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

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

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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 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 3, 2022
Fifth Sunday of Lent
Development and Peace Solidarity Sunday



EZ 37:12-14; PS 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8; ROM 8:8-11; JN 11:25A, 26; JN 11:1-45; JN 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33B-45

Once again this week, we are reminded of what a loving and merciful God we serve. The theme of the readings for this fifth Sunday of Lent are summed up beautifully in today's Gospel passage from Luke, which recounts the story of the woman caught in adultery. After all those who would have stoned this woman leave the scene, Christ says to her, "Neither do I condemn you. Go, and from now on do not sin anymore."

When we turn to God for forgiveness, He is indeed gracious and merciful. So much so, that not only will He forgive our sins without condemnation, He will make us completely new creations in Christ.

What is more amazing is that this all-perfect and holy God of ours draws so very near to us. Our sins do not drive Him from us, but rather to us so that He can set us free from them. Look carefully at Christ's actions and posture in the Gospel reading as He deals with both the crowd of people, the Scribes and Pharisees, and the adulterous woman. "All the people started coming to Him and he sat down and taught them." "He bent down and began to write with His finger." He "straightened up" when He confronted the Scribes and Pharisees about their own sins. And he "straightened up" when He assured the woman that He did not condemn her for her past. Like a skilled teacher, or loving "big brother," Christ bends down to where we are, He sits among us, He stands to confront us when needed and He stands to look us in the eye to remind us of our true dignity.

We're all unworthy of the great privilege of serving Him. But that, quite simply, is cause for greater joy in serving Him with all our hearts

Stewardship Reflections by Catholic Stewardship Consultants

PARISHIONERS OFFERINGS

Thank you for your generous support of St. Edward Parish

March 27, 2022 - \$3,042.18

*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

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 1-Betty Klinger INT

April 2- Ryan Oddleifson INT

April 7- Lindsey Parlane & Tracey Jones INT

April 8- Special Intention

April 9- Reid and Lily Oddleifson INT (Anniversary)

April 14-Helen Curran INT

April 15-Don and Lucy Turri INT

April 16-Helen Curran INT

April 21- Mitch Martyna INT

April 22- Betty Klinger 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



This Lent, give from the heart

This Solidarity Sunday, Development and Peace's *People and Planet First* campaign invites you to give from the heart and thanks you warmly for your generosity. Your donation transforms the lives of some of our most vulnerable sisters and brothers across the world. In Cambodia, for instance, your solidarity helped our partner DPA establish a community fishery in Srey Packly's village. She said, "Thank you very much to DPA and to the donors for supporting my family and fellow villagers to have fresh and healthy fish to eat and to improve our livelihoods." Such is the difference you can make by giving to your Share Lent parish collection or at devp.org/give. Thank you.

To learn more about or to join our movement, visit <u>devp.org</u> or contact George Willoner 250-317-4652



The annual Chrism Mass will be held at the Cathedral of Mary Immaculate on Monday April 11th at 7:00 p.m. All parishioners are welcome to join this diocesan celebration. If you would like to attend, please speak with Father Gerald after Mass.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

The Stations of the cross will be held every Friday evening at 6:00 pm throughout Lent, here at St. Edward Parish.



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Twelve people are needed for Holy Thursday, Washing of the Feet. Please volunteer to have your feet washed by

writing your name on the sign-up sheet in the vestibule.

PONTIFICAL COLLECTION FOR THE HOLY LAND ON GOOD FRIDAY

The Good Friday Collection, on April 15, 2022, is requested by the Holy See to help maintain the Christian sites of the Holy Land and to support the Church in the pastoral, educational, and social works that contribute to a sustained Christian presence in the land where Jesus the Christ once walked. This Pontifical Collection will be taken in the parishes during the Good Friday celebration. Those who are unable to attend the service are still able to contribute online by going to canadahelps.org and searching for "Commissariat of the Holy Land", or by Interac e-transfers to terresainte@bellnet.ca Receipts will be issued. On behalf of the Custody of the Holy Land, I sincerely thank you for your support, Fr. Robert Mokry, OFM, Commissary of the Holy Land in Canada.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS WAY OF THE CROSS



You are invited to attend the 1st Annual

Knights of Columbus <u>outdoor</u> Way of the Cross procession. Bring your family and friends and join your neighbours and fellow brothers and sisters in an opportunity to reflect on Jesus' death and the sacrifice He made for us.

Date: April 15, 2022 - Good Friday

Time: 12:00 noon

Location: Immaculata Regional High School

- open field (back of the school)

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1493 KLO Rd, Kelowna
Lots of parking available
Unfortunately no washroom facility available.



SCAM MESSAGE

Anyone receiving a text message supposedly from "Fr. Gerald" asking for a favour

and for you to please text him back as soon as possible, this is a SCAM. Do not reply to it. These people usually request a gift card or money in ensuing texts. Father Gerald would <u>never</u> make these requests. If he has a question for a parishioner, they would normally be contacted through the office or he would call you directly.

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 \$3,500.00. Remember that funds received over our Diocesan commitment of \$20,800.00 will be returned to us.

JESUS THE RIVER OF LIFE CHARISMATIC CONFERENCE

April 29-30, 2022

Summerland BC - Holy Child Church. Join Father Trevor Nathasingh as he examines the word of God from Rev. 22:1-2, "The River of the Water of Life, flowing from the throne of God, for the healing of the Nations." Come and experience the Word of God, living and active in us, as we listen to the promptings of the Holy Spirit and learn how to co-operate with God as he reveals His perfect plan for us. There is no registration fee, but a love offering will be accepted. Register: Zoom Link - email Loree Renwick by April 26 ndccrs2020@gmail.com or on-site April 29: Holy Child Church, Summerland BC. Pre-conference info: call/email Roy MacIntyre

1-778-740-0508 roymacintyre@shaw.ca

or visit: https://www.holyspiritbaptizer.com/conference

Post-conference: talks on web.

Rachel's Corner

There is nothing to lose and so much to gain by going. It can be daunting, but that just goes to show you that there's a need for healing. It wasn't just a procedure. It was a person."

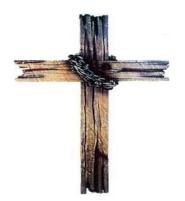
- Testimonial

What is holding you back? Join other men and women on a Rachel Retreat and discover what it can be to live without the regret and shame of an abortion decision. What do you lose by going?

> <u>info@rachelsvineyardkelowna.com</u> www.rachelsvineyardkelowna.com

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ST. EDWARD ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

HOLY WEEK MASS SCHEDULE

April 13	10:30 am
April 14	5:00 pm
April 15	1:00 pm
April 15	3:00 pm
April 16	7:30 pm
April 17	10:00 am
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