**Pastor: Father Gerald** 

**Associate Pastor: Father Salomon** 

PARISH OFFICE

Secretary: Pat Robinson

Parish Office Hours: The office is now open to the

public. Masks must be worn

Bulletin Announcements by noon on Thursday

email: wandawirth@telus.net

#### **MASSES**

#### WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday: 5:00 pm

Live-Stream and 88.1 FM Available

Sunday: 9:00 am

#### WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday through Friday at 10:00 am

#### **CONFESSIONS**

Saturday at 4:30 pm or by appointment

#### 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: Vera Gervais, 250-766-2250 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

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November 21, 2021 34<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Christ the King



# THE SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

DN 7: 12-14; PS 93: 1-2, 5; REV 1: 5-8; JN 18: 33B-37

On this last Sunday of Ordinary Time for the liturgical year, we celebrate the Feast of Christ the King. This feast was instituted by Pope Pius XI in 1925, at a time when the world was experiencing a rise of secularism, materialism and individualism, and an increasing denial of Christ's existence and authority.

The hope was that the establishment of this feast would accomplish three goals: that nations would see that the Church has the right to freedom, that leaders and nations would see that they are required to give respect to Christ, the King of kings, and that the faithful would be strengthened and encouraged by the reminder that Christ must reign in our hearts, minds, wills, and bodies.

This feast is needed more than ever for all people and for us especially, as Christian stewards. It reminds us of three vital truths. First, even when it seems the world is spinning out of control, we need not fear because we have a King of kings who is very much in charge and who is loving, merciful and just. Second, if Christ is king of all, then He is also king of me, personally. I am not "lord" of my time, talents, and treasure. He is. I am a servant of the King and a steward of His gifts to me. Third, as His disciple, I am called to imitate my King. Christ's kingship is characterized by humble service, by emptying Himself for the good of others, The Scriptures tell us He went about doing good and He says of Himself, "I came not to be served but to serve." How can I live in any other way than as a humble servant like my King? Stewardship Reflections by Catholic Stewardship Consultants

#### **PARISHIONERS OFFERINGS**

Thank you for your generous support of St. Edwards Parish

November 14, 2021 - \$1,651.60

\*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**

Kris Durr, Christine Fraser, Elizabeth Sedmak, Maria Teresa Medina

#### Mass Intentions

November 20- Bill Berchtold RIP

November 23-Reg Humphries RIP

November 24-Betty Klinger INT

November 25-Reg Humphries RIP

November 26- Jim Graham RIP

November 27- Kathleen & Sollie Oddleifson RIP

November 30-Tracey Jones & Lindsey Parlane INT

December 1-Special Intention

December 2-Tracey Jones & Lindsey Parlane INT

December 3-Special Intention

December 4-The Hillis Family INT

December 7-Lou Zol RIP

December 8-Victor Fernandez RIP

December 9-Maria Gertrude Fernandez RIP

#### **BULLETINS**

There are a few paper bulletins in the door of the entranceway to the church for those who don't have access to our website.

#### PILGRIMAGE OF FAITH

Thank you to the families who have made a gift to this year's Pilgrimage of Faith Appeal. Our parish has currently raised \$20,865.00. We only need \$35.00 to make our 2021 diocesan commitment of \$20,900.00. The Campaign runs until the end of December for 2021. Remember that funds received over our Diocesan

Remember that funds received over our Diocesan commitment of \$20,900.00 will be returned to us. Cheques should be made out to the Roman Catholic Bishop of Nelson.

#### **NOVEMBER: BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE**

The month of
November is dedicated
as a time to remember
our deceased loved ones
and to pray for them.
You are invited to add
the names of your
deceased loved ones
and to pray for all
those listed. There is a
link on our website to
add the names of your
loved ones. Their names
will be read out at all
the Masses.

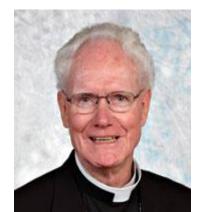


#### **CLICK HERE**

(there is also a

Remembrance Book in the vestibule for those who don't have access to our website)

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord....



# 90<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY WISHES FOR BISHOP EMERITUS COONEY

Bishop Emeritus Cooney is turning 90 years young! If you would like to send a birthday card to Bishop Cooney, please address it to 3665 Benvoulin Road, Kelowna, BC, V1W 4M7

and try to have it mailed or dropped off before November 25 so a package of cards can arrive to him by December 10. Thank you!

