Pastor: Father Gerald

Associate Pastor: Father Salomon

PARISH OFFICE

Secretary: Pat Robinson

Parish Office Hours: Pat will be away from the office until September 14, 2021.

Bulletin Announcements by noon on Thursday

email: wandawirth@telus.net

MASSES

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday: 5:00 pm – With music Live-Stream and 88.1 FM Available

Sunday: 9:00 am - NO music

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday through Friday at 10:00 am

CONFESSIONS

By appointment only

• notify the office if you wish to receive the sacrament.

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: Larry Girard

lauriergirard60@gmail.com
Lectors (Readers): Sue Taylor jaytaylor@telus.net

Eucharistic Ministers: June Bot

bot.june@icloud.com

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

September 12, 2021 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time



<u>IS 50:5-9A; PS 116:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9;</u> <u>JAS 2:14-18; MK 8:27-35</u>

Jesus addresses His disciples saying, "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me." We are Jesus' disciples and He is speaking those same words to us here and now.

Living a life of discipleship is not always easy. It requires us to be imitators of Christ — who suffered, died, and rose from the dead out of total love for each one of us. This means we are called to share in Christ's sufferings by taking up our cross and following Him daily.

But what does this look like in our day-to-day lives?

We can start by making a firm resolution to follow Christ today, here and now, and renewing that resolution each day when we rise. This requires time with Him each day — speaking and listening.

We should also strive to pick up our crosses each day with Christ by our side. Our cross might be suffering from an illness, fighting an addiction, a day of screaming kids, or a period where things just don't seem to go our way. Instead of avoiding these sufferings or complaining about them, we are called to carry them with Christ, allowing Him to transform us through them.

If we live life constantly focused on us, we will ultimately lose ourselves, but if we surrender our lives for Christ and His mission, we will gain eternal life and become more alive than we could have ever imagined, "For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and that of the gospel will save it." This takes daily commitment and requires endurance in our faith, which can only be done through active discipleship.

— Stewardship Reflections by

Catholic Stewardship Consultants

PARISHIONERS OFFERINGS

Thank you for your generous support of St. Edwards Parish

*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.

Prayer Requests

Norman Tutt, Kris Durr, Jamie Reynolds, Christine Fraser, Elizabeth Sedmak, Perla Regalado, Maria Teresa Medina

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

Mass Intentions

September 11- Theresa Gibeau RIP

September 15- May Sirianni RIP

September 17- Marie Robinson RIP

September 18- Alice Peters RIP

September 21- Raymond Kramer RIP

September 23- Bev Kondra RIP

September 24- Marie Robinson RIP

September 25- Lindsay Parlane & Tracey Jones INT

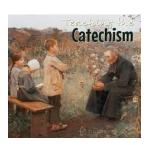
September 28- James Atzesberger RIP

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.

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 \$15,855.00. Remember that funds received over our Diocesan commitment of \$20,900.00 will be returned to us.



CATECHISM

(Grades 1 to 7) To register and/or inquiries regarding classes/home study/sacramental preparation, call Noreen Dunn @ 250-766-3303 or email ternor@shaw.ca

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

The ministry schedule for September and October, 2021 is now available on our website. It is also posted on the bulletin board in the vestibule of the church.

2021 BABY BOTTLE BRIGADE

2021 Baby Bottle Brigade you can provide hope and resources for moms and their babies. How to Donate: Fill a bottle and return to your Church by October 24th. Online https://www.ovpcc.com/donate, Canada Helps Baby Bottle Campaign, Credit Card or E-Transfer call: 250-763-2112. Mail cheque to #201-2622 Pandosy Street, Kelowna, BC V1Y 1V6.

We are encouraged by our statistics in the past year we have supported: 75 new clients; 39 new babies born; 1,282 client visits; 381 clients utilizing our material support room (free store); 64 clients receiving options peer support counselling; 4 post-abortion peer support counselling.

FEDERAL STATUTORY HOLIDAY

September 30 has been declared a federal statutory holiday commemorating National Day for Truth and Reconciliation. Therefore, parish offices and the Catholic Pastoral Centre will be closed on Thursday, September 30, 2021. On behalf of Bishop Bittman, please enjoy the day off while being aware of the reason for the holiday and take some time to reflect and pray for our Indigenous brothers and sisters.

THE VISION OF MAN FULLY ALIVE CATHOLIC MEN'S SERIES

We are calling ALL Catholic men of the Kelowna parishes to gather together twice a month to pray together for their marriages (or future vocations) and for their children and grandchildren! Join us on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month October 6 to May 18 from 6:00 am to 7:30 am at Immaculate Conception Church (Rosary) and Hall (Video & Discussion). Schedule: 6:00 am Men's Rosary led by Fr. Cerlouie (Church); 6:30 am TMIY Video (Hall) with lite continental breakfast items available during video; 7:00 am Small Group Discussion (Hall); 7:30 am Dismissal (or earlier depending on what time guys need to get to work); Free will offering taken up twice (December and May) to help cover costs of breakfast items and program materials. For questions or to register, go to https://www.icckelowna.ca/parish-groups.



WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Worldwide Marriage Encounter WEEKLY virtual experience is coming! Starting September 23, 2021 at 7:00pm and running for 7 weeks on Thursdays. Register by September 17, 2021. Join us

from the comfort of your own home and uncover the secrets to a lasting supportive marriage. Registration coming soon at

 $\frac{https://beholdvancouver.org/events/virtual-worldwide-marriage-encounter-7}{}$

Watch Teresa & Paul's testimonial at: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=i8hzCv3QN1A

ORDINATION TO THE DIACONATE

On behalf of Bishop Gregory Bittman, you are invited to attend the Ordination to the Diaconate of our candidates: Deacon-elect Rod Atwell, Deacon-elect Peter D'Aoust, Deacon-elect Dale Webster, on Monday October 4th, Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, at 5:00 PM, Immaculate Conception Parish in Kelowna. Please continue to pray for our three candidates as they prepare for the spiritual task that will be handed over to them through the laying on of hands of our Bishop. Please be advised the Diaconate Ordination Mass will be livestreamed at www.springfieldfuneralhome/mass for those who prefer to attend via livestream.

St. Pius X

44th Annual

Modified 2021

Bazaar

Saturday, September 25, 2021

8:00 AM - 2:00 PM

St. Pius X Parish

Corner of Gordon Drive & Fuller Ave.



Rachel's Corner

I received so many gifts from God on this retreat. Forgiveness, compassion, love, and the biggest one was learning how to forgive myself. Now I know that God is all powerful and merciful with me and He has never left me alone." Testimonial

How about a weekend where you are treated with compassion and no judgement when you share your abortion story? One where learning how to forgive yourself is part of the plan! Join us on a Rachel's Vineyard RetreatTM.

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

GRIEF TO GRACE RETREAT CANCELLATION

Grief to Grace Retreat - October 20-24, 2021 has been cancelled due to COVID-19 restrictions. New date TBA. If you need more information, please email: g2gkelownabc@gmail.com or call 250-255-7223

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Job Posting: Coordinator of Youth Ministry and Family Life, Cathedral of the Holy Family, 123 Nelson Road, Saskatoon, SK (https://holyfamilycathedral.ca)

The Cathedral of the Holy Family in Saskatoon, SK is seeking an outgoing and engaging full-time Coordinator of Youth Ministry and Family Life to become part of the parish ministry team. The Coordinator of Youth Ministry will be responsible to provide ministry to the youth and families of a growing parish community and to six elementary schools and one high school. The successful applicant will plan, organize, and execute regular youth events for Grades 3-5, 6-8, and 9-12 in accordance with the parish vision. Applicants who have completed their WYCACYM Certificate in Youth Ministry or equivalent and/or have completed Lay Formation programs are encouraged to apply. Applicants should have 3-5 years of experience in youth ministry and be able to demonstrate a strong track record in planning, organizing, and executing well in youth ministry and youth events. Applicants must have their own means of transportation. Salary, benefits, and pension plan are in accordance with the Pastoral Salary Grid of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Saskatoon. For more information and a copy of the ministry position description, please contact Fr. Gerard Cooper at gcooper@rcdos.ca or 306-659-5809. To apply, please submit a cover letter, resume and a pastoral reference letter to Fr. Gerard Cooper, gcooper@rcdos.ca by midnight Wednesday, Sept. 29, 2021.

Job Posting: Development Assistant, Diocese of Saskatoon Catholic Foundation (https://dscf.ca), 123 Nelson Road, Saskatoon, SK.

The Diocese of Saskatoon Catholic Foundation in Saskatoon, SK, is seeking a Development Assistant. The Development Assistant plays an essential role by providing administrative and creative support to the Diocese of Saskatoon Catholic Foundation and participating in all fund-raising activities including data entry, database management, donor communications, direct mail appeals, special events, general clerical duties, and working with volunteers. Specifications include:

- Confirmed practicing Catholic in good standing with the Church.
- Relevant post-secondary credential and/or combination of education and experience
- 3 to 5 years' administrative assistant experience
- Ability to multi-task and exercise independent judgement while performing job duties with little supervision
- Demonstrated ability in being discreet and maintaining donor confidentiality
- Strong organizational and planning skills
- Strong written and oral communication skills
- Proficiency in Raiser's Edge preferred or demonstrated ability to learn new software
- A high degree of proficiency in Microsoft Office Suite
- Demonstrated experience in data entry and database management

Apply by midnight, Sept. 20, 2021 to Executive Director Raissa Bugyi, Diocese of Saskatoon Catholic Foundation, 123 Nelson Road Saskatoon, SK S7S 1H1; Email: rbugyi@dscf.ca



JOHN 3:16