

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

February 08, 2026 – 5TH 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 – 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

FUNERAL MASS – RATCLIFFE, Rev. James (Jim) Joseph.



It is with profound sadness that we inform you that Fr. Jim Ratcliffe passed away Monday February 02, the Feast of our Lord's Presentation in the Temple, in Kelowna, B.C. at the age of 86.

A Funeral Mass for Fr. Jim will be celebrated **Thursday February 12 at 10:30 a.m.** at Immaculate Conception Church in Kelowna, followed by a reception in the Parish Hall. A prayer service will be held on Wednesday February 11 at 7:00 p.m. at Immaculate Conception Church.

"May our Brother Fr. Jim rest in the Lord's eternal peace."

Family Day 2026

To honour Family Day, the parish offices will be closed on Monday, February 16, 2026.

May this long weekend be a time of connection, gratitude, and peace for you and your loved ones.

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!

The 5:00 p.m. Mass and Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help on Wednesday, February 11 will be cancelled to allow for Fr. Jim Ratcliffe's prayer service.



ASH WEDNESDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Wednesday February 18, 2026

8:00 am, Daily Mass

9:30 am, St. Joseph School Mass
(all are welcome)

5:00 pm, evening mass
–Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help to follow.

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 FEBRUARY:

For children with incurable disease:

"Let us pray that children suffering from incurable diseases and their families receive the necessary medical care and support, never losing strength and hope."

ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL MASS SCHEDULE

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

Thursday April 9 @ 9:30 am

Thursday May 28 @ 9:30 am

Thursday June 11 @ 9:30 am

2025 PILGRIMAGE OF FAITH CAMPAIGN

With deep gratitude, we share that our parish family has contributed \$70,825.97 toward our Diocesan requirement of \$71,300. Your generosity, prayerful support, and commitment to our mission continue to strengthen our community and the wider Church.

Thank you for giving so faithfully and for helping us come so close to reaching our full goal. May God bless each of you for your stewardship and your love for our parish.

We remember... Matthew Wayne MILLER.

We are saddened to announce the passing of **Matthew Wayne Miller**, treasured son of Phyllis (ICC CWL) and George Miller; devoted brother to Michelle (ICC CWL), Michael, and Martin Miller; and proud uncle to Samantha Miller. He was also a cherished father to Ashley, and Kayla, as well as a caring grandfather to Ashley's son, Brody. Matthew was the beloved uncle of his predeceased nephew, Adam Miller-Gillberg. He entered into eternal rest on January 11, 2026, in Ajax, Ontario.

A graveside interment will take place on Monday March 02, 2026, at 12:30 p.m. at Westbank Cemetery, 3200 Elliott Rd, West Kelowna, BC. Deacon Rod Attwell will preside.

MASS INTENTIONS Repose - R. Intention - I.

Sat.	07-Feb	9:00 AM	R.	Ruth Mitton
		5:00 PM	R.	Eva Jaschinsky
Sun.	08-Feb	9:00 AM		Intention of Parishioners
		11:00 AM		Intention of Parishioners
		5:00 PM	I.	Daniella Plaxton
Mon.	09-Feb	8:00 AM	I.	Ken & Lynda Antao
Tues.	10-Feb	8:00 AM	I.	Anya Raymond & Brian Doucette
Wed.	11-Feb	8:00 AM	I.	Pollock Family
CANCELLED		5:00 PM		
Thurs.	12-Feb	8:00 AM	R.	Evaristo Ogoy
Fri.	13-Feb	8:00 AM	I.	Michelle Taucar
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Sat.	14-Feb	9:00 AM	I.	Martin & Eileen Collins (55th Wedding Anniversary)
		5:00 PM	I.	Anna Hopegood
Sun.	15-Feb	9:00 AM		Intention of Parishioners
		11:00 AM		Intention of Parishioners
		5:00 PM	I.	St. Vincent de Paul Families
Mon.	16-Feb	8:00 AM	I.	All Past Attendees at Rachel's Vineyard, Kelowna
Tues.	17-Feb	8:00 AM	R.	Wayne Zuccato
Wed.	18-Feb	8:00 AM	R.	Margaret Wort
		5:00 PM	I.	Jonathon Doyle
Thurs.	19-Feb	8:00 AM	I.	Sarah Bernacki
Fri.	20-Feb	8:00 AM	R.	Margaret Wort



Knights of Columbus Corner



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
for full details on how to apply.

