



St. Charles Garnier Parish

May 9, 2021

Sixth Sunday of Easter.

No one has greater love than this,
to lay down one's life for one's friends.

John 15



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WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Day	Date	Time	Intention
Mon	May 10	8:30am	Int. Bernie & Marion Schneider
Tue	May 11	8:30am	✠ Alfred Geismayr
Wed	May 12	8:30am	Int. Margaret & Russ Radi
Thu	May 13	8:30am	Int. Bill & Ronnie Pihach
Fri	May 14	8:30am	Int. Irene & Leon Tomas
Sat	May 15	8:30am	✠ Ivan Mlikotic
Sun	May 16	8:30am	Int. Lua, Briza & Birgit
		10:30am	Int. Romuald and Family
		7:00pm	Parishioners of St. Charles Garnier

Next Week's Readings

1	Acts —	1:1-11
2	Ephesians —	4:1-13
Gospel	Mark —	16:15-20

PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Sisters and Brothers in the Lord!

This week's scriptures invite us to reflect on the theme of 'Love'. Love is from God. Therefore, Jesus extends a call to love one another as he has loved us. If we love one another we are born of God. John 15:13 reminds: "No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends". Love originates from God. (Jn 3:16) Love is the essence of God. God loves us unconditionally and without partiality.

Maximillian Kolbe of Poland practiced this gospel in reality by opting to die for a stranger who wanted his life to be spared to look after his young family during II WW in the concentration Camp at Auschwitz. Maximilian chose to die for him. 'He became the martyr of Charity' proclaimed His Holiness John Paul II of happy memory.

Love of God is revealed to us through Jesus' birth, life, suffering, death and Resurrection. Love is a free gift of God. It is a gratuitous gift, explained St. Paul. (Rm 5:5-9) and God loves us freely and lavishly as parents express their love to their children. The Church is the outcome of this bountiful love. As disciples of Christ, we are encouraged to live this love, safeguard it and pass on this love to our next generation through our life and commitment especially through our exemplary life, good works and adherence to the great commandment of Christ. "Go out to all the World and Share the Good News" (Mt 28:19)

Christian love has its root and example in the 'foot washing' (Jn13) manifesting our Love & Service. We become Jesus' friends, if we share this mandate of Christ. Let us love our fellow Christian people. Let us show Charity towards all, for the Love of Christ. Let us

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not become a burden to anyone. The scriptures call us to be productive people...i.e 'bearing fruit' according to God's wish 30,60,and 100% according to the grace that we have received.

Christian life becomes so very exemplary when we make a difference in life. So many of our Christian people make a huge difference in their life on a daily basis. We are encouraged to follow their role model Let our love be 'genuine and authentic'. If it is genuine and authentic, certainly, we will impact the World around us. "What good is a soap for a dirty child?" asked a Rabbi. Only when the soap is applied to the body of the dirty child, it could keep the child from possible infection. In the same way, the Rabbi asks, "What good is religion for people, unless it is practiced by them?". By itself neither the soap nor the religion can help. They need to be practiced and applied. Therefore, today we are invited to follow the guidance of Christ "love one another as I have loved you". Let us try our best.

With every good wish!

Affectionately in Jesus!

Gabriel

ST. CHARLES GARNIER FACEBOOK

St. Charles Garnier has a new Facebook page!

Please join our online community at:

www.facebook.com/groups/stcharlesgarnier/

We look forward to virtually connecting with you.



OLD GUITARS

The correctional centre in Oliver is in need of used guitars. If anyone can help, please drop them off at the parish office

RACHEL

"The LORD will fight for you; you have only to keep still -

Exodus 14:14

Have you been trying everything to keep from thinking about the day when the abortion took place? Come on a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat™ with us and find in the stillness of His embrace, how calming His mercy and peace can be. He is fighting for you! He wants you back!

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Congratulations

Fr. Gabriel

on the 39th anniversary of your ordination.



God's blessings on you and thank you for all you do in the service of God.

SCG—Guide to Giving 2021

	May	2	9	16	23	30
Monthly Parish Collection Budget	41,500	41,500	41,500	41,500	41,500	40,500
Collection/Sag/e-transfers received this month to date.	5,655					
Average collection to date	5,655					

St. Charles Garnier Parish

<http://stcharlesgarnier.ca/>

**Holy Sacrifice of the Mass is being
live-streamed Sunday 8:30 & 10:30am**

Livestream click [here](#)

Roman Catholic Diocese of

Nelson website:

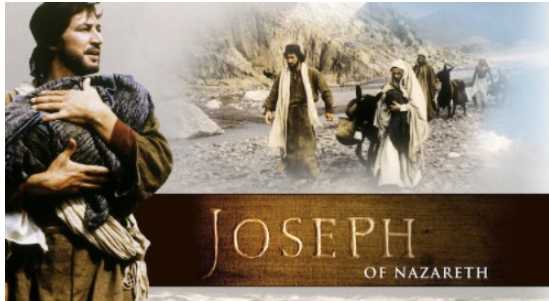
<https://www.nelsondiocese.org/>

Holy Sacrifice of the Mass & Devotions

Live stream click [here](#):

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Please contact Nicole Horsman at:

nicolehorsman@telus.net if you have any further questions about Formed.org

Support Families as the Domestic Church

The Parish FORMED subscription can help families build holy habits and create new prayer routines at home.

