

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

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#### 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](mailto:wandawirth@telus.net)

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#### WEEKEND MASSES

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

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#### WEEKDAY MASSES

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

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#### RECONCILIATION

**Saturday: 4:00 to 5:00 pm or by appointment**

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#### CHILDREN'S RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Noreen Dunn: 250-766-3303

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#### 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](mailto:g.joyce@hotmail.com)  
**Lectors (Readers):** Sue Taylor [jaytaylor@telus.net](mailto:jaytaylor@telus.net)  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** June Bot at  
[bot.june@icloud.com](mailto:bot.june@icloud.com)  
**Music Ministry:** Vera Gervais, 250-766-2250  
**Outreach:** Shelly Twerdochlib, 250-766-0202  
**Sacristans:** Lily Oddleifson (250) 766-4390

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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

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#### PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

**CWL**  
Marian Podgornik, 778-480-6444  
**St. Edward's Men's Association**  
President: Michael Conyette, 250-308-4897  
Email: [mconyette@hotmail.com](mailto:mconyette@hotmail.com)  
**Development & Peace**  
George and Karen Willoner, 250-215-5134

**ST. EDWARD ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
**11123 Okanagan Centre Road East, Lake Country, BC V4V 1H3**  
**Phone 250-766-3146 Fax 250-766-3191**  
**Website <http://www.stedwardsparish.ca>**  
**Email [lakecountry@nelsondiocese.org](mailto:lakecountry@nelsondiocese.org)**

**October 22, 2023**  
**Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**World Mission Sunday**

IS 45:1, 4-6; PS 96:1, 3-5, 7-10; 1 THES 1:1-5B; MT 22:15-21

Today's readings encourage us Christian stewards to always be mindful of who we are and Whose we are in every aspect of our lives.



Jesus reminds us of this truth in our Gospel passage today as He cleverly puts the Pharisees in their place during their attempt to verbally entrap Him. They ask Him whether it is lawful to pay the tax to Caesar. But the Pharisees were thinking small. Christ, on the other hand, thinks big.

We all know how the story goes. Christ asks to see the coin that pays the tax and has them state whose image is on it. They of course, reply, "Caesar." In response Christ tells them to "Repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God."

With that, He reminds us that while civil authorities should be obeyed, we answer to an infinitely higher Authority, God, Who is Lord of everything and everyone. All things and all people were created by God. In Baptism we have been claimed for Christ. Our lives are a gift from God and we have the privilege and responsibility to use every aspect of our lives in grateful response to Him.

Let us joyfully give thanks to this wonderful God by the way we live our daily lives. We belong to Him and there is no other!

*Catholic Stewardship Consultants*

## **PARISHIONERS OFFERINGS**

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

October 8, 2023 - \$3,313.23

\*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](mailto: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](mailto:etransfer.pof@nelsondiocese.org)

## **NEED A PRIEST?**

*If you need a priest **for emergencies or enu** 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.**

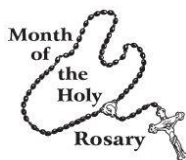
## **Prayer Requests**

Claire Schaff, Betty Klinger

## **Mass intentions**

October 14- Nilbert Potutan RIP

October 21- Ryan Sierhuis RIP



***Please join us to pray the Holy Rosary at 9:30 am, before all the weekday masses (Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday) throughout the month of October.***

## **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: [etransfer.pof@nelsondiocese.org](mailto:etransfer.pof@nelsondiocese.org) or online via Canada Helps at Canada Helps: <https://www.canadahelps.org/en/dn/24360>.

We have already received \$14,850.00. Thank you so much for your generosity!

## **WORLD MISSION SUNDAY**

There will be a special collection taken up today, Sunday, October 22, 2023 for World Mission Sunday.

**‘You shall be my witnesses’ – Acts 1:8**

World Mission Sunday is celebrated in every Catholic community in the world. It’s a moment of grace to express solidarity with our brothers and sisters in Christ who are living in situations of poverty, violence and oppression. Every parish, school and community is invited to join this special event. And every penny, pound and prayer you give to this Mission helps missionaries everywhere continue their work. Thank you for continued generosity.

## **CHILDREN’S RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION for grades 1 to 7 inclusive. Children must be part of grade 1 in order to enter the Year 2 class which prepares children for First Reconciliation and First Eucharist. Confirmation is part of Year 7 and children must complete the younger grades to participate. Catechists are needed. For more information, contact; Noreen Dunn 250-766-3303.

## **ST. EDWARD’S MEN’S ASSOCIATION**

St. Edward’s Men’s Association meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 24<sup>th</sup> 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. Please email Terry Wilson at [jeter@me.com](mailto:jeter@me.com) if you plan to attend.



## **ST. EDWARD’S PARISH BRUNCH**

St. Edward’s Parish Brunch will be held Sunday, October 29<sup>th</sup> 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.

## ST. EDWARD'S CHURCH

### C.W.L. FALL FAIR



**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2023**

**11123 OKANAGAN CENTRE ROAD EAST  
WINFIELD, B.C.**

**TIME: 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM**

**Featuring: Tea Room, Baking, Crafts,  
Gifts, Christmas  
And so much more**

**EVERYONE WELCOME**

**Sponsored by: St. Edward's C.W.L.**

### LOOKING FOR DONATIONS

Do you have a surplus of Fall produce (apples, pears, squash, etc.) new treasure items, home baking, new full bottles. CWL is actively seeking donations to make their Fall Fair a success. For more information call Marian at 778-480-6444 or Jan at 250-766-4357. THANKS for your support.

