

# Immaculate Conception Roman Catholic Church

## Roman Catholic Diocese of Nelson

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

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



YEAR A

January 25, 2026 – 3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### WEEKEND AND DAILY MASS TIMES:

Weekdays Rosary, 7:30 AM | Mass: 8:00 AM

Wednesdays Rosary, 4:30 PM | Mass: 5:00 PM

*Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena to follow Mass*

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

### MASSES AT CARE HOMES

*Village at Mill Creek* – 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the month @ 9:45 am

*Summerwood Retirement Resort* – 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month @ 10:00 am

*Cottonwoods* – 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month @ 10:30 am

*The Dorchester* – Last Tuesday of the month @ 10:00 am

### 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).

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

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

For prayer with the Word of God:

*"Let us pray that praying with the Word of God be nourishment for our lives and a source of hope in our communities, helping us to build a more fraternal and missionary Church."*

### ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL MASS SCHEDULE

**NO JANUARY SCHOOL MASS**

+Thursday February 05 @ 9:30 am

Wednesday February 18 (Ash Wednesday) @ 9:30 am

Thursday April 9 @ 9:30 am

Thursday May 28 @ 9:30 am

Thursday June 11 @ 9:30 am

### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND INJURED:

Jason & Mary Angela Newcomb, Ken & Lynda Antao, Filomena Rotundo, Ashton Therrien, Bishop Gregory Bittman, Irene Heisler, Lawson, Teresa Kovacs, Elizabeth Downey, Maggie Johnstone, Samuel Jovez, Rick Prost, Sheila Lowe, Fr. Jim Ratcliffe, Teresa McGauley, Chiamaka Aghaizu, Josephine Bruch, Diane Lynott, Hazel Csordas, Rihnon Coatsworth, Helen Zentner, Theresa Kaller, Kathleen Mayhew, Jesse Wilson, Bambina Tinto, Anne Mould, Rose Harry, Adam Gorges, Joyce Tremmel, Sandra Park, Loretta Bouchard, Linda Kirkpatrick, 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, Chineé 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.

To add or remove a name from the parish prayer list, kindly contact the Parish Office at 250-762-3910 or email [icc.kelowna@nelsondiocese.org](mailto:icc.kelowna@nelsondiocese.org)

### 2026 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

The 2026 collection envelopes are ready for pick up in the foyer of the church. **Some 2026 envelopes were missed due to a processing error; more envelopes have been assigned...** If you did not receive collection envelopes in the past and you wish to receive 2026 Offertory Envelopes, or you notice your annual box of envelopes is still missing, please contact the parish office.

### ICC Hymnals Missing!

We are missing a number of Ordinary Time hymnals from our pews. If you happen to have a copy at home (or a hymnal from any of the liturgical seasons), can you please return it to the church as soon as possible? We are trying to minimize our printing costs with these hymnals. Thank you!

**2025/2026 SUNDAY MISSALS:** We have a few extra Sunday Missals available in the **Church Sacristy** and the **Parish Office** for purchase, the cost is \$7.00 each.

## *Catholic Book Sale!*

Feb 1, 2026 - ICC Main Hall 10am - 1pm

Come and browse a great selection of Catholic books! Used + new available!

The ICC Knights of Columbus will also be serving breakfast by donation. A great time to connect with other parishioners and snag a good deal on books before Lent!

Sale will resume from 2 - 3pm after the Latin Mass as well. Cash, cheque, or e-Transfer only.

## STEWARDSHIP/WEEKLY OFFERINGS

Sunday Collection - 01/18/26 \$ 6,974.22  
Weekly Parish Budget t.b.d.

Thank you for your generous financial support, which helps sustain our parish's ministries, expenses, and mission. May God bless you!

## MASS INTENTIONS Repose - R. Intention - I.

Sat.	24-Jan	9:00 AM	R.	Christopher Gaudet
		5:00 PM	R.	Bernardo L. Velasco
Sun.	25-Jan	9:00 AM		Intention of Parishioners
		11:00 AM		Intention of Parishioners
		5:00 PM	R.	Scott Elo
Mon.	26-Jan	8:00 AM	I.	Dominic Plaxton
Tues.	27-Jan	8:00 AM	R.	Jolana Dusik
Wed.	28-Jan	8:00 AM	I.	Kurtenbach Family
		5:00 PM	R.	Deceased Members of the Nuguid Family
Thurs.	29-Jan	8:00 AM	I.	James Plaxton
Fri.	30-Jan	8:00 AM	R.	Gregor Schneider



## Knights of Columbus Corner



### \*\* PARISH BREAKFAST \*\*

Sunday, February 1<sup>st</sup> 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Come enjoy a delicious pancake breakfast in the Parish Hall with your parish community! *All are welcome!*

Breakfast is by good-will donation.

