

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

Both Masses are Live-Streamed

WEEKDAY MASSES

Wednesday and Thursday at 10:00 am

RECONCILIATION

Confessions are available after the 10:00 am Mass on Thursday and Friday 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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April 24, 2022

Second Sunday of Easter/Sunday of Divine Mercy



ACTS 5:12-16; PS 118: 2-4,13-15, 22; REV 1:9-11A, 12-13, 17-19; JN 20: 19-31

Today, the Second Sunday of Easter, is Divine Mercy Sunday. Our Gospel reading from St. John is often called the story of “Doubting Thomas” but the passage involves so much more than the encounter with the skeptical apostle. It is rich with lessons of Christ’s mercy to all, including an encouraging word from our Lord especially for us, His modern-day disciples.

While Thomas traditionally takes all the bad rap for his doubts, we see that none of the Apostles were at their best when Christ first appeared to them after His resurrection. They were actually in hiding, cowering behind a locked door, paralyzed by fear and doubt.

But Jesus appeared right in their midst in spite of the lock on the door. Was it to rebuke them for their lack of faith? Quite the contrary.

He comes on a mission of mercy. He comes to offer them peace and the restoration of their relationship with Him. And even more, He commissions them to become ministers of His mercy, by giving them authority to forgive sins. At that moment Christ gives to all of us the supreme gift of mercy — the sacrament of Reconciliation. What a precious and powerful gift!

This Sunday is a perfect time to reflect on how well we make use of this gift. Do we really appreciate its healing power? Could we become better stewards of this gift by going to Confession more often? We must also reflect on how well we extend mercy to others as Jesus did to Thomas that day.

Let’s commit ourselves to becoming faithful disciples and stewards of Christ’s mercy. We will be those very ones to whom Jesus gave a “shout out” during His encounter with Thomas: “Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed” — in His merciful love.

Stewardship Reflections by Catholic Stewardship Consultants

PARISHIONERS OFFERINGS

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

April 17, 2022 - \$3,683.15
Good Friday - \$2,114.00
Development & Peace - \$80.00

*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

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.

Pilgrimage of Faith donations are also accepted with no password at etransfer.pof@nelsondiocese.org

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

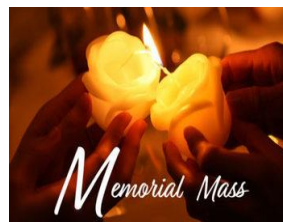
Doreen Skalicky, Marilyn Slivinski

***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*

Mass Intentions

April 22-Mitch Martyna INT
April 23- Russell Family INT
April 28-Helen Curran INT
April 29- Lindsey Parlane and Tracey Jones INT
April 30- The Biollo family INT
May 5- Special Intention
May 7- Don and Lucy Turri INT

MEMORIAL MASS FOR DAVID TUTT



A Memorial Mass will be held for David Tutt who passed away on March 31st, 2020. Mass will be celebrated on Thursday, May 5th at 2:00 pm. Reception to follow.

NEEDING A RIDE TO MASS ON SUNDAYS

If anyone living in the “Lakes” or area are able to give a new parishioner a ride to Mass on Sunday mornings, it would be appreciated. He and his wife have just moved here from the East Coast and do not have transportation. Please call the office if you are able to offer a ride and we'll put you in touch with him.

PILGRIMAGE OF FAITH 2022

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 \$4,600.00. Remember that funds received over our Diocesan commitment of \$20,800.00 will be returned to us.



THE CANADIAN COUNCIL OF CHURCHES

The Canadian Council of Churches (CCC), in collaboration with the Canadian Bishops of the Ukrainian Catholic and Ukrainian Orthodox Churches, has issued an invitation to Christians in Canada to pray for peace in Ukraine and to ring church bells, at **noon (local time) on April 24** (Pascha or Easter Sunday on the Julian Calendar).

The invitation includes 3 prayer options that can be found at the following links:

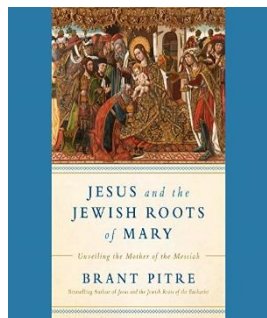
English: <https://www.councilofchurches.ca/news/april-24-2022-prayer-for-ukraine-and-for-peace-for-the-world/>

THE GRIEF TO GRACE RETREAT

The Grief to Grace Retreat is scheduled for **May 25-29, 2022**. For more information call 250-878-7603 or email g2gkelownabc@gmail.com Please contact us in complete confidence to learn more. We understand it can be difficult to talk about what has happened and that interested individuals may be a long way from deciding to attend a retreat. Director: Pam Swoboda
839 Sutherland Ave.
Kelowna, BC V1Y 5X4
250-255-7223

ST. EDWARD'S BOOK CLUB

Thank you for the amazing support you have given to our new book club and we are excited to announce Book No. 2! As we will be reading the book during May we have chosen "**Jesus and the Jewish Roots of Mary**" by Brant Pitre. The title might be long but the book is not! It is written in a very approachable style and leaves you wanting to turn the next page. It casts new light on the Virgin Mary, illuminating her role in the Old and New Testaments; Are Catholic teachings on Mary really biblical? Or are they the "traditions of men"? Should she be called the "Mother of God," or just the mother of Jesus? Did she actually remain a virgin her whole life or do the "brothers of Jesus" refer to her other children? By praying to Mary, are Catholics worshipping her? And what does Mary have to do with the quest to understand Jesus?



