



Immaculate Conception Church

ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF NELSON

Parish Priest: Fr. Paul John Irumba

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Office Hours: Monday – Friday, 8:30 am to 12:30 pm

Weekends & Stat Holidays – Offices are closed.

Please contact office to schedule an appointment.

December 24th, 2023 — 4th Sunday of Advent

December 25th, Christmas Day!

Parish Offices will be closed December 25th until January 2nd.

NO BULLETIN WILL BE PRINTED DECEMBER 31ST.

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
	<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)

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

Emergencies Only – 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);

For Hospice/Hospital and care facility

Coordinators, call Fr Paul John Irumba @ 250-469-3716.

Dear Brother's and Sisters in Christ,

“Glory to God in the highest, and on earth Peace to people on whom his favour rests” (Lk, 2:14). At the start of the Season of Advent, the singing of the “Gloria” during Mass is suspended, awaiting its resumption at the vigil Mass of Christmas, when all Christians join the angels to praise and glorify God, who in His inestimable love and mercy, decided to pitch tent with us through the birth of His Son Jesus Christ –the Emmanuel, “God-with-us”.

As the world celebrates this solemn and sacred event this year, may I wish you all God's Love, Peace and Joy, which this trouble-laden world has failed to give us. May this Christmas be yet another moment to encounter God's redeeming love and mercy that know no end.

Merry Christmas and a Happy and Blessed New Year – 2024!

Fr. Paul John Irumba
Parish Priest



2023/24 MISSALS AVAILABLE. Please *do not* remove the 2023/24 missals from the church pews. We have a few missals available for purchase from the ICC Office, or in the Church Sacristy. The cost is \$6 each.

Thank you!!

OFFERING ENVELOPES FOR 2024

Offering envelopes for 2023 are now on the tables in the entrance of the church for pick up. **Please do not take/use envelopes that do not belong to you; you may not have the same envelope # you were assigned last year.**

2024 Calendars are available in the church foyer.
Please only take ONE calendar per household.

Compliments of Springfield Funeral Home.

If you would like a box of envelopes, or you do not see that your envelopes have generated for 2024 please contact the office (250-762-3910 or email icc.kelowna@nelsondiocese.org) and a box will be made up for you and put into the entrance of the church.

REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR THE ILL:

Bambina Tinto, Mary Jane Martin, Anne Mould, John Cornelissen, Rose Harry, Adam Gorges, Joyce Tremmel, Florence Nagy, Sandra Park, 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, 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 & 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*



**CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S
MASS SCHEDULES: 2023 - 2024**

Because the last Sunday of Advent and Christmas Eve fall on the same day this year, some have asked about their Mass obligations for those days. Catholics are obliged to attend Mass every Sunday, including the Fourth Sunday of Advent, and they are also obliged to go to Mass for the Solemnity of Christmas.

Those two obligations are distinct and have to be met separately. One Mass does not fulfil two obligations. Her is the schedule at ICC for those days:

Saturday , December 23rd	9:00 am Daily Mass
<i>Vigil for the 4th Sunday of Advent</i>	5:00 pm
Sunday, December 24th (4th Sunday of Advent)	9:00 am Daily Mass
	11:00 am Daily Mass
Christmas	
First Mass of Christmas	4:00 pm
Second Mass of Christmas	7:00 pm
Midnight Mass	12:00 am
Monday, December 25th – Christmas Day	
First Mass	9:00 am
Second Mass	11:00 am (livestreamed)
Third Mass	4:00 pm
Tuesday, December 26th – Boxing Day	9:00 am Daily Mass
Wednesday, December 27th	8:00 am Daily Mass
	5:00 pm
Thursday, December 28th	8:00 am Daily Mass
Friday, December 29th	8:00 am Daily Mass
Saturday, December 30th	9:00 am Daily Mass
<i>Vigil for the Feast of the Holy Family</i>	5:00 pm
Sunday, December 31st – Feast of the Holy Family	9:00 am Daily Mass
	11:00 am Daily Mass
<i>Vigil for The Solemnity of Mary Mother of God</i>	5:00 pm
New Year's Eve – Benediction	11:30–12:30 pm
Monday, January 1st – New Years Day	
<i>and The Solemnity of Mary Mother of God – Holy Day of Obligation</i>	
First Mass	9:00 am (livestreamed)
Second Mass	11:00 am
Third Mass	5:00 pm

Merry Christmas, and a blessed, prosperous New Year, 2024!

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



For persons with disabilities.



