

Immaculate Conception Roman Catholic Church

Roman Catholic Diocese of Nelson

Parish Priest: Fr. Maurice Okolie

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January 12, 2025 – Baptism of the Lord

Office Hours: Tuesday – Friday, 8:30 am – 12:30 pm

Mondays, Weekends & Stat Holidays – offices are closed. Please contact office to schedule an appointment.

WEEKEND AND DAILY MASS TIMES:

Weekdays	Rosary	7:30 AM		Mass:	8:00 AM
Wednesdays	Rosary	4:30 PM		Mass:	5:00 PM
					<i>Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena to follow Mass</i>
Saturdays	Rosary	8:30 AM		Mass:	9:00 AM, & 5:00 PM (Vigil, for Sunday)
Sundays	Rosary	8:30 AM		Mass:	9AM, 11 AM, & 5:00 PM

First Friday's **Benediction/Adoration 3:00 PM, Mass 4:00 PM**

***Monday of long weekends & Stat. Holidays: Rosary @ 8:30 AM, Mass @ 9:00 AM**

RECONCILIATION

Saturdays: 10:00–11:00 AM, & 3:45–4:45 PM

If you are unable to attend confession during these times, please call office or an appointment: 250-762-3910

Emergencies Only – 250-762-8445

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC SCHOOL 2025 MASS SCHEDULE

Thurs. Jan 16th @ 10:00 am
updated**

Thurs. Feb. 6th @ 9:30 am

Thurs. Mar. 6th @ 9:30
(Ash Wednesday)

Thurs. April 24 @ 9:30 am

Thurs. May 29 @ 9:30 am

Thurs. June 12 @ 9:30 am

All are welcome!

KELOWNA AND AREA HOSPITAL CHAPLAINCY

For the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick/pastoral emergencies or for end-of-life blessings (Last Rites) please call 250-878-1502 (24/7)

or email: chaplain@nelsondiocese.org.

The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick may be received more than once!!

MASSES AT CARE HOMES

Village at Mill Creek 1st Tuesday of the month 9:45 am

Summerwood Retirement Resort 2nd Tuesday of the month 10:00 am

Cottonwoods 3rd Tuesday of the month 10:30 am

The Dorchester Last Tuesday of the month 10:00 am

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND INJURED:

Bishop Gregory Bittman, Fr. Jim. Ratcliffe, Michael Ward, Teresa McGauley, Chiamaka Aghaizu, Josephine Bruch, Mary Van Verdegan, Diane Lynott, Hazel Csordas, Rihnon Coatsworth, Helen Zentner, Theresa Kaller, Kathleen Mayhew, Jesse Wilson, Bambina Tinto, Anne Mould, Rose Harry, Adam Gorges, Joyce Tremmel, Florence Nagy, Sandra Park, Loretta Bouchard, Linda Kirkpatrick, Aggie Turner, Juliana Lavell, Maritess Steiman, Rhonda Jennens, Roy Velmonte, Justina Mikosa, Mildred Reyes, Kathe Gonzaga Carpena, Michelle Miller, Victor Kovac, Phillip Dos Santos, Marlene Hughes, Dorota Nowak, Chinee Fajardo, Rosario, Luisito & Crispin Clemente, Nancy Brisson, Ginoefa Diakow, Rick Lock, Mertis Filiatrault, Sister Barbara, Candace Gilmore-Stephensen, Anne Engel, Aisley Ducharme, Catherine Fortunat, Michael M, Trudy Szulkies, Cherie Lynn Walsh, Suzanne Crowe, Alicia L, Arthur & Gudrun Cobham, Marcus Cresswell, Ray Pauluk, Desjardines Families, Rachel Donegan, Ernie Poitras.



If you have a loved one that you would like on the prayer list, or if you know of someone who no longer needs to be on the list please contact the Parish Office 250-762-3910 or email

icc.kelowna@nelsondiocese.org

1st Reading: Isaiah 42.1-4, 6-7

2nd Reading: Acts 10.34-38

Gospel: Luke 3.15-16, 21-22

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2nd Reading: Titus 2.11-14; 3.4-7

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THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY:

For the right to an education.

"Let us pray for migrants, refugees, and those affected by war, that their right to an education, which is necessary to build a better world, might always be respected."

