

ST. EDWARD'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH
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PARISH OFFICE

Secretary: Pat Robinson

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

Altar Society: Constance Gregory
(250) 765-2879

Benevolent Fund: Parish Office
Greeters and Ushers: Maxine Joyce
maxinejoyce50@gmail.com

Lectors (Readers): Sue Taylor
jaytaylor@telus.net

Eucharistic Ministers: June Bot
bot.june@icloud.com

Music Ministry: Vera Gervais, 250-766-
2250

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

CWL- Marian Podgornik: 778-480-6444

St. Edward's Men's Association:

Development & Peace:

George & Karen Willoner, 250-215-5134

September 14, 2025

Exaltation of the Holy Cross

"For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life."

John 3.13-17

NM 21: 4B-9; PS 78: 1BC-2, 34-38; PHIL 2: 6-11; JN 3:13-17

One of the aspects of our stewardship should be a desire to understand and appreciate the significance of many of the celebrations, feasts, and solemnities we as Catholics observe and experience. Today's Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross celebrates three historical events: the finding of the True Cross by St. Helena; the construction and dedication of churches by Helena's son the Emperor Constantine on the site of Mt. Calvary where Christ was crucified; and the return of the Cross to Jerusalem by the Emperor Heraclius II.

As Catholics, we need to remember the Cross every time we make the Sign of the Cross. We make that sign often and almost always at the beginning and the end of our prayers. However, that sign in itself is a prayer. Sometimes we do it automatically without really considering its meaning and importance. Rather than a hurried sign, we should make the Sign of the Cross with reverence, respect, and the constant reflection of how vital the Cross is to our salvation. Stewardship invites us to practice our faith with this deference and appreciation to the Lord, truly in the Name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

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PARISHIONERS OFFERINGS

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

August 24, 2025-\$2,490.12

August 31, 2025- \$5,189.12

September 7, 2025-\$2,617.37

You can donate by using an eTransfer from your online banking. All you have to do is create a new payee" (eg. St. Edward Parish) and use the email etransfer.stedwardswinfield@nelsondiocese.org In the message box indicate that you want your donation to go to Sunday Collection.

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 \$6,690.00. 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

Norman Tutt, Pat Greaney, Manuel Matias, Bishop Bittman

Mass Intentions

September 6- May Sirianni RIP

September 13- P.J. O'Looney RIP

September 15- May Sirianni RIP

September 20- Jane Donahue and deceased family members

September 25- Bev Kondra RIP

September 27- Bishop Gregory Bittman INT

September 30- Joseph and Sara Schmaltz

NEEDS OF THE CHURCH IN CANADA

The annual Collection for the Needs of the Church in Canada will be held on 27/28 September 2025. This annual charitable initiative assists the Bishops in their ministry of accompanying, teaching, guiding, sanctifying and caring for the Church in Canada.

As part of their episcopal ministry, the Bishops will continue to work together on relations with Indigenous peoples, important doctrinal and ethical questions; ecumenical initiatives and interreligious dialogue; international relations; evangelization, faith education and catechesis; questions of social justice; responsible ministry, and the development of a culture of life and family.

We invite all Catholics to contribute locally to this collection to support the pastoral works of our Bishops.

THE MEN'S ASSOCIATION'S MEETING



The Men's Association meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 23, 2025 (AGM). You are invited to attend Mass at 6 pm before the meeting. Following Mass, we will have supper and our meet-

ST. EDWARD'S PARISH BRUNCH

St. Edward's Parish Brunch will be held Sunday, September 28, 2025 after the 9:00 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. \$30.00 per family with children up to 18 years old.



CWL



In anticipation of the CWL's fall bazaar we continue to search for donations of new and nearly new items as well as current books for the treasure and silent auction tables.

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 June Bot 250 448 6255. The items we are unable to use will be donated to a local thrift store.

VOLUNTEERS WANTED

Pies, Pies, Pies. The Catholic Women's League will be selling homemade pies in time for Thanksgiving. **We are in need of CWL members AND anyone who loves to bake, to assist us with making them.** First session is Wednesday, September 24th at 9:00 am in the church hall.