"Brant Pitre is one of the most compelling theological writers on the scene today." –Bishop Robert Barron

You can sign up to receive the next book in a number of ways

- Signup sheets after Mass
- Through the St. Edwards website
- By contacting Pat at the office
- Or by emailing Cara at reedcj22@gmail.com

We are going to place an order with Loaves and Fishes and the books should be available by Sunday May 1st. Group Discussion tentatively scheduled for the weekend of 3/4 June.

For those who prefer their books in a different format it is also available on Audible as an audiobook and Kobo/Kindle as an e-book.



**KNIGHTS
OF COLUMBUS**

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BURSARIES

The Fr. Delestre Council of the Knights of Columbus is pleased to announce that it will again be offering bursaries to students who are graduating from high school this year and who are planning to attend an accredited post-secondary school in BC. One-time bursaries are also available for students already in post-secondary programs who are continuing their studies in accredited post-secondary education in BC.

Applications can be requested, by contacting Paul Gabias by email, paul.gabias@ubc.ca. All applications must be received on or before May 30th to be considered.



IMMACULATA
REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL EST 1960

IMMACULATA HOMESTAYS NEEDED FOR 2022-23

Do you enjoy learning about other cultures?

Do you like kids?

Do you have a spare room?

If you answered yes to these questions, you could be just the family we're looking for! We are building our list of homestay families for the 2022-23 school year! We expect to have students from Latin America, Asia and Europe. This is a great experience for your whole family and we pay \$1000 (tax free) per student per month. If you'd like to learn more, have a look at this link <https://www.immaculatakelowna.ca/homestays.php> and/or contact Shelley Brodeur at irhs.ahc@cisnd.ca.



MAY 6TH - 31ST, 2022

CATHOLIC CHRISTIAN OUTREACH (CCO)

Do you want more out of your faith? Do you want to share your faith with others? Discover what's next in your journey with Catholic Christian Outreach.

Catholic Christian Outreach (CCO) is a university student movement dedicated to evangelization, living the fullness of the Catholic faith, and an emphasis on building leaders for the renewal of the world.

From May 8th to May 30th CCO will be hosting small group faith studies called Discovery. Discovery is a 6-hour program, broken up into separate lessons that will explore how to grow in faith, what it means to have a personal relationship with Jesus, and how we can share our faith with the people in our lives. Regardless of where you're at in your faith, we want to invite you to participate.

More information and how to register will be coming soon.

For questions please contact Evalina Williamson at evalina.williamson@cco.ca or 613-484-8765.

AID FOR VICTIMS IN UKRAINE

DONATIONS:

TAX RECEIPTS WILL BE ISSUED BY THE PARISH FOR FINANCIAL DONATIONS.

Include: Name, Address & Postal Code

1. Cash
2. Cheques – Payable to Dormition of the Mother of God Ukrainian Catholic Church
1091 Coronation Avenue, Kelowna, BC V1Y 7A8. Note on cheque: AID FOR UKRAINE
3. Etransfer – to dormitiontransfer2020@gmail.com

MEDICAL SUPPLIES URGENTLY REQUIRED:

Drop off at the Church Monday through Saturday - Dormition of the Mother of God Ukrainian Catholic Church, (1091 Coronation Avenue, Kelowna, BC V1Y 7A8)

First Aid Kits – Full and Empty
Antibiotic Ointments
Battery Flashlights
Ice and hot packs
Bacitracin Zinc
Headlamps
Tensor bandages
Polymycin B Sulphate
Water Purification Tablets
Trauma Scissors
Neomycin/Erythromycin
Radios, Walkie-Talkies
Bandage Scissors
Polysporin Cream
Tactile vests

Tweezers
Lidocaine Cream
Tactile belts
Face masks/Burn creams
Tactile Gloves
Tourniquets
Aanalgesics: Advil, Tylenol
Tactile shoes
Blood Pressure Cuffs
Sedatives
Tactile backpacks
Athletic Tape
Antiviral meds
Tactile first aid kits
Batteries all sizes

Dressing Kits
Sulfadiazine
Fleece gloves
Sterile Gauge sponge (various sizes)
Iodine Spray
Knee pads
Sterile Stretch Gauge
Glucose Tablets
Thermal Underwear
Bandages
Electric Generators
Sleeping Bags
Surgical Gloves: S, M, L
Sleeping Mats

BABY ITEMS:

Diapers
Wipes
Bottles

Clothes
Blankets
Dried Formula

Dried Pablum



JOHN

3:16



Would you like to see your business advertised in our bulletin? Cost is \$100 per year or \$10.00 per month. Please contact the office.