



ST. CHARLES GARNIER PARISH

December 20, 2020

Fourth Sunday of Advent.

You will conceive in your womb
and bear a son.

Luke 1



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PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Sisters and Brothers in the Lord!

"Be Planted & Rooted in Christ" Col 2:6 explains this week's liturgical theme so very beautifully. As we near the heartwarming feast of Christmas, let us think of our families. I wonder very much whether all our loved ones will be joining us for celebrating this wonderful mystery of Christ? If everyone is attached to us, certainly they should feel part & parcel of the family, even if they are not present physically. What if someone is physically present and completely cut off from the rest of the family, will that celebration have any merit?

'Planted and rooted' is also said to be where your heart is, there your soul is. Family is the heart and soul of this World-Renowned Feast Christmas! The Scriptures extend a timely call to reflect on the family life of Jesus. God prepared a House for David. Even after Two Thousand years later, we still remember David and his dynasty, because it was God's Benevolence that Messiah should be born in his clan.

Through God's choice we have become Jesus' brothers and sisters in faith tells St. Paul (Eph 3:6) "Heirs and co-heirs with Christ". Our Christian family life is envisioned by God and we glory in our heritage. Our Christian way of life should be 'planted and rooted' in the model of Christ's Gospel. He told us, who are his brothers and sisters, fathers and mothers. Those who do the Will of God. Mother Mary told us (Jn 2:5) "Do Whatever He Tells You"

The Will of God is, becoming a family of believers after the heart of Jesus, embracing his gospel, giving expression to it joyfully, reaching out to those in need especially the less fortunate, marginalized and treating

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Mon	Dec 21	8:30am	Int. Achtem Family
Tue	Dec 22	8:30am	Int. Burzuk Family
Wed	Dec 23	8:30am	Int. Plaxton Family
Thus	Dec 24	3:00pm	✠ Ken, Mickey & Kody Nicholls
		5:00pm	Int. Bishop Gregory J. Bittman
		8:00pm	✠ Arne Buhman
Fri	Dec 25	10:00am	Parishioners of St. Charles Garnier
Sat	Dec 26	5:00pm	✠ Barb Schepenski
Sun	Dec 27	8:30am	✠ Cornelius & Carolina Pyne
		10:30am	✠ Margaret Horner
		7:00pm	Parishioners of St. Charles Garnier

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS:

1st Reading: Genesis- 5:1-6, 17:3b-5,15-16, 21:1-7

2nd Reading: Hebrews - 1:8, 11-12, 17-19

Gospel: Luke— 2:22, 25-27, 34-35, 39-40++

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everyone equally with dignity and honour as God would treat us all. Christian way of life is what makes us one family. Therefore, this feast of Christmas invites us to get planted and rooted in Him.

Our commitment is to be built in Him all the days of our life and to bear fruit for him until we meet him in glory to receive our reward of Eternal Life. Therefore, as we celebrate Christmas let us nurture this Spirit of being Planted & Rooted in Christ through our timely gestures of walking extra miles for Christ in the modern world.

Affectionately in Jesus!
Gabriel

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With so much gratitude, **the Society of St Vincent de Paul** thanks everyone who has contributed to the Christmas Hamper campaign with both funds and prayers. We will be delivering this weekend to our brothers and sisters in our neighborhood. You are blessing a Christmas for 54 families. We extend our blessings back to you for a holy and peace filled Christmas for you and your families.

Thank you.

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

Thursday December 24th Thursday Christmas Eve

First Mass 3:00 PM - Livestream

Communion: 3:45

Second Mass 5:00 PM – No livestream

Communion: 5:45

Third Mass 8:00 PM – No livestream

Communion: 8:45

Fourth Mass 10:00 PM – No livestream

Friday December 25th Christmas Day

December 25th, 2020 (Friday) 10:00 AM – Livestreaming

Saturday December 26th

December 26th, 2020 (Saturday) 5:00 PM – No livestream

Sunday December 27th

8:45 AM – Livestream

10:30 AM & 7:00 PM

Thursday December 31st 2020 New Year's Eve

5:00 PM Mass - Livestreaming

Friday January 1st 2021 New Year's Day

10:30 AM Mass – Livestreaming

OFFICE

Office will be closed December 23, 24, 25, 30,31 @ 1 January

St. Charles Garnier Parish

<http://stcharlesgarnier.ca/>

**Holy Sacrifice of the Mass is being
livestreamed live at 8:45 am**

Forth Sunday of Advent, December 20th

Livestream click [here](#)

Roman Catholic Diocese of Nelson website:

