

ST. EDWARD'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH
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St. Edward's Church is a scent-free zone! Avoid wearing perfume, after-shave or heavily scented personal care products.

Pastor: Fr. Dr. Shaiju Kunjuvareed

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 Mass: 5:30 pm
Sunday Mass: 9:00 am

CONFESSIONS

Saturday- 4:30-5:15 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 mass
Thursday—Mass at 10:00 am
(Rosary at 9:30 pm)
Friday—Mass at 10:00 am
(Rosary at 9:30 am)
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
following the 10:00 am Mass
Saturday-Mass at 9:30 am
(No Rosary)

CHILDREN'S RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
Noreen Dunn: 250-766-3303

MINISTRY COORDINATORS

Altar Society: Constance Gregory
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javtaylor@telus.net
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bot.june@icloud.com
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PARISH COMMITTEES

Parish Pastoral Council (PPC)
Chair: Cara Reed
Parish Finance Committee (PFC)
Chair: Joe Pereira George
Liturgy Coordinator:
Constance Gregory, 250-765-2879
Grounds and Building: Allan Lundquist

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

CWL- Marian Podgornik, 778-480-6444
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vandjsherry@gmail.com
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R_V_Delaney@proton.me
Development & Peace-
George & Karen Willoner, 250-215-5134



April 19, 2026
Third Sunday of Easter

ACTS 2:14, 22b-28; PS 16:1-2, 5, 7-11; 1 PT 1:17-21; LK 24:13-35

Today's readings focus on a theme of "sojourning." As Christian stewards, we know our lives are a sojourn toward the ultimate destination of heaven.

Our Gospel passage today describes the sojourn of the two disciples on the road to Emmaus. The two are dejected and despondent after Jesus' death. They knew Jesus personally. They had heard the Gospel message directly from His lips. They heard the testimony of the women who discovered our Lord's empty tomb and saw a vision of angels announcing He was alive. They had been informed by other disciples who went to the tomb that all was exactly as the women reported.

How much more obvious could the Good News be?

And yet, at times, the reaction of the two disciples describes our own stewardship journey, doesn't it? We have the fullness of the Catholic faith, the power of the sacraments, and the support of our parish family. Yet, we often lose our way. We fail to see all the gifts we have been given. We lack trust in the perfect goodness and almighty power of God.

But notice what happens to the two men when their eyes are opened once again, and they recognize Jesus in the Eucharist — the "breaking of the bread." They are transformed! Their hearts are set on fire with love for the Lord and for their faith. They recall that their hearts began "burning within" as the Lord was explaining the Scriptures to them. When we find we have lost our way, we can go to the same sources as the two disciples on the road to Emmaus — the Scriptures and the Eucharist.

In this Easter season, resolve to feast deeply on these two sources of grace. They are the fuel that will propel us on our journey toward heaven.

PARISHIONERS OFFERINGS

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

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

Our Pilgrimage of Faith Appeal is now underway in our parish for the year 2026 – Every gift is important. Our parish goal is \$18,250.00. We have already received \$3,750.00. Thank you so much! Remember to fill out your pledge card and drop it along with a cheque/cash (cheques made payable to the The Roman Catholic Bishop of Nelson) in the collection or donate via etransfer to: etransfers.pof@nelsondiocese.org or online via Canada Helps at Canada Helps: <https://www.canadahelps.org/en/dn/24360>.

Dear Parishioners,

As part of our Pilgrimage of Faith for 2026, our parish is called to contribute \$18,250 to the Diocese. In addition, we are raising \$9,000.00 to repair and reupholster the parish hall chairs for the comfort and use of our community. We kindly ask for your generous support to help us meet these important needs. Together, let us continue to build and care for our parish home with faith and unity.

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 Shaju visit you.



Prayer Requests

Norman Tutt, Manuel Matias, Bishop Bittman

Mass Intentions

April 18- Art Fomey RIP



THE MEN'S ASSOCIATION'S MEETING

The Men's Association meeting will be held on this Tuesday, April 21, 2026. You are invited to attend Mass at 6 pm before the meeting. Following Mass, we will have supper and our meeting at 7 pm. ***Please see the invitation letter on our website under Bulletin.***

ST. EDWARD'S PARISH BRUNCH

St. Edward's Parish Brunch will be held next Sunday, April 26th 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.



