

Immaculate Conception Church

ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF NELSON

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NEW EMAIL ADDRESS

Office Hours: Tuesday – Friday, 8:30 am to 12:30 pm *Please contact office to schedule an appointment.*



Thank you
for taking
a moment
to silence your
mobile devices!

September 17, 2023 — 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass will continue to be livestreamed with the link on our website.

WEEKEND AND DAILY MASS TIMES:

Sundays Rosary 8:30 am

Mass: 9 am, 11 am, & 5:00 pm

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)

First Friday's Benediction/Adoration 3:00 pm, Mass 4:00 pm *Monday of long weekends & Stat. Holidays: Rosary @ 8:30, Mass @ 9:00

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 for an appointment: 250-762-3910

<u>Emergencies Only</u> – 250 -762 - 8445

KELOWNA AND AREA HOSPITAL CHAPLAINCY

For anointing of the sick/emergencies or for end-of-life blessings call 250-878-1502 (24/7).



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

MASS INTENTIONS Repose - R. Intention - I.

Sat.	16-Sept	9:00 AM R.	Holy Souls in Purgatory	Sat.	23-Sept	9:00 AM I.	Yvonne Pereira (for Thanksgiving)
		5:00 PM I.	St. Vincent de Paul Families			5:00 PM R.	Chedra Bullock
Sun.	17-Sept	9:00 AM	Intentions of Parishioners	Sun.	24-Sept	9:00 AM	Intentions of Parishioners
		11:00 AM	Intentions of Parishioners			11:00 AM	Intentions of Parishioners
		5:00 PM R.	Don Froh			5:00 PM R.	Nicholas Matthews
Mon.	18-Sept	8:00 AM R.	Hans & Hildegard Novalletto	Mon.	25-Sept	8:00 AM I.	Yvonne Pereira (for Thanksgiving)
Tues.	19-Sept	8:00 AM I.	Yvonne Pereira (for Thanksgiving)	Tues.	26-Sept	8:00 AM I.	Yvonne Pereira (for Thanksgiving)
Wed.	20-Sept	8:00 AM I.	Yvonne Pereira (for Thanksgiving)	Wed.	27-Sept	8:00 AM I.	Yvonne Pereira (for Thanksgiving)
		5:00 PM I.	Felicity Mayhew	l		5:00 PM R.	Salome Lancheros
Thurs.	21-Sept	8:00 AM R.	Marie Walker	Thurs.	28-Sept	8:00 AM I.	Yvonne Pereira (for Thanksgiving)
Fri.	22-Sept	8:00 AM I.	Yvonne Pereira (for Thanksgiving)	Fri.	29-Sept	8:00 AM I.	Yvonne Pereira (for Thanksgiving)

MASSES AT CARE HOMES

Village at Mill Creek – 1st Tuesday of the month @ 9:45 am *Cottonwoods* – 3rd Tuesday of the month @ 10:30 am *The Dorchester* – Last Tuesday of the month @ 10:00 am

FILIPINO MASS is celebrated at <u>Corpus Christi Parish</u> 750 Rutland Rd N, Kelowna @ 5:00 pm every *FIRST* Sunday of the month.

REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR THE ILL: Loretta Bouchard, Linda Kirkpatrick, Margaret Murphay, Monika Habart, Aggie Turner, Juliana Lavell, Maritess Steiman, Rhonda Jennens, Roy Velmonte, Jolana Dusik, Betty Yarrow, Justina Mikosa, Mildred Reyes, Kathe Gonzaga Carpena, Michelle Miller, Victor Kovac, Phillip Dos Santos, Marlene Hughes, Annie Baars, Russ Radi, Heidi Hurson, Dorota Nowak, Chinee Fajardo, Rosario, Luisito & Crispin Clemente, Nancy Brisson, Paul Meyer, Ginoefa Diakow, Rick Lock, Cathie 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 Cobham, Marcus Cresswell, Ray Pauluk, Desjardines families, Rachel Donegan, & Ernie Poitras.





<u>SUNDAY COLLECTIONS</u> — September 17, 2023

Regular Collection	\$	6,749.38
Collection to date	\$	295,805.85
Weekly Collection required	\$	8,592.00
Collection to date required	\$	317,904.00
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We appreciate your support to help in the maintenance and running of our parish!

