**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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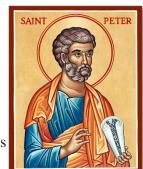
Phone 250-766-3146 Fax 250-766-3191

Website <a href="http://www.stedwardsparish.ca">http://www.stedwardsparish.ca</a>
Email <a href="mailto:st.edwards@shaw.ca">st.edwards@shaw.ca</a>

May 14, 2023 Sixth Sunday of Easter Mother's Day

## ACTS 8:5-8;14-17; PS 66:1-7, 16, 20; 1 PT 3:15-18; JN 14:15-21

On this sixth Sunday of Easter, our readings remind us that God must come first in our lives, and that love of God shows itself in concrete actions — this is precisely why the stewardship way of life is so necessary.



Our second reading, from St. Peter, challenges us to, "Sanctify Christ as Lord in your hearts." In other words, we are to put Christ first above all

else in our lives. His role is not merely as Savior of our lives, as significant as that role is — He is to be "Lord" of our lives as well. As His disciples, we are called to make Him ruler of all aspects of our lives — our time, talent, and treasure.

The beauty of the stewardship way of life is that it offers us a concrete means to show that Christ truly is Lord of our lives, to "prove" our love, in a manner of speaking, because true love is not a mere sentiment. "Whoever has my commandments and observes them is the one who loves me," Jesus tells us in our Gospel passage from John.

True love is an act of the will. It requires obedience to all of God's commandments. This requires courage, humility, and deep trust in Him.

But the rewards of this kind of love are indescribably wonderful. Christ tells us Himself, "Whoever loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and reveal myself to him."

Could there be anything more satisfying to live in such a way that the God of the universe is pleased to reveal more and more of Himself to us?

Catholic Stewardship Consultants

## **PARISHIONERS OFFERINGS**

Thank you for your generous support of St. Edward Parish

May 7, 2023 - \$2,690.68

\*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, Agnes Gregory, Claire Schaff

\*\*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 11- Luis Felipe Astaiza RIP
- May 12- Clara Inez Beca INT
- May 13- Michael Scott RIP
- May 18- Tracey Jones & Lindsey Parlane INT
- May 19- Tricia Cisakowski INT
- May 20- Duvan Astaiza INT
- May 25- Felipe Astaiza RIP
- May 26- Tracey Jones and Lindsey Parlane INT
- May 27- Clara Inez Beca 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: <a href="mailto:etransfer.pof@nelsondiocese.org">etransfer.pof@nelsondiocese.org</a>
We have already received \$6,985.00. Thank you so much for your generosity!

## DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE — CARITAS CANADA

Thank you for giving from the heart to Share Lent 2023! Thanks to your generosity, our parish collected \$7,216.00. This sum, along with donations made online, will help support our sisters and brothers in Africa, Asia, Eastern Europe, Latin America and the Middle East. If you have not had a chance to donate, there is still time to place your Share Lent envelope in the offertory or to donate online at <a href="devp.org/give">devp.org/give</a>. Thank you for continuing to pray for all those who are working!

# DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE - CARITAS CANADA

SHARE YEAR ROUND. From February 22 to May 28, 2023\*, those who become monthly donors (or increase their monthly donation) will have their annual contribution matched dollar for dollar. This initiative is made possible by a \$160,000 matching fund endowed by benefactors and religious communities who generously support our work. Development and Peace's monthly giving program allows you to make a real difference in the struggle of our partners in the Global South. <a href="https://www2.devp.org/en/civicrm/contribute/transact?reset=1&id=2">https://www2.devp.org/en/civicrm/contribute/transact?reset=1&id=2</a> or call toll-free 1-888-234-8533.

\*Or until the matching fund runs out.

## **CWL FALL BAZAAR**



If the urge has hit you to spring clean and are looking for a place to donate those nearly new and new items along with current books think of the CWL's

fall bazaar. From now until the bazaar items can be given to a CWL member at Mass, dropped off at the office during office hours or by contacting Maria Matias at 250 766 5161 and or June Bot 250 448 6255. The items we are unable to use are to be donated to a local thrift store.

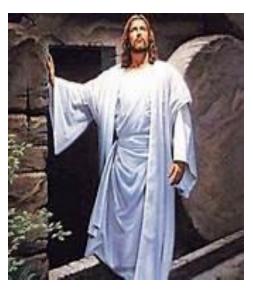


## **SANTACRUZAN 2023**

The Filipino Community of The Catholic Parishes of Penticton, will be hosting the Flores de Mayo festival this May 2023. It is a festival to show our devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is a month-long festival devoted to the Blessed Mother where we will offer prayers, rosaries and a novena in her honor. Flower offerings will be done before Sunday masses by children during this month. The Santacruzan is the pinnacle of the month-long festival. It can be described as a sort of religious historical beauty pageant. It is held to commemorate the discovery of the Holy Cross, where Jesus was crucified and died, by Saint Helena the mother of Constantine the Great who became the first Christian Roman Emperor. The Santacruzan is a procession of young ladies as queens representing the titles of the Virgin Mary. This year the Santacruzan will be held on May 27th, 2023, at 2:30 pm. A Mass will be held after the procession presided by Fr. Obi and several priests from the diocese. A fellowship and gathering with dinner will be held at the Parish Hall after Mass. It will be a time for "fiesta" with food music, and games for the kids and young at heart. Join us as we celebrate the rich Filipino traditions and culture.

## **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.



## LIVE-IN **RETREAT**

Live-In Retreat at Seton House of Prayer, Kelowna. A "Getting to Know Jesus" Retreat. May 19<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup>: 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.



The staff and students of St. Joseph Catholic School invite you to join us for our last two school masses of the year - May 25th and June 23rd, both at 9:30 at ICC.

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+). May 17<sup>th</sup> and May 18<sup>th</sup> 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. 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 sikbk@cisnd.ca with

e-transfer to sik.activities@cisnd.ca (in memo please note performance time).

## Roman Catholic Diocese of Nelson Executive Assistant

The Diocesan Office, situated in Kelowna, BC, is seeking a professional **Executive Assistant** to provide exceptional administrative support to the Bishop in a professional, courteous and efficient manner.

Located in the beautiful Okanagan and Kootenay regions of British Columbia, the **Roman Catholic Diocese of Nelson** ministers to approximately 78,000 Catholics through 31 parishes and 10 mission parishes.

Reporting to the Bishop, the Executive Assistant maintains positive, open communication with staff, parishioners, parishes, schools, community members and service providers. Outstanding customer service skills are required to excel in this position. Additionally, the candidate has:

- Minimum of 5 years' experience as an administrative assistant, preferably at the executive level
- Excellent organizational, interpersonal and communication skills
- Sound knowledge of the Catholic Faith with demonstrated respectful and pastoral sensitivity to Catholic beliefs and practices
- Ability to maintain a high level of confidentiality, discretion and compassion
- Strong organizational skills that reflect an ability to prioritize and perform multiple tasks with an excellent attention to detail
- Solid computer skills including Microsoft Office and utilization of social media platforms
- Knowledge of website maintenance and Adobe Photoshop considered an asset
- Professional demeanor and attire
- Ability to represent the Diocese of Nelson professionally in all circumstances

Interested applicants are invited to submit a cover letter, resume and 3 reference letters, including pastor reference, to info@nelsondiocese.org by May 30, 2023. Electronic submissions only please.

All things being equal, active members of the Roman Catholic Church will be given preference. We thank all applicants for their interest. Please note that only those applicants selected for an interview will be contacted.



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.