

Pastor: Fr. Obi Ibekwe
Associate Pastor: Fr. Biju Antony

PARISH OFFICE

Secretary: Pat Robinson
Parish Office Hours:
Tuesday to Thursday, 10:00 am to 3:00 pm
Bulletin Announcements by noon on Thursday
email: wandawirth@telus.net

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday: 5:00 pm
Sunday: 10:00 am

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday – Mass at 6:00 pm
Thursday - Mass at 10:00 am
followed by Adoration and Benediction
Wednesday and Friday – Mass at 10:00 am
Silent Adoration with the Rosary at 9:30 am

RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 4:00 to 5:00 pm 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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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

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

CWL
Marian Podgornik, 778-480-6444
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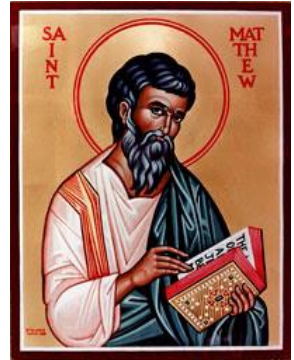
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November 19, 2023
Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
World Day of the Poor

PRV 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; PS 128:2-5; 1 THES 5:1-6; MT 25:14-30

We are reminded today that we will each be called to give an account for the gifts God has given us — our physical, intellectual and material gifts — as well as the gift of time itself.

Jesus illustrates this truth in our Gospel passage from Matthew. He tells the parable of a wealthy man who is about to go on a journey. Before he leaves, the man calls his three servants to “entrust his possessions to them.”



The master in our parable gives to the care of each servant a portion of his money (“talent”) commensurate with that servant’s abilities. The first two prove to be good and faithful servants — they “immediately” put the talents to use, doubling what had been entrusted to them. The third servant reacted to this responsibility with fear — in fact, he did the opposite. He hid master’s talent, burying it in the ground. He took the safe way, the easy way out.

What a tragic response!

This servant did not understand his master at all. He failed to see what a privilege he had been given. The master wanted to give all his servants the joy and satisfaction of helping him grow his kingdom. This is what our Heavenly Father wants for us, too — the incredible privilege of helping to advance the coming of the Kingdom of God.

Let us embrace the stewardship way of life, using all the gifts entrusted to us — Time, Talent, and Treasure — in such a way that at the end of our life on this earth, we will hear these words from our Father: “Well done, my good and faithful servant... Come, share your master’s joy.”

Catholic Stewardship Consultants

PARISHIONERS OFFERINGS

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

November 12, 2023 - \$2,292.68

*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 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.*

Anyone who is housebound and would like to receive Holy Communion, please inform the office and we will arrange to have someone bring it to you.

Prayer Requests

Claire Schaff, Betty Klinger, Larry and Paula Meade, Shirley Breen, Art Fomey

Mass Intentions

November 18- Vicente Potutan RIP

November 22- Bill Berchtold RIP

November 25- Hugh Flynn RIP



With flu season right around the corner, hand sanitizers have been placed in the vestibule as well as the pews for your convenience. Thank you.

MASS INTENTIONS FROM THE BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

November 19- Sunday

Lloyd & Nancy Gillrie

Bill Hay & Helen Rowe

Agatha Rose Lankhaar

Deceased members of the Wilson Family

Servanda Pallega

Anastacia & Severo Potutan

Martha Dado

Mercedes & Candido Potutan

Alfred Lundquist

Jean & Don Scott

Philp Ng

November 21 – Tuesday

Hernan Regalado

Jorge Medina

Guillermo Medina

November 22- Wednesday

Ana Maria Arriaga

Fred Robles

Agnes Gregory

November 23- Thursday

Julie Gregory

Deceased members of the Di Marco family

Deceased members of the Barbieri family

November 24- Friday

Deceased members of the Romei family

Deceased members of the Verna family

Deceased members of the Berchtold family

November 25- Saturday

Deceased members of the Willoner family

Deceased members of the Stremel family

Maggie and Rob Aust

Deceased members of the Hereon family

Charles Johnson

Jim & Emily Murphy

Mike & Viviane Woytuik

Deceased members of the Maduke family

Deceased members of the Kaszuba family

Deceased members of the O'Sullivan family



SCAMMERS ARE AT IT AGAIN!

Scam texts are coming from "Father Obi". He would NEVER solicit parishioners for money or gift cards or anything of the sort. This is a scam.

