



ST. CHARLES GARNIER PARISH

January 10, 2020

Baptism of the Lord.

When Jesus had been baptized,
he saw the Spirit of God coming upon him.

Matthew 3



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PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Baptism of The Lord

BAPTISM makes us Children of God and members of the Church. Baptism is the door through which we enter into God's life and to the life of the Church. Paul in the letter to Galatians explained, "I live, not I, but Christ lives in me. The life that I live, I live by Faith, Faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself up for me" (2:20) Mother Theresa of happy memory added 'The fruit of Faith is Prayer. The fruit of Prayer is Love. The fruit of Love is Service. Service to God and service to neighbour makes us servants of God and friends of the Divinity. Baptism is the Key to inherit Eternal Life. Through Baptism we become heirs and co-heirs with Christ and we are called Jesus' kindred in faith.

There are three factors embedded in our Baptismal Ceremony 'Water, Blood and the Spirit' writes St. John 5:8. They testify our New mode of existence which St. Paul calls as a 'New Creation in Christ'. Baptism makes us daughters and sons of God. We are washed clean with the Blood and Water poured out from the open side of Christ (Jn 19:34) All those who submit themselves to this baptismal rite are washed clean by Jesus' Blood, and have vested themselves with the white garment of purity & innocence. (Rev 7:14) Water cleanses our physical dirt and uncleanness. Water has the power to purify. (Oftentimes health officials nowadays remind us to wash our hands during this time of the virus to keep us clean).

In the Middle Eastern traditions people who wished to enter the presence of the deity are advised to purify themselves with water. They called this purification 'Holy Dip' as the Canadian public do on the 1st day of January of every year in the frigid waters of our land.

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Mon	Jan 11	8:30am	✚ Alfred Geismayr
Tue	Jan 12	8:30am	✚ Mita Hanson
Wed	Jan 13	8:30am	✚ Peter Wachla
Thu	Jan 14	8:30am	✚ Rick Bawol
Fri	Jan 15	8:30am	Int. Margaret Wachla
Sat	Jan 16	5:00pm	✚ Ivan Mlikotic
Sun	Jan 17	8:30am	✚ Helen Stoneman
		10:30am	Int. Jim & Mary Ann Lane
		7:00pm	Parishioners of St. Charles Garnier

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS:

1st Reading: - 1 Samuel 3:3b-10, 19

2nd Reading: - 1 Corinthians 6:13c-15a-17-20

Gospel: - John 1:35-42

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January of every year in the frigid waters of our land. The Hindus and Buddhists have their 'Holy Dip' in rivers on special occasions.

The Jewish people according to Torah submitted for a Cleansing Ceremony, a Ritual performed on their behalf in remembrance of their freedom from Egypt to Israel through the Red Sea. They were redeemed through the power of the waters. Like the Israelite people, we Christians are redeemed by the waters that came out of Christ's open side.

Every adolescent Jew submitted to this Ritual ceremony called Circumcised (Jewish Baptism) before he/she began his/her adult life. It had Two aims. 1) To observe the Law and 2) To practice the law diligently. They were also reminded by the Rabbis to Repent & Renounce their failures, faults and misbehaviors and also to commit themselves to follow these rituals faithfully. So that Heaven may be opened for them to pour out God's graces & gifts to lead a Honourable and dignified life.

Jesus as a Jew submitted to this 'Ritual Ceremonial Practice' at his Baptism to accept the Jewish law and to observe it diligently. God accepted him as his servant. God's servants have obligations. 1) To do His will. Jesus the Messiah was to become the servant of God to liberate and free his people from sin and death. 2) To hear and obey the voice of God in order to establish a special relationship with God, which we call prayer. 3) To relentlessly work for peace and justice. 4) To express his Complete Trust in the goodness of God in his weakness which is expressed in suffering & rejection.

Therefore, today we remember our own baptism which has given us the privilege to get united with the Trinitarian God. It profoundly helps us to become servants of God. Baptism has planted us in Christ and we need to get rooted and built in Christ through the exemplary of life of Christ manifested by the teachings and examples of the Church and its saints.

May the good Lord bless all the baptized to inherit this great Christian manner of life.

Blessings in the Lord!

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RECEPTION OF THE EUCHARIST (PARKING-LOT)

Please participate in an online Mass & come to the church parking lot for the Reception of the Eucharist.

When you received the Eucharist just say **"Amen"** (Please don't offer thanks to father)

We encourage our parishioners to avoid getting out of their cars and engage in dialogue with others.

It would be a good idea not to spend longer time in the parking lot as per Government Health Regulations.

RACHEL'S VINEYARD

"I never knew that other guys were hurting the same way I was after having asked for an abortion to happen. I thought I was doing the only thing I could do. Now I know it was the only thing I wish I had not done. Rachel's Vineyard showed me that I can be forgiven and start working on forgiving myself. I am back! I am ready to be who He wanted me to be all along." -

Testimonial

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<http://stcharlesgarnier.ca/>

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Roman Catholic Diocese of

Nelson website:

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

Holy Sacrifice of the Mass & Devotions

Live stream click [here](#):

2021 ENVELOPES

Ready to pick up at the foyer desk

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Matthew 3

Where did John baptize Jesus?

Look at the pictures. Which one shows where Jesus was baptized?



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:

etransfer.SCGK@nelsondiocese.org

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.

Donations will be automatically deposited directly in the St. Charles Garnier bank account when the transfer is made so a password is NOT required to make the transfer.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION OR CONFIRMATION

For children preparing at school for the sacraments of First Holy Communion or Confirmation, families attending or registered with St. Charles Garnier are invited to apply now for reception of these sacraments at their parish.

As first educators of the faith for their children, the role of parents in this preparation cannot be overstated.

In collaboration with the school, the parish normally assists parents in their task to nurture faith at home and prepare children to celebrate initiation into our Catholic community and new life with Jesus Christ. Especially this year, we hope to accompany parents in their vocation.

Please complete your application for [First Holy Communion](#) or [Confirmation](#) available on the parish website, and return the completed form and a copy of your child's baptismal certificate on or before January 14 to the office or email to: scgred@gmail.com

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
bettynarrichard@gmail.com

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE

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 King 250-868-1311
Email: paul.king33@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 moving their Gatherings (and meetings) to ICC beginning September 15, 2019

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

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MINISTRY COORDINATORS

If you wish to become involved contact the Parish Office 250-860-6776
Altar Servers Rod Attwell 250-212-3990
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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 250-764-0485
Readers Kathleen Baldwin 250-860-4098
Sacristans Brenda Korby 250-859-0840
Safe Environment Coordinator Jeremy Orr - jeremy@digitcontracting.ca
Ushers George Jarrouj 10:30 mass
Campus Ministry (Kelowna Catholic Collective) email: ubco.focus@gmail.com

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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

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.