STEWARDSHIP/WEEKLY OFFERINGS, W/E – 01/05/25

Weekly Offerings required	\$	tbd
New Year's Day Collections	\$	3,335.86
Sunday Collections	\$	14,253.30
Offerings received to date	\$	17,859.16
Offerings Required, to date	\$	tbd
Balance to Date	\$	17,598.16

We appreciate your generous support to help us meet our weekly parish budget goal. Thank you for all you give!

MASS INTENTIONS Repose - R. Intention - I.

Sat.	11-Jan	9:00 am	R. Margaret Murphy
		5:00 pm	R. John Phelan
Sun.	12-Jan	9:00 am	Intentions of Parishioners
		11:00 am	Intentions of Parishioners
		5:00 pm	R. Tom Serka
Mon.	13-Jan	8:00 am	I. Steve & Raluca Matte
Tues.	14-Jan	8:00 am	I. Mike Feric
Wed.	15-Jan	8:00 am	R. Denise Cire
		5:00 pm	
Thurs.	16-Jan	8:00 am	R. George Janicki
Fri.	17-Jan	8:00 am	R. Paul Kelly & Jean Kelly
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Sat.	18-Jan	9:00 am	I. Monaco Parker
		5:00 pm	I. St. Vincent de Paul Families
Sun.	19-Jan	9:00 am	Intentions of Parishioners
		11:00 am	Intentions of Parishioners
		5:00 pm	I. Patricia Phelan
Mon.	20-Jan	8:00 am	R. Keith Fuergutz
Tues.	21-Jan	8:00 am	I. Akos & Monique Perna
Wed.	22-Jan	8:00 am	R. Mr. Kimberly Allers
		5:00 pm	R. Gwen Olivier
Thurs.	23-Jan	8:00 am	I. Fr. Paul Simms
Fri.	24-Jan	8:00 am	I. Kathleen & Lorraine Meyhew

**GRADE 7-12 KELOWNA CATHOLIC
YOUTH GROUP NEWS!**

Winter Series: The Chosen (Season 4)

Join us Sunday night as we journey through season 4 of the Chosen to help us go deeper with our relationship with Jesus. Series starts January 12.

Winter Retreat

Save the date for our Annual Winter Retreat on Saturday, Jan. 25 and Sunday, Jan. 26. We believe this will be our BEST retreat yet! Registration information will be on our website in early January.

To register for our youth group or for more information about our events, please go to www.kelownacatholicyouthgroup.ca.

Wishing all of you a very happy Christmas season!

David, Leanne, Nicole and Laura

**SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION
FOR STUDENTS GRADE 7 AND UP**

Confirmation candidates prepare to be Confirmed by completing the religious education program for years 3 to 7 (either through a parish program or Catholic school).

Confirmation Parent & Student Meeting for St. Joseph and PREP Families:

Thursday, Jan. 16, 2025 7:00 - 8:00 pm ICC Parish Center (please use EAST entrance)

Please bring a copy of your child's baptism certificate and a completed registration form by going to www.icckelowna.ca, clicking on the children's tab and scrolling down to Confirmation.

For more information about sacramental preparation for school aged children, contact David Z at catechism.icc.kelowna@nelsondiocese.org.

STEWARDSHIP FOR ICC

WAYS TO DONATE:

- QR Code.
- Regular offerings/collection envelopes.
- Pre-Authorized debit (SAG).
- e-Transfer etransfer.icc@nelsondiocese.org.
In the message box indicate that you want your donation to go to Sunday Collection, or a Special Collection.
- Mail your Offerings to:
Immaculate Conception Church
839 Sutherland Ave, Kelowna, BC V1Y 5X4

Please call or email our offices to register with our parish, to arrange for weekly ICC Offerings Envelopes, or for SAG Information, 250-762-3910 icc.kelowna@nelsondiocese.org



(Scan me here!)

**ICC KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
UPCOMING EVENTS**

Free 1 Year On-Line Membership

You can enjoy the benefits of being a Knights of Columbus Member, including Accidental Death Benefit and the famous Columbia Magazine. Go to: www.kofc.org/joinus
Promo Code: BLESSEDMCGIVNEY
After joining, please check your INBOX for confirmation.

**Catholic Women's League
OF IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH**

We have our CWL General meeting on Tuesday Jan. 14, 2025 at 1pm in the Main Hall. Please join us as we choose a new executive CWL team! Light refreshments to follow.