PILGRIMAGE OF FAITH



Our Pilgrimage of Faith Appeal is now underway in our parish – We are grateful to all those who have donated. Every gift is important. Our parish goal is \$18,850.00 and we are counting on 100% participation. Remember to

fill out your pledge card and drop it along with a cheque/cash in the collection or donate via etransfer to: ettransfer.pof@nelsondiocese.org or online via Canada Helps at Canada Helps: <https://www.canadahelps.org/en/dn/24360>.

We have already received \$17,150.00. Thank you so much for your generosity!



CHANGE OF SCHEDULE FOR THE MEN'S ASSOCIATION'S MEETING ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21ST

Gentlemen, because the scheduling of our meeting conflicts with the celebration of Mass being held on Tuesdays at 6 pm you are invited to attend Mass at 6 pm prior to the meeting. Following Mass with supper and commencing our meeting at 7 pm. Please email Terry Wilson at jeterry@me.com if you plan to attend.

ST. EDWARD'S PARISH BRUNCH

St. Edward's Parish Brunch will be next Sunday, November 26th 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 Christmas Potluck & Christmas Party December 10th

Come join Father Obi & Biju for a wonderful Christmas celebration featuring great food, music and Community Spirit! Sponsored by the Men's Association and Catholic Women's League. Mark your calendars! More information to come! Everyone welcome!

Annual Day of Prayer *for Canadian Home Missions*

There will be a second collection taken up this weekend, November 18th and 19th for the Annual Day of Prayer for Canadian Home Missions. Brochures and prayer cards/envelopes for this collection are available in the foyer of the church. Please join the initiative.



Summit: An Evening of Eucharistic Adoration

To mark the Feast of Christ the King, please join us in the ICC church on Saturday, November 25 from 7:00 – 8:30 pm for an

evening of Eucharistic Adoration with music, short talks, prayer, and reflection. Priests will be available for reconciliation. All ages and all parishes welcome!

POLISH MASS

Fr. Waldemar Karciarz will be visiting Immaculate Conception Church in December to celebrate mass and hear confession for our Polish Community (in Polish).

Reconciliations:

Friday, December 15th, 4:00—7:00

Saturday, December 16th, 12:30—3:00

Mass will be celebrated Sunday, Dec. 17th at 3:00 pm.

Prayer Group
Come join us!

“My grace is sufficient for you,
for my power is made perfect in weakness”
2 Corinthians 12:9

Greetings! All are welcome to join us...
When: Tuesday evenings from 7:00 pm -8:30
Where: St Pius X Parish
Starting: October 3rd

We gather with Thanksgiving, to Praise and Worship our Awesome God from whom all good things come. There will also be sharing of God's Word, time for intercession, testimonies and individual prayer ministry. All in an atmosphere of trust, love and support. For more information, please call Piera 250-215-7100.



For more information - <https://vimeo.com/260114539>
Link to online tickets -
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/made-for-more-kelowna-canada-tickets-740570645737?aff=oddtcreator>



CORPUS CHRISTI CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAIR AND SANTA'S CAFE

Corpus Christi Parish will host their annual Christmas Craft Fair and Santa's Café Saturday, December 2nd, 8:00 am - 2:00 pm. Crafts of all kinds, soup, & home baked goods. \$25.00 table rental.

Rachel's Corner

"Hasten to answer me, Lord; for my spirit fails me. Do not hide your face from me." - Psalm 143:7
Did you feel like you hid your face when you got involved in an abortion decision, which you have come to deeply regret? Is everything inside crying out to God for Him to strengthen you? Come on a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat and get the healing relief you need.
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250-762-2273



IMMACULATA CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAIR
Immaculata high school is hosting its annual fundraising event: the **Immaculata Christmas Craft Fair** on Saturday, November 25 from 10-3 at the high school (1493 KLO Rd). There are over 75 Vendors, door prizes, bake sale, refreshments, lunch and Children's Activities.

Are you **Called** to be a Permanent Deacon?



The deacon's ministry has three dimensions: *liturgy*, *word* and *service*. At the Mass, the deacon proclaims the Gospel, may be invited to preach the homily, and assists at the altar. In addition to their duties related to *service*, the deacon may also

baptize, witness, and bless marriages, and preside at funeral liturgies outside of the Mass. Deacons may be married or single, they may have full-time careers or be retired.

If you are a Catholic male registered in a parish within the Diocese of Nelson, between the ages of 35 and 60, and would like to learn more about the Permanent Diaconate, please contact the Director of Permanent Diaconate, Father Cerlouie Jimenez:

cerlouie.jimenez@nelsondiocese.org

Applications for the Fall 2024 class will be accepted until 1 March, 2024



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.