THANK YOU FOR GIVING FROM THE HEART TO SHARE LENT 2026!

Development and Peace — Caritas Canada thanks you for supporting the *On Track for Justice* campaign with your Share Lent donation. Our parish is always notably generous during this campaign and thanks to you \$6702 was collected since Solidarity Sunday! (This does not include amounts directly donated on the Development and Peace website, which tracks diocesan, but not individual parish totals.) This sum will help support our sisters and brothers in Africa, Asia, Eastern Europe, Latin America and the Middle East. If you have not yet had a chance to give, you can still place your blue Share Lent, or other clearly marked envelope, in the offertory or donate online at devp.org/give. Thank you for continuing to pray for all those who are working to build a world of peace and justice.

CALL TO ACTION FOR TUMBLER RIDGE – THANK YOU

Thank you for your generosity and kindness on behalf of families in Tumbler Ridge. The art supplies and cards collected during Lent have been sent to Holy Cross Mission, in the care of Father Jeevan Bandanadham. Father Jeevan extends his blessings and gratitude to everyone at St. Edward's. Thank you for your support!

POPE LEO XIV'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR APRIL

"Let us pray for priests going through moments of crisis in their vocation, that they may find the accompaniment they need and that communities may support them with understanding and prayer".

KELOWNA CATHOLIC YOUNG ADULTS

The Kelowna Catholic Young Adults are excited to invite you to “**To the Heights**”, an evening of Eucharistic Adoration, worship, Holy Mass, and fellowship for young adults. This new initiative, led by Fr. Ferdinand, Youth Coordinator of the Diocese, aims to bring together young adults from across Kelowna and all parishes, creating a space where we can pray, worship, and grow in fellowship as one community.

Location: St. Charles Garnier Church

When: Every 3rd Sunday of the month

Adoration: 6:00 PM

Holy Mass: 7:00 PM (Fellowship after the Mass)

Our first gathering will be on **Sunday, April 19th**.

We warmly encourage everyone to come and bring friends! Please help spread the word — our hope is to build a welcoming and vibrant community for all young adults in Kelowna.

He Is Risen! Alleluia!

Come and rejoice in the Risen Lord!

Lift your heart in joyful praise

Spend time in prayer before the Lord

Be renewed through worship and community

Whether you are seeking peace, encouragement, or simply time in God’s presence, all are welcome.

Location: St. Pius X Parish (side entrance)

Date: Tuesday, April 21, Time: 6:30-8:00 pm

For more information about the People of Faith Prayer Group, please call or text Piera at 250-215-7100.

ST. PIUS X CHURCH PRESENTS

BADLANDS PASSION PLAY TOUR

Drumheller, Alberta—Departure: July 17, 2026,

Return: July 19, 2026—Departing from: St. Pius X Church

Tour Includes:

Comfortable coach transportation (3 days)

2 nights accommodation at the Glenmore Inn, Calgary

2 breakfasts, Admission to the Badlands Passion Play

Call Wells Gray Tours at 250-374-0831 or Trish Mazzei at 236-795-7474. Limited space available—reserve early.

For more information, see the poster in the vestibule of the church or the brochure on our website under Bulletin.



GRADE 8–12 KELOWNA CATHOLIC YOUTH GROUP NEWS

Just a reminder—there’s NO Youth Group on April 26!

Why? Because we’re heading to something even bigger We’d love to see you in Penticton for the NET Youth Retreat. It’s going to be an awesome day filled with fun, faith, and friends. Want to stay in the loop or sign up for upcoming events? Check us out at:

www.kelownacatholicyouthgroup.ca

SUMMIT: AN EVENING OF EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Please join us at Immaculate Conception Church on Saturday, May 9 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! If possible, please bring a plate of snacks to share for the social to follow in the hall.

CALLED & GIFTED

God is calling you to a unique purpose in life, a work of love that only you can do in your church or broader community, and He has gifted you for that purpose. Over 4 sessions, Called & Gifted will help you reflect on your life and discover the spiritual gifts God has placed within you. Whether you’re seeking clarity, renewal, or a deeper sense of meaning, this journey can help you recognize how God is already at work in your life and how to take that next step. April 28 & 30, May 5 & 7 from 6:00-8:30 pm at Seton House of Prayer (Dining Room). Register online using the www.nelsondiocese.org.