All ladies of the parish welcome to attend.

**UPCOMING DINNER/DANCES
@ ICC PARISH CENTRE**

VALENTINE'S DINNER/DANCE

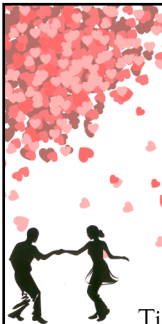
Friday February 14th 2025

Doors open @ 6:00 (refreshments)

Dinner @ 6:30 | Dancing from 7:30

Music by Vic's Dance Band

Tickets are \$45 per person and are available at Loaves & Fishes - 591 Lawrence Ave | 250-868-8933



For News and Announcements from the Diocese of Nelson visit: <https://www.nelsondiocese.org/apps/news>



To find the readings of the day go to the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops website: <https://www.cccb.ca/>

The Jubilee Prayer

Father in heaven,
may the **faith** you have given us
in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and
the flame of **charity** enkindled
in our hearts by the Holy Spirit,
reawaken in us the blessed **hope**
for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us
into tireless cultivators
of the seeds of the Gospel.
May those seeds transform from within both
humanity and the whole cosmos
in the sure expectation
of a new heaven and a new earth, when,
with the powers of Evil vanquished, your
glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us,
Pilgrims of Hope,
a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May
that same grace spread
the joy and peace of our Redeemer through-
out the earth.

To you our God, eternally blessed,
be glory and praise for ever. Amen

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Please contact the Parish Office **FIRST** when enquiring about your child's baptism. **At least one Parent and all Godparents must have received all sacraments of initiation (Baptism Eucharist and Confirmation), and be actively practicing Catholics.**

We ask that you call or email the office **at least 6 WEEKS prior** to your requested date to ensure time for your preparation.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

As a Catholic, the most important part of preparing for the sacrament of marriage is asking Jesus to be at the center of the marriage. In preparation of this special sacrament we ask that you contact the office **at least 6 MONTHS prior** to your requested wedding date.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION

Are you getting married in the Catholic Church?
Marriage prep sessions have begun at St. Pius X for the fall.

Please contact **St. Pius X Parish** 250.762.2587, Deacon Peter d'Aoust or Lynn Hale for more information lhaledaoust2012@gmail.com or phone 250-460-0378

JUBILEE 2025 PILGRIMS OF HOPE

In addition to the Jubilee 2025 **Pilgrims of Hope prayer cards** located in the pews and church entrance, please visit the CCCB website for downloadable resources/guides and reflections: <https://www.cccb.ca/evangelization-catechesis-catholic-education/the-ordinary-jubilee-of-the-year-2025/cccb-adult-faith-resources-on-the-jubilee-year-2025/>

Jubilee 2025 Passports for visiting the designated pilgrimage sites in our diocese during the Jubilee Year are available in the church entrance.

As Pilgrims of Hope, may many graces and blessing be given to you as you celebrate the Jubilee Year.

DIocese of Nelson

PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL

839 Sutherland Avenue



Located off the back of Immaculate Conception Church;
entrance is off west alley/driveway.



Our Lord Jesus is Inviting you to visit Him
in the Perpetual Adoration Chapel.

Scheduled Volunteer Hours available are:

SUN: 7 AM & 4 PM | **MON:** 1 AM & 2 AM | **WED:** 1 AM,
2 AM, 3 AM & 2 PM | **THURS:** 1 AM | **FRI:** 12 AM |
SAT: 2 PM

Spares are always needed. Shared times available!
For information phone Lorie: 250-448-5633

2025 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES & 2024 INCOME TAX RECEIPTS

The 2025 collection envelopes are ready for pick up in the foyer of the church. Please only pick up your envelope box.
If you did not receive collection envelopes in the past and you wish to receive 2025 Offertory Envelopes, or you notice your box is missing, please contact the parish office.

In preparation for the 2024 Income Tax receipting, if you have moved this past year, please update your contact information/new address with the Parish Office.

Thank you!

FAITH OF THE FATHERS READING GROUP

Learn the roots of the Catholic faith through the Early Church Fathers in our ongoing discussion series.

