

**Pastor: Father Gerald**

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**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](mailto:st.edwards@shaw.ca) to arrange for drop offs or pick ups.**

Bulletin Announcements by noon on Thursday  
email: [wandawirth@telus.net](mailto:wandawirth@telus.net)

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**WEEKEND MASSES**

**Starting January 15/16, 2022**

**Saturday: 6:30 pm**

**Sunday: 10:00 am**

All Masses are Live-Stream

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**WEEKDAY MASSES**

Thursday and Friday at 10:00 am

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**CONFESSIONS**

By appointment

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**CHILDREN'S RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

Noreen Dunn: 250-766-3303

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**MINISTRY COORDINATORS**

**Altar Society:** Constance Gregory (250) 765-2879

**Benevolent Fund:** Bob Sellinger, 250-766-5990

**Greeters and Ushers:** Larry Girard

[lauriergirard60@gmail.com](mailto:lauriergirard60@gmail.com)

**Lectors (Readers):** Sue Taylor [jaytaylor@telus.net](mailto:jaytaylor@telus.net)

**Eucharistic Ministers:** June Bot

[bot.june@icloud.com](mailto:bot.june@icloud.com)

**Music Ministry:** Vera Gervais, 250-766-2250

**Outreach:** Shelly Twerdochlib, 250-766-0202

**Sacristans:** Lily Oddleifson (250) 766-4390

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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

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**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

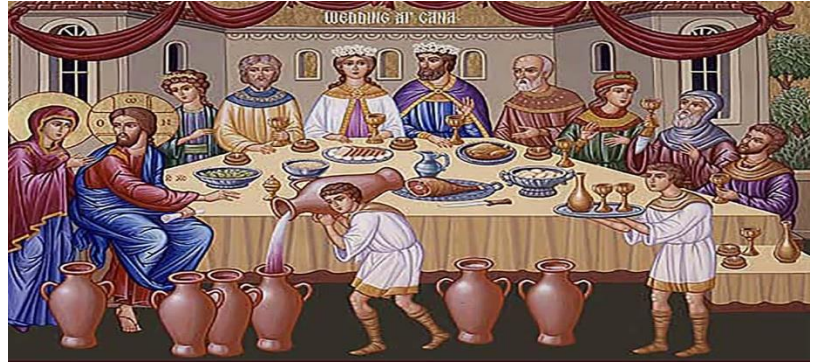
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**January 16, 2022**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**



[IS 62:1-5; PS 96: 1-3,7-10; 1 COR 12:4-11; JN 2:1-11](#)

Today's Gospel reading from John recounts the familiar story of the wedding feast at Cana when Jesus launched His public ministry by performing His first miracle at his mother's request.

In the midst of the feast, the Blessed Mother noticed that the wine had run out and pointed out the problem to Jesus. Then, she gave the servants instructions that are equally applicable to us modern-day stewards, saying, "Do whatever He tells you." Jesus gives the servants a simple and seemingly mundane task, telling them to fill some stone jars with water. They did what He told them to do. And Jesus used their obedience in the accomplishment of that simple task to perform His first miracle, turning the water into the choicest wine.

Our Lord didn't have to include those servants in order to perform this miracle — He chose to. And today, 2,000 plus years later, He still chooses to include us in the performance of His miracles through our cooperation with Him in using the gifts and talents He has given us. What a privilege! Let us take care to listen to our Blessed Mother: let's examine our lives this week to see if we really are "doing whatever He tells us," cooperating with God to make the best use of the gifts He has given us for the benefit of those around us. If we all take this call seriously, He will perform miracles in our families and our parish.

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## **PARISHIONERS OFFERINGS**

*Thank you for your generous support of  
St. Edward Parish*

January 9, 2022 - \$2,542.60

New Year's - \$1,130.00

\*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](mailto: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.