[Pray at Home](#)

[Divine Mercy Chaplet](#) pray at 3pm daily

[Children's Cartoons](#)

FORMEDNOW

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
A Mind at Peace Book Discussion (Part 4) with Dr. Christopher Blum & Taylor Kemp	The Augustine Institute Show with Dr. Tim Gray Guest Annette Bergeon	Matthew Bible Study (Part 39) with Drs. Tim Gray & Michael Barber	Glorious Mysteries: Assumption with Taylor Kemp & Dr. John Sehorn	FORMED for Mission: The New Evangelization with Dr. Ben Akers & Taylor Kemp

SEASON OF CREATION

"A flourishing humanity on a thriving planet, rich in species in an evolving universe, all together filled with the glory of God..." (Elizabeth Johnson). This quote expresses beautifully what we all hope for.

In 2015 Pope Francis wrote his encyclical on the environment, called Laudato Si' after a favourite prayer of St. Francis of Assisi, "Laudato Si', mi' Signore" - "Praise be to you, my Lord." St Francis praised God in every creature he encountered, "reminding us that our common home is like a sister with whom we share our life" (LS 1)

The week of May 16-25 is Laudato Si' week, honoring the first publication of Laudato Si'. If you would like to read the document, it's available free of charge on the internet. Even though we can't meet to celebrate Laudato Si' week together, please celebrate this wonderful document individually and in families. One way is to refrain from eating meat during that week, or perhaps only one day that week. Jane Goodall has said that ending consumption of meat is one of the best ways to protect the planet and support social justice.

For more ideas on how to celebrate, see:

[https://
laudatosiweek.org](https://laudatosiweek.org)

Please join us, the Care of Creation Circle and help us work together towards social and environmental justice. More people more ideas.

Contact:

karenjkroust@gmail.com





What Inspires You? CWL members are women of action. They are champions of change and social justice. They are also part of a sisterhood that is over 70,000 members strong. If you are

inspired to live your faith and make a difference in your community and country go to www.cwl.ca to find out how you can join us!

Or contact Betty Ann Richard

bettyannrichard@gmail.com ~ 250-862-9563

We are excited to tell you about the
CWL 2020 Centenary Project:

To commemorate the League's 100th Anniversary (1920—2020) and in keeping with the national theme, every diocesan council across Canada has been asked to plant a tree in a place of honour to help the environment and to be enjoyed by our community.

We have purchased and planted a Dogwood tree and will be having a **dedication service on June 8th at 9:30 am outside**. Bring your lawn chair and we will have coffee available for a social distanced visit afterwards.

Join us in celebrating our "roots" from the past century while we look to the future as we "branch out" into the next century!!



Flowering Dogwood

K OF C—BURSARIES

The St. Charles Garnier Knights of Columbus council is offering bursaries of \$1000 to graduating high school students. To be eligible, you must be attending a post-secondary institution in British Columbia next fall. Applications will be evaluated on the basis of financial need, academic merit, service to parish or community organizations and involvement in sports or other activities.

To apply, visit the Knights of Columbus website at the following [link](#)

The deadline for applications is May 9th, 2021.

Prayers said aloud lead the way to God

Pope Francis listens during his general audience in the library of the Apostolic Palace at the Vatican April 21, 2021. Continuing his series of talks on prayer, the pope reflected on the importance of speaking the words of prayers out loud rather than seeing prayer just as a mental exercise or form of meditation. (CNS/Vatican Media)

Click [here](#).

KIDS ON SALT & LIGHT TV

A kid-friendly approach to the Sunday Mass readings and homily. Whether you are worshipping at home due to the pandemic or just looking for a way to boost your family's life of faith, you won't want to miss this brand new series!

[Click here](#)

The Canadian alternative to EWTN.

Our Mission: To proclaim Jesus Christ and the joy of the Gospel in Canada and globally by telling stories of hope that bring people closer to Christ and the Catholic faith.

