

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 10:00 am

(Rosary at 9:30 am)

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

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javtaylor@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

October 12, 2025

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"...Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?"

Luke 17.11-19

2 KGS 5:14-17; PS 98: 1-4; 2 TM 2:8-13; LK 17:11-19

Gratitude is the key to a stewardship way of life. Today's readings demonstrate the power and vital importance of gratitude in the life of the Christian disciple, for gratitude leads us to worship God who offers us salvation.

We see the power of gratitude on display in the Gospel passage from Luke after Jesus heals ten lepers. "And one of them, realizing he had been healed, returned." Only one of the ten recognized the tremendous blessing he had received from Jesus and returned to thank him. While it's easy to feel indignant at the failure of the nine others to return and thank Jesus, how often do we fail to recognize the blessings, answered prayers, and healings (both physical and spiritual) that the Lord showers upon us, day and night?

The truth is that our very lives and every breath we take are His gift to us. But we can get so caught up in the stresses and distractions of daily life that we lose touch with this truth.

The Samaritan reacts to his gift of healing with the proper response to our loving God. Recognizing what he had just received from the Lord, he "returned, glorifying God in a loud voice; and he fell at the feet of Jesus and thanked Him." He was grateful for what God had done for him, and this gratitude led to worship.

And because of this response, Jesus offered him a far more precious gift than physical healing; He offered him the gift of salvation. "Stand up and go; your faith has saved you."

Too often, we hear the phrase, "Count your blessings," and write it off as nothing more than a trite saying. Today's Gospel shows us otherwise. Gratitude is powerful. It deepens our faith in God and leads us to fitting worship of Him.

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PARISHIONERS OFFERINGS

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

October 5, 2025—\$3,267.37

Needs of the Church in Canada—\$30.00

Seton House of Prayer—\$100.00

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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 \$8,010.00. 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

October 11- P.J. O'Looney RIP
October 13- Patricia Calas INT
October 14- Irene Robalo RIP
October 15- Bishop Gregory Bittman INT
October 16- Karen McAdams INT
October 17- Norman Tutt INT
October 18- Karol Jordan INT
October 21- Irene Robalo RIP
October 25- Ryan Sierhuis RIP

CHANGE IN WEEKDAY MASS

Please note Tuesday mass this week will be held at 10:00 am, the rosary will be said at 9:30 am, due to Father Obi's 10th year anniversary of his ordination.

COFFEE AFTER SUNDAY MASS

There will be **NO** coffee after mass this Sunday, October 12th.

SETON HOUSE OF PRAYER FUNDRAISER

There will be a special collection at all Diocesan parishes this weekend, October 11 & 12. Please see Bishop Bittman's letter attached. Envelopes are provided in the pews for your convenience. Thank you so much!



CWL PIES FOR THANKSGIVING

The CWL ladies have made a variety of frozen pies. Enjoy a homemade pie with your holiday dinner. Available after Mass on Saturday and Sunday (\$12.00 each or 3 for \$35.00).

ST. EDWARD'S CHURCH C.W.L. FALL FAIR



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BOTTLES, BOTTLES, BOTTLES

Bring your bottles to Mass. CWL is requesting donations of NEW Bottles for their annual Bazaar. Full sealed bottles of ketchup, wine, lotion, 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 community. Thank you for your support.

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.

There is a lovely invite for parishioners to attend the **"10th Anniversary of Priesthood for Father Obi on Tuesday October 14th at ICC parish."** Holy Mass will be at 5 p.m. and supper served at 6:30 p.m. As Father Obi said 'St. Edward's was his first parish after Ordination and again before being shipped off to the wider Diocese. He credits us to "training him twice." and is very grateful for the love and prayers expressed for him in his travels. Won't you join us? Tickets are on sale after mass and also available from Pat in the office. Cost is \$25.00 each.

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

CORPUS CHRISTI PARISH'S ANNUAL TURKEY SUPPER

Tickets are now available for the Annual Turkey Supper, taking place Tuesday, November 11, 2025 at Corpus Christi Parish, 750 Rutland Road North. The cost is \$15 per person. Seating times are 4:00 & 6:00 pm, with take-out starting at 3:00 pm. To purchase your tickets, please call 250-765-6869.

RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREAT

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat: Has abortion left you feeling empty and alone? This retreat is for any man, woman, couple or family member who has struggled with the emotional and spiritual pain of abortion. If you are searching for peace and inner healing from an abortion experience, this retreat is for you. Register now for our upcoming retreat. For more information call

Vicki, 250-762-2273 or e-mail

rvokanagan@gmail.com

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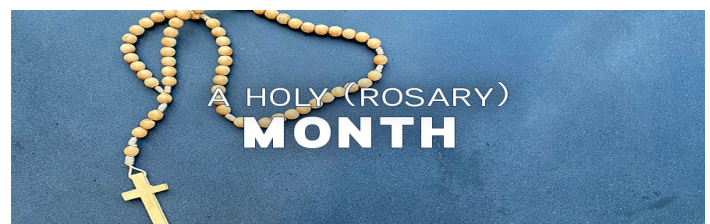
CELEBRATING THE GOODNESS OF GOD
10TH ANNIVERSARY OF PRIESTHOOD

**YOU ARE INVITED TO CELEBRATE
WITH FR. OBI**

DATE: OCTOBER 14, 2025 (TUESDAY)
PLACE: IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH, KELOWNA
TIME: 5PM MASS FOLLOWED BY SUPPER IN THE HALL

TICKETS AVAILABLE AT LOAVES AND FISHES AND
ICC PARISH OFFICE: \$25/PERSON

EVERYONE IS INVITED!



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., KelownaAdmission:
General – \$30 | Students – \$15
Children (12 and under) – \$10**Tickets available from Pat in the office****Live stream of Seton House Fundraiser
November 1st from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.**

Would you like to support the Seton House Fundraiser?
Do you find it hard to get out of the house or is it too far to travel? We have a solution!

For just \$30 you and as many people as you can crowd around your television, ipad or other digital device can watch the event live!

Just etransfer \$30 to etransfer.seton@nelsondiocese.org and the link for the livestream will be emailed to you. In the notes for the etransfer please add 'SH Fundraiser Livestream' and the link will be sent directly to your email.



Fall Baby Bottle Campaign

Ways to give:

1

Fill a bottle with coins, cash,
or a cheque

Return filled bottle by Oct 26, 2025

2

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3

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Kelowna, BC V1Y 1S3

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Office of the Bishop

28 September 2025

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Greetings and peace in the Lord!

As you know, the diocese held a special collection for Seton House of Prayer and Retreat Centre last year. This year, we have set aside the weekend of October 11 and 12, 2025, for another collection in support of Seton House.

For many of our parishioners and others alike, Seton House holds a special place in their hearts. It is known as a beautiful place where people come to experience spiritual renewal and discover a deeper awareness of God and His healing power in their lives. It is a place of welcome for groups and individuals whether for a day, a weekend or longer. This year, as one of the Diocesan Pilgrimage sites, we have experienced the busiest time ever. Thankfully, we completed a major renovation of the interior, including the bedrooms, main dining and conference room just in time for our Jubilee Pilgrims.

As you can imagine, there are many challenges running Seton House. It is my hope that through the annual collection, Seton House will continue to be a vibrant place of encounter with the Lord and a place of faith, hope and love.

If you have never been to Seton House, you are most welcome to visit or attend a retreat or other event held there. I invite you to come to Seton House and experience the beauty, stillness and amazing grace of the Lord! May God bless you abundantly for all your generosity and continued support.

Sincerely yours in Christ Jesus our Lord,

✠ Gregory J Bittman
Bishop of Nelson