We look forward to seeing you there!

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### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BURSARIES

- Available for Grade 12 students pursuing post secondary education.
- Available from your ICC Fr. Pandosy Council 2558 - \$750.00 (Awarded to one student).
- Available from our State Council - \$1,000.00 (Awarded to one student)

Contact [pandosy2558@gmail.com](mailto:pandosy2558@gmail.com) for full details on how to apply.

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### 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](http://www.kofc.org/joinus)

Promo Code: **BLESSEDMCGIVNEY**

After joining, please check your INBOX for confirmation.

## ICC CWL Corner

Renew your membership or become a new member!

Ladies 16 and older are welcome to join!

The ICC CWL will continue to meet every second Tuesday of the month at 1pm in the Main Hall or Blue Room for a coffee social! Join us for a rosary and a short presentation with plenty of time to enjoy each other's company. Tea and coffee provided, snacks to share are always accepted! All ladies of the parish welcome, even non-members and kids.

Our next Coffee Social is scheduled for February 10<sup>th</sup> at 1:00pm!

## STEWARDSHIP FOR ICC

### WAYS TO DONATE:

- QR Code.
- Regular offerings/collection envelopes.
- Pre-Authorized debit (SAG).
- e-Transfer: [etransfer.icc@nelsondiocese.org](mailto: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

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](mailto:icc.kelowna@nelsondiocese.org)



### GR. 8-12 KELOWNA CATHOLIC

### YOUTH GROUP NEWS

No snow this weekend!

Because of the lack of snow, we will **not** be doing our winter hike on Sunday.

This weekend's plan:

We will be hosting a **Prayer Theme Night**, featuring practical prayer tips and insights from **Fr. Mike Schmitz**.

Winter Hike Update:

We will aim for **February 1** for the winter hike. If there is still no snow, we will switch to a **movie night** instead.

New to Youth Group?

You can register and sign up for upcoming events here:

[www.kelownacatholicyouthgroup.ca](http://www.kelownacatholicyouthgroup.ca)

We look forward to seeing everyone on Sunday!

Kelowna Catholic Youth Group Core Team

### ST. VINCENT'S CORNER:



As we near the end of January just a reminder that this is poor box weekend or if you prefer donate anytime to [icc.ssvp@gmail.com](mailto:icc.ssvp@gmail.com)

Please read the insert about our new thrift store. We need a retail space to open up by late spring. Please contact us with any leads.

And remember the needs continue. Donations can be made anytime at [icc.ssvp@gmail.com](mailto:icc.ssvp@gmail.com) or scan our QR-code!



### 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.



## Parish Coffee Socials



Sundays after the 9 am mass there will be coffee in the hall. Coffee Socials will be sponsored by the following ministries as follows:

Week 1 – Knights of Columbus, Breakfast

Week 2 – available

Week 3 – St. Vincent de Paul

Week 4 – Kelowna Right to Life Society

Week 5 – Parish Council

All are welcome!

## ICC VALENTINE'S DINNER / DANCE

Looking for a night out filled with good food, great music, and joyful company? Join us for our parish Valentine's Dinner & Dance, an evening created for adults 19 and older who want to celebrate friendship, love, and community.

Enjoy a delicious meal, a lively dance floor, and the chance to connect with familiar faces – and maybe meet a few new ones!

Friday February 13<sup>th</sup>

Doors open @ 6:00/refreshments

Dinner @ 6:30 🎵 Dancing to follow!

Live music by Vic Dance Band 🎤 🎹 🎸 🎺 🥁 🎷

Tickets are \$45 /person & available through Loaves & Fishes!

**Event tickets must be presented at main door for entry.**

## 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 **at least 6 MONTHS prior** to your requested wedding date.

Our parish has a Formed subscription!

Sign-up information is in the church entrance!



**FORMED**

To find this week's featured content,

visit <https://watch.formed.org/this-week-on-formed>

or scan the QR Code to download the Formed app to your phone or device!

### WEEK OF JANUARY 25, 2026

- St. Thomas Aquinas | Catholic Saints  
<https://app.formed.org/app/videos/2621584/>
- The Story of St. John Bosco  
<https://app.formed.org/app/videos/3141038/>
- Saint John Bosco: Mission to Love  
<https://app.formed.org/app/videos/613515/>



**Pasta Dinner at Corpus Christi Parish** - Join us for a pasta dinner on Saturday, February 14<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm. Tickets are \$15 per person / \$25 per couple. Children 6 & under eat free! Tickets available through CC Parish office, 750 Rutland Road N. 250-765-6869. Seating is limited.

## DIOCESE OF NELSON PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL

839 Sutherland Avenue

The Adoration Chapel has new contact information!!

