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

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bot.june@icloud.com

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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

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Gordon Joyce, (250) 766-8191

Development & Peace

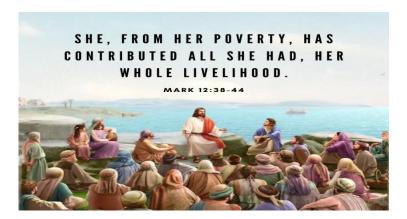
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November 7, 2021 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time



1 KGS 17:10-16; PS 146:7-10; HEB 9:24-28; MK 12:38-44

Today's First Reading from the First Book of Kings, as well as the Gospel passage from Mark, both center on the actions of two seemingly poor and helpless widows who show themselves to be faithfilled and generous stewards.

In the eyes of the world, particularly in biblical times when there was no life insurance or Social Security, these widows were weak and dependent on others to take care of them. They each found themselves in desperate situations — one in the midst of famine with a child for which to care, and the other clearly impoverished. Yet, each demonstrated strength and generosity that distinguished them from those around them. From where did this strength come?

It came from knowing who they are, and Whose they are. These women must have known their security would not come from a good life insurance policy or connections to someone with a hidden storehouse of flour.

No, their security came from knowing they were daughters of the Most High God and from putting their faith in Him. They had no need to panic in the midst of natural disaster or cling desperately to their menial resources. Their faith in God set them free to trust Him when all seemed hopeless. Their faith kept them detached from material possessions. Their faith allowed them to be brave and generous, to think of others despite their own trials.

These women saw themselves as stewards, not owners, of the resources God gave them, regardless of how much or how little they had. And acting as stewards made them gracious, generous and mighty indeed.

Stewardship Reflections by Catholic Stewardship Consultants

PARISHIONERS OFFERINGS

Thank you for your generous support of St. Edwards Parish

October 31, 2021 - \$3,008.35

*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 4-Lucy Skrypnyk RIP

November 5- Mary & Michael Martyna RIP

November 6- Special Intention

November 9- Lucy Skrypnyk RIP

November 10- Betty Klinger INT

November 11- Tracey Jones and Lindsey Parlane INT

November 12- Brendan Murphy INT

November 13- Kri Stanway & Joan Brown RIP

November 17- Vicente Potutan RIP

November 19- Helmi & Carl Brinkmann RIP

November 20- Bill Berchtold RIP

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 \$20,365.00. We are only short of our 2021 diocesan commitment of \$20,900.00 by \$535.00. The Campaign runs until the end of December for 2021. 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....





IMMACULATA CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAIR

Saturday, November 13, 10-3pm Immaculata's craft fair is back! COVID safe protocols in place. Over 50 tables! Free admission, door prizes, bake sale, children activities, refreshments. Enjoy early Christmas

shopping! Entrance at the back of the school. For information, contact Angela Griffin agriffin@cisnd.ca

2022 LEADERSHIP PROGRAM CALL FOR PARTICIPANTS

We are pleased to announce that we are accepting applications for the 2022 cohort of our Leadership Program, scheduled to begin in May 2022 at the Providence School of Transformative Leadership and Spirituality, Saint Paul University, Ottawa.

The program is open to all Canadian Catholic women, from all walks of life who have a genuine interest in making a difference in their communities and places of work.

A candidate must be a Catholic woman, at least 21 years of age, demonstrate oral and written English language competencies, have a genuine desire to cultivate her gifts of leadership, and have made a previous contribution to her community in some capacity.

The Program is a 11-month Certificate program with an ongoing mentorship once the course work is completed. Throughout the Program, participants will be guided by professional facilitators from Saint Paul University. The Program is specifically designed to integrate faith and life, personal and professional leadership development. Spirituality and a Catholic faith perspective are the foundation of all activities; prayer and reflective practice are core elements integrated throughout the program. At present the plan for 2022 of the Program will have an introductory get-to-know-you online module in April 2022; and a five-day intensive component in May /June 2022. This is scheduled to be through ZOOM, and you will be expected to be present. All other modules are online and consist of videos, readings, personal reflections, and discussion forums. The final face-to-face residency component is scheduled for May/June 2023 in Ottawa. To assist with your planning, an announcement will be made in January 2023, about whether this will be online or in person. Application deadline November 20, 2021.

Apply Here! < https://cwlfcanada.us13.list-manage.com/track/click?u=64419bab2f8c08708708d91b6&id=b0fcb69ce6&e=03de2f3993>

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99TH ANNUAL TURKEY SUPPER



Corpus Christi Parish Remembrance Day Turkey Supper, Thursday, November 11, 2021. It will be a drivethrough pick-up dinner once again this year. Times for pick-up are 4:30, 5:00,

5:30 & 6:00 pm. Ticket cost is \$15.00 and can be purchased up at Corpus Christi Parish Office, 750 Rutland Road North or reserve your ticket by calling 250-765-6869.

Rachel's Corner

"Instead of blaming myself for what happened in the past, now that I have been on a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat, I can help the rest of my family heal. I feel so much peace to know God has forgiven me." Testimonial

Have you had a part of the past living in your every day now, as you blame yourself for the abortion decision that was made back then? Are you ready to let that go and see yourself differently? Come on a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat and see what His mercy is all about.

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

NEW PILGRIM PATH

Would you like to experience a freedom and peace too often out of reach in the modern world? The 'Spiritual Exercises' are a compilation of meditations, prayers, and contemplative practices developed five centuries ago by St. Ignatius Loyola to help people deepen their relationship with God. Creighton University's 34-week free self-guided online retreat is a way to make the movements of the Spiritual Exercises in the midst of a busy life. This self-guided journey has been made by hundreds of thousands of people – in seven languages: English, Spanish, Portuguese, Russian, Arabic, Kiswahili and Chinese. The Spiritual Exercises are not confined to Catholicism - they have been found invaluable by people of all denominations and none! You can begin the retreat at any time. Access it at www.newpilgrimpath.ie



ONE RIVER, ETHICS MATTER CONFERENCE NOVEMBER 17/18, 2021 9:00-12:30 PM EACH DAY

This conference being Co-hosted by the Okanagan Nation Alliance (ONA) and University of British Columbia, Okanagan (UBCO) and One River Ethics Matter (OREM) members.

There is no registration fee and this OREM Annual Conference is being held over two, half days with an amazing line up of Speakers, Presenter's, Indigenous Leaders, Allies, Partners, Community. I draw your attention to the two links, see below, about the

Conference background and intent, a centered focus on relationships between Settler and Indigenous peoples and their lands, water ways, and impacts of colonization.

Register through the links below, or through https://riverethics.org/ Agenda: https://riverethics.org/2021-orem-agenda-okanagan/



Exploring the Columbia River Treaty

This year's conference will focus on the history of the Columbia River Treaty and the treaty review process now underway. The conference framework will emphasize social and environmental justice, collaboration towards the common good, and the need for truth and reconciliation between Indigenous and non-Indigenous peoples, and healing the river.

Conference Program

All conference sessions will be presented virtually (via Zoom)

Some sessions will be treaty-specific and include discussions on ethics and the human relationship to water, while others will focus on broader, related topics such as:

- Foundational ethical relationships and responsibilities between humans and water, within an Indigenous worldview and Judeo-Christian teachings and practice
- History of the dam-building era and impacts of pervasive systemic racism, including missing and murdered Indigenous women and girls, and residential schools
- Indigenous food sovereignty and restoring ntytyix (salmon) to the Okanagan and Upper Columbia rivers
- Rivers as our responsibility; moving forward together into a sustainable future



JOHN 3:16