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FREE 1 YEAR ONLINE 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.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND INJURED:

Daniel Gerhard Ziemmer	Maritess Steiman
Jason & Mary Angela Newcomb	Rhonda Jennens
Ken & Lynda Antao	Roy Belmonte
Filomena Rotundo	Justina Mikosa
Ashton Therrien	Mildred Reyes
Bishop Gregory Bittman	Kathe Gonzaga Carpina
Irene Heisler	Michelle Miller
Lawson	Victor Kovac
Teresa Kovacs	Phillip Dos Santos
Elizabeth Downey	Marlene Hughes
Maggie Johnstone	Dorota Nowak
Samuel Jovez	Chinee Fajardo
Rick Prost	Rosario
Sheila Lowe	Luisito & Crispin Clemente
Teresa McGauley	Nancy Brisson
Chiamaka Aghaizu	Ginoefa Diakow
Josephine Bruch	Rick Lock
Diane Lynott	Mertis Filiatrault
Hazel Csordas	Sister Barbara
Rihnon Coatsworth	Candace Gilmore-Stephensen
Helen Zentner	Anne Engel
Theresa Kaller	Aisley Ducharme
Kathleen Mayhew	Catherine Fortunat
Jesse Wilson	Michael M
Bambina Tinto	Trudy Szulkies
Anne Mould	Cherie Lynn Walsh
Rose Harry	Suzanne Crowe
Adam Gorges	Alicia L
Joyce Tremmel	Arthur & Gudrun Cobham
Sandra Park	Marcus Cresswell
Loretta Bouchard	Ray Pauluk
Linda Kirkpatrick	Desjardines Families
Juliana Lavell	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

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 10th at 1:00 pm!

Questions/e-transfer info? Contact Monaco Parker:
250-300-7773/cmparkerfamily@gmail.com

The Young Adults Group meet on Sundays in the Blue Room (ICC Hall) after the 11 am mass. Come join them for snacks and fellowship.

All adults ages 18-35 are welcome.



GR. 8-12 KELOWNA CATHOLIC YOUTH GROUP NEWS

🚫 No Youth Group next Sunday due to the Family Day long weekend – enjoy the time together! ❤️

📅 We're back on Sunday, Feb. 22

⌚ 6:30 pm

👉 Join us for the next installment of our Life Night series!

👉 We can't wait to see you then!

✓ *New to Youth Group? Click the link below to register.*

👉 www.kelownacatholicyouthgroup.ca

CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE

📅 April 24 & 25

📍 Immaculate Conception Church, Kelowna

✚ *One in Christ, United in Mission*

👉 Keynote Speaker: Fr. Larry Richards

Author of *Be A Man: Becoming the Man God Created You to Be*

⌚ Early Bird Registration – Before April 15:

• Regular: \$65

• University Student: \$15

🌐 Register or learn more:

Visit www.heroicmen.ca and scroll down to the Kelowna Conference or scan the QR Code.

👉 Sponsored by:

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ST. VINCENT'S CORNER:

Welcome to the beautiful month of February, Valentine's Day, Ash Wednesday, longer days, so much to be grateful for. As you are thinking about your Lenten Journey, remember those most in need in our community, pray for them, and for the Vincentian family that serves them. Jesus calls us to serve through giving our time, our talent and our treasure. If you would like to learn more about who we are and who we serve please join us Monday, February 9 at 6 pm in the Blue Room in the parish hall.

And remember the needs continue.

Donations can be made anytime at

iccssvp@gmail.com or scan our QR-code!

Thank you for your ongoing support!



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/>

STEWARDSHIP/WEEKLY OFFERINGS

Sunday Collections – 01/25/26	\$	8,241.62
Sunday Collections – 02/01/26	\$	6,625.27
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!

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

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

Our parish has a Formed subscription!
Sign-up information is in the church entrance!



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!

FORMED

WEEK OF FEBRUARY 08, 2026

- Sts. Benedict and Scholastica
<https://app.formed.org/app/videos/2866076/>
- Beloved
<https://app.formed.org/app/videos/586236/>
- Lourdes: Story of Faith, Science, & Miracles
<https://app.formed.org/app/videos/588750/>



DIOCESE OF NELSON PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL 839 Sutherland Avenue



The Adoration Chapel has new contact information!!

Email: 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:

Sunday: 1pm | Wednesday: 3am

Hours in need of support:

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

Children's Liturgy Every 2nd Sunday during the 9am Mass

After the opening prayers of the Mass, Father will invite children between the ages of 4/5 (preschool) to age 8 to the front of the church and send us off for the Children's Liturgy of the Word in the Bedford Room of the parish hall. (Children who have received First Holy Communion should remain in the Church). Parents are also welcome to join with their younger kids.

February: 15th

March: 1st, 15th and 29th | April: 12th and 26th

If you have any questions, please contact Leanne at 250-762-3910 ext 4, or email leanne.icckelowna@gmail.com

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.