Email: [adorationkelowna@gmail.com](mailto:adorationkelowna@gmail.com)

Text/Telephone: 778-214-0680

Contact: Luke Mitton

The adoration chapel is still verifying the schedule. We request that all scheduled Adorers verify their scheduled hours and information with the contact information above and also indicate yes/no if you would like to have your email added to the spare list.

Current available permanent hours: Wednesday: 3am

Hours in need of support:

Monday: 8am (support) | Friday: 8am (support)



## Pray For Us!

The Alpha course is coming back to Immaculata in February. The most important element of Alpha is prayer, and that includes our community. We ask that you pray for the participants, for the leaders, and the course itself. A great initiative from Alpha Canada invites us to pray for all our high school students: <https://wearemadeforthis.com/>

We ask that you choose Immaculata as one of the High Schools. You can repeat the process and pray for as many High Schools in Canada that you choose. There is power in prayer, and our new generation needs this!



**IMMACULATA**  
CATHOLIC REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL

# DYING WITH CHRIST

## LIVING WITH HOPE

**CMDA**  
CHRISTIAN MEDICAL AND DENTAL  
ASSOCIATION OF CANADA

**JANUARY 31, 2026 - Adult Program No - 1**

Session-1 9:30

\$10 Donation

Session-2 11:00

Lunch

**Please Register**

Session-3 1:15

**Registration notebook is in the church**

Sponsored by Catholic Women's League and Knights of Columbus

**St. PIUS X Church , Kelowna**





This program 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 through a retreat program facilitated by mental health professionals and centered on Jesus Christ.

The next retreat in Canada is **March 2026 in Kelowna, British Columbia**. For more information, please email [griegtogracekelowna@gmail.com](mailto:griegtogracekelowna@gmail.com) or make a confidential call to 250-808-6403.

### ST. ANN'S ACADEMY KAMLOOPS ALUMNI HOMECOMING 2026

All former students and staff—whether you graduated from St. Ann's or not—are invited! Join us Saturday, May 16th, 1:00–4:00 pm for a free afternoon of reconnecting and reminiscing. Enjoy snacks and refreshments, bring your family, or come solo! We'll have a bouncy castle for kids, a historical scavenger hunt to explore the school, and an archive table to browse old memories. Feel free to bring photos or memorabilia to share!

Find more information at this link:  
<https://buytickets.at/stannsacademy/1976504>



**READY, SET, LEARN!**  
KINDERGARTEN SNEAK PEEK

Is your child starting Kindergarten this fall? Choosing the right school is a big decision, and we'd love to help you feel confident about yours.

Join us for **Ready, Set, Learn!**, a Kindergarten Sneak Peek designed for families with children entering Kindergarten in September 2026.

This welcoming session gives you the chance to:

- Step inside our Kindergarten classrooms.
- Learn about our Outdoor Education and Literacy-rich learning approach.
- Discover what makes our Kindergarten program the most innovative in Kelowna.
- Ask questions and get to know our school community.

**February 5, 2026**

Session options: **3:30 pm or 5:00 pm**

(Children entering Kindergarten must be **five years old by December 31, 2026**.)

We look forward to welcoming you and your child and sharing what makes St. Joseph Catholic School such a special place to learn and grow.

RSVP: [sjkoffice@cisnd.ca](mailto:sjkoffice@cisnd.ca)

## PARISH/MINISTRIES & ORGANIZATIONS CONTACT INFORMATION

(AREA 250 UNLESS INDICATED)

Parish Priest .....	Fr. Maurice Okolie .....	762–3910	
Permanent Deacon .....	Dcn. Rod Attwell .....		<a href="mailto:rod.attwell@nelsondiocese.org">rod.attwell@nelsondiocese.org</a>
Parish Secretary.....	Andrea Mitton .....	762–3910 ext 0	
Parish Fax .....		763–7450	
Maintenance .....	Douglas Rasmussen .....	762–3910 ext 0	
RCIA .....	Leanne Hopegood .....	762–3910 ext 4 .....	<a href="mailto:leanne.icckelowna@gmail.com">leanne.icckelowna@gmail.com</a>
Youth / Religious Ed. ....	David Ziebart .....	762–3910 ext 3 .....	<a href="mailto:david.icckelowna@gmail.com">david.icckelowna@gmail.com</a>
Young Adults .....			<a href="mailto:iccyoungeadults839@gmail.com">iccyoungeadults839@gmail.com</a>
CWL .....	Monaco Parker .....	300–7773	
CWL Hospitality Chairperson .....	Monaco Parker .....		<a href="mailto:cmparkerfamily@gmail.com">cmparkerfamily@gmail.com</a>
Charismatic Prayer Grp .....	Piera.....	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 .....	Robert Plaxton, Principal .....	762–2730	
Kelowna Right to Life .....	Marlon Bartram .....	870–4103	
Knights of Columbus .....	Tony Ibrahim .....		<a href="mailto:pandosy2558@gmail.com">pandosy2558@gmail.com</a>
Militia Immaculatae .....	Eileen Collins .....	575–3553	
Music Ministry call Parish Office .....		762–3910	
Okanagan Pregnancy Care Centre .....		763–2112	
Rachel's Vineyard .....		762–2273	
.....			<a href="mailto:rvokanagan@gmail.com">rvokanagan@gmail.com</a>
Reach Out Youth Counselling .....		763–7892	
St. Vincent de Paul Society .....	Meg.....	826–5562 .....	<a href="mailto:icc.ssvp@gmail.com">icc.ssvp@gmail.com</a>
St. Joseph Elementary .....	Maddy Pedrette, Principal.....	763–3371	
Seton House of Prayer .....		764–4333	