#### **MISSALS FOR 2021-2022**

If you would like a Missal for the upcoming year, please contact the office. The cost is \$7.00 each. We conclude a period of Ordinary time and the liturgical year with the Feast of Christ the King this weekend. We open the new liturgical year with the first Sunday of the Advent season, November 28.

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

#### Rachel's Corner

"I knew that by going on a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat, I would have to acknowledge and accept that I had 2 children in Heaven. I had no idea that it was the other way around. They acknowledged and accepted ME! I am their dad, and I have been forgiven." Testimonial After having gone through abortion decisions, is thinking about where your babies are, something that torments you still? Join others on a Rachel's Vineyard retreat and find the peace you have been needing for a very long time now.

info@rachelsvineyardkelowna.com www.rachelsvineyardkelowna.com fb Rachel's Vineyard Kelowna 250-762-2273



# SECULAR FRANCISCAN ORDER

COME AND SEE. The Secular Franciscan Order (a lay order) meets every second

Sunday of every month at St. Charles Garnier Parish Hall at 12:30 pm. Join us as we follow the example of St. Francis of Assisi to live the Gospel of Jesus Christ. For more information phone Sandy Kavanagh at 250-212-3596.

## CORPUS CHRISTI CHRISTMAS CRAFT & BAKE SALE

Corpus Christi Christmas Craft & Bake Sale will take place in the Parish Hall, Saturday, December 4th, from 8:30 am - 2:00



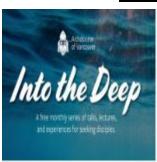
pm. Tables are for rent at \$20 each, (electricity \$5.00 extra). Please call the Parish office. 250-765-6869.

#### SHORT TERM HOMESTAYS NEEDED

The Immaculata International Program is expecting some new students for Semester 2 (late January – June) as well as for short stays during Semester 2. If you have ever considered hosting an international student, a short term stay is a great way to give it a try! For more information, follow this link:

https://www.immaculatakelowna.ca/homestays.php or contact Shelley Brodeur irhs.ahc@cisnd.ca

### INTO THE DEEP



The Archdiocese of Vancouver Presents Into the Deep, a free monthly series of talks, lectures, and experiences for seeking disciples. Next series will be held online, Friday, December

17th, 7:00 - 8:30 pm. Visit the Archdiocese of Vancouver website for more information.

#### **LIVING WITH CHRIST WEBINAR**

This season of Advent is supposed to be a time of joy, but often becomes a time of anxiety and worry. Our Living with Christ colleagues and friends have worked hard to help us to explore the true nature of this liturgical season. On December 1 at 2pm (EDT),

join us for a live Living with Christ webinar: Hope and Joy at Advent, with liturgist and author Dr. Simone Brosig. Registration details at en.novalis.ca/lwcwebinars



#### Office of the Bishop, October 26

As the pandemic continues to linger, it is important that we don't lose focus in order to protect one another from the virus. It can be very easy to become casual, or let our vigilance wane, and to forget we are still living with a very contagious and virulent virus.

#### Please remember:

- Masks are an important means of protecting others from the virus and need to be worn properly, covering both the nose and the mouth. They are now required for those 5 years and up.
- Hand sanitizing is another important measure to reduce transmission of the virus from physical contact. It should be done by everyone upon entering and leaving the church and by priests and Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist before and after distribution of Holy Communion.
- Social distancing wherever possible keeps us safe especially if the virus should be present in the air.
- Those who are receiving Holy Communion on the tongue should receive after everyone else has received, or in a dedicated Communion line for reception on the tongue. Disinfectant/sanitizer should be used by priests and Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist between each communicant.
- The best way to end the pandemic and stop the spread of the virus is to get vaccinated against COVID-19.

On another note, a question has been raised about posture at Mass, specifically around kneeling and standing. For the sake of uniformity throughout the diocese in bodily postures, one should kneel after the Holy, Holy and then stand for the Mystery of Faith. After that, standing is the norm until after receiving Holy Communion when a person can either kneel or sit. Those whose health is compromised or for another reasonable cause, such as a knee replacement, do not have to kneel.

Additionally, we are pleased to welcome three new Permanent Deacons to the diocese. Deacon Peter d'Aoust and Deacon Dale Webster are assigned to the Penticton Parishes and Deacon Rod Attwell is assigned to Immaculate Conception parish.

As always, your continued cooperation and patience is appreciated during this time of pandemic.



JOHN 3:16