

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

Saturday: 6:30 pm

Sunday: 10:00 am

WEEKDAY MASSES

Thursday and Friday 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

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g.joyce@hotmail.com

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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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April 23, 2023

Third Sunday of Easter

[ACTS 2:14, 22-33; PS 16:1-2, 5, 7-11; 1 PT 1:17-21; LK 24:13-35](#)

Today's readings focus on a theme of
"sojourning." As Christian stewards, we
know our lives are a sojourn toward the
ultimate destination of heaven.



Our Gospel passage today describes the sojourn of the two disciples on the road to Emmaus. The two are dejected and despondent after Jesus' death. They knew Jesus personally. They had heard the Gospel message directly from His lips. They heard the testimony of the women who discovered the empty tomb of our Lord and saw a vision of angels announcing He was alive. They had been informed by other disciples who went to the tomb that all was exactly as the women reported.

How much more obvious could the Good News be?

And yet, at times, the reaction of the two disciples describes our own stewardship journey, doesn't it? We have the fullness of the Catholic faith, the power of the sacraments, and the support of our parish family. Yet, we often lose our way. We fail to see all the gifts we have been given. We lack trust in the perfect goodness and almighty power of God.

But notice what happens to the two men when their eyes are opened once again, and they recognize Jesus in the Eucharist — the "breaking of the bread." They are transformed! Their hearts are set on fire with love for the Lord and their faith. They recall that their hearts began "burning within" as the Lord was explaining the Scriptures to them. When we find we have lost our way, we can go to the same sources as the two disciples on the road to Emmaus — the Scriptures and the Eucharist.

In this Easter season, resolve to feast deeply on these two sources of grace. They are the fuel that will propel us on our journey towards heaven.

Catholic Stewardship Consultants

PARISHIONERS OFFERINGS

*Thank you for your generous support of
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April 16, 2023 - \$2,215.18

*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.

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

***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 15- Donald Biner RIP

April 20 Anne Davies INT

April 21- Tracey Jones & Lindsey Parlane INT

April 22- Philippe Bourbonniere RIP

April 27- Tricia Cisakowski INT

April 28- Tracey Jones & Lindsey Parlane INT

April 29- Betty Klinger INT

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 \$5,350.00. Thank you so much for your generosity!

If anyone happened to pick up a **Pilgrimage of Faith form from the vestibule**, please check to make sure that it does not have someone's name already printed on it and Our Lady of Lourdes (LOL) as the parish. There was a mix up at the diocesan office which resulted in these being sent in error. If you happened to take one with LOL parish on it, please return it to the office & it will be forwarded back to them. Thank you.



St. Edward's Men's Association meeting will be held this Tuesday, April 25th at 7:00 pm in the hall. There will be a social and supper before the meeting at 6:30 pm. All men of the parish are welcome.



ST. EDWARD'S PARISH BRUNCH

St. Edward's Parish Brunch will be held next Sunday, April 30th after the 10:00 a.m. Mass. Please join us for ham & eggs, tomatoes, hash

browns, coffee, juice, waffles, fruit, and fellowship! Cost is \$10.00 for 12 years and over, \$5.00 for 6-11 years. Free for 5 years and under.

PARISH YOUTH DAY

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish is organizing a **Parish Youth Day on April 29, 2023, Saturday, from 1:00 pm until 6:00 pm**. The activity is dubbed as "RUAH" living the spirit of God. The activity was organized with the help of Youth for Christ from Vancouver to encourage young people to get involved in the Church and know that they are not alone on their faith journey. This is open for Grade 7 to 12 students. See stedwardparish.ca/bulletin/parish-youth-day. In Christ through Mary, Br. Ferdinand



LIVE-IN RETREAT

Live-In Retreat at Seton House of Prayer, Kelowna. A "Getting to Know Jesus" Retreat, May 19th to 21st: The whole purpose of the Live-In is to lead those who come to a deeper personal

relationship with Jesus Christ. People who make the Live-In seem to always experience "Jesus as someone real". They experience a new peace and deeper faith. Many people say that during their Live-In, they have received a whole new outlook on life, an understanding of God's love for them, and a new desire to pray and read scripture. The program involves a series of instructions and slides on the basis of Christian life. There are a variety of speakers from all walks of life. It is Roman Catholic funded and based. It includes the celebration of Reconciliation and the Eucharist. Come and see..... Brochures and Application Forms are available in the vestibule of the church. For more information, call Lily Oddleifson at 250-766-4390.

SYNOD – CONTINENTAL DOCUMENT

The Continental Stage of the Synod on Synodality concluded on March 31, at which time the CCCB, along with the United States Conference of Bishops (USCCB), submitted the *North American Final Document for the Continental Stage* to the Synod Secretariat.

The *Final Document* from North America, along with the contributions of the six other Continental Assemblies, will form the basis of the *Instrumentum Laboris* to be released by the General Secretariat of the Synod in June 2023.

The *Final Document* from North America is now publicly available on the CCCB website at the following link:

<https://www.cccb.ca/media-release/bishops-release-north-american-final-document-to-conclude-continental-stage-of-the-2021-2024-synod/>

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH AID UKRAINE AMBULANCE BUS

We continue to Fundraise for an ambulance/ bus for Ukraine. It will be designed with a surgical / treatment Unit. Help us STUFF THE BUS with FIRST AID SUPPLIES!

Bandages, gauze, gloves, First Aid Kits, Polysporin, Tylenol, Advil, Burn cream, tape, Iodine,.....

- Flashlights & batteries
- Ice & hot Packs
- sleeping bags, mats, blankets
- Baby food, formula, diapers

OUR NEW UKRAINIAN REFUGEES arrived on April 7.

We are seeking:

- 4 Bicycles: for a man, woman, 13 year old boy and 7 year old girl
- lawn chairs and patio table
- microwave oven
- bakeware: cookie trays, cake and loaf pans
- garden tools: rake, spades, shovels
- Bedding plants; vegetable and flowers

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Donations of \$\$, cheques and items welcomed at Immaculate Conception Church office weekdays.

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.

SECULAR ORDER OF DISCALCED CARMELITES (OCDS)


Carmelite Seculars, together with the Friars and Nuns, are sons and daughter of the Order of Our Lady of Mount Carmel and of St. Teresa of Jesus. As a result, they share the same charism with the religious, each according to their particular way of life. It is one family with the same spiritual possessions, the call to holiness (cf Eph 1:4; 1 Pet 1:15) and the same apostolic mission. Secular members contribute to the Order the benefits proper to their secular state of life (Constitutions #1). For more information, please contact Laurent 1-778-212-1945 or Loretta 250-448-5633.

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