### ***NEED A PRIEST?***

*If you need a priest **for emergencies or end of life call**, 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 a priest to visit.*

### ***Prayer Requests***

*Kris Durr, Christine Fraser, Maria Teresa Medina, Jill Hockey, Bridget Keating*

*\*\*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 [st.edwards@shaw.ca](mailto:st.edwards@shaw.ca)*

### ***Mass Intentions***

January 13- Fermina Dias Cardozo RIP

January 14- Mr. & Mrs. Arthur Stiefelmayer RIP

January 15- Special Intention

January 20- Herbert Stiefelmayer RIP

January 21- Mr. & Mrs. Eric Stiefelmayer RIP

January 22- Josephine Clyde RIP

January 27- Markam Krishna Chetty RIP

January 28- Mr. & Mrs. Dario Facchinatto RIP

## **FROM THE OFFICE OF THE BISHOP**

Dear Pastors and Parishioners,

This is to inform you that Fr. Salomon has been granted a one-year Leave of Absence that commenced on 31 December 2021. Please keep him in your thoughts and prayers.

Sincerely in our Lord,  
+Bishop Gregory Bittman

As Father Gerald will alone be ministering to St. Edward Parish and St. Pius X, changes are necessary to accommodate both parishes. Beginning this weekend (January 15/16), Mass times will be changed to:

Saturday evening at 6:30 pm  
Sunday morning at 10:00 am.

Weekday Masses will be held at  
10:00 am on Thursdays and Fridays only.

### **2022 DONATION ENVELOPES**

Your 2022 Donation Envelopes are available for pick up in the entranceway of the church. If you would like a box of envelopes, or you do not see that your envelopes have generated for this year, please contact the office and a box will be made up for you.

### **PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY**

January 18-25 is The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity spans an octave, or eight-day observance, a time frame that lends significance to the week. It is a great sorrow to be separated from our brothers and sisters in Christ, unable to join around the Eucharistic table together to “do this in memory of me.” We wait in hope in a special way during this week for the day when all divisions among Christians will cease.

### **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.



## SAINT ELIZABETH ANN SETON'S STORY:

Mother Seton is one of the keystones of the American Catholic Church. She founded the first American religious community for women, the Sisters of Charity. She opened the first American parish school and established the first American Catholic orphanage. All this she did in the span of 46 years, while raising her five children.

Elizabeth Ann Bayley Seton is a true daughter of the American Revolution, born August 28, 1774, just two years before the Declaration of Independence. By birth and marriage, she was linked to the first families of New York and enjoyed the fruits of high society. Reared a staunch Episcopalian, she learned the value of prayer, Scripture and a nightly examination of conscience. Her father, Dr. Richard Bayley, did not have much use for churches, but was a great humanitarian, teaching his daughter to love and serve others. The early deaths of her mother in 1777 and her baby sister in 1778 gave Elizabeth a feel for eternity and the temporariness of the pilgrim life on earth. Far from being brooding and sullen, she faced each new "holocaust," as she put it, with hopeful cheerfulness.

At 19, Elizabeth was the belle of New York and married a handsome, wealthy businessman, William Magee Seton. They had five children before his business failed and he died of tuberculosis. At 30, Elizabeth was widowed and penniless, with five small children to support.

While in Italy with her dying husband, Elizabeth witnessed Catholicity in action through family friends. Three basic points led her to become a Catholic: belief in the Real Presence, devotion to the Blessed Mother and conviction that the Catholic Church led back to the apostles and to Christ. Many of her family and friends rejected her when she became a Catholic in March 1805.

To support her children, she opened a school in Baltimore. From the beginning, her group followed the lines of a religious community, which was officially founded in 1809. The thousand or more letters of Mother Seton reveal the development of her spiritual life from ordinary goodness to heroic sanctity. She suffered great trials of sickness, misunderstanding, the death of loved ones (her husband and two young daughters) and the heartache of a wayward son. She died January 4, 1821, and became the first American-born citizen to be beatified, in 1963, and then canonized, in 1975. She is buried in Emmitsburg, Maryland.

**REFLECTION:** Elizabeth Ann Seton had no extraordinary gifts. She was not a mystic or stigmatic. She did not prophesy or speak in tongues. She had two great devotions: abandonment to the will of God and an ardent love for the Blessed Sacrament. She wrote to a friend, Julia Scott, that she would prefer to exchange the world for a "cave or a desert." "But God has given me a great deal to do, and I have always and hope always to prefer His will to every wish of my own." Her brand of sanctity is open to everyone if we love God and do His will.