If you don't have collection envelopes and you would like a tax receipt be sure to have your name and address with your donation!

Thank you for all that you give!!

DONATIONS TO ICC

For parish collection envelopes, call or email parish office.

Please inform the office of any changes in address/contact information.

<u>etransfer.ICC@nelsondiocese.org</u> (note in memo eg. Sunday collection/Pro-Life, etc.) for automatic deposit.

<u>Interested in pre-authorized debit/SAG?</u> Please contact office.

PLGRIMAGE OF FAITH APPEAL 2023

Thank you to all of our families who have made a gift to this year's Pilgrimage of Faith Appeal.

Our parish has currently raised \$33,134 [49%] with \$34,016 remaining to reach our goal!

Gifts can be made via etransfer to:

etransfer.pof@nelsondiocese.org or online via Canada Helps Canada Helps: https://www.canadahelps.org/en/dn/24360 or by completing a pledge card and returning it along with a cheque/cash to the parish by collection, in person or by mail.

For more information on how to give contact the Pilgrimage of Faith office at the Pastoral Centre at 250-448-2725 ext. 240 or email appeals@nelsondiocese.org or logon to the Nelson Diocese website https://www.nelsondiocese.org/ and click on the 'Donate Now' button. Thank You!

Major projects to be funded by the Appeal are:

- † **Communications:** Catholic Morning Star and the Diocese of Nelson Website.
- † Pastoral Programs: Youth Ministry (World Youth Day, youth rallies, youth camps, parish youth initiatives), Office of Faith Formation (training programs for Catholic teachers and volunteer catechists), Seton House of Prayer, First Nations Ministry, Office of the Marriage Tribunal, Social and Pastoral Programs (Rachel's Vineyard and Grief to Grace).
- † Catholic Education.
- † Clergy Pension Support.
- † Vocation Support and Lay Training.
- † Capital Development.

The Holy Father's Prayer Intention for the month of September:



For people living on the margins.

"Let us pray for those people on the margins of society in subhuman living conditions, that they may not be neglected by institutions and never be cast out."

For security purposes, Immaculate Conception Church is locked when it is not in use. If you would like to visit the church during the week when it is locked, please visit the office (white building next door) to request access or call office 250-762-3910 to make an appointment.

PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL

Our Lord Jesus is inviting you to visit Him in the Perpetual Adoration Chapel.
Scheduled Hours available are:

<u>Sun</u>	8 am, 9 am & 3 pm	<u>Fri</u>	12 AM
<u>Mon</u>	10 AM	THURS	4 AM
<u>Tues</u>	12 am & 7 am	SAT	4 AM & 2 PM

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



2 AM & 3 AM

<u>Wed</u>

PUBLIC ROSARY RALLY

Saturday, Oct 14th, 2023, 11:30 am.

ICC Procession to Rowcliffe Park. PLEASE PLAN TO JOIN US.

11:30 Gather @ ICC outside front entrance	:30 Ga	ther @ ICC	outside from	nt entrance
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11:40	Procession on Sutherland to Rowcliffe Park
	{Corner Richter & Rowcliffe}

Noon: Pray Public Rosary in the Park Marian Hymns & singing

12:45 Procession with singing, back to ICC Bbq/social at ICC Hall to follow.

YOUNG FAMILY NEWS

FIRST COMMUNION OR CONFIRMATION COMING UP?

To ensure a proper understanding and formation for the sacraments, children must have at least one year of formation (either through a Catholic school or parish program) to celebrate First Reconciliation and First Communion. Likewise, Confirmation candidates need to be part of a religious education program for years 3 to 7. Please see details below for the parish's religious education program.

PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS

For students in grades 2 to 7 attending public school, we are raring to go and are now accepting registrations for our 2023/24 Parish Religious Education Program (PREP)! This year we will be gathering on WEDNESDAYS from 5:00 to 6:00 pm in the Parish Center. You can either download a registration package from our website (www.icckelowna.ca) under the children's tab or pick one up at the church entrance. Please return completed registrations to the parish office or simply drop them into the Sunday collection in an envelope marked 'PREP Registration.'

