

ST. EDWARD'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH
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PARISH OFFICE

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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: 5:30 pm

Sunday: 9:00 am

CONFESSIONS

Saturday - 4:45-5:15 pm or by appointment

WEEKDAY MASSES THIS WEEK

Monday—Mass at 10:00 am

(Rosary at 9:30 am)

Tuesday—Mass at 6:00 pm

(Rosary at 5:30 pm)

Wednesday—Mass at 10:00 am

(Rosary at 9:30 am)

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help
following the 10:00 am Mass

Thursday—Mass at 10:00 am

(Rosary at 9:30 am)

Friday—Mass at 10:00 am

(Rosary at 9:30 am)

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament following
the 10:00 am Mass

CHILDREN'S RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Noreen Dunn: 250-766-3303

MINISTRY COORDINATORS

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jaytaylor@telus.net

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bot.june@icloud.com

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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

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

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George & Karen Willoner, 250-215-5134



June 29, 2025
The Solemnity of Sts. Peter and Paul,
Apostles

*"...And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will
build my Church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it.."*
Matthew 16, 13-19

*St. Edward's Church is a scent
- free zone! Avoid wearing
perfume, after-shave or
heavily scented personal care
products.*

[Acts 12:1-11; Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9; 2 Tim 4:6-8, 17-18; Mt 16:13-19](#)

During June, we have celebrated key moments in the life of the Church — Pentecost, the Most Holy Trinity, Corpus Christi — culminating today with the Solemnity of Sts. Peter and Paul. Though very different men, they are united in faith, mission, and martyrdom, and the Church has honored them together since the third century.

St. Peter, the first Pope, was chosen by Christ as the rock on which the Church would be built. The Catechism tells us that because of the faith he professed, Peter remains the “unshakeable rock of the Church.” Despite his human weaknesses, Peter's loyalty, repentance, and leadership make him a powerful model of stewardship.

St. Paul, once a persecutor of Christians, became one of the Church's greatest evangelists. In today's second reading, Paul reflects on his mission, saying, “I have finished the race... the crown of righteousness awaits me.” The Greek word he used for “crown” — *stephanos* — refers to a victor's crown, not a royal one, showing his view of faith as a race well-run for the sake of Christ.

Though they were martyred separately, tradition holds that Peter and Paul were in Rome at the same time, and their shared witness and sacrifice tie them closely together in Church history. They embody two vital aspects of stewardship — Peter in his faith and leadership, and Paul in his zeal and wisdom.

As stewards, we are called to follow their example — to build the Church through our commitment, to overcome our failures through God's mercy, and to proclaim the Gospel with courage. Like Peter and Paul, we are invited to give all we have for the sake of Christ and His Church.

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Message from Fr Shaiju

“A big thank you from my heart to all our beloved parishioners for your co-operation in different capacities which made the pastoral visit of Bishop Gregory J. Bitman as well as the one-day program for the children and youth of the parish a grand and successful event. Members of the Liturgy Committee, Parish Council, Finance Committee, Men’s Association, CWL, Parish Choir, and Sacristans deserve special appreciation for their guidance and co-ordination in different levels of preparations. I extend special gratitude to Fr. Obi and his team as well as Fr. Ferdinand for sparing their valuable time for the children and youth of St. Edward’s Parish.

I am confident that St. Edward’s parish can do wonderful things in future by the grace of God. Let us come together again and again for the glory of God and proclaim the good news by word and deeds. May the Sacred Heart of Jesus and Immaculate Heart of Mary be our models in all our activities of the parish.

I will be going for my holidays to India on July 16 and I will return back on August 14. Every activity of the parish, **except the Holy Mass on Monday**, will run regularly and smoothly with the assistance of retired priests of the diocese. I will be checking my e mails during the holidays and will surely respond accordingly.

I request your valuable prayers throughout my journey and holidays. I too assure you of my sincere prayers in the days to come. May all our parishioners be hale and hearty, safe and secure by the grace of God.”

