

Pastor: Father Gerald

PARISH OFFICE

Secretary: Pat Robinson

Parish Office Hours:

Tuesday to Thursday, 10:00 am to 3:00 pm

**The office is now open to the public,
masks must be worn**

Bulletin Announcements by noon on Thursday

email: wandawirth@telus.net

WEEKEND MASSES

Holy Saturday Easter Vigil: 7:30 pm

Easter Sunday: 10:00 am

WEEKDAY MASSES

Holy Thursday at 5:00 pm

(Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper)

Good Friday 1:00 pm

(Service of the Lord's Passion)

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

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lauriergirard60@gmail.com

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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

President: Michael Conyette, 250-308-4897

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Development & Peace

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April 2, 2023

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

[IS 50:4-7; PS 22:8-9, 17-20, 23-24; PHIL 2:6-11; MT 26:14-27:66](#)

We begin this Holy Week with the reading of the Lord's Passion from the Gospel of Matthew. It is fitting that during this week we intensely focus our minds and hearts on the steps of our Savior as He laid down His very life for us. But let us also examine the seemingly small acts of stewardship by some who encountered Jesus during this most eventful week.



One occurred when Jesus gave instructions about the room where He would celebrate the Passover. Jesus said, "Go into the city to a certain man and tell him..." "In your house I shall celebrate the Passover with my disciples." While we do not know this man's name, we do know he agreed to this request — he shared the material gift of his home and the gift of hospitality. Because of his good stewardship, his own home became the site of the institution of the Eucharist!

There was also Simon the Cyrenian, who offered the gift of his physical strength, helping the Lord to carry His Cross. Consider, too, the actions of Joseph of Arimathea — he generously shared a material gift of the tomb that was his, and he gave the gift of service to our Lord by giving Him a proper burial. Then there were the "two Marys" who gave Jesus the gift of their time. Keeping watch in tender vigil after His death, they "remained sitting there, facing the tomb."

Each of these were simple acts of good stewardship, yet God used them in mighty ways. God invites each of us, too, to cooperate with Him in small ways through the sharing of our time, talent, and material gifts. Small gifts can become mighty deeds when placed in God's service.

Catholic Stewardship Consultants

PARISHIONERS OFFERINGS

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

March 26, 2023 - \$2,174.68

Development and Peace - \$6,971.00

*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

Diana Ostreig, Gabriel Lepage, Phillip Dos Santos, Dionne Moores, Agnes Gregory

Mass intentions

March 30- Philippe Bourbonnier RIP

April 1- Dave Tutt RIP

April 13- Jenita McHugh INT

April 14- Anne Davies INT



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Stations of the cross will be held on Good Friday, April 7th, following the Service of the Lord's Passion.



PILGRIMAGE OF FAITH

This year our Diocesan commitment is \$18,850.00 and anything over and above this will be rebated back to our parish. You can fill out your pledge card and drop it along with a cheque/cash in the collection, or donate via e-

transfer to: etransfer.pof@nelsondiocese.org

We have already received \$3,635.00. Thank you so much for your generosity!

OFFERINGS FOR BLESSING AT THE EASTER VIGIL

The blessing of Easter bread, candles, or rosaries will occur following the Easter Vigil Mass. Hand the items to an usher who will place them on a table setup by the Alter. Please arrive 15 minutes prior to start of the Vigil.



PONTIFICAL COLLECTION FOR THE HOLY LAND ON GOOD FRIDAY

The Good Friday Collection is requested by the Holy See to help maintain the Church's holy places in the Holy Land, so important to the faith of Christians everywhere, and also to support the faithful who struggle to survive under political and economic oppression and persecution.

This Pontifical Collection will be taken during the Good Friday celebration on April 7, 2023. Those who are unable to attend the service, or who prefer to contribute online, may do so by Interac e-transfer or CanadaHelps by visiting

www.commissariat.ca/supporting-us

*Thank you for
Praying*

Dear parishioners of St. Edward's, Ruth would like to thank everyone in our church family that has been praying for their son Phillip Dos Santos and their entire family.

"The last 6 months have been difficult for our family with Phillip's motorcycle accident. We appreciate every text message, prayers, good thoughts and support. We are blessed to have strong relationships with many others who follow Christ." God is good! With love, The Dos Santos Family

2023 CATHOLIC RENEWAL CONFERENCE

COME WITH YOUR POWER AND MIGHT

April 21-22, 2023

West Kelowna BC - Our Lady of Lourdes Church.

Join Fathers Obi Ibekwe and Gerald Sekanga as they examine the Word of God from Isaiah 61:1, "Rise up in Splendour! Your light has come. The Glory of the Lord shines upon you."

Come, worship and rejoice in the Lord as we experience the Word of God, living and active in us, through the power of the Holy Spirit.

Register April 21, 5-6:30 on site.

There is no registration fee, but a love offering will be accepted. Look for poster and brochure in your parish, or visit our

web: <https://www.holyspiritbaptizer.com/conference>

More information: call/email Marcia Lawrence

1 (250) 768-2546

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All are welcome: Young adults (18-35) focus/program for children (4+)

Friday Dinner & Saturday Lunch provided. Closing mass: 5 p.m.

OKANAGAN IRISH SOCIETY PRESENTS

CELTIC FUSION

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What is "CRAIC" you ask? It's the Irish word for **FUN**; entertainment, and enjoyable times!

CELTIC FUSION will supply all of the above and more!

You don't want to miss this family friendly entertainment.

Tuesday, May 9, 2023

Kelowna Community Theatre

Doors @ 5:30 pm

Performance @ 6:30 pm

Tickets: \$33

Available at: BoxOffice@Kelowna.ca

Proceeds in support of Seton House of Prayer.

The Eucharistic Miracles of the World Exhibit

The Vatican International Exhibition

Hosted by:

Catholic Parishes of Penticton

April 13th - 16th 2023



*Blessed Carlo Acutis
(1991-2006)*



Exhibition time: 10am-4pm and
6pm-9pm

At St. Ann's Church Hall
1296 Main Street Penticton

Grand Finale will be on the 16th at
3pm Divine Mercy Chaplet

First visit of the exhibition in the
Okanagan and the Kootenays

Free Admission | All Are Welcome | Donations Appreciated

MARK THE DATE: THURSDAY, MAY 11, 2023

ANNUAL MASS FOR LIFE

"STAND FIRM" is the national theme for the 2023 Canadian March for Life! Join us at Immaculate Conception Parish for Mass celebrated by Bishop Gregory Bittmann at 7 pm. Following mass there will be coffee and a presentation in the hall. This theme from Ephesians 6:14 strengthens us against the backlash to the overturning of Roe V Wade in the US, and the increasing expansion of Euthanasia and MAID in Canada. Do not be afraid. **STAND FIRM.**



ST. EDWARD'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH
EASTER TRIDUUM

HOLY THURSDAY, APRIL 6 - 5:00 PM

(Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper)

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 7- 1:00 PM

(Service of the Lord's Passion)

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 7 - STATIONS OF THE CROSS

(following the Service of the Lord's Passion)

HOLY SATURDAY EASTER VIGIL, APRIL 8 – 7:30 PM

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 9 – 10:00 AM

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