For more information, contact David Z at the parish office at 250-762-3910 ext. 3 or david@icckelowna.ca.



Kelowna Catholic Youth Group

If you are in grade 7-12 and want to deepen your faith with other Catholic teens, please join us for our 2023-24 slate of events!

For more information, go to

<u>www.kelownacatholicyouthgroup.ca</u> or talk to your parish youth coordinator. First event starts Sunday, Sept. 17! Registration form and Sign Up REQUIRED.

THE HARVEST IS PLENTIFUL, BUT THE LABOURERS ARE FEW!

Have you been looking for a service opportunity that perfectly fits your schedule? Come visit our cemetery on Casorso Road, and spend some time praying and weeding! Benefits include:

- † No meetings!
- † No membership dues!
- † Fresh air & sunshine!

Drop by at your leisure!! Green bins provided!! Thank you in advance for your time and support!

ICC KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS UPCOMING EVENTS



Saturday, October 7, 2023 from 9am. to 12pm Knights of Columbus will be gathering to clean up Seton House.

Knights of Columbus Men's Retreat

November 11, 2023 at Seton House of Prayer. The cost is \$75 /person; includes 3 meals, 2 guest speakers, adoration & mass.

Knights of Columbus - 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.

Goto: www.kofc.org/joinus

Promo Code: BLESSEDMCGIVNEY

After joining, please check your INBOX for confirmation.

KELOWNA RIGHT TO LIFE SOCIETY UPCOMING EVENTS:

Please join us for annual Walk for Life in Mission Creek Park on Saturday, September 23rd from noon - 2 pm.

Free BBQ lunch for the first 75 people.
Fun and games for the kids.
Fellowship with pro-life community members.
Short walk along the Greenway.

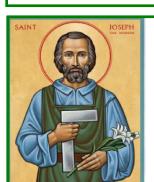
Come and celebrate LIFE with us!

Join us on Sunday, October 1st for the annual LIFE CHAIN!

Over 300 locations across Canada will be holding Life Chains this year, and together we will be heard.

Please meet at Gagnon and Harvey Avenue behind the Dairy Queen (Harvey & Gordon) at 1:45 pm.

See you there!



ST. JOSEPH NOVENA:

For direction and guidance towards future Parish structural improvements and equipment upgrades.

We will be having a *Novena to St. Joseph* every evening at 7:00 pm from September 14th to September 22nd in the church to ask for St. Joseph to intercede on our behalf in building a balcony befitting a cathedral and other upgrades for our music ministry where we can praise God, as well as other Parish enhancements.

Novena will include prayers and hymns. September 22nd, Novena & Mass in honour of St. Joseph.

St. Pius X Parish Eucharistic Adoration Sunday September 24, 2023

As the new school year begins, we are extending an invitation to everyone for an evening of prayer for our students, teachers and families. Everyone is welcome.

The evening will begin at 4.30 p.m. with a family fellowship, meal, games and other activities.

Mass will be at 6:00 p.m. followed by Eucharistic Adoration. During Adoration families will have the opportunity to light a candle for their families.

ST. PIUS X PARISH ANNUAL BAZAAR

St. Pius X Parish is pleased to invite you to join us for our Annual Bazaar on Saturday, September 30 from 8 am to 2 pm at our parish Hall. We will have lots of fun and very good community environment.

Everyone is welcome and thanks in advance for your support.

Knights of Columbus - St. Charles Garnier Parish Sunday, September 24, 2023

You are invited to the Best Breakfast in town Sunday, September 24, 2023 after 8:30 & 10:30 am Masses.

If you could please buy your tickets before Mass to have a better count of people.

Tickets are \$9.00 per person and \$25.00 per family! Breakfast is served by the Knights of Columbus! All funds raised go to Knights Charities!

Registration

New to the Parish? Change of address?

