles Garnier Parish

Advent hymns old and new to prepare your heart
in a way that's much better than Jingle Bells!

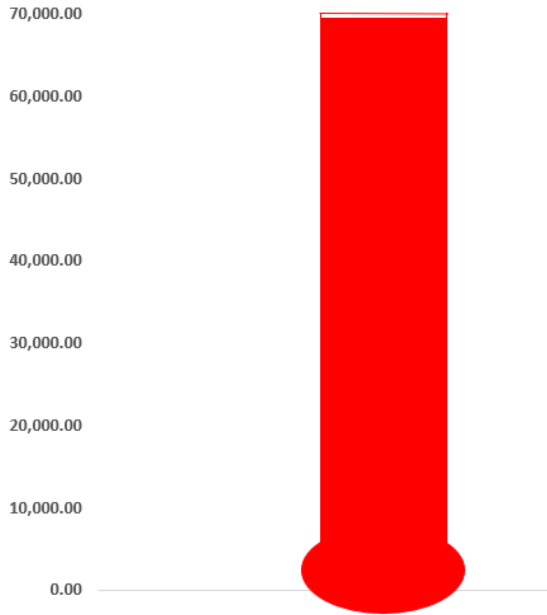
We hope to livestream for those
who cannot be there in person.

Check the website for information.

Covid protocol in effect for those who attend.

PILGRIMAGE OF FAITH

Goal \$ 70,150.00



Goal	70,150.00
Progress to date	69,575.12
We are almost there!!	574.88

SECOND WEEK OF ADVENT



RACHEL'S VINEYARD

renew, rebuild and redeem
-hearts broken by abortion...

“In the inner stillness where meditation leads, the Spirit secretly anoints the soul and heals our deepest wounds.”

- St John of the Cross- feast day December 14

After having suffered a loss due to an abortion decision, the deepest of wounds can be submerged in complete silence and shame. Join us on a Rachel's Vineyard© Retreat and allow the Spirit to anoint your soul and heal you of what has caused you such great pain.

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WIN \$135,000 in prizes including a \$60,000 Grand Prize

PRIZES

1 st Prize \$60,000	4 th Prize \$10,000
2 nd Prize \$40,000	5 th Prize \$3,000
3 rd Prize \$15,000	6 th to 12 th \$1,000 each! --> Early Bird (Dec 4)

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Limited Tickets!
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Total Prizes \$135,000

Sales Oct 18, 2021 to Jan 29, 2022, 7pm
Early Bird Draw Saturday Dec 4, 2021, 7:15pm
Main Draw Saturday January 29, 2022, 7:15pm

An annual charity appeal of the Knights of Columbus (BC) Charity Foundation
WORKING TOGETHER TO MAKE OUR COMMUNITIES BETTER
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Winners are responsible for cost associated with delivery/claiming of prizes.

CATHOLIC MOMS CONNECT

Our mom's group is meeting on Wednesdays from 9:30-11am. We invite any moms who are interested in learning more to contact **Abbey at 250-899-4384**. We are also hoping to find more volunteers to help care for our young children while we are meeting.

We are so grateful to all the "Grandmas" who have helped out the last number of years. If you feel that this could be a good fit for you, please contact:

Julia at 250-718-0060.



PRAYING WITH THE EUCHARIST

Anima Christi (Soul of Christ)

Soul of Christ, sanctify me.

Body of Christ, heal me.

Blood of Christ, drench me.

Water from the side of Christ, wash me.

Passion of Christ, strengthen me.

Good Jesus, hear me.

In your wounds shelter me.

From turning away keep me.

From the evil one protect me.

At the hour of death call me.

Into your presence lead me,

to praise you with all your saints for ever and ever.

Amen

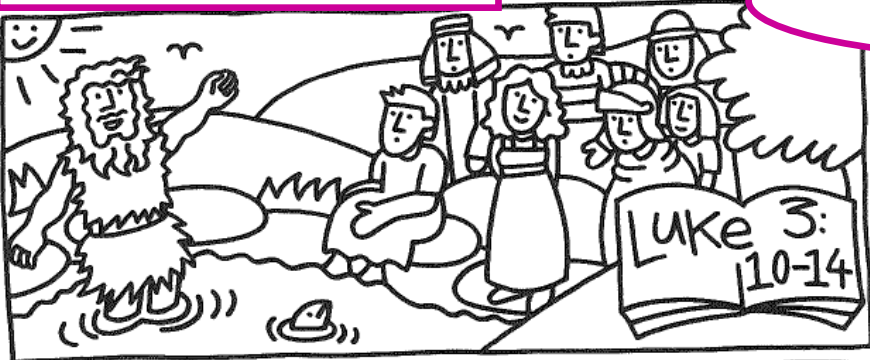


Third Sunday of Advent (C)