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## Greetings in the Peace and Love of Christ!

As we enter the year 2026, we extend our heartfelt thanks to each and every member of our parish community. Whether you have been with Immaculate Conception Church for many years, are newly registered, or are visiting our parish, please know that you are sincerely welcomed and appreciated.

Your participation, through prayer, presence, service, and financial support, offered in ways unique to each household, helps sustain the mission and ministries of Immaculate Conception Church. Every contribution, whether spiritual or material, plays an essential role in strengthening our parish and supporting the work we carry out together.

We are grateful for the generosity and faithfulness that so many of you show, especially during times of personal challenge or transition. Please be assured that the entire parish leadership team holds you and your loved ones in our prayers with deep gratitude as we journey into the new year. You are all truly a blessing to our parish family!

## 2026 Offering Envelopes

- Please do not use your 2026 envelopes until January 1, 2026.
- Recycle any previous years' envelopes, as they cannot be recorded for this year.
- All accumulated contributions using your 2026 envelope number will be included in your 2026 Tax Receipt.
- If you are new to envelopes or need an envelope number assigned, please contact the Parish Office.
- For the ease of our volunteer counters, please do not use tape to seal your envelopes.

## Change of Address or Contact Information

Please notify the Parish Office of any changes to your mailing address, phone number, or email to ensure accurate parish communication and tax receipting.

## Parishioner Registration

If you regularly attend Mass at ICC but are not yet registered, we warmly invite you to complete a parish registration form. Registration helps us serve you better.

## Pre-Authorized Giving (SAG)

If you participate in Stewardship Authorized Giving (SAG), you may continue placing your envelope marking SAG in the amount line, in the offertory basket as a symbolic expression of participation in the Sunday collection.

Please note:

- SAG applies to regular Sunday offerings only.
- Special Collections require a Special Collection envelope or another donation method.
- Cheques must be payable to **ICC** for all special collections.

## Ways to Give Throughout the Year

**IN PERSON:** Place your envelope in the collection basket or drop it off at the Parish Office or drop in mailbox. Put cash donations in a labeled envelope with your name and address for tax receipts. For your convenience, ICC welcome envelopes are in the pews and at the entrance foyer. Missed a Few Sundays? If you wish to “catch up,” you may place the total amount for all missed Sundays in one envelope

**MAIL** Send to: **839 Sutherland Avenue, Kelowna, BC V1Y 5X4**

### E-TRANSFERS:

Send to: [etransfer.icc@nelsondiocese.org](mailto:etransfer.icc@nelsondiocese.org)

Please include your full name and envelope number and other relevant information.

### PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING (SAG):

To enroll, contact the Parish Office at 250-762-3910.

**SCAN THE QR CODE:** for online giving



## Important Tax Receipt Information 2026

- Donations must be received by December 31, 2026. Tax receipts are issued only for an accumulated yearly total of \$50 or more (This is due to high administrative costs).
- All donor information is kept strictly confidential according to diocesan policy.

## Mass Intentions

To request a Mass intention, please contact the Parish Office. Mass stipends must be kept separate from regular donations.

## Legacy Giving

If you feel called to leave a lasting gift to Immaculate Conception Church, please consider remembering the parish in your will or estate plans. Your generosity helps ensure that the faith community you cherish today will thrive for generations to come. For confidential information, please contact the Parish Office.

## Invitation to Parish Ministry

If you feel called to participate more deeply in parish life, we warmly invite you to consider joining one of our many ministries. We gratefully welcome all volunteers. Please contact the Parish Office for more information.

## Thank You

We extend our heartfelt gratitude for your ongoing prayers, generosity, and commitment to our parish community. May the Lord bless you and your loved ones abundantly throughout 2026, and may Our Blessed Mother keep you under her tender care.