



St. Charles Garnier Parish

November 27, 2022

First Sunday of Advent.

Keep awake, you must be ready.

Matthew 24



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PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

Advent inaugurates a New Beginning in the Liturgical Calendar of the Church and we begin to Proclaim the Gospel of Mathew. Apostle Mathew was a Tax Collector from Capernaum in Galilee. Jesus saw him at the Customs house and called him; "Follow me" (Mt 9:9-13) and he got up and followed Jesus. He was a Jew and wrote the gospel for the Jewish people who were living outside of Israel. He collected the sayings of Christ and wrote them in Hebrew and translated them into Greek. His knowledge of the Palestinian Society of his time, its culture and his association with Christ are reflected in his writings.

Apostle Mathew used the expression "The Reign of God" which the Jewish people expected. They expected liberation from the oppression of the Romans. So, they expected the Messiah to be born to become a warrior (like a Military General to give them victory over the Romans) But Jesus only brought a Spiritual victory from Sin & Death (1 Cor 15:55) not from Political Oppression. Probably the Jewish people were disappointed. According to Apostle Mathew, Jesus the Messiah is present where Two or Three are gathered. But Jewish Society refused to accept Jesus. In fact, they rejected him outright.

During this season of Advent, We the Christian people reflect on God's initiative to come among us a 'Human Being', in our human world. God who is the 'Word' (Is 7:14), Immanuel, God is with us (Jn 1:14) becomes a 'Human Being' taking human flesh. He pitches His Tent among his fellow pilgrims and campers. Jer 23:5-6 Calls this image as "The Branch of Jesse" and Isaiah calls, "The Stump of Jesse" (Is 11:11)

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Mon	Nov 28	8:30am	✠ Arthur Cutforth & Erick Paquette
Tue	Nov 29	8:30am	Int. Braelyn & Kasia Cutforth
Wed	Nov 30	8:30am	✠ Ken, Mickey & Kody Nicholls
Thu	Dec 1	8:30am	Int. Jack & Marylyn Horsman
Fri	Dec 2	8:30am	Int. Mary Ann Smithwick
Sat	Dec 3	5:00pm	✠ Anthony, Salvatore, Francesca Alfieri
Sun	Dec 4	8:30am	✠ Maria & John Cabral
		10:30	✠ Arlene Christie PSCG

Next Week's Readings

1	<i>Isaiah</i> —	11:1-10
2	<i>Romans</i> —	15:4-9
Gospel	<i>Matthew</i> —	3:1-12

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Since the Old Testament is all about the coming of the Messiah, Apostle Mathew extensively used Old Testament texts in his writings. He used 41 times the quotations from the OT in his gospel. Therefore, he was well acquainted with the Jewish Law & Life.

Since Mathew was the disciple of Christ, he personally had heard Jesus preach. In his writings, Mathew uses Jesus' very words & expressions. In Jewish Society, Jesus was considered a 'Rabbi', a teacher of the Law and not the Messiah. But Mathew called Jesus, "Son of God & Son of David". His Infancy narrative of Jesus is quite artistic, vibrant and inspiring. His Genealogy is worth noting. Mathew considered this Messiah is the 'Suffering servant of God as had been foretold in Is 52-53.

Apostle Mathew wrote the Gospel in 68 AD in Greek. Mathew was deeply immersed in the teachings and sayings of Christ. According to Mathew, Jesus is the New Moses (the law giver) for his New Israelite people. (Christian faithful) This New Moses is the Son of God. He is the Son of David. Paul reminds in Hebrews 13:8 "Christ is the same, yesterday, today and forever". Apostle John attests in his gospel 3:16 "God loved the world so much that He gave His only Son, so that everyone who believes in Him may not be lost, but may have eternal life". "The Eternal Word was made Flesh, He Lived among us". (Jn 1:14) Let us make an effort to delve deep into the roots of our faith during this Season of Advent.

Blessings in the Lord!
Gabriel



ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Christmas Decorations Lights are needed for the outdoors of our Church. If anyone is able to spare their unused Christmas lights that are in good condition, please bring them to the office.
2. Our Advent Reconciliation Service is on Tuesday, December 13th 2022 at 6:30 PM. Everyone is invited to participate. Several Priests will be assisting with the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

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

SCG—Guide to Giving		2022			
November	6	13	20	27	Total
Monthly Parish Collection Budget	6,680	6,680	6,680	6,680	33,400
Monthly automatic bank donations received (SAG)			9,075		
Sunday Cash/Cheque Collection	8,097	3,702	3,716		
E-transfers received					
Monthly total to date	8,097	11,799	24,590		

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**

Livestream click [here](#)

NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS—DIOCESE OF NELSON

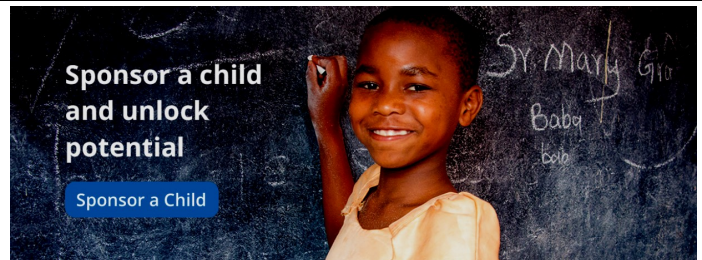


News and Announcements from Diocese of Nelson please click [here](#).



For Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops website click [here](#).

CHALICE



[Click here](#)

DONATIONS BY E-TRANSFER OR CREDIT CARD



E-transfers are accepted at St. Charles Garnier Parish

Send your offering via e-transfer to:

etransfer.SCGK@nelsondiocese.org

no password is required.

Credit Card—Square—please stop by the office.



Pilgrimage of Faith donations can be made via e-transfer to:

etransfer.pof@nelsondiocese.org

or online via Canada Helps at:

<https://www.canadahelps.org/en/dn/24360>

Alternatively, you could complete a pledge card, and return it along with a cheque/cash by collection or to the parish.

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LITTLE FLOWERS OF ST. FRANCIS



Men and women who wish to deepen their Catholic faith in the charism of St. Francis of Assisi are welcome to explore the vocation of the Secular Franciscan Order.

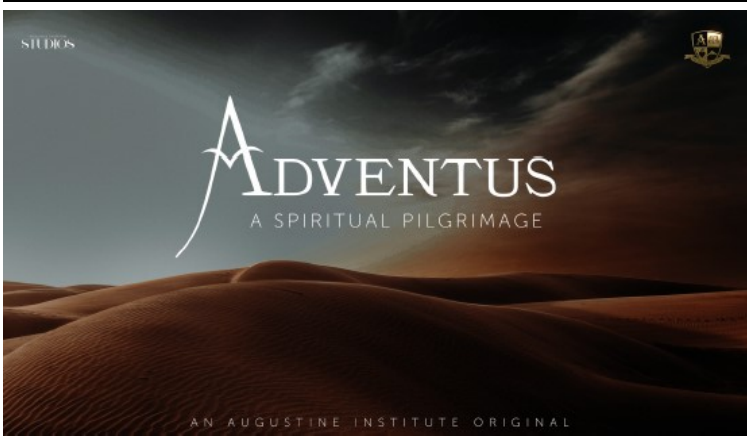
Secular Franciscans are an Order within the Roman Catholic Church.

The Little Flowers of St. Francis Fraternity gathers monthly for prayer, formation, and fellowship. For more information, contact:
Sandy Kavanagh at: 250-212-3596.

CHILDREN CHOIR

Does your child love to sing? Consider joining our children's choir! We practice after the 10:30 mass on Sundays, and will be singing at the 4:30 Mass on Christmas Eve. Text or call Abbey for more info at: 250-899-4384.



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This Advent, make a spiritual pilgrimage to the Holy Land.

Undercover the beauty of the place where Christ was born, preparing your hearts for Christ's coming so you can enter more deeply into this season.



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Click on Register and enter your email and create a password.

Please contact Nicole Horsman at:

nicolehorsman@telus.net

if you have any further questions about

Formed.org

IRHS

Immaculata Fine Arts Night featuring drama, music, and art work.

Immaculata High School gym

Tuesday, December 6, 2022

6:30-8:30pm

Admission by donation

Wine/Appetizers and 50/50 draw

Silent auction of artwork

PARISH EVENTS

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Sunday, November 27	8:30—10:30 am	K of C—Breakfast
Monday, November 28	1:00 pm—4:00 pm	Card Social
Tuesday, November 29	9:00—10:00 am	SSVP—Hall
Wednesday, November 30	9:30 am	Catholic Mom's Connect
Thursday, December 1	10:00 am	Bible Study
	7:00 pm	Prayers—Joseph G. Mlikotic
Friday, December 2	11:00 am	Funeral Mass—Joseph G. Mlikotic

SSVP



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 and choosing the Christmas campaign.

www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/society-of-st-vincent-de-paul-st-charles-garnier-conference/

K OF C

You are invited to the Best Breakfast in town!!
This Sunday after both 8:30 am & 10:30 am Mass.
Sunday, November 27th, 2022
Breakfast is served by the Knights of Columbus!
All funds raised go to Knights Charities!



CATHOLIC MOMS GROUP



Catholic Moms Connect is back!
Wednesday mornings @ 9:30
St. Charles Garnier Hall
Childcare provided!

Contact Abbey Ackerman for more information:
250-899-4384
or aerackerman@gmail.com

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

Mark your calendar ! Our Women's Ministry will meet with a new event on the 3rd Monday of each month.

REFRESH

List of songs from our event:

- O Salutaris Hostia
- Good Good Father
- King of My Heart
- Only in God
- Holy Holy Holy
- The River
- Oceans
- Who You Say I Am
- Tantum Ergo
- The Divine Praises

Mark your calendar! Our next event is on December 19 at 7 PM. More details to come.



