**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 to arrange for drop offs or

pick ups

Bulletin Announcements by noon on Thursday

email: wandawirth@telus.net

#### **MASSES**

#### **WEEKEND MASSES**

Saturday: 5:00 pm - NO LIVESTREAMING

Sunday: 10:00 am - LIVESTREAM

Masses will be held in the Church parking

lot. Please bring your lawn chairs. Register online at our website www.stedwardsparish.ca

Weekday: Tuesday to Friday – 10:00 am

Communion in the Parking Lot After Mass

Please Stay in Your Car

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.

#### **CONFESSIONS**

By appointment only

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

#### CHILDREN'S RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Noreen Dunn: 250-766-3303

#### MINISTRY COORDINATORS

**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 <u>jaytaylor@telus.net</u>

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 <a href="http://www.stedwardsparish.ca">http://www.stedwardsparish.ca</a>
Email st.edwards@shaw.ca

April 18, 2021 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter



#### **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, Mr. Duvan, Christine Fraser

\*\*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**

April 10-Les McAdams RIP

April 13- Mitch & Justine Martyna INT

April 14- Kazia & Henry Grenier INT

April 15- Linda Rynne INT

April 16- Mass in Thanksgiving

April 17- The McAdams family INT

April 20-Peter & Mary Cooper and family INT

April 21- Kay Devlin INT

April 22- Les McAdams RIP

April 23-Bev McNamara INT

April 24-The Cooper family INT

April 27- Sydney Nash RIP

April 29-The Cooper family INT

AS PER THE PROVINCIAL AUTHORITY ALL INDOOR SERVICES HAVE BEEN CANCELLED

#### **PARISHIONERS OFFERINGS**

April 11, 2021- \$1,857.37 Needs of the Church in the Holy Land - \$1,007.00 Pilgrimage of Faith - Total to Date - \$15,455.00

\*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.

#### **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.

#### 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 \$15,455.00. Remember that funds received over our Diocesan commitment of \$20,900.00 will be returned to us.

#### **MASSES THIS WEEK-END**

Masses this week-end will be held out in the Church parking lot. Please bring your lawn chairs. Due to provincial regulations, you will still have to register online so please go to our website at www.stedwardsparish.ca

There will be no livestreaming on Saturday at 5:00 pm but Sunday's Mass will be livestreamed at 10:00 a.m.

#### **WEEKDAY MASSES**

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 <a href="https://www.stedwardsparish.ca">www.stedwardsparish.ca</a> 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.

#### PRAYERS FOR ALUMNI

Immaculata Regional High School is celebrating our 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary this school year. In honour of the 60<sup>th</sup>, the staff and students at Immaculata prayed the rosary for the graduating classes of 1996, 97,



98, 99 during March. 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!



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. 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 <a href="mailto:stjosephkelowna.ca">stjosephkelowna.ca</a>, email us at <a href="mailto:stjosephkelowna.ca">stjosephkelowna.ca</a>, emailto:stjosephkelowna.ca</a>

#### **NEEDED: HOST FAMILIES**

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. Thank you very much!!

#### **Shelley Brodeur**

Director of Development & Advancement Assistant Homestay Coordinator

## 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



The Worldwide Marriage Encounter virtual weekend experience is coming to you! May 14-16, 2021 Registration deadline: May 7, 2021

If you desire to restore communication & rekindle romance, this weekend is for you; no travel required and from the comfort of your own home!

Click here for registration:

https://beholdvancouver.org/events/virtual-worldwide-marriage-encounter-5

Click here for info video:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VvQUEZ35Ufg&feature=youtu.be

#### RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREAT



Due to the continuing Covid 19 virus and the latest Interior Health restrictions we are unable to have our April 16-18, 2021 spring retreat. We are working on a possible later date in May or June and will advise as soon as we have a date. We are always available to provide support. 250-762-2273, **FB** Rachel's Vineyard Kelowna, <a href="rvokanagan@gmail.com">rvokanagan@gmail.com</a> or <a href="www.RachelsVineyardKelowna.com">www.RachelsVineyardKelowna.com</a>

#### **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.



Dear Friends of Freedom's Door,

Please click the link below to enjoy our Freedom's Door Spring Newsletter. Even though we cannot meet together to share a meal along with inspirational stories this spring we want to stay connected through our Newsletter.

