



ST. CHARLES GARNIER PARISH

January 3, 2020

Epiphany of the Lord.

We have come from the East to pay
homage to the king.
Matthew 2



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PASTOR'S MESSAGE

'Epiphany' would mean 'Revelation or Awakening' Mt 2:2 Creates this awakening when we read, 'Where is the infant king of the Jews?' the Magi asked King Herod. "We saw his Star rising and have come to pay him honor'.

In his book "Joy to the world" Scott Hahn writes about the 'Star of Bethlehem', a wonderful celestial event. Most of the modern scholars consider this Star as a pious fiction. Among the planetary movements Jupiter is considered the king and had special significance in ancient religions. According to the planetary movements, there were two appearances of Jupiter in the Sky in 6th B.C which predicted the Birth of the King. During the last days of December 2020, Star watchers were eager to capture the glimpse of Jupiter in the Sky. But we could not see it due to our unpredictable weather pattern.

Christian people from the inception of Christianity were able to behold this Star as a miraculous sign to mark the Birth of Christ, the Messiah. Because the Book of Micah 5:1-5 written in the year 742-607 B.C recorded the following, 'Bethlehem, out of you will be born for me the one who is to rule over Israel. His origin goes back to the distant past to the days of old". The Star of Bethlehem, which is also known as the 'Christmas Star' revealed the Birth of Jesus, the Messiah to the Magi. Out of curiosity they explored the possibility of knowing this unprecedented event. 'They observed the star rising, says the scripture.

The Magi were called 'wisemen' probably because they were known as 'astrologers, kings, foreigners, gentiles, pagan priests and visionaries.

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Mon	Dec 28	8:30am	Int. Marlene Hughes
Tue	Dec 29	8:30am	✠ Mary & Carl Schmidt
Wed	Dec 30	8:30am	Int. Fr. Silvester
Thu	Dec 31	8:30am	✠ Maria, Salvatore & Carmela D'Falco
Fri	Jan 1	8:30am	Int. Rod Attwell
Sat	Jan 2	5:00pm	✠ L.P. & Eva Tyne
Sun	Jan 3	8:30am	Int. Lute Family
		10:30am	Int. Jeffrey Stocker
		7:00pm	Parishioners of St. Charles Garnier

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS:

1st Reading: - Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7

2nd Reading: - Acts 10:34-38

Gospel: - Matthew 3:13-17

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They did not have GPS at that time to guide them locate the birthplace of Christ. They did not have maps to find out a route to follow on their journey. They did not have roadside restaurants to dine and rest. They never had a quick and fast transport facility to reach their destination safely as on schedule. Their journey was not pre-planned. They saw the Star and from different parts of the world started moving towards the direction of the Star. They never had a tele-communication facility to connect with others.

But they had curiosity and optimism. They were brave people who ventured to explore the unknown. God reveals himself to those who have a sincere heart to seek him. These men had a sincere heart to seek out the Truth. The Truth being the messiah, the Christ, and they found him. In their overwhelming joy they opened their treasures and gifted the infant.

Today we are fondly invited by the Church to seek out this Truth born and Revealed in the Baby of Bethlehem, Jesus, the Messiah and offer ourselves as the best of the gift possible, to Him. As the magi knelt and adored the Christ Child, we are also called by the Church to fall on our knees and adore Him as the Savior of the World.

Blessings in the Lord!
Gabriel

SSVP



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.

OFFICE

Office will be closed December 30,31 @ 1 January.

2021 envelopes are ready to pick up at the foyer.

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LISTEN



Prepare the way of the King by Dr. Scott Hahn

As we celebrate the Epiphany, Dr. Scott Hahn explains how we should understand the three Magi and their gifts to the Lord!

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THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone who made the Christmas celebration very colorful by your generous offerings.

Big thank you to the liturgy committee specially to Brenda and Lindsay.



CWL

CWL January news letter will be emailed mid January. Do you have some interesting news? Celebrating an Anniversary? Perhaps a Birthday?

Please email: Marilee

marileeod@telus.net

St. Charles Garnier Parish

<http://stcharlesgarnier.ca/>

**Holy Sacrifice of the Mass is being
live-streamed live.**

New Year's Masses

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](#)

PRESERVATION OF LIFE

Pope Francis invites all the faithful to pray as we begin this New Year for the special intention of Preserving Human Life from the Covid 19 Pandemic (Preservation of Life).

As it is not possible to gather in the parish church, we suggest that we gather in our homes with our family to spend time together in prayer and reflection. There are many forms of prayer that can be helpful in this endeavor. You may have a favorite way of prayer that is helpful for you. Other traditional forms can also be explored; e.g. the Rosary, the Way of the Cross, reflection on the Scriptures, especially on the new testament, a period of contemplative practice and intercessions for present needs. Check our parish website for some suggestions/ helps in this endeavor.

For More information click [here](#)

RACHEL'S VINEYARD

"For I know well the plans I have in mind for you—says the LORD—plans for your welfare and not for woe, so as to give you a future of hope."

- Jeremiah 29:11

Is a future of hope something you felt like you lost when you made your abortion decision? God hasn't forgotten about you! Come on a Rachel's Vineyard™ Retreat and find out what beautiful plans He has for you that will fill your life with His merciful peace and hope.

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250-762-2273

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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:

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.



Epiphany of the Lord

Matthew 2:1-12

Entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother, they knelt down and paid him homage.

Colour the picture



New Year's Schedule

Date	Day	Mass Time	Communion	Live-stream
December 31, 2020	Thursday	5:00 PM	5:45 PM	Yes
January 1, 2021	Friday	10:30 AM	11:15 AM	Yes
January 3, 2021	Sunday	8:45 AM	9:15 AM	Yes
	Monday to Saturday	8:45 AM	9:15 AM	No
	Sunday	8:45 AM	9:15 AM	Yes
		10:30 AM	11:15 AM	No

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

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 Fraterni-
 ty*" 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

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
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 Hospital Visitation & Eucharist. Ethel Robidoux 250-860-2101
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 Ushers George Jarrouj 10:30 mass
 Campus Ministry (Kelowna Catholic Collective) email: ubco.focus@gmail.com

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ELIZABETH SETON HOUSE OF PRAYER 250-764-4333
FREEDOM'S DOOR freedomsdoor@shaw.ca. 250-717-0472
GRIEF TO GRACE www.GriefftoGrace.org 250-878-7603
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OZANAM HOUSE hope@ozanamhouse.com 250-762-4673(HOPE)
PREGNANCY CARE CENTRE 250-763-2112
RACHEL'S VINEYARD . . . info@rachelsvineyardkelowna.com . . .250-762-2273
REACH OUT YOUTH COUNSELLING & FAMILY SERVICES 250-763-7892

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OUR CHURCH IS A **SCENT-FREE ZONE!**

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?

- | | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> CWL | <input type="checkbox"/> Music |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Knights of Columbus | <input type="checkbox"/> Reader |
| <input type="checkbox"/> St. Vincent de Paul | <input type="checkbox"/> 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.*