Pastor: Father Gerald

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 to arrange for drop offs or

pick ups.

Bulletin Announcements by noon on Thursday

email: wandawirth@telus.net

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday: 6:30 pm **Sunday: 10:00 am**

All Masses are Live-Streamed

WEEKDAY MASSES

Thursday and Friday at 10:00 am

RECONCILIATION

Confessions are available after the 10:00 am mass on Thursdays and Fridays 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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February 6, 2022 Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time



IS 6: 1-2A, 3-8; PS 138: 1-5, 7-8; 1 COR 15:1-11 or 1 COR 15:3-8, 11; LK 5: <u>1-11</u>

Our readings today remind us of the great privilege we have in calling ourselves both children and disciples of the Most High God.

The First Reading from Isaiah describes a vision of the prophet in which angels surround the Lord proclaiming, "Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts! All the earth is filled with his glory!" Our God invites us to such deep intimacy and friendship with Him that sometimes we can forget just how majestic and unspeakably holy He truly is.

In the Gospel passage, from Luke, Jesus instructs Simon to lower his nets for a catch despite an unsuccessful night of fishing. Peter is skeptical but obeys and is amazed at the catch of fish that he makes. He kneels down before Jesus in astonishment.

This sense of awe and reverence before God should motivate us to deepen our stewardship way of life. As we contemplate the holiness of God, we come to a heightened awareness of what a privilege it is that He has chosen to include us in His work of spreading the Gospel to others through the grateful sharing of the gifts He has given us. Aware of this privilege, we will then make the words of Isaiah our own: "Here I am Lord, send me!"

Stewardship Reflections by Catholic Stewardship Consultants

PARISHIONERS OFFERINGS

Thank you for your generous support of St. Edward Parish

January 30, 2022 - \$2,127.60

*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.

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 a priest to visit.

Prayer Requests

Kris Durr, 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 <u>st.edwards@shaw.ca</u>

Mass Intentions

February 5-Brigida Potutan RIP

February 10-Donal O'Leary RIP

February 11-Patrick Purcell RIP

February 12-Special Intention

February 17- Paddy Coghlan RIP

February 18- Intentions of Kathleen Russell

February 19- Leonara Rego RIP

February 24- Paul Purcell RIP

February 25- Paddy Coghlan RIP

February 26- Digo Lobo RIP



INCOME TAX RECEIPTS

Income Tax Receipts for 2021 are ready to be picked up in the vestibule.

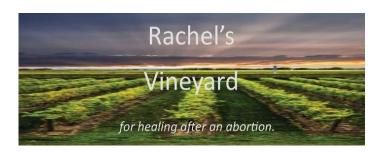
WORLD DAY OF THE SICK

Archbishop Miller will celebrate a live-streamed Mass for World Day of the Sick on Friday, February 11 at **noon.** We invite you to visit beholdvancouver.org closer to the date for the live stream link. We also invite parishes to pray for the sick and their caregivers at daily Mass on this day. We also encourage you to promote the Holy Father's message for World Day of the Sick: vatican.va/content/francesco/en/messages/sick. World Day of the Sick is a time to offer prayers for those who suffer from illness and for their caregivers. The theme of this year's 30th World Day of the Sick, "Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful" (Lk 6:36), makes us first turn our gaze towards God, who is "rich in mercy" (Eph 2:4). "May the Thirtieth World Day of the Sick help us grow in closeness and service to the sick and to their families." To learn more about this day, visit www.chabc.bc.ca/world-day-of-the-sick.

<u>IMMACULATA – GRAD SHOW FUNDRAISER</u>

The Grad Class of 2022 is hosting an online version of the annual tradition of the Grad Show. Purchase tickets, show snacks, and wine by calling the school office. 250-762-2730. 100% of the proceeds go to offset the cost of the grad retreat, ceremony, banquet, and scholarships. We are still collecting bottles of wine and spirits as well as silent auction donations for this event as well. More details can be found here:

https://www.immaculatakelowna.ca/post/mark-your-calendars-for-february-17th-2022



ABORTION HEALING RETREAT

Many women, men, couples and relatives who have had an abortion experience, suffer emotional and spiritual pain, afraid to reveal their deep secret. We invite you to come on a Rachel's Vineyard Weekend Retreat where you will receive God's mercy, compassion and grace replacing shame, guilt, anger, and grief. Registering now. Confidentiality assured.

www.rachelsvineyardkelowna.com

,info@rachelsvineyardkelowna.com, 250 -762-2273

Rachel's Corner

"Be intentional with that pain you are feeling and realize there is no time limit as you deal with deep hurts. Some wounds when left to themselves will only get infected and get worse with time. It is good to acknowledge and make space for that grief in your life, instead of just ignoring it and pretending it is not there." - Debra Fileta, LPC

Have you allowed yourself to grieve your loss due to an abortion decision? Has the shame and regret been weighing you down? Join us on a Rachel's VineyardTM Retreat and find freedom and peace in acknowledging your pain and allowing the healing to begin.