Picture by: Rhaelyn A. Gray—Chalice—SCG—Sponsor child

You are invited for
Christmas & New Year Celebration
St. Charles Garnier Parish
 3645 Benvoulin Road, V1W 4M7 Kelowna, BC

Christmas Eve:
Saturday December 24, 2022
 4:30 pm—Christmas Vigil Mass
 8:30 pm—Christmas Night Mass

Christmas Day:
Sunday 25th, 2022
 8:30 am Morning Mass
 10:30 am Morning Mass

New Year's Masses:
Saturday, December 31st, 2022
 5:00 pm—New Year Eve Mass
Sunday, 1st January 2023
 8:30 am Morning Mass
 10:30 am Morning Mass

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE

There has been a lot going on in the world lately. Development and Peace continues its work in Ukraine and other parts of the world while continuing with their initiative People and Planet First Part 2. They're concentrating now on getting new members. Membership is just \$10 for life, and free for anyone under 35. If you haven't yet signed the petition asking the government to create stronger laws for our mining companies in other countries, especially in the global south. 75 percent of mining companies abroad are Canadian and that is because we don't have strong laws protecting the environment elsewhere. We are better than that. We are responsible for stewardship of our earth and our animal brothers and sisters. Good news is that Indigenous people have been leading the way for combatting climate change at the international COP 27 in Egypt. See below for the article from Kelowna Now.

<https://www.dev.org/en/blog/people-and-planet-first-part-2/>

https://www.kelownanow.com/news/news/National_News/Indigenous_leaders_from_BC_take_international_stage_for_a_climate_policy_pitch/

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Main Draw Saturday January 28, 2023, 8:01pm

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 Winners are responsible for cost associated with delivery/claiming of prizes.

First Sunday of Advent (A)

Matthew 24:37-44

Be Ready!

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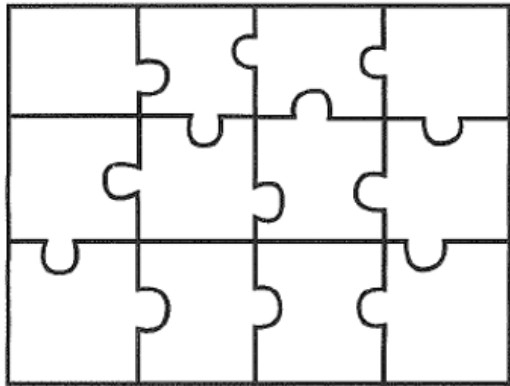


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PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL



Pastor—Fr. Gabriel
Chair—Bernie Schneider
Liturgy—JoAnn Young
Financial—Kevin Schmidt
Maintenance—Don Korby
SSVP—Arnie Schneider
K of C—Duncan Boyczuk
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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).

If you have friends/family members with serious illnesses we will add them to our list and pray for them & their family daily. We meet once a month and pray together.

Contact: Christine Reeves, OFS. 250-575-2043 E-mail: cbreevesac@shaw.ca

SECULAR FRANCISCAN ORDER - "The Little Flowers of St. Francis Fraternity"

Meeting the 2nd Sunday of the month @ St. Charles Garnier Parish Hall.

Contact Sandy: 250-212-3596.

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT de PAUL 250-860-2536

Meet second and fourth Wednesdays at 9:00 am St. Charles Garnier Parish—Hall

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
 Children's Liturgy Allison Knittig 778-477-3790
 Eucharistic Ministers Dave Crane 250-861-4085
 Catholic Moms Connect Group Abbey 250-899-4384
 Music JoAnn Young 250-317-8965
 Readers Marlene Crane 250-861-4085
 Sacristans Brenda Korby 250-859-0840
 Safe Environment Coordinator Jeremy Orr - jeremy@digitcontracting.ca
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 Home Care Visitation Christine Schmidt 250-763-4798

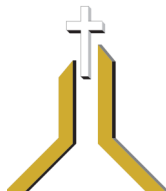
CONTACT NUMBERS

CANADIAN FOOD FOR CHILDREN Penticton-Barb. 250-493-1145
CLUBHOUSE DAYCARE 250-860-4393
CREIGHTON MODEL FERTILITY CARE 250-491-1088
DIOCESE OF NELSON—Catholic Pastoral Centre 250-448-2725
ELIZABETH SETON HOUSE OF PRAYER 250-764-4333
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PREGNANCY CARE CENTRE 250-763-2112
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REACH OUT YOUTH COUNSELLING & FAMILY SERVICES 250-763-7892
reachoutokanagan@gmail.com

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.



**St. Charles Garnier Parish
 WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS!**

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

New Parishioner: **Information Change:**

Name (s) : _____ & _____

DOB (yyyy/mm/dd): _____

Address: _____ Postal Code: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

CHILDREN		
Name (s)	M/F	DOB (yyyy/mm/dd)

Would you like to be contacted by one of our parish groups?	
<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
<input type="checkbox"/> R.C.I.A.	<input type="checkbox"/> Altar Servers
<input type="checkbox"/> Sacristan (Set up for Mass)	

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.