Pastor: Father Gerald

Associate Pastor: Father Salomon

PARISH OFFICE

Secretary: Pat Robinson

Parish Office Hours: The office is closed to walk in

traffic. Please call 250-766-3146 or email

st.edwards@shaw.ca and someone will get back

to you as soon as possible.

Bulletin Announcements by noon on Thursday

email: wandawirth@telus.net

LIVE STREAM MASSES

http://www.stedwardsparish.ca

St. Edwards Parish

Saturday: 5:00 pm Sunday: 10:00 am

Weekday: Tuesday through Friday- 10:00 am

Communion in the Parking Lot After Mass Please Stay in Your Car

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Stations of the Cross: Fridays at 6:00 pm Live Stream

CHILDREN'S RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Noreen Dunn: 250-766-3303

MINISTRY COORDINATORS

If you wish to become involved, please contact the parish office.

Altar Society: Constance Gregory (250) 765-2879
Benevolent Fund: Bob Sellinger, 250-766-5990
Greeters and Ushers: Maxine Joyce (250) 878-5699
Lectors (Readers): Sue Taylor jaytaylor@telus.net
Music Ministry: Linda Kaplan, 250-548-9282
Outreach: Shelly Twerdochlib, 250-766-0202
Sacristans: Lily Oddleifson (250) 766-4390

PARISH COMMITTEES

Parish Pastoral Council (PPC)

Chair:

Parish Finance Committee (PFC)

Chair: Joe Pereira George Liturgy Coordinator

Constance Gregory, 250-765-2879

Grounds and Building Clive Halston, 250-878-4612

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

CWL

Marian Podgornik, 778-480-6444 **St. Edward's Men's Association** Gordon Joyce, (250) 766-8191

Development & Peace

George and Karen Willoner, 250-215-5134

ST. EDWARD ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH 11123 Okanagan Centre Road East, Lake Country, BC V4V 1H3

Phone 250-766-3146 Fax 250-766-3191

Website http://www.stedwardsparish.ca
Email st.edwards@shaw.ca

2nd Sunday of Lent February 28, 2021



NEED A PRIEST?

If you need a priest <u>for emergencies or end of life call</u>, please call the Catholic Chaplaincy phone at 250-878-1502. Regular hospital visits can be arranged by calling the church office during office hours to arrange a time for the Priest to visit.

Prayer Requests

Norman Tutt, Tony Lopes, Alice Peters, Norete Lopes, Kris Durr, Ron Halston, Jamie Reynolds, Donall O'Leary, Mr. Duvan

**If you have a loved one who you would like on the prayer list or if you know of someone who no longer needs to be on the list, please contact the Parish office at 250-766-3146 or email at st.edwards@shaw.ca

Mass Intentions

March 2- Les and Ann McAdams INT

March 3- Special Intention

March 4- The McAdams family INT March 5- The Clapper family INT

March 6- Lily Oddleifson INT

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PARISHIONERS OFFERINGS

February 21- \$3285.37

*You can mail your donations to St. Edwards Parish: 11123 Okanagan Centre Road East, Lake Country, BC V4V 1H3. Please do not include cash in your envelope, cheques only.

*Stewardship (Pre) Authorized Giving (SAG) – once a month direct debit of your regular Sunday offering is offered for your convenience. The SAG form is posted on our website.

*Interac/Etransfers Donations
We now have our own email address for
Interac/etransfer donations to St. Edwards Parish.
When you are sending interac donations please send
them to

etransfer.stedwardswinfield@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, Christmas, New Years, and/or one of the Ordered Collections, or if it is to be split between two or more of these. Donations will be automatically deposited directly in the St. Edwards Parish bank account when the transfer is made so a password is NOT required to make the transfer.

In Deepest Sympathy



Please pray for the repose of the soul of Assunta Rosal, who passed away on February 22, 2021. May God grant her eternal rest.

Her funeral is Monday morning, March 1, 2021, at 9:00 a.m.

<u>Funeral Mass for Assunta Rosal - YouTube</u> https://youtu.be/aQawkJ5NRTY

This site can also be accessed by going to our parish website (under daily Mass- videos-upcoming livestreams).

Our sincere condolences go out to the Rosal and Romei families.

OUR PARISH'S FINANCIAL CHALLENGES

Our parish continues to have financial challenges and needs your support as the unavoidable expenses are greater than our income.

Envelopes are available.

Please call or email the office to contribute.

JOURNEY THROUGH LENT



Given the positive feedback received about the video series Journey through Advent, we are pleased to inform you that we have produced a new series for Lent 2021. Beginning on Ash Wednesday, 17 February 2021, Journey through Lent offers an introduction

to the Season and reflections on Gospel readings of each Sunday in Lent. It is the result of a joint project between the CCCB's Office for Evangelization and Catechesis, the National Liturgy Office and the *Office national de liturgie*.

This short video series will be posted on the CCCB website and accessed through the rolling banner image at the top of the homepage entitled *Journey through Lent: Video Series for Lent 2021*. You are invited to post the links on your diocesan/eparchial website, as well as on your other social media platforms, and to share them broadly with pastors and pastoral teams who work in diocesan offices and parishes.