What We Are: Born on the wings of the 2002 World Youth Day in Canada, Salt + Light is a unique instrument of the New Evangelization. It is dedicated to being – and helping others become – the salt of the earth and the light of the world. Our mission is to proclaim Jesus Christ and the joy of the Gospel to the world by telling stories of hope that bring people closer to Christ and the Catholic faith.

We share the joys and hopes of the Gospel through television, radio, print, and online media. Our work unites people together through prayer, celebration, reflection, education, authentic dialogue and enquiry, thought-provoking reporting and stories of faith and action. We also challenge believers to grow in the knowledge of the faith and the Catholic tradition in its many expressions. We strive to offer an invitation to all peoples, especially those on the peripheries of faith and the Church, to draw closer to the Lord and experience the community of the Church.

Salt & Light channel is 873 on Telus, available by subscription. It is not available on Shaw. Livestreaming of its programs is available on its website here: <https://slmedia.org/>

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. All are cordially invited to the Celebration of Holy Mass:

Monday to Saturday 8:30 am (Except Tuesdays for the month of May, see below)

Sunday 8:30 and 10:30 am—Livestream

You can also tune in your radio from our parking lot 100.3 FM and listen to the mass.

Communion after masses.

Parishioners are kindly requested to adhere to the Covid protocols in the parking lot.

****Please stay in the car with your family.**

2. Office and Church are closed for the public as per Diocesan orders. If you require any assistance, please call the office and leave a message or email at:

charlesgarnier@gmail.com

3. If you wish to do your donations via e-Transfer please send them to:

etransfer.SCGK@nelsondiocese.org

4. Confessions: Monday to Saturday after 8:30 AM mass. Please come inside and see Fr. Gabriel. (Covid protocols in place for confessions)

5. Our First Communion Children are getting ready for the Reception of Sacraments from the 2nd week of May 2021. We earnestly request all our parishioners, to specially pray for our First Communicants, that they may be able to live this faith journey all through their life. Kindly also remember their families especially parents, grandparents and siblings in your prayers.

6. Our Parish is looking for Volunteer Catechism Teachers to help our Parish Faith Formation to Blossom in our Church. "We are the Church" repeats the II Vatican Council and Laity is encouraged to Spearhead the Faith Formation in a Parish Environment. The Parish Council is looking for Six People to form this Faith Formation Circle. Anyone interested may contact the parish office.

7. ****Mass at the Grotto****

Month of May is also known as Mother Mary's Month. We are encouraged to pray and meditate the wonderful example of the Blessed Mother in all our life and activities. In order to honor her, St. Charles Garnier Parish is arranging FOUR SPECIAL ROSARY SESSIONS on all the 4 Tuesdays of the month of May 2021, (4th, 11th, 18th and 25th) in the outdoor setting. The Rosary Prayer will begin at 10:45 AM. After the Rosary Prayer Mass will be Celebrated near the Grotto of Mother Mary at 11:15 AM. Communion will be available after the Mass. (Therefore the 8:30 AM early Morning Mass is cancelled for these four Tuesdays)

The Rosary Prayer will be recited from the PA System inside the Church. 50 People can be accommodated in the Parish Lawn. If people come in large numbers, they can be seated in their cars. Kindly follow the Covid-19 protocols whether you are in the car or in the lawn.

Volunteers are needed to arrange the chairs in the lawn.

After the mass collect the chairs, sanitize and place them in the hall.

Fr. Gabriel



IRHS

PRAYERS FOR ALUMNI

Immaculata Regional High School is celebrating our 60th anniversary this school year. In honour of the 60th, the staff and students at Immaculata prayed the rosary for the graduating classes of 2000 – 2007 during April. We prayed for our former students' health, safety and well-being. Thank you for your continued prayers and support of our Immaculata community.

God Bless!



NEEDED: HOST FAMILIES—CISND

Immaculata is looking for homestay families for our international students arriving in September. If you would like to learn about another culture and share your home with a student, this is a great opportunity! We pay \$925 per month in exchange for a private bedroom, meals and school transportation (bus or car) for a student. If you're interested, please contact Shelley Brodeur irhs.ahc@cisnd.ca

ST. JOSEPH

St. Joseph Catholic School is now accepting applications for September 2021 enrolment. St. Joseph provides a supportive, caring, and safe environment for students in Kindergarten through Grade 7. Our mission is to foster the development of the total child in spirit, mind and body. Through Jesus, we encourage the pursuit of excellence in a community of love and respect.

With over 80 years of academic excellence and the best Kindergarten program in Kelowna we invite your family to join our family!

For more information, visit our website at:

stjosephkelowna.ca

email us at:

sjkoffice@cisnd.ca

or call 250-763-3371



NELSON DIOCESE CHARISMATIC

Good news! Deepen your Spiritual Life and meet new friends from across Canada!