Please fill in the form below to register or change your present registration. Place in collection basket or return to the Parish Office, or email – icc.kelowna@nelsondiocese.org

or email – <u>icc.kelowna@nelsondiocese.org</u>
Name(s) [Family members]
Address
City
Postal Code
Phone
Email
Collection Envelopes?? Yes Not now

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

ST. VINCENT'S CORNER

Sept 27th is the Feast Day of St. Vincent de Paul. Every year Vincentians from across the Valley join together for a special mass and Commissioning ceremony. This is our way of committing or re-committing to our values and affirming what we do so well: *Bring the Face of Jesus to those we serve.*

This year we will gather at St Pius X on Saturday, September 23rd at the 5pm Mass and then follow up with a potluck dinner. We invite all of you to come and join with us, celebrate with us and maybe the Holy Spirit will call your name to join. We are grateful for all your support, together as a faith community we are strong.

For more information email icc.ssvp@gmail.com or call 250–826–5562 and remember you can always donate on line at icc.ssvp@gmail.com. God is God and is calling each of us by name, please respond and call today.

Rachel's Corner

The Lord sets prisoners free; the Lord gives sight to the blind. The Lord raises up those who are bowed down."
- Psalm 146: 7-8

When thoughts come to your mind regarding the day you were involved in an abortion decision, do they make you feel blind to hope, entrapped in regret and burdened with shame? Come on a Rachel's Vineyard[©] Retreat and be free again.

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RACHEL'S VINEYARD FALL RETREAT: is a life-giving journey for women, men or anyone who struggles with the emotional and spiritual pain caused by abortion. Our retreats offer the mercy and compassion of God as well as a pathway to forgiveness, transforming the pain of the past into hope for the future.

To register please contact Vicki: 250-762 2273 Confidentiality assured.

info@rachelsvineyardkelowna.com www.rachelsvineyardkelowna.com f Rachel's Vineyard Kelowna 250-762-2273

GRIEF TO GRACE — Through a retreat 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 retreat in Canada is October 24 – 28, 2023 in Kelowna.

For more information please email <u>grieftogracekelowna@gmail.com</u> or make a confidential call to 250-808-6403



Yeshua 2023 Retreat

"Men are yearning to encounter the real person of Jesus. The problem is that in today's fast-paced, digitalized world, many good men are often caught in a whirlwind of responsibilities and distractions. The deeper questions of purpose, faith, and personal connection with God can get sidelined.

The Men's Retreat: Yeshua, is more than just a three-day event; it's an opportunity to rediscover Christ. Guided by Jake Khym and Peter White, attendees will dive deep into understanding not just the teachings, but the very person of Jesus. The Men's Retreat offers:

- Personal Discovery: Learn that Jesus isn't just a figure in history, but a real, competent, and loving Savior who seeks a personal relationship with you.
- Brotherhood: Forge deep connections with like-minded men who are committed to going deeper with Jesus.
- Adventure: Break free from routine, and be immersed in the stunning outdoors of Rockridge Canyon.

Here's what you need to do:

- Register for The Men's Retreat at, <u>www.liferestoration.ca/</u> <u>mensretreat</u>
- 2. Invite a friend or brother priest to join you.
- 3. Get ready to deeply experience the person of Jesus.

Rediscover. Reconnect. Recommit. Register today."

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE, FALL 2023

You are warmly invited to this year's Development and Peace Regional Assembly. The event will take place over the weekend of September 22 - 24, 2023 at Little Flower Academy in Deroche, B.C. (Just outside of Mission).

This will be our first in-person assembly since the beginning of the pandemic, so we look forward to gathering together once again! This weekend is an open invitation to both new friends and veteran members of Development and Peace. We are hoping to create a weekend retreat full of awareness raising around different social issues impacting our world, as well as meaningful spiritual reflection and opportunities to socialize. So, if you know someone who might be interested in this weekend gathering, please let them know.

Registration Forms will be available on the table in the church entrance, or in the Bulletin section of our website. Estimated costs are around \$100.00 per person, subsidy may be available.

Formal agendas available once we have confirmed our special guests! If you have any questions about registration, please be in touch with Jeremy (jeremy.laurie@devp.org).

SUPPORT FOR UKRAINE

The ongoing war on Ukraine requires our continued support of the victims.

The Ambulances that are being built, provide surgery in a mobile unit. These travel to areas where hospitals have been bombed & destroyed. Donations of all FIRST AID EQUIPMENT, PAIN MEDICATION, ANTIBIOTIC CREAMS, STERILE GLOVES, MASKS... urgently required.

