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

CONFESSIONS

Thursdays before the 10:00 am Mass

- notify the office if you wish to receive the sacrament.
- park in front of the office door.
- 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

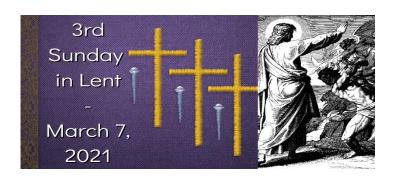
George and Karen Willoner, 250-215-5134

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

3rd Sunday of Lent March 7, 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 9- Assunta Rosal RIP

March 10- Assunta Rosal RIP

March 11- Assunta Rosal RIP

March 12- Lily Oddleifson INT

March 13- Pat Fairbanks RIP

March 16- Assunta Rosal RIP

March 17- Lily Oddleifson INT

March 18- Genowefa Latkowska INT

March 19- The McAdams family INT

March 20- Karen Lehane INT

Due to Provincial health orders, there will be no in-person Masses until further notice.

PARISHIONERS OFFERINGS

February 28- \$2,145.37 Pligramage of Faith - Total To Date – \$8,735.00

*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.

LIVE STREAM MASSES AT ST. EDWARDS PARISH

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

Weekday Mass: Tuesday through Friday at 10:00 am Communion in the Parking Lot After Mass

Please Stay in Your Car

You can livestream the Masses through our website www.stedwardsparish.ca at home or in the parking lot of the Church.

If you would like to just listen to Mass in the parking lot and receive Communion afterwards, park in the parking lot and tune your radio to FM station 88.1.

LENT 2021 RECONCILIATION RITES AT ST. EDWARDS PARISH

Thursday, March 18, 2021 at 3:00 pm in the parking lot. Please stay in your car as you would for communion.

PILGRIMAGE OF FAITH

Thank you to the families who have made a gift to this year's Pilgrimage of Faith Appeal. Each gift is important and provides vital support to the projects and services that rely on "Our Pilgrimage of Faith Appeal". Our parish has currently raised \$8,735.00. Remember that funds received over our Diocesan commitment of \$20,900.00 will be returned to us.



FRAUDULENT EMAILS

Please note, some of our parishioners have received multiple emails that appear to be from Fr. Gerald. They are using his name and are asking for money. This is the email address they are coming from:

pastor9207@gmail.com — but it only shows up as Fr. Gerald unless you click on it and find out that the email address is different. This is not Fr. Gerald's email address and he would never ask for money via email. 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.

JOURNEY THROUGH LENT



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*.

Journey through Lent: Video Series for Lent 2021. 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.

Rachel's Corner

We can help. Abortion AfterCare-Healing www.RachelsVineyardKelowna.com info@rachelsvineyardkelowna.com 250-762-2273

FREEDOM'S DOOR COFFEE CLUB

Why not start the new year off by joining our new monthly fundraiser?

For the small price of a cup of coffee! How, you ask? It's easy! Just give up one store bought coffee per week and put that money toward our new coffee fundraiser. See how a small sacrifice can amount to a huge blessing toward this program in our community!

Can I give you an example? The price of a store bought coffee is around \$4 to \$5. That adds up to about \$20 a month, which in turn adds up to \$240 a year which makes a big difference in helping the men at Freedom's Door!

So, what's stopping you?!?! Join our coffee club today and help us reach our goal of 200 monthly coffee club donors!

Getting Started – there are several ways to get set up for this Monthly Coffee Club. Whatever works best for you:

- Credit Card Charged to your Credit Card on the 15th of each month
- Post Dated Cheques
- Direct Deposit requires contacting our office to fill out documents
- E-transfer to info@freedomsdoorkelowna.com
- Canada Helps

Please consider giving us a call at 250-717-0472 or email at <u>info@freedomsdoorkelowna.com</u> to make arrangements for your monthly donation.

We are praying that the restrictions will lift soon and when they do we welcome you to come down to Freedom's Door and have a coffee with us.

God Bless you and yours in 2021

Freedom's Door 1279 Centennial Crescent Kelowna, BC V1Y 6K3 Canada

Add us to your address book

Want to change how you receive these emails? You can <u>update your preferences</u> or <u>unsubscribe from</u> this list.



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

St. Charles Garnier Parish Office

Telephone: 250-860-6776

contact:

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