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

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 5, 2021 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time



Today's readings offer us a message of hope – God is with us and wants to heal us. May this message come ablaze in our hearts, so that we might live with unwavering faith. The Gospel presents us with the story of the profound physical healing of a deaf man with a speech impediment. People brought him to Jesus and begged for his healing. Jesus took the man off by himself, touched his ears and his tongue, then proclaimed, "Be opened!" Immediately he was healed. This story in our Gospel overwhelms us with comfort and peace, because we have a compassionate God who sees our physical needs. Yet, if we reflect further on this reading, we see that God uses this moment of physical healing as an opportunity to restore something much deeper – our souls. Often, we are blind and deaf to God in our lives. We miss countless opportunities to see God working in our day-to-day moments - through our loved ones, our community, or even a stranger. We miss the quiet voice of Jesus in our hearts telling us to choose Him, instead of sin: respond in love, instead of anger; or care for someone else in a moment of need, instead of ourselves. These are how we need to be spiritually healed. And the Scriptures remind us that God is with us and wants to heal us.

This week, let us seek God to heal our souls and transform our hearts. Let us pray that our eyes and our ears might "be open" to His workings, words, and promptings in our lives.

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.

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 1-Jamie Reynolds INT

September 2- Thomas Kranabetter RIP

September 3- James Atzesberger RIP

September 4- Betty Klinger INT

September 8- Thomas Kranabetter RIP

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

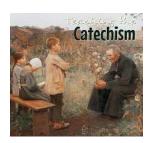
September 24- Marie Robinson RIP

September 25- Lindsay Parlane & Tracey Jones INT

September 28- James Atzesberger RIP

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.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Mass is the central act of worship in the life of a Catholic. It is about spending time with God, offering ourselves to him, giving him thanks, and receiving his graces and blessings. We are currently in need of more volunteers for the various liturgical ministries. If you are at all interested in joining any of our groups and would like more information, we would encourage you to contact the individuals below:

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Altar Society: Constance Gregory (250) 765-2879

Lectors (Readers): Sue Taylor <u>jaytaylor@telus.net</u> Eucharistic Ministers: June Bot bot.june@icloud.com

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It is a tremendous blessing and very rewarding to serve in this way. Please prayerfully consider joining our teams.

We are especially in need of Greeters and Ushers for Saturday evening 5:00 pm Mass

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 Sept. 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

FALL LECTURE

The deVeber Institute for Bioethics and Social Research is run by two Catholic women and they carry out all their work based on the guiding principle of the inherent value and dignity of all human life. Their work is supported by many partners, including Share-Life and Cardus. They will be hosting a lecture entitled "Life Issues: The Indigenous Perspective" on October 5, 2021 at 8pm (ET) via Zoom.

This lecture will feature presentations from a panel of Indigenous midwives, focused on the importance of bringing home, and a presentation from Dr. Carrie Bourassa on end-of-life practices and the need of decolonize health care. Links to register:

Life Issues: The Indigenous Perspective - deVeber Institute or www.deveber.org/life-issues-the-indigenous-perspective or for more information email to bioethics@deveber.org

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

"What you resist, persists." Carl Jung.

How long have you been resisting the idea that the abortion story really has affected you, even when maybe you thought only, she should have those feelings? How long can you keep stuffing it down hoping it will go away?

Join the men and women on a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat and give up the resistance that has persisted and discover the mercy of being free of that burden.

> 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