2021 Gathering in the Spirit (GIS) – August 8-12, 6-8 p.m. PDT (7-9 p.m. MDT) – an annual opportunity to deepen your experience with the Lord!

Join us on ZOOM for an interactive week of discipleship formation as Catholic Lay Evangelist, John Connelly, presents the theme: Joy, Peace, and Hope in Turbulent Times, “May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.” (Romans 15:13). Praise and Worship, John’s talks, and group discussion are included in this 13th annual the GIS experience. Please register ASAP by contacting Maria McManus untamedspirit@telus.net 1-250-707-1423. Cost \$25.00. For detailed information, [visit](#)

or contact Gladys: 250-442-8589

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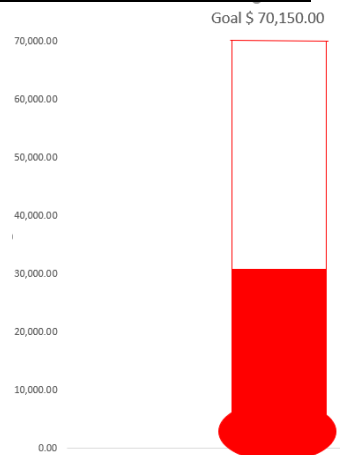
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Goal - \$ 70,150.00

To date - 30,777.90

Donation forms are available at the office, please call or email.

Or click [here](#) to download it.

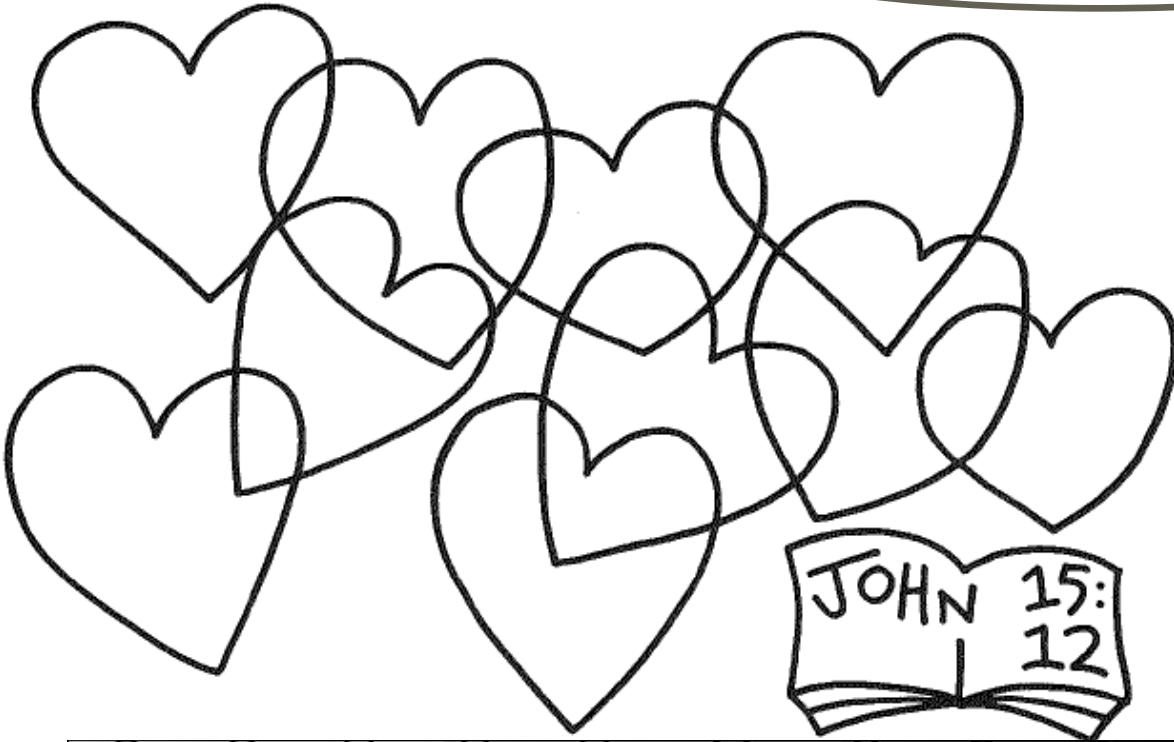


Sixth Sunday of Easter (B)

John 15:9-17

Love each other

Jesus wants us to love one another!



How many
can you see?



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 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
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 OZANAM HOUSE hope@ozanamhouse.com 250-762-4673(HOPE)
 PREGNANCY CARE CENTRE 250-763-2112
 RACHEL'S VINEYARD info@rachelvineyardkelowna.com 250-762-2273
 REACH OUT YOUTH COUNSELLING & FAMILY SERVICES 250-763-7892

Please remember:

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?

- 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.