– Fr Shaiju Payyappilly Kunjuvareed, CMI, Pastor

PARISHIONERS OFFERINGS

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

June 22, 2025—\$2,839.37

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PILGRIMAGE OF FAITH

The Pilgrimage of Faith Appeal is now underway in our parish for the year 2025. Every gift is important. Our parish goal is \$19,350.00. We have already received \$4,230.00. Thank you so much! Remember to fill out your pledge card and drop it along with a cheque/cash in the collection or donate via e-transfer to: etransfers.pof@nelsondiocese.org and in the message box indicate that you want your donation to go the Pilgrimage of Faith or donate online via Canada Helps: <https://www.canadahelps.org/en/dn/24360>.

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.*

If anyone would like Father to come to your home to pray, to receive the Sacrament of the Sick, to receive the Holy Eucharist or just to visit, please inform the office and they will arrange to have Father Shaiju visit you.

Prayer Requests

Claire Schaff, Betty Klinger, Shirley Breen, Don Wirth, Georgia Colgan, Manuel Matias, Edward Schaff, Father Jim Ratcliffe, Marcel Gregory, Patrick Greaney, Fern Granger, Norman Tutt, Lia Nova

Mass Intentions

June 26-Manuel Matias INT
June 27- Greg Scanlon RIP
June 28- Pat & Kathy Greaney & family INT
June 30-Pat Greaney INT

Mass Intentions Continued

July 2- Anne Stremel RIP
July 3- Carol Malcolm RIP
July 4- Carmela Barbieri & deceased family members
July 5- Benigno Potutan RIP
July 7- Jean Wright RIP
July 10- Oona McKinstry RIP
July 11- Deceased members of the Di Maco family
July 12- P.J. O'Looney RIP
July 16- May Sirianni RIP
July 19- Jane Donahue & deceased family members
July 22- Patricia Kalis RIP
July 24- Philippe Bourbonnier RIP

August 2- Jane Donahue & deceased family members
August 9- P.J. O'Looney RIP
August 23- Kevin & Maureen Schmaltz - INT
(45th Anniversary)
August 30- Alex Potutan RIP

BULLETIN

This weekend, June 29th, will be the last bulletin for the summer months. The bulletin will resume again on September 7th.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION— CATECHISM

Catechism classes are for all students who attend the public school, grade 1 to grade 7, so they can have a faith foundation. Completion of one year of classes before enrolling in First Communion Year is required. Confirmation is celebrated in Grade 7 and it is expected that students are part of the program from grades 1 to 6 before being confirmed.

REGISTRATION for classes commencing in September is now until June 30th. To register contact Noreen Dunn 250-766-3303 or ternor@shaw.ca

TEACHERS are needed for September classes. For more information call Noreen 250-766-3303 or email ternor@shaw.ca

PARENT INFORMATION MEETING for parents with children registered for September classes for catechism; will be held on Sunday, JULY 6th after the 9AM mass in the parish hall with Father. Please be there.

FUNDRAISING FOR ST EDWARD'S YOUTH

Just a reminder that our parish has an account at the **Winfield Return-It Centre** at Lakewood Mall (#4 - 11852 Highway 97N). When you take your recyclables to this location you can request that the proceeds be added to the **account #103 for St Edward's Parish Youth!** They are open from Monday to Friday 8:30 am - 5:00 pm. Thanks in advance for supporting upcoming activities for the youth of our parish!

SPANISH MASS

YOU ARE INVITED TO CELEBRATE IT ON JUNE 29TH

@ 4 PM AT ST. PIUS X

PARISH
1346 GORDON DR

EVERYONE IS WELCOME

CATHOLIC EDUCATION PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

For Catholic Education: For the students that are graduating from high school, students that are moving to new schools, grades and communities. May God bless them, and their families in this time of transition guiding them in His divine plans.

JUBILEE YEAR OF HOPE PILGRIMAGE FESTAL SHOUT OF VICTORY!

An ancient biblical act of worship, victory and celebration!