**DEVELOPMENT & PEACE -
CARITAS CANADA
BC & YUKON REGIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**CREATE
HOPE**

September 19-21st
Little Flower Monastery - Carmel Hill
10789 N Deroche Rd, Deroche, BC

For Registration Package
pinky.devpeace@gmail.com

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE - CARITAS CANADA: Is inviting you to their Regional Meeting September 19th to 21st, being held at the Little Flower Monastery - Carmel Hill, Deroche, BC. <https://carmelhillbc.info/overview/>

If you would like to attend or want more information about the upcoming meeting, accommodation, or being a parish rep or co-rep, please contact George or Karen Willoner at 250-215-5134 or kwilloner@hotmail.ca or send an email to pinky.devpeace@gmail.com

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE-CARITAS CANADA: As you may know, St Edward's Parish has been actively seeking a new rep(s) or co-rep(s) for some time. Our focuses are: **Mobilizing Canadians to Advocate** for human rights and justice to support peasant communities, mainly in the Global South, by engaging Canadians on issues of solidarity and the principles of Catholic Social Teaching; **Long-Term Development** by supporting sustainable initiatives that empower communities; **Humanitarian Aid** by providing immediate assistance during crises caused by conflict or natural disasters. We ask that you consider becoming involved in this rewarding Ministry. For more information, please contact George or Karen Willoner @ 250-215-5134 or kwilloner@hotmail.ca

CATECHISM- RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Catechism classes for students who attend public school are for grades 1 to 7 so that they can have a faith foundation. Completion of one year of catechism classes is required before enrolling in First Communion (grade 2). Confirmation is celebrated in grade 7 and it is expected that students are part for the program for grades 1 to 6 before being confirmed. To register and more information contact Noreen Dunn 250-766-3303 or email ternor@shaw.ca



Grade *8-12 Youth Group News!

We are excited to gather again for our first meeting of the year on Sunday, September 14th. Here are the details...

- Where: ICC Parish Center (use EAST entrance)
- Drop Off: 6:30 pm (doors open 6:15 pm)
- Pick Up: 8:30 pm
- What: Snacks, Games, Ice Breakers, Chat about Plans for the Year!

Bring your 2025-26 Youth Group Registration Form. To download a registration form, please go to www.kelownacatholicyouthgroup.ca

* Please note the new age range. For grade 7 families, we encourage you to check out Our Lady of Lourdes Youth Group monthly events.

St. Pius X CWL Council Presents

Joy and Anxiety

**Presentation by
Father John Garden, Counsellor**

What does it mean to serve the Lord with joy especially when our Christian discipleship includes experiences of suffering, pain or anxiety?

St. Pius X Church, 1077 Fuller Ave, Kelowna

Wednesday, October 1, 2025

Light supper: 5:30 pm in the hall

Presentation: 6:30 – 8:00 pm

Tickets: \$15.00

Contact Mary Anna 250-712-9936

The Hills Are Alive 2
Jubilee 2025



An annual
Seton House
fundraiser

Scan or click the QR code
to purchase tickets online.

Tickets also available at
Loaves & Fishes and all
Kelowna area parish offices.

Join Us

November 1, 2025
1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.
ICC Parish Hall, Kelowna



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Seton House of Prayer
The Hills are Alive 2!!
Saturday November 01, 2025

Doors open at 12:00pm | Performances from 1:00 pm

50/50 Draw | Door prizes and more...

Immaculate Conception Church Hall
839 Sutherland Ave., Kelowna



Admission:
General — \$30 | Students — \$15
Children (12 and under) — \$10

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Praying The Rosary**

**On October 7, 2025,
pray with the children
of the world!**



Invite your children, grandchildren and youth to pray the Rosary for peace on October 7

Here is the link to the webpage":

<https://acn-canada.org/one-million-children/>

The link to the booklet:

<https://acn-canada.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/08/OMC-Flyer-2025-A5-Eng-Canada-VF.pdf>

The link to the guide on how to pray the rosary with children:

https://acn-canada.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/08/ACN-20241106-174839_GuideHowToPray-2025.pdf

JOHN

3:16

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