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March 7 - West Kootenay | St. Rita Parish, Castlegar
March 14 - East Kootenay | St. Joseph Church, Radium
March 21 - South Okanagan | St. Ann Church, Penticton
March 29 - North Okanagan | Seton House of Prayer

(Program: Video Presentation, Stations of the Cross, Reflection, Sacrament of Confession, Holy Mass & Fellowship)

COME & JOIN US! Please contact your Youth Ministry Coordinator or email us at youth.coordinator@nelsondiocese.org

PILGRIMAGE OF FAITH APPEAL, 2026

As we begin a new appeal year, the Pilgrimage of Faith committee has set the diocesan goal for 2026 at \$605,000. Our parish goal for 2026 is \$71,300.



This annual appeal provides funding for capital project rebates, Catholic education, social and pastoral programs, and many other key services in our Diocese as well as to our parish. We hope that everyone will participate in this year's appeal. If you did not receive your Pilgrimage of Faith package in the mail, please contact the Parish Office and we will provide the necessary form to donate.

Please remember to fill out your pledge card and drop it along with a cheque/cash in the collection, or donate via E-transfer to: etransfer.pof@nelsondiocese.org or online via Canada Helps at Canada Helps: <https://www.canadahelps.org/en/dn/24360>

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 13th

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.

Pasta Dinner at Corpus Christi Parish

- Join us for a pasta dinner on Saturday, February 14th 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.



JESUS YOUTH CANADA

The Diocese of Nelson, in collaboration with Jesus Youth Canada, is pleased to invite the Young Adults of our Diocese, ages 18 and above, to a half-day gathering entitled "U-Turn: A Journey Back to God."

This gathering is designed to provide Young Adults with an opportunity to pause, reflect, and renew their relationship with God through a meaningful time of reflection, sharing, music, and the celebration of the Holy Eucharist.

The event will take place on:

Date: February 22, 2026

Time: 11:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Venue: St. Pius X Catholic Church,
1077 Fuller Avenue, Kelowna

Pre-registration is requested through the Google Form linked below, to assist us in preparing the necessary materials and food.

<https://forms.gle/pLd6GerKwARszdMN6>

We hope that this gathering will be a grace-filled moment for young adults as they journey back to God and grow in faith and community.





Applications are invited at this time for: Executive Assistant to the Superintendent for the Catholic Independent Schools of the Nelson Diocese (Kelowna, BC)

Posting closes Feb 13, 2026

Start Date: March 2, 2026

Salary range: \$28.42-\$29.85/hr

Full or part time available

Overview

The Catholic Independent Schools of the Nelson Diocese (CISND) serve over 1,400 students across six elementary schools and one regional high school in the Okanagan and Kootenay regions of British Columbia.

CISND is seeking a highly skilled Executive Assistant to the Superintendent to provide senior-level administrative and organizational support within a complex educational and governance environment. This role requires strong judgment, discretion, independence, and the ability to operate confidently with senior leadership, Boards of Directors, and provincial organizations.

The position is based at the Kelowna Catholic Pastoral Centre. The annual work calendar generally aligns with the school year, with potential time off during Christmas, Spring Break, and portions of the summer.

Key Responsibilities

- Provide executive-level administrative support to the Superintendent
- Support CISND governance, including Board of Directors meetings, agendas, minutes, and follow-up actions
- Serve as a professional liaison with principals, pastors, diocesan offices, and provincial organizations
- Prepare, edit, and manage correspondence, reports, and confidential documentation
- Manage calendars, meetings, travel, and district-level events
- Maintain efficient digital and office filing systems
- Support HR-related administrative processes, contracts, and expense tracking
- Exercise discretion, sound judgment, and confidentiality at all times



Required Qualifications and Attributes

- Active participation in a Catholic parish and commitment to Catholic education
- Post-secondary education (education, administration, or a related field preferred)
- Experience in a senior administrative or executive assistant role
- Strong organizational skills with the ability to manage multiple priorities independently
- Excellent interpersonal and communication skills, including experience working with Boards or senior leaders
- Digitally fluent, with advanced capability in Microsoft Office and confidence using digital collaboration, document management, and scheduling platforms
- Excellent written English, including editing and proofreading
- Professionalism, initiative, adaptability, and confidentiality

Application Process

Please submit [electronic applications](#) only, including:

- Cover letter and résumé
- Contact information for two professional references - no letters.
- CISND Pastoral reference [form](#) (if available)
- Relevant post-secondary transcripts or certificates
- Most recent performance evaluation (if available)

Employment is conditional upon completion of Safe Environment Training, a current Criminal Record Check, and proof of eligibility to work in Canada.

CISND thanks all applicants for their interest; only those selected for an interview will be contacted.