Also financial donations to build (\$37,000 ea.) & stock the ambulances are urgent. Forms @ front of church entrance available for details re: income tx receipts. Thank you for you continued prayers for PEACE IN UKRAINE! God bless.

REFUGE SERVICES & SPONSORSHIP

Central Okanagan Refugee Committee works as a local private sponsorship group through the United Church of Canada Sponsorship Agreement Holder (SAH) office with Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC) to sponsor and settle refugee families.

Members of this group include the Central Okanagan United Church and Winfield United Church and community volunteers.

Other groups involved in sponsoring refugees are the Lutheran Anglican Refugee Committee, the Kelowna Gospel Fellowship, the Islamic Centre of Kelowna (Kelowna Masjid), the Mission Creek Alliance Church, *St. Charles Garnier Church*, *St. Pius X Church*, and the West Kelowna Initiative for Refugee Settlement.

Central Okanagan United Church 721 Bernard Ave Kelowna, BC Canada V1Y 6P6 250-762-3311

OZANAM RECOVERY HOUSE is in need of Volunteers and members on our Board of Directors who can provide strong and capable volunteer assistance and leadership in Facilities, Communications, Public Relations, Finances, Event Planning and Social Media.

CONTACT US

Meg Caruana, President Reid Oddleifson, Director Jamie Walters, House Manager Email manager@recoverykelowna.ca or call 250-762-4673 (HOPE)

On the web - www.recoverykelowna.ca and on Facebook - https://www.facebook.com/OzanamRecoveryHouse/



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

FORMED EASY SIGN UP

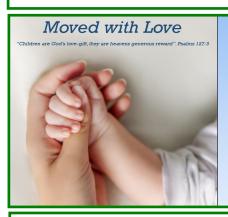
To sign up for this FREE parish-sponsored resource, follow these easy steps ...

- ➤ Go to formed.org
- ➤ Click on the 'sign up' icon
- Where is says "Find your Parish or Organization," enter ... 'Immaculate Conception Kelowna'
- Click on our parish name
- Enter your email address and create a password

WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 17TH

- Padre Pio: Miracle Man
 https://watch.formed.org/videos/formed-padre-pio-miracle-man-en-mezzanine
- The Calling of Matthew https://watch.formed.org/videos/formed-whybelieve-s2-ch15-pt2-mezzanine
- The Reluctant Saint: The Story of St. Joseph Cupertino https://watch.formed.org/videos/the-reluctant-saint-the-storyof-st-joseph-cupertino-1

We are accepting donations for the 2023/24 subscription. Thank you for your generosity to keep this program available!





Annual Benefit Banquet

Thursday Sept 21, 2023 6:00 to 9:00 pm Evangel Church 3261 Gordon Ave, Kelowna Ticket \$25 or Table of 8 for \$200

To Purchase Tickets please call: 250.763.2112





THE ORDER OF SECULAR FRANCISCANS, a lay order of men and women within the Catholic Church, who live the Gospel of Jesus Christ through the charism of St Francis and Clare of Assisi, gather monthly for prayer, faith formation

and fellowship. You are invited to *Come and See!* The Little Flowers of St Francis Fraternity gathers on the Second Sunday of the month at St Charles Garnier Church.

For more information, contact Sandy Kavanagh (250) 212–3596

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Parish Center Kitchen	N/A	762-3910 ext 8
Youth / Religious Ed.	David Ziebart	762-3910 ext 3
RCIA	Leanne Hopegood	762-3910 ext 4
CWL	Monaco Parker	300-7773
CWL Hospitality Chairperson	Isabell Kabatoff	868-0048
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 Serka	Pandosy2558@gmail.com
Latin Mass Society		info@latinmasskelowna.com
Militia Immaculatae	Eileen Collins	575-3553
Music Ministry	call Parish Office	762-3910
Okanagan Pregnancy Care Centre		763-2112
Rachel's Vineyard	info@rachelsvineyardkelowna.com	762-2273
Reach Out Youth Counselling		763-7892
St. Vincent de Paul Society		826-5562
St. Joseph Elementary	Maddy Pedrette, Principal	763-3371
Seton House of Prayer		764–4333