Click here to view Newsletter

Click here to Donate

Insert from Spring Newsletter....

All of you, the Friends of Freedom's Door, are at the top of our gratitude list. We have been restricted in so many ways such as coming together for our biannual fundraising dinners, or visits at our home with volunteers and mentors, or weekly connections at church or other gathering places. Yet we have found other ways to connect. We have found ways to reach out and be a part of one another's lives as best we can. Certainly, all of you, our donors and volunteers, have been extremely generous to us over this past year. You have contributed by sending in regular donations, by contributing to our "Gold for Good" and "Coffee Club" programs (check them out on our web page) by dropping off clothing, linens and gifts of many kinds, by attending our annual carwash fundraiser, by donating food and items from your place of business and by offering volunteer services in abundance. The list goes on and on; and without you and all these loving gifts of generosity, we could not survive.

We, the volunteer Directors of Freedom's Door, feel honored to be a part of this work. We are given the privilege of witnessing the miracle of lives being transformed each day at our homes as men are healed. We witness each person move out of lives that were filled with chaos and into a place of calm, peace and hope. It is in this place where the traumas of their earlier life are reconciled, and the pain is reduced. A new realization comes into focus for our men, now aware that they can move forward to a life filled with many positive possibilities.

It is your generous offerings that make all of this come to fruition. We are so grateful to you, the Friends of Freedom's Door. You offer hope, healing and wholeness to those suffering from addictions and mental health issues. God Bless you,

Freedom's Door Board, Staff and Guys

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JOHN 3:16



# CONFÉRENCE DES ÉVÊQUES CATHOLIQUES DU CANADA CANADIAN CONFERENCE OF CATHOLIC BISHOPS

#### National Week for Life and the Family: Letter to Catholic Families from The President of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops

May 2021

Dear Catholic families,

Every year the Church in Canada designates one week to proclaim the gift of family and life. The Week for Life and the Family will be commemorated this year from May 9 to May 16, with the theme, "Family, the Domestic Church: A Sign of Hope and Life". Some people may ask, "How can I or my family live up to the ideal of being a domestic church?" The truth is no family is perfect; each one of us is affected by sin and therefore we all fall short of the ideal. The good news is that through our baptism we have been "incorporated into the Church and made sharers in her mission" (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 1213). In and through the power of the Holy Spirit we become missionaries to the world.

What is the mission of the Church in which we partake? It is nothing less than to proclaim the good news of God the Father's saving love in Christ Jesus. Left to our own powers, this would be an impossible task but we are not alone. By our baptism we have been grafted into Christ. St. Paul says: "It is no longer I who live, but it is Christ who lives in me" (Gal 2:20). This mission to the world is meant to be carried out not only by bishops, priests, and religious, but it is for lay people and families too. In the early Church it was not only the Apostles who spread the faith. Pope Francis reminds us that "from the very beginning, Christianity was preached by lay people." Our Holy Father repeats this teaching of his predecessor, Pope Benedict XVI, stating that "in order to take root in people's land and develop actively, the commitment of these families, these spouses, these Christian communities, of these lay faithful was necessary." So too, in our day, the family's commitment to Christ is necessary. As St. John Paul II remarked in 1979: "Evangelization depends largely on the domestic church." Recognizing our own limitations and weaknesses before such a lofty task we ask that the Holy Spirit be rekindled in you and your families so that you may proclaim joyfully the good news of salvation with a spirit of power and love.

With my brother Bishops, it is my prayer that during this year's Week for Life and the Family, you and your family, through the grace of your baptism and through the intercession of the Holy Family, be able to live your lives as a domestic church. Empowered by the Holy Spirit, you will be a sign of hope and life attracting others to the beauty of God's saving love in Christ Jesus.

Yours in Christ,

+ Richard Gagnon Archbishop of Winnipeg

President of the Canadian Conference

of Catholic Bishops