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BISHOP THOMAS J. LOBSINGER, OMI MEMORIAL BURSARY PROGRAM



The annual British Columbia and Yukon Bursary program known as the Bishop Thomas J. Lobsinger, OMI Memorial Bursary Program is underway. The 2022 program is now receiving applications. We are privileged to offer fourteen bursaries of \$1,000.00 each to Catholic students

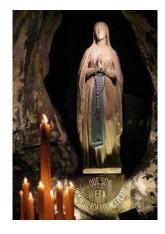
across the Province of British Columbia. These bursaries are made available on a one-time only basis to young practicing Catholic students who are in post secondary education at a recognized institute of higher learning within the Province of British Columbia. Applications are accepted from January 1, 2022 until June 30, 2022 with the bursaries being awarded in the fall. The Terms of Reference may be found on our web site (kofcbc.org) after Jan 1, 2022.

Requests for application should be addressed to:

Knights of Columbus BC & Yukon 2809 Mara Drive, Coquitlam, BC V3C 5T9 Attn: Herb Yang, Bursaries Chairman

Or email: herbykofc@gmail.com

We would like to congratulate the many recipients once again over the past years and look forward to the opportunity to assist many more young people in the advancement of their education.



The Story of Our Lady of Lourdes

In 1854, Pope Pius IX proclaimed the dogma of the Immaculate Conception in the apostolic constitution *Ineffabilis Deus*. A little more than three years later, on February 11, 1858, a "young lady" appeared to 13-year-old Bernadette Soubirous. One of Bernadette's

chores was to collect wood for the fire.

Bernadette and two companions headed off to the Gave

River to collect pieces of wood. The two companions ran ahead and left Bernadette struggling to keep up. As Bernadette was taking off her shoes to make her way through the river, she was startled by a peculiar wind and rustling sound. Bernadette looked up towards the grotto and the caves on the riverbank. Near the opening of the grotto, she noticed the cave was suddenly filled with golden light. Lifting her eyes, she saw a lady of great beauty, dressed in a pure white robe with a blue sash, a veil over her head, a rosary clasped in her hands and yellow roses at her feet. The beautiful lady smiled at Bernadette and asked her to say her Rosary but when she finished, the lady had vanished. Bernadette returned there the next Sunday and again saw the beautiful lady. The third time Bernadette went to the grotto, the beautiful lady asked Bernadette to come every day for 15 days; to tell the priests to build a chapel there; and to pray for the conversion of sinners. Bernadette followed the requests. At first, the priests, the town's folk, and the families doubted Bernadette's visions and the purpose in her activities. On March 25, the Lady finally told Bernadette that she was Mary, the mother of Jesus, and that her purpose in appearing to Bernadette was to warn her to pray and make sacrifices for sinners. Bernadette's daily visits to the grotto caused quite a stir in the countryside. Eventually, everyone believed Bernadette and crowds of people began to gather and watch Bernadette as she examined the cave and obediently did the things the lady asked of her. They watched Bernadette scrape away soil beside the grotto until a spring of water started to trickle out. The grotto at Lourdes became a place of worship and the Lourdes Holy Water was sacred for performing healing miracles. The spring still provides 27,000 gallons of water daily. Today, Lourdes remains one of the most frequented Christian shrines in the world. More than 3 million visitors, pilgrims and tourists come each year to the Grotto where the Virgin Mary appeared to Bernadette 18 times in 1858. from Catholic News Agency



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JOB POSTING - SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

The CISKD Board of Directors takes pride in the quality of Catholic Education in the Kamloops Diocese. The Board of Directors is searching for a dynamic individual for the position of Superintendent of Schools, with duties to commence on August 1, 2022. Our six schools, located in Quesnel, Williams Lake, Kamloops and Vernon, provide education for approximately 1,500 students. ASCEND Online, our Distributed Learning School, serves students and families across British Columbia.

We are seeking a practicing Catholic who will lead with visionary impact; guide our schools with a strong Catholic identity and provide a superior academic environment.

The successful candidate for this position must:

- be an active practicing Catholic, faithful to the magisterium of the Catholic Church, who understands integrating Catholic values throughout the learning experience
- demonstrate exceptional collaborative leadership ability
- · possess effective communication, interpersonal and public relations skills
- possess the ability to attract, recruit and empower a strong leadership team
- be committed to developing "an evangelizing school community which fosters a personal relationship with Jesus in the family of the Church"
- have a strong moral character and a high level of energy
- possess a working knowledge of legislation related to Catholic Independent Schools in the province of BC
- · Have experience as an Administrator in a Catholic school system

In addition, Candidates for the position will be asked to provide evidence that they have:

- . BC Certification, the equivalent, or be eligible for certification in BC
- an education relevant to the position
- a proven track record as a successful school administrator

To request an application package and pastor's reference form, please contact Fr. Fred Weisbeck at fred@rcdk.org or Telephone: 250-376-3351 ext. 222. Completed applications will be accepted until noon Friday, February 18th, 2022.

Please note that only those short-listed for an interview will be contacted.



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