*"We pray that people living with disabilities may be
at the centre of attention in society, and that
institutions may offer inclusive programs which
value their active participation."*

SUNDAY OFFERINGS – December 17, 2023

Regular Offerings	\$	9,736.67
Offerings to date	\$	414,026.17
Weekly Offerings required	\$	8,592.00
Offerings Required, to date	\$	455,376.00

Balance to Date \$ – 41,349.83

PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL

*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 Hours available are:

<u>SUN</u>	5 AM
<u>MON</u>	1 AM & 2 AM
<u>TUES</u>	7 AM
<u>WED</u>	2 AM, 3 AM & 2 PM
<u>THURS</u>	3 PM
<u>FRI</u>	12 AM
<u>SAT</u>	1 AM & 2 PM



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

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.	23-Dec	9:00 AM	I. Jessie Kosell
		5:00 PM	R. Arsenia Adrias
Sun.	24-Dec	9:00 AM	Intentions of Parishioners
		11:00 AM	Intentions of Parishioners
		4:00 PM	Intentions of Parishioners
		7:00 PM	Intentions of Parishioners
	(Midnight)	12:00 AM	Intentions of Parishioners
Mon.	25-Dec	9:00 AM	Intentions of Parishioners
		11:00 AM	Intentions of Parishioners
		4:00 PM	Intentions of Parishioners
Tues.	26-Dec	9:00 AM	I. ICC Priests
Wed.	27-Dec	8:00 AM	I. Chrissy & Brady Loseth
		5:00 PM	I. Donor's Intention
Thurs.	28-Dec	8:00 AM	R. Heather Haba
Fri.	29-Dec	8:00 AM	I. Evelyn Duffin

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Sat.	30-Dec	9:00 AM	R. Mafalda Vecchio
		5:00 PM	R. Holy Souls in Purgatory
Sun.	31-Dec	9:00 AM	Intentions of Parishioners
		11:00 AM	Intentions of Parishioners
		5:00 PM	I. Avelina Japos
Mon.	01-Jan	9:00 AM	Solemnity of the Mother of God
		11:00 AM	Solemnity of the Mother of God
		5:00 PM	Solemnity of the Mother of God
Tues.	02-Jan	8:00 AM	R. Heather Haba
Wed.	03-Jan	8:00 AM	I. Fr. Cerlouie Jimenez
		5:00 PM	I. Rob Plaxton
Thurs.	04-Jan	8:00 AM	R. Joseph Serka
Fri.	05-Jan	8:00 AM	I. Paulette Wolf
		4:00 PM	I. Donor's Intention

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Sat.	06-Jan	9:00 AM	I. Carol Howard Berner
		5:00 PM	I. St. Vincent de Paul Families
Sun.	07-Jan	9:00 AM	Intentions of Parishioners
		11:00 AM	Intentions of Parishioners
		5:00 PM	I. Simon Quintero Botello
Mon.	08-Jan	8:00 AM	I. Del Stone
Tues.	09-Jan	8:00 AM	I. Gabriel Geismayr
Wed.	10-Jan	8:00 AM	R. Austin Matte
		5:00 PM	R. Maria Illo
Thurs.	11-Jan	8:00 AM	I. Fr. Cerlouie Jimenez
Fri.	12-Jan	8:00 AM	I. Eldon & Christine Matte & Family



Kelowna Catholic Youth Group

If you are in grades 7-12 and want to deepen your faith with other Catholic teens, please join us!

Stay tuned for upcoming events! For more information, go to www.kelownacatholicyouthgroup.ca or email david.icckelowna@gmail.com or leanne@icckelowna.ca

Registration form and Sign Up REQUIRED.



**ICC KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
UPCOMING EVENTS:**



PARISH BREAKFAST!!

ICC Knights of Columbus would like to invite you to join us for pancake breakfast, **Sunday January 7th.**

- Time:** 10:00 am to 1:00pm
- Where:** ICC Parish Hall
- Cost:** Free-will Donation
- Menu:** Pancakes, eggs, sausage, tea and coffee



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A KNIGHT WITH:



- WHEN:** Every Month, Starting Friday January 12th (Check back here for next showing.)
- WHERE:** ICC Parish Hall (West Entrance).
- TIME:** Doors Open 6:00pm, Showing Starts at 6:30pm.
- COST:** Admission is Free.
- EXTRAS:** Snacks and beverages will be available for purchase.

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FRATERNAL BENEFITS & FUNERAL PLANNING EVENT

hosted by the Knights of Columbus with Joe Faubert, Knights of Columbus and David Wensley of Springfield Funeral Home **Saturday, January 13, 2024 at 10am.** in the Church Hall.

Refreshments will be provided.

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 it says "Find your Parish or Organization," enter ... 'Immaculate Conception Kelowna'
- Click on our parish name
- Enter your email address and create a password

*If you enjoy this programming and content,
we are accepting donations for the 2023/24 subscription.*

Thank you for your generosity to keep this program available!