<https://www.nelsondiocese.org/>

Holy Sacrifice of the Mass & Devotions

Live stream click here:

<http://springfieldfuneralhome.ca/mass/>

PARKING-LOT GUIDELINES FOR HOLY COMMUNION

- A Maximum 50 vehicles only at a time.
- If space permits, vehicles should leave a parking space between cars to socially distance as car windows will be open.
- People are to remain in their vehicles and not exit them.
- Preparation for the reception of the communion virtual or livestreamed liturgy or a prayer of contrition.
- Masks should be worn in the car, open your window and fully extend your hand, received the Eucharist, "Amen" is enough, no Thank you Please, close your window, pull your mask down and consume the sacrament.

**In inclement weather or icy conditions there will be a drive through tent positioned to the side of the church.

Please help spread the word!

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK

If you are hospitalized, please be sure to identify yourself as Catholic when being admitted.

For END OF LIFE emergencies *for patients in the hospital* only—call the Chaplaincy Phone 250-878-1502.

A LIGHT IN DARKNESS-CHRISTMAS RESOURCES

Emmaus Productions is delighted to offer a complimentary resource of online videos and music to support people during this unique Christmas season

Click [here](#)

GREEN TEAM

50 easy ways to care for creation, please click [here](#)

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

St. Charles Garnier Knights of Columbus need your help to continue with their work to support our parish and community during the pandemic. While the needs of those we serve are greater, our traditional source of fundraising (our breakfasts) have been cancelled. To make up the shortfall, we are asking parishioners, K of C members and all friends of the Knights to consider giving to our Charity Begins at Home campaign. Our goal is to raise \$10,000 so we may continue to support our parish, Catholic education and local charities. Please click on this link to find out more and donate:

<https://www.stcharleskoc.com/2020/11/15/charity-begins-at-home-campaign/>

RACHEL'S VINEYARD

"However softly we speak, God is so close to us that he can hear us; nor do we need wings to go in search of him, but merely to seek solitude and contemplate him within ourselves, without being surprised to find such a good Guest there." - St. John of the Cross-feast day, December 14

After your abortion, did you feel that you had no longer had a voice to express what you were feeling? Did you wish you had a safe and confidential place, in which you could share what you were feeling and not feel judged? No matter how softly you speak now, God is there, and He cares. Come on a Rachel's Vineyard™ Retreat, regain your voice and discover how very close He has been all along.

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SCG—INTERAC/E-TRANSFER DONATIONS

We now have our own email address for Interac/e-transfer donations to St. Charles Garnier Parish. When you are sending interac donations please send them to:

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Be sure to indicate clearly to which fund the donation is to be directed in the message box of the e-transfer. For example: Sunday Offering, Special Church Care, Christmas, New Years, and/or one of the Ordered Collections, or if is to be split between two or more of these.

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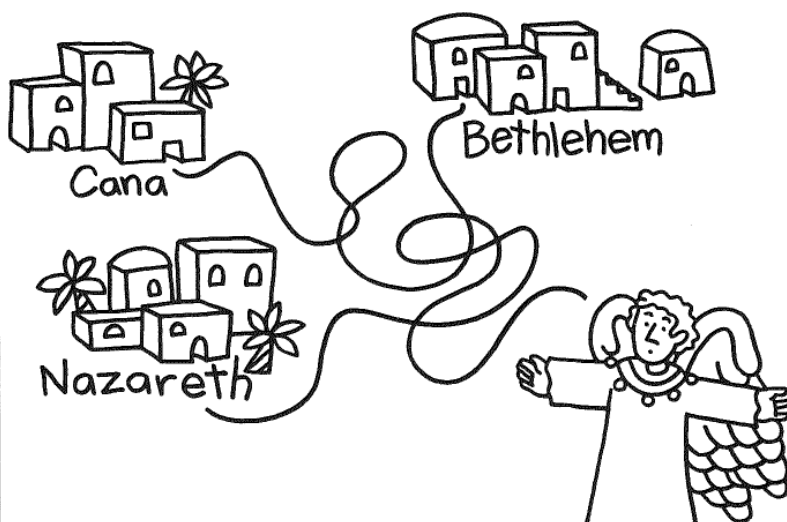
Four Sunday of Advent (B)

Luke 1:26-38

God's messenger!

The angel Gabriel was sent by God to visit Mary. Where did Mary live?

Follow the line and see where it leads!



Colour the pictures...

Think and Look Ahead

Now four candles are lit on the Advent wreath! What are we ready to celebrate?

Trace the missing letters

Christmas
Day!