MSGR. DESMOND'S 60TH ANNIVERSARY OF ORDINATION

Celebration!



MONSIGNOR JERRY'S 60TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION WILL BE HELD ON SATURDAY MAY 16, 2026.

MASS OF THANKSGIVING AT 10AM AT OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP 635 TRANQUILLE ROAD FOLLOWED BY A TICKETED LUNCHEON AT COLOMBO LODGE 814 LORNE STREET Kamloops, BC

MAY | 16th | 2026

Tickets are \$45.00 per person

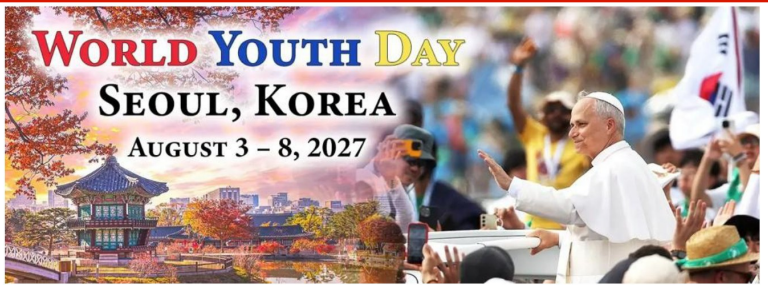
Deadline for registration May 5

<https://forms.gle/8JqPtt7hM42amKBA>



THE CATHOLIC MOUNTAIN STAR

The Catholic Mountain Star is now available. If you would like a copy, please contact St. Edward’s Parish Office with your email address and they will email you a copy. It is also available on our website under Bulletin.



WORLD YOUTH DAY

SEOUL, KOREA

AUGUST 3 - 8, 2027

Young Adults of the Diocese of Nelson

World Youth Day 2027 is from

July 27th, 2027 - August 11th, 2027 in Seoul, Korea

**Dates include both Days in the Diocese and WYD*

Join Pope Leo XIV and hundreds of thousands of young Catholics (18 - 35 years old) from around the world for the World Youth Day Pilgrimage!

Participants will grow in their faith and their appreciation for the power and presence of Jesus in the Church today.

Interested? Save your spot!

E-transfer \$500 to

etransfer.DPC@nelsondiocese.org

before May 10, 2026

Add "WYD 2027 deposit" + "your full name" + "your parish" in the e-transfer message

Priest Chaplain: Fr. Ferdinand Bayarong

For more information, please contact:

Deacon Rod Attwell

rod.attwell@nelsondiocese.org



THE FR. DELESTRE COUNCIL OF THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BURSARY

The Fr. Delestre Council of the Knights of Columbus is pleased to announce that it will again be offering bursaries to students who are graduating from high school this year and who are planning to attend an accredited post-secondary school in BC. One-time bursaries are also available for students already in post-secondary programs who are continuing their studies in accredited post-secondary education in BC. To request an application, please contact Paul Gabias, paul.gabias@ubc.ca. All applications must be received on or before May 15th to be considered.

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MARCH FOR LIFE

Immaculate Conception Parish will host the ANNUAL MASS, to respect and honor LIFE. This year marks 57 years of legal abortion in Canada. The NATIONAL MARCH FOR LIFE will be held in Ottawa on Thursday, May 14. Our MASS will be celebrated: THURSDAY, MAY 7, CELEBRANT: Bishop Gregory Bittman, 7 pm at ICC. Coffee in the hall after. The Theme of this year's March is. "FOLLOW ME. Matthew 4:19. A call to action! "Stand for LIFE". Join us to pray for Canada. To end abortion, Euthanasia, MAID, IVF. Contraception. All assault the dignity of life created by God! Mark your Calendar. Join us to STAND FOR LIFE !

KOREAN LANGUAGE MASS

Okanagan Korean Catholic Community (OKCC) cordially invites Korean people and anyone who would like to attend to:
KOREAN LANGUAGE MASS
ST. PIUS X CHURCH, KELOWNA ON APRIL 19, 2026 AT 3PM.
CONFESSION AT 2:30pm
Fellowship at 4-5:30 pm.
By Fr. Park Francisco, of Vancouver
St. Andrew Church

Springfield
 FUNERAL HOME
Here for You.

JOHN

3:16

Would you like to see your business advertised in our bulletin? Cost is \$100 per year or \$10.00 per month. Contact the office.