**Meetings are held every Wednesday at 6:30pm
in the Blue Room - ICC Parish Hall.**

Please contact Charlie Parker at fortkelowna@gmail.com
for further information.



Sign-up information is in the church entrance!

To find this week's featured content,
visit watch.formed.org/this-week-on-formed.

WEEK OF JANUARY 12TH

- † The Bible (Part 1)
<https://watch.formed.org/videos/the-bible-part-1-what-catholics-believe>
- † Interior Life
<https://watch.formed.org/videos/interior-life>
- † A New Creation: The Mystery of Baptism
<https://watch.formed.org/videos/a-new-creation-the-mystery-of-baptism>

HAVE YOU THOUGHT ABOUT LEAVING A LEGACY?

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

Phone: 250-448-2725 ext. 240,
or email: plannedgiving@nelsondiocese.org

**Bishop Thomas J. Lobsinger, OMI
Memorial Bursary Program**

The annual British Columbia and Yukon Bursary program known as the Bishop Thomas J. Lobsinger, OMI Memorial Bursary Program is underway. The 2025 program is now receiving applications. We are privileged to offer fourteen bursaries of \$1,000.00 each to Catholic students across the Province of British Columbia. These bursaries are made available on a one-time only basis to young practicing Catholic students who are in post secondary education at a recognized institute of higher learning within the Province of British Columbia. Applications are accepted from January 1, 2025 until June 30, 2025 with the bursaries being awarded in the fall. The Terms of Reference may be found on our web site (kofcbc.org) after Jan 1, 2025.

Requests for application should be addressed to:
Christopher Chen – State Bursary Chairman
Knights of Columbus BC Charity Foundation
#333 – 1231 Pacific Boulevard
Vancouver, B.C. V6Z-0E2



Or email: chrischen.kofc@gmail.com

Deadline for requests for application is June 1, 2025.

We would like to congratulate the many recipients once again over the past years and look forward to the opportunity to assist many more young people in the advancement of their education.

**FIRST CLASS RELICS OF THREE OF THE CANADIAN MARTYRS
- ST. JEAN DE BREBEUF, ST. CHARLES GARNIER,
AND ST. GABRIEL LALEMANT**

ST. CHARLES GARNIER PARISH is honored to welcome the major First Class Relics of three of the Canadian Martyrs - St. Jean de Brebeuf, St. Charles Garnier, and St. Gabriel Lalemant - along with a First Class Relics of St. Kateri Tekakwitha, on January 15th (7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.) and January 16th (9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.) following 8:30 Mass.

There will be exposition of the relics with a brief program and opportunity for individual veneration.
Reconciliation is available both days!
All are welcome!



IMMACULATA
REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL EST 1960

Immaculata High School would like to invite our friends and family to our major Grad fundraiser for the class of 2025! "Be Our Guest" is a community evening on **Friday, February 7**, that includes a chance to socialize with others while enjoying the variety show acts put on by our graduating class. Grad Show general admission seats can be bought online at the discount price of \$15.00 per ticket (tickets at the door will be \$20.00). The QR code for both the ticket sales/concession items (<https://cur8.com/40082/project/127257>) as well as the QR code for our ongoing 50/50 (<https://www.rafflebox.ca/raffle/immaculata>) are listed on the poster too. Please note the concession items sold online will NOT be available the evening of the show. Different items will be sold that night (such as candy bags, popcorn, pop, etc.). For the adult crowd, there will be a cash wine/beer bar, and opportunities to purchase a necklace that corresponds to a number on our "Wall of Wonder" - a wall that contains a variety of bottles of wine, spirits, and prizes (round of golf, cooking classes) that matches your purchased number....EVERYBODY WINS!

NDCRS YOUTH JUBILEE 2025

PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY
July 23 – August 6, 2025

High School Students & Young Adults
Limited Space Available
Rome, Assisi, Naples, Sorrento
See bulletin board, or scan the QR Code
for more details!



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Spiritual Formation:

Formation rooted in our identity as Beloved, little sons and daughters of God.

Intellectual Formation:

Psychoeducation to understand the human person and one's systems from an integrated perspective.

Human Formation:

Therapeutic techniques to gain Freedom From- Emotional Dysregulation, Distortions, and Inner Wounds.

Saturday, January 25 10:30-3:30

Okanagan Lake Room, OK Library, West Kelowna
Limited Space, book your tickets at
www.MountainViewTherapy.ca/events

follow CISND! (Catholic Independent Schools of the Nelson Diocese).