Saturday, July 5, 2025, 11am-1pm

**Seton House of Prayer, 5819 Chute Lake Road,
Kelowna, BC**

Let us pray in Christian Unity for God's
victory over the Okanagan Valley
**Prayer, Scripture, Song, FESTAL SHOUT OF
VICTORY!**

**Bring your trumpets, tambourines,
maracas, drums & recorders!**

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Contact: Christine 250-768-0284

For more info, go to Google Doc:

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dgnjqPCKpDU/edit?tab=t.0](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1QimKqWAukyGty8JPLQTj-bj075Kre41-dgnjqPCKpDU/edit?tab=t.0)



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Performers Needed! Seton House Fundraiser

Do you sing? Can you dance? Do you play beautiful music? Do you have a talent you would like to share? Calling all talented performers. The Seton House Fundraiser will be held on November 1 from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. at the ICC Parish Hall.

If you or someone you know would like to help by performing at the fundraiser please contact Tim by emailing tkeilty@shaw.ca



Come and See!

Seton House - Wine & Cheese Social
We invite you to Come and See!

The parishioners of the Nelson Diocese supported the Seton House Fundraiser in October 2024 and we want to invite all of you to come and see the changes at Seton House! We are excited to have you come and look around.

On Friday, July 11, 2025 from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. we will hold a Wine & Cheese Social at Seton House of Prayer and Retreat House.

This event is free of charge, but we do require an **RSVP by Friday, July 4** so we know how many people to expect.

Please go to your parish office to pick up a free ticket to attend or to Loaves and Fishes, 591 Lawrence Ave., Kelowna.

If you live outside of the Kelowna area or can't make it to Loaves and Fishes or one of the parish offices to pick up a ticket, please email executive-cpc@nelsondiocese.org to RSVP.

Gathering in the Spirit (GIS) 2025

JESUS HOPE OF THE WORLD August 13-16

"May the God of Hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit." Romans 15:13

Once again the Nelson Diocese Catholic Renewal is offering a unique and life changing faith opportunity, Gathering in the Spirit 2025. Pauline Dumas McGrath is returning by popular demand for a third year. Please read her bio and more in the GIS Brochure, available in your parish.

Here are a few details to note from the brochure:

Schedule Change from previous years –

Wednesday, August 13 to Friday noon, August 15 –

Sessions at Seton House for those registered

Friday Evening, August 15, Dinner and HEALING MASS at St. Pius X - open to public

Saturday, Public Sessions, for registrants too! - St. Pius

Cost for Seton House accommodation and meals Wednesday to Saturday \$560, Commuter \$260

Speaker: Pauline Dumas McGrath

Daily and Healing Mass and Celebrant: Father Obi

REGISTER with Coordinator, Loree Renwick, email:

ndccrs2020@gmail.com (This email address will also accept e-transfers.) Register ASAP as there are only 30 spots at Seton House. See the GIS Brochure on our website, <http://www.stedwardsparish.ca>, under Bulletin

PILGRIMAGE FOR THE JUBILEE YEAR

Seton House of Prayer, Kelowna, BC

Join us for the Pilgrimage for the Jubilee Year, a special event of faith and community, taking place on:

- **Date: Saturday, July 19, 2025**
- Time: 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM
- Location: Seton House of Prayer, Kelowna, BC

Event Highlights

- Time for reflection and Adoration is available in the St. Joseph Carpenter Chapel.
- Stations of the Cross (on your own)
- Rosary (on your own)
- Walk the Labyrinth
- Confession is available from the Deanery Priests that will be present for the day
- Enjoy a peaceful few hours with your family and friends
- Bishop Bittman will celebrate Holy Mass at Noon in the outdoors Grotto – Mary's Grove
- Please bring lawn chairs as seating is limited.
- A hotdog and hamburger lunch will follow the Mass; provided by the Knights of Columbus Councils of Kelowna.

Transportation Information

Please note that parking is very limited on-site. We encourage you to make use of the transportation provided from the following parishes:

- ICC (Immaculate Conception Church) 839 Sutherland Avenue
- Immaculata High School 1493 K.L.O. Road
- St. Charles Garnier Parish 3645 Benvoulin Road



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