### BOTTLES, BOTTLES, BOTTLES

Bring your bottles to Mass. CWL is requesting donations of NEW Bottles for their annual Bazaar. Full sealed bottles of Soda, ketchup, lotion, wine, etc. Anything in a bottle. This will be used for a fun activity at the Bazaar. Proceeds from the Bazaar support various Charities in our parish and the community. Thank you for your support.



**Corpus Christi Parish is hosting  
their annual Turkey Supper on  
Saturday, November 11,**

**2023. Seating times are 4:30 pm &  
6:00 pm, with take-out between 5:00 &**

**6:00 pm. Tickets are \$15 each. You can pre-purchase  
your tickets at the Parish office - 750 Rutland Road  
North, or reserve tickets by calling 250-765-6869.**

### Have you thought about leaving a legacy?

You can help ensure that the vitality of the Diocese of Nelson and its mission to spread the Gospel are sustained well into the future with a Legacy Gift. You may make a bequest through your will, a trust, retirement assets, privately held securities, real estate, a life insurance policy, shares or stocks. Legacy Gifts provide future financial support to the Diocese and affirm the importance of faith in the life of the donor.

Donations can be made to the Catholic Foundation of the Nelson Diocese Society which provides vital support for evangelization, retired Priests, vocations, building preservation, the poor and Catholic education. Donations can also be made to your Parish.

For more information or assistance contact the Diocesan Appeals Office at Catholic Pastoral Centre.

phone: 250-448-2725 ext. 240

email:

[plannedgiving@nelsondiocese.org](mailto:plannedgiving@nelsondiocese.org)



OKANAGAN VALLEY  
Pregnancy  
Care Centre

**Baby Bottle Brigade**

**How to Donate:**  
Take a bottle fill it with coins, cash or cheque.  
Return it on Oct 29<sup>th</sup> 2023  
Credit Card / ETransfer Call: 250.763.2112  
Mail cash or cheque to:  
2046 Pandosy Street, Kelowna, BC V1Y5S3

Donate  
Online



**To conclude the month of  
October, MONTH OF THE HOLY  
ROSARY, a Mass and Living  
Rosary will be Celebrated on  
Tuesday October 31st at  
Immaculate Conception Church.**

Please join us for this special Mass  
being offered for the clergy & religious of our Diocese.

**Confession from 4:30-5:00 pm.**

**Holy Mass at 5:15 pm.**

**LIVING ROSARY at 6:15 pm**, followed by an  
outdoor procession, tentatively scheduled, with prayers  
and hymns.

*Bring your children, family and friends!*



## ALPHA IN ST. PIUS X PARISH

Join us every Thursday evening for a meal, a short video and a great discussion. October 5 to December 14, 5:30 – 7:30 pm, St. Pius X Parish, 1077 Fuller Avenue. Call the office at 250-762-2587 or Angela 250-317-7670 to register. Life moves very fast. Have you ever asked yourself: Is there more to life than this? Alpha is a series of talks exploring the big questions of life. First, there is food, talk and discussion. Each talk explores different aspect of life and faith questions - all done in an honest, open, friendly and loving environment.

### **Who are we to invite?**

“We share things everyday: things meaningful, entertaining, inspiring, challenging. We share moments: good or bad, big or small because what we share matters. In Alpha, we share something incredible: the hope that has transformed our lives. Today more than ever, people are searching for hope, for connection, for meaning. The life we have experienced in Jesus is available to our friends and neighbours, and it is easier to share than we think. Alpha gives us an opportunity to share Jesus with friends, family and colleagues.

### **What happens each week?**

Each week we connect with each other, watch a short video and have time to discuss our thoughts and questions without needing to have all the answers. All it takes is a simple invitation. Share life. Faith. Hope. Jesus. Who will you invite? Ask the Holy Spirit to reveal to you that family member, friend or colleague or anyone who like all of us needs hope, love and all that Jesus came to offer us.” *Excerpts from Alpha Review.*



### **Kelowna Catholic Youth Group**

If you are in grades 7-12 and want to deepen your faith with other Catholic teens, please join us!

Upcoming events ...

- Sunday, October 22 - Altaration Series on the Mass 6:15 to 8:15 pm
- Sunday, October 29 - Cosmic Bowling, Pizza and Living Rosary 4:00 to 7:00 pm

Registration form and sign-up REQUIRED.

For more details, sign-up links and/or registration forms, go to [www.kelownacatholicyouthgroup.ca](http://www.kelownacatholicyouthgroup.ca)



## GRIEF TO GRACE -

Through a retreat program facilitated by mental health professionals and centered on Jesus Christ, **Grief to Grace** helps those who have endured neglect, physical, emotional, sexual, and/or spiritual abuse in their family of origin, their community, from spouses/partners, and/or coworkers or supervisors, find healing and journey to wholeness. The next retreat in Canada is **October 24 – 28, 2023** in Kelowna. For more information please email [griegtograckelowna@gmail.com](mailto:griegtograckelowna@gmail.com) or make a confidential call to 250-808-6403.

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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.