CISND is now on social media.

Stay up-to-date on everything CISND by following us on:



cisnd.ca



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Through a 5 day 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 program in Canada is **May 20- 25 in Kelowna.**

For more information please email griefftoGracekelowna@gmail.com or make a confidential call to [250-808-6403](tel:250-808-6403).

PARISH/MINISTRIES & ORGANIZATIONS CONTACT INFORMATION
(AREA 250 UNLESS INDICATED)

Parish Priest	<i>Fr. Maurice Okolie</i>	762-3910
Permanent Deacon	<i>Dcn. Rod Attwell</i>	rod.attwell@nelsondiocese.org
Parish Secretary/Office Manager	<i>Andrea Mitton</i>	762-3910 ext 0
Parish Fax		763-7450
Maintenance	<i>Douglas Rasmussen</i>	762-3910 ext 0
RCIA	<i>Leanne Hopegood</i>	762-3910 ext 4
Youth / Religious Ed.	<i>David Ziebart</i>	762-3910 ext 3
Young Adults		iccyoungadults839@gmail.com
CWL	<i>Monaco Parker</i>	300-7773
CWL Hospitality Chairperson	<i>Monaco Parker</i>	cmparkerfamily@gmail.com
Charismatic Prayer Grp	<i>Piera</i>	215-7100
Clubhouse Daycare		860-4393
Creighton Model Fertility Care		469-2541
Diocese of Nelson Admin Office		448-2725
Hospital Chaplaincy		878-1502
IRHS- High School	<i>Robert Plaxton, Principal</i>	762-2730
Kelowna Right to Life	<i>Marlon Bartram</i>	870-4103
Knights of Columbus	<i>Tony Serka</i>	Pandosy2558@gmail.com
Militia Immacolatae	<i>Eileen Collins</i>	575-3553
Music Ministry call Parish Office		762-3910
Okanagan Pregnancy Care Centre		763-2112
Rachel's Vineyard		762-2273
		info@rachelsvineyardkelowna.com
Reach Out Youth Counselling		763-7892
St. Vincent de Paul Society		826-5562
		icc.ssvp@gmail.com
St. Joseph Elementary	<i>Maddy Pedrette, Principal</i>	763-3371
Seton House of Prayer		764-4333

OTHER LOCAL PARISHES
NEWS & EVENTS:

ST. PIUS X 1346 Gordon Drive | (250) 762-2587
spxkelowna@nelsondiocese.org

- ◆ **ALPHA YOUTH SERIES** – Sunday evenings, 4:30–6:30, St.Pius X Parish Hall call 250-762-2587 or 250-231-3838 to register.
- ◆ **ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE** – Mondays at 6:00 pm in the Parish Hall.

CORPUS CHRISTI CHURCH 750 Rutland Road N | (250) 765-6869 | ccpkelowna@nelsondiocese.org

- ◆ **FILIPINO MASS** celebrated at 5:00 PM every **FIRST Saturday of the month.**

ST. CHARLES GARNIER 3645 Benvoulin Road | (250) 860-6776 | scgkelowna@nelsondiocese.org

- ◆ **CATHOLIC MOMS CONNECT: Wednesdays, 9:30–11:00 am** St. Charles Garnier Hall. Please contact Abbey at 250-899-4384 for details, or join their Facebook Group at facebook.com/groups/CatholicMomsConnectSCG



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH REGISTRATION FORM

First Name: _____

Last Name: _____

Street and Mailing Address: _____

Postal Code: _____ Home #: _____ Cell: _____

Email Address: _____

Marital Status (circle one): Married in the Catholic Church Single Widow/Widower Other

Children Living at Home:

Name	M/F	Age	Grade	Sacraments Received:		
				Baptism	Eucharist	Confirmation

Check all that apply. I am interested in ...

- Offertory Envelopes..... Bulletin Emailed to me Knights of Columbus Catholic Women's League St. Vincent de Paul.....
 Sacristan (Set up for Mass) ... Altar Servers..... Usher..... Reader Music.....
 Pastoral Visit..... Catholic School Catechism/Prep..... Youth Ministry RCIA.....

We are so glad that you are here with us to love and serve Jesus in deep unity!