**SAINT ELIZABETH ANN SETON IS A PATRON**

**SAINT OF:** Catholic Schools, Educators/Teachers, Loss of Parents, Widows

## Grieving with Great HOPE Good Mourning Ministry

If the death of a loved one has left you searching for God in your grief, we are here to help.

*Grieving with Great Hope* is a Christ-centered grief support group with an approach rooted in the traditions and teachings of the Catholic Church. It uses prayer, scripture, reflection activities, faith sharing and fellowship to help you find Christ's consolation in your grieving.

Our Winter Session will run for 10 weeks, each Wednesday, 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm from January 26th to March 30th. Sessions will be held in the Immaculate Conception Parish Hall, all are welcome!

If *Grieving with Great Hope* is for you or if you wish to learn more or to register, call ICC parish office (250.762.3910) or email Deacon Rod

Attwell: [rod.attwell@nelsondiocese.org](mailto:rod.attwell@nelsondiocese.org)

**Registration is required to ensure that a participant booklet and seat is available for you.**

Note: There are *no* fees for the sessions, participant booklet and journal.

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ANNUAL CHARITY APPEAL DRIVE

**The Knights of Columbus Annual Charity Appeal drive is well under way.** This year there are 13 cash prizes with 1st prize being \$60,000.00. Tickets can be purchased online at < [KofCDraw.net/C6233](http://KofCDraw.net/C6233) > .



**60<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL CHARITY APPEAL**

Click here [KofCCharity.ca](http://KofCCharity.ca)

WIN \$135,000 in prizes including a \$60,000 Grand Prize

TICKETS only \$3

**PRIZES**

1 <sup>st</sup> Prize \$60,000	4 <sup>th</sup> Prize \$10,000
2 <sup>nd</sup> Prize \$40,000	5 <sup>th</sup> Prize \$3,000
3 <sup>rd</sup> Prize \$15,000	6 <sup>th</sup> to 12 <sup>th</sup> \$1,000 each! --> Early Bird (Dec 4)

Limited Tickets!  
BUY TODAY [KofCCharity.ca](http://KofCCharity.ca)

Total Prizes \$135,000

Sales Oct 18, 2021 to Jan 29, 2022, 7pm  
Early Bird Draw Saturday Dec 4, 2021, 7:15pm  
Main Draw Saturday January 29, 2022, 7:15pm

An annual charity appeal of the Knights of Columbus (BC) Charity Foundation  
WORKING TOGETHER TO MAKE OUR COMMUNITIES BETTER  
Thank you for your Support!

For general inquiries call 604-216-7272. BC Gaming Event License #: 130037  
Chances are 1 in 250,000 (total tickets for sale) to win a grand prize. Actual odds depend on number of tickets sold. 19+ to play.  
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Winners are responsible for cost associated with delivery/claiming of prizes.



**THE NINE PASTORAL CARE SESSIONS TO BE HELD  
VIA ZOOM FOR CONSECUTIVE SATURDAYS,  
JANUARY 29, 2022, @ 2.5 HOURS EACH (9:30-NOON)  
EXCEPT FOR SPRING BREAK (TWO WEEKS) TO  
CONTINUE APRIL 2 & 9**

**Session 9**  
Spouse  
Caregiving, and  
Healthy Boundaries  
& Self-Care  
April 9

**Session 1**  
Orientation to  
Pastoral Care  
January 29

**Session 2**  
The Healing  
Ministry of Christ  
February 5

**Session 8**  
Who Am I as a  
Pastoral Care  
Outreach Visitor?  
April 2

**Session 3**  
Listening and  
Communication  
February 12

**Session 7**  
Bereavement:  
Ministering to  
Families  
March 12

**Session 4**  
Elderly Isolation,  
Loneliness and the  
Journey with  
Dementia  
February 19

**Session 6**  
The Grieving  
Process  
March 5

**Session 5**  
The Healing  
Ministry in the  
Care of the Dying  
February 26

**For further  
information,  
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Moira King, Chair  
Diocese of Victoria Health Care Committee**

[moiraking@shaw.ca](mailto:moiraking@shaw.ca)



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