The links to the videos, in French and English, will be available on the CCCB website. Each Monday, the link for the upcoming Sunday celebration will be released.

To access the video series in English. To access the video series in French.

We are very grateful to Bishop Gerard Bergie and Archbishop Marcel Damphousse for their generosity in preparing and recording these spiritual and pastoral reflections. As we continue to experience the pandemic's challenging realities, we hope that *Journey through Lent* will be a source of deep spiritual solace and insightful pastoral preparation for those looking for meaningful ways to prepare for Easter.



BE AWARE

Scammers are looking for handouts by trying to take advantage of innocent people by masquerading as their pastor. If you receive an email or text message asking for donations of gift

cards or money orders that look like it is from our priest, please do not reply to it as it is a SCAM. Neither Father Gerald nor Father Salomon would ever solicit donations this way.

Rachel's Corner

I feel clean, and with a desire to keep going forward. I feel like a woman who after so very much time, God extended His hand to me and picked me up. I am loved just as I am by Jesus, and now feel worthy in the eyes of God. Thank you, God, for filling me with peace inside and for having received my daughter with so much love, forgiving me and for teaching me to forgive others. -Testimonial

A Rachel's Vineyard[™] Retreat can radically change how you feel about yourself and others. Join us on a retreat and see what it is like to feel peace again, as you are reminded of how much He loves you.

www.RachelsVineyardKelowna.com info@rachelsvineyardkelowna.com 250-762-2273

Like us on Facebook: Rachel's Vineyard Kelowna

FAIR TRADE PRODUCT SALE

We have a wide selection of Fair Trade coffee, tea, hot chocolate and chocolate bars for sale to support St. Edward's Youth and a narrow window in which to sell it. Please call George 250-317-4652 for a list of products or to order and arrange pick up at St. Edward's.

DO YOU NEED GROCERIES, ETC. PICKED UP?

If you are in self-isolation and need someone to pick up groceries, etc. for you, please call or email the office as we have people that willing to help you out.





CHABC'S \$500 BURSARY FOR GRADUATING STUDENTS

This year, the Catholic Health Association of BC(CHABC) will award a bursary valued at \$500 to a graduating student who is enrolled in a Catholic secondary school, or who is a member of a BC or Yukon parish and enrolled in a public secondary school, or who is home-schooled. To apply for this bursary, students are asked to submit a 500-word essay that demonstrates an awareness and understanding of the significance of Spirituality in Health Care. Applicants are reminded that spiritual health is a much broader concept than religious beliefs which may very well form a large part of an individual's spirituality. Before submitting your essay, please ensure that you read the essay guidelines as many past applicants have missed this nuance and failed to capture the true meaning of spiritual care. Submissions must be received on or before April 2, 2021. For essay and submission guidelines, please visit www.chabc.bc.ca/bursary

WHERE YOU WILL BE REMEMBERED OUR ETERNAL GARDEN OF GOD

St. Charles Garnier Columbarium Garden is a resting place for the cremated remains of our parishioners and members of their families of our Kelowna and area Catholic community. Each niche will be identified with engraving into its granite face to include the family name, date of birth and death of the deceased.

At present, our Garden contains one Columbarium with 80 niches, with accommodation for four additional Columbaria (as required). The Garden is landscaped with lighting, trees and shrubs, all surrounded by a wrought iron fence with a locked gate.

For further information and/or an appointment to meet with a member of the Columbarium Committee, please contact:

St. Charles Garnier Parish Office

Telephone: 250-860-6776

Email: stcharlesgarnier.columbaria@gmail.com

Dear Fathers and Catholic Faithful,

Greetings in the Lord!

Bill C-7 is the legislation to amend the criminal code with regards to MAID, or medial assistance in dying or more properly called, Assisted Suicide and Euthanasia.

As you know, the Senate has amended Bill C-7 and sent these proposed amendments to the House of Commons for approval. If these amendments pass in the House of Commons, it will make it much easier for vulnerable Canadians to access assisted suicide and euthanasia.

The most concerning amendments are:

- 1. Allowing people to write advance directives that require euthanasia to be administered if they are sick or disabled and lose the ability to make their own medical decisions.
- 2. Removing the restriction on euthanasia for people whose primary diagnosis is mental illness. This change will automatically come in to effect 18 months after the Bill is passed.

Please seriously consider writing to your MP to ask them to reject the Senate's amendments. To facilitate this task, permanent Deacon Larry Worthen (Halifax) - Executive Director, *Christian Medical and Dental Association of Canada* is providing the following link to the organization <u>Coalition for Healthcare and Conscience</u> which makes such communication much easier: <u>canadiansforconscience.ca</u>.

A request by the government was filed to extend the deadline for this bill until March 26, 2021. This means we have until then to make our concerns known to the government about the dangers of expanding Assisted Suicide and Euthanasia in our country.

Again, please write your MP, including the Prime Minister, Minister of Justice, Minister of Health and the leaders of the Opposition to oppose these amendments. Thank you.

Sincerely in Christ,

X Gregory J Bittman

Bishop of Nelson





JOHN 3:16