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 **Benevolent Fund**: Bob Sellinger, 250-766-5990

Greeters and Ushers: Maxine Joyce at

g.joyce@hotmail.com

Lectors (Readers): Sue Taylor <u>jaytaylor@telus.net</u>

Eucharistic Ministers: June Bot at

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

Email: mconyette@hotmail.com

Development & Peace

George and Karen Willoner, 250-215-5134

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April 30, 2023 Fourth Sunday of Easter

ACTS 2:14A, 36-41; PS 23:1-3A, 3B4-6; 1 PT 2:20B-25; JN 10:1-10

Today's readings on this fourth Sunday of Easter offer us a glimpse into the heart of our loving Savior. He is the Good Shepherd and we can confidently place our trust in Him as we live the stewardship way of life.



This endearing image of Jesus as our shepherd, and His personal love for each one

of us, is described in our Gospel passage from John, through the words of Jesus Himself. Here we read Jesus' description of Himself as the "Good Shepherd." He says of Himself, "The sheep hear his voice, as the shepherd calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has driven out all his own, he walks ahead of them and the sheep follow him, because they recognize his voice."

This aspect of our Lord's tender and personal love for each one of us is a compelling reason to embrace the stewardship way of life — in the offering of our time, talent, and treasure to Him, we can express our gratitude to Him for the incomprehensible love He has for us.

Embracing this way of life certainly requires trust on our part. But Christ has proven Himself worthy of our trust. He "bore our sins in His body." He calls Himself our shepherd and He offers Himself as the guardian of our souls. He has withheld nothing of Himself and His goodness from us. He would never ask anything of us that would bring us harm. He tells us "I came so that [you] might have life and have it more abundantly."

This Easter season, let us resolve to entrust ourselves and our lives gratefully to Him.

Catholic Stewardship Consultants

PARISHIONERS OFFERINGS

Thank you for your generous support of St. Edward Parish

April 23, 2023 - \$2,412.78

*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 <a href="mailto:eta-nc-en-sub-nc-en-su

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

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

May 4- Duvan Astaiza INT

May 5- Tricia Cisakowski INT

May 6- Tracey Jones & Lindsey Parlane INT

May 11- Luis Felipe Astaiza RIP

May 13- Michael Scott RIP

May 18- Tracey Jones & Lindsey Parlane INT

May 26- Tracey Jones & Lindsey Parlane INT



A Very Happy Birthday to long time parishioner, Claire Schaff who turns 90 today! May the Lord Bless you today and in the year ahead!! Please join Claire and her family for Birthday Cake in the hall after mass. Everyone Welcome!

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!

STORAGE ROOM CLEAN-UP

St. Edward's Men's Association is cleaning out the storage room and putting items in the church hall.

Parishioners are invited to drop by the hall on Thursday, May 11th between 10:45 am and 12:00 noon to see if there is anything they would like and take it.

CATHOLIC MOUNTAIN STAR

Catholic Mountain Star is back! Article submission deadline for the **year 2023** first issue is on **Monday**, **May 15th**. Please limit articles to 600 words (fit one page of 8 ½" x 11" paper) using size 11 font. News articles for parish or caption information limit to 1 or 2 sentences. **Please email all submissions** to catholicmstar@gmail.com.

COMPASSIONATE COMMUNITY CARE BEING WITH VOLUNTEER TRAINING

Gain the confidence to journey and visit with those who are suffering, socially isolated, sick, or dying, to renew their hope and purpose in life. **FREE Online Training** – **Live on Zoom!** Workshop is two sessions, each session is two hours: Tuesday, June 6, 2023, 7-9 pm EST and Wednesday, June 7, 2023, 7-9 pm EST. Register Now: Meeting capacity is limited to 100 participants. **Register at: beingwith.org & click Events.**



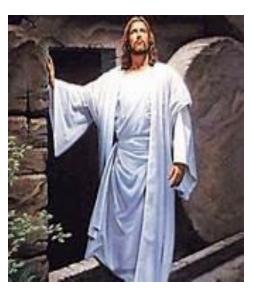
MARK THE DATE: THURSDAY, MAY 11, 2023 ANNUAL MASS FOR LIFE

"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 posseons, 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.



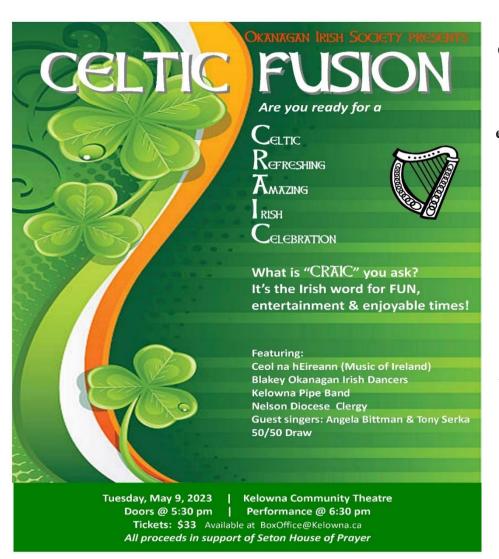
LIVE-IN RETREAT

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.



May 17th and May 18th at the Mary Irwin Theatre at the Rotary Centre for the Arts. Tickets are now open to the public. Three performances to choose from. Adult/Student 14 + - \$25.00, Child 13 and under \$15.00. Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat is the family event of the year, showcasing the students and fine arts program of St. Joseph Elementary School. (Suitable for ages 5+). The Mary Irwin Theatre will open 30 minutes prior to showtime. Ushers will assist to ensure everyone is seated comfortably. Concession is available at intermission of evening performances. Purchase Tickets by credit card from website: www.stjoseph.buyticketsnow.net or by e-transfer email request to sjkbk@cisnd.ca with e-transfer to sik.activities@cisnd.ca (in memo please note performance time).



Celtic Fusion - Tuesday, May 9 at 6:30pm at Kelowna Community Theatre. Please get your tickets soon for best seating to enjoy a fun, family oriented evening out to support Seton House of Prayer. Tickets may be purchased online at https://theatre.kelowna.ca/upcomingevents/celtic-fusion, click on tickets, choose your seats and follow the prompts. Or, call 250-469-8940. Or, in person at the Kelowna Community Theatre 1375 Water Street in advance of the show (box office hours are Monday to Saturday 10am – 4pm). It will be a great evening of entertainment and your support is greatly appreciated!



JOHN 3:16



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