Luke 3:10-18

John gets the people ready

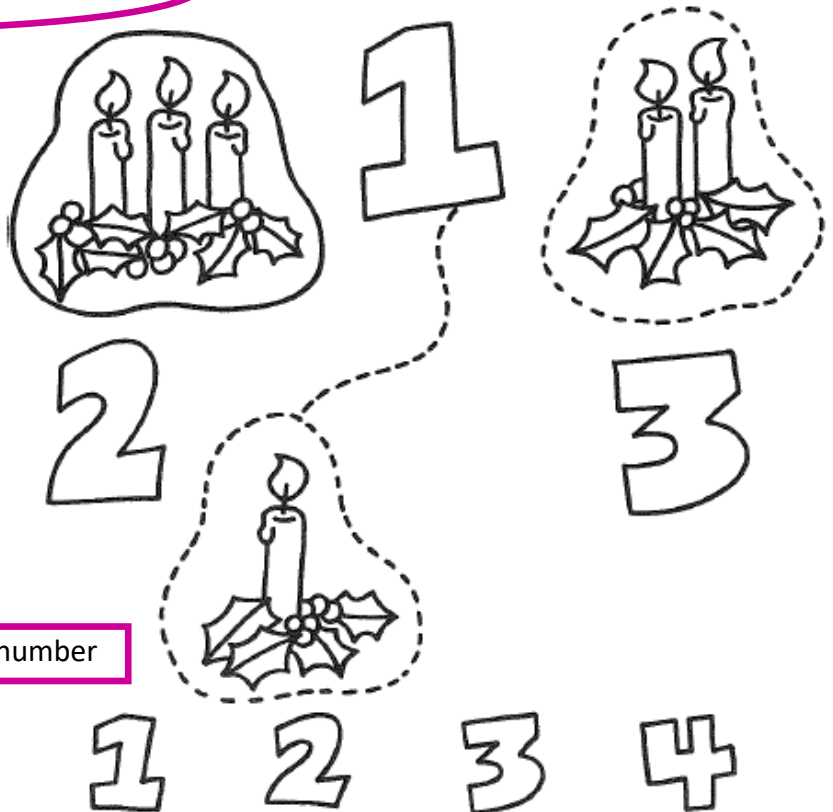
John came to prepare everyone for Jesus' coming



Circle six things which are different in the bottom picture

Today is the Third Sunday of Advent.

Match the candles with the number



How many candles do we light today? Circle the number



PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL



Pastor—Fr. Gabriel
Chair—Bernie Schneider
Liturgist—Sr. Nancy Hurren
Financial—Kevin Schmidt
Maintenance—Marie Cameron
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*).
 St. Peregrine is recognized as the Patron Saint of Cancer Patients and Other illnesses. St. Peregrine's Feast Day is celebrated on May 4. If you have friends/family members with cancer or other illnesses we will add them to our list and pray for them & their family daily. We meet once a month and pray together.
 All are welcome to join us. Also, once a month we offer Mass Intentions for the St. Peregrine prayer list.
 Contact: Christine Reeves, OFS. 250-575-2043 E-mail: breevesac@shaw.ca
SECULAR FRANCISCAN ORDER - "*The Little Flowers of St. Francis Fraternity*" will be returning to St. Charles when we re-open.
SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT de PAUL 250-860-2536
 Meet second and fourth Wednesdays at 9:00 am
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
 Altar Servers Rod Attwell 250-212-3990
 Children's Liturgy Allison Knitting 778-477-3790
 Eucharistic Ministers Dave Crane 250-861-4085
 Hospital Visitation & Eucharist Ethel Robidoux 250-860-2101
 Catholic Moms Connect Group Lindsay Rowe 778-478-1133
 Music JoAnn Young 250-317-8965
 Readers Sr. Nancy 250-808-9805
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 Pilgrimage of Faith Rhonda Sali
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REACH OUT YOUTH COUNSELLING & FAMILY SERVICES 250-763-7892
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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.

WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS!

Please complete this form and leave it in the collection basket or at the Parish Office.

Name (s): _____ **New Parishioner:** **Information Change:**
 Address: _____ Postal Code: _____
 Phone: _____ Email: _____

CHILDREN	
Name (s)	D.O.B.— (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

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.***