WEEK OF DECEMBER 24TH:

The True Meaning of Christmas | Lukas Storyteller
<https://watch.formed.org/videos/lukas-storyteller-the-true-meaning-of-christmas>

Christmas | Sacred Art
<https://watch.formed.org/videos/sacred-art-the-nativity>

The 12 Days of Christmas
<https://watch.formed.org/videos/12-days-of-christmas>



WEEK OF DECEMBER 31ST:

New Year's Resolutions | The Augustine Institute Show
<https://watch.formed.org/videos/the-augustine-institute-show-1-4-2022-new-year-resolutions>

The Holy Family
<https://watch.formed.org/videos/the-holy-family>

Litany of the Holy Name of Jesus
<https://watch.formed.org/videos/litany-of-the-holy-name-of-jesus>



CWL CORNER:

It is time to pay your 2024 membership dues (\$45). Please send your fees in with this year's member survey. Membership fees can be dropped off at the ICC Office, or dropped in the collection baskets during mass. Contact Christina if you didn't receive a survey: christina.icc.cwl@gmail.com

The Catholic Women's Leadership Foundation is accepting applications for the 2024-2025 Leadership Program. A year-long leadership certificate program to help Catholic women strengthen their leadership skills in an environment that integrates faith and spirituality. For more information visit cwlfcanada.ca

PLEASE BE A PRAYER PARTNER!

Let's become more like our heavenly Father! He welcomes us with open arms. We can show a reflection of that love to those from our community who are on the RCIA journey. Please keep them in your prayers, that they continue to grow in the faith and in the love and knowledge of God.

We are thrilled to announce that, as of now, there are 15 adult and 6 teen candidates joining us in our RCIA and RCIC classes on Wednesdays in our parish! These individual candidates are either non-Catholics seeking full initiation into the Church (including Baptism), Baptized non-Catholics needing to be fully received into the Church, or baptized Catholics who need Holy Communion and/or Confirmation through the Rite of Christian Initiation.

Consider becoming a prayer partner by spiritually "adopting" one of the candidates or catechumens during their journey. Pray for them as an individual, as a couple, or as a family. They need our prayer support! If you would like to adopt a candidate, contact Leanne at the parish office.

"The harvest is plentiful" and for that we give thanks!

With the Season of Advent well underway, we are pleased to inform you that the National Liturgy Office, the *Office national de liturgie*, and the Office for Evangelization and Catechesis have once again released the video series titled "Journey through Advent".

This year's presenters are the Most Rev. Jon Hansen, C.Ss.R., Bishop of Mackenzie-Fort Smith, and the Most Rev. Alain Faubert, Auxiliary Bishop of Montreal. They will each present, in English and French respectively, a reflection on the Readings of Mass for each Sunday in Advent, one week at a time.

The links to the videos for the **Fourth Sunday of Advent** are:
in English:

<https://www.cccb.ca/oec/journey-through-advent/>

in French:

<https://www.cecc.ca/oec/cheminer-ensemble-durant-l'avent/>

Should you have a question or require more information, please do not hesitate to contact Father Jean Vezina, General Secretary for the CCCB at bishops@ccb.ca.

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

**NEW YEAR'S DINNER / DANCE
Sunday December 31st**

Doors open @ 6:00/refreshments
Dinner @ 7:30 🎶 Dancing 8:45-1:00 am
Midnight snacks

Music by Vic Dance Band

Tickets are \$80 per person (non-refundable)
& available through Loaves & Fishes!

WINTER 2024 PASTORAL CARE TRAINING SESSION

The valuable and free Pastoral Care Outreach Training series will be offered online again this winter. Nine sessions will be held via Zoom on Saturday mornings from 9:30 – noon, **starting on January 20 and running until March 23, 2024** (with no session on March 9 for Spring Break). Participants who attend all sessions will receive a Certificate of Completion. Participants will require a phone number and email address, a computer, tablet or Smart Phone with speakers, microphone and webcam, a reliable Internet connection, and access to Zoom.

Please register through your local parish by January 12. For further information, please email moiraking@shaw.ca

MASSES AT CARE HOMES

Village at Mill Creek

1st Tuesday of the month @ 9:45 am

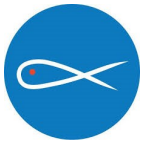
Cottonwoods

3rd Tuesday of the month @ 10:30 am

The Dorchester

Last Tuesday of the month @ 10:00 am

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



ST. VINCENT'S CORNER

Our recent Christmas Party for the clients of St. Vincent de Paul was a resounding success. We served Tourtière (French Canadian Meat Pie) with yam fries and coleslaw. The kitchen staff of SVP volunteers was lucky enough to be led by a retired red-seal chef, Ramona. Dessert was home made cookies, coffee and tea. There were also many door prizes, toys, and a huge table of give away food and gifts.

The children enjoyed the Christmas craft tables, and face painting. They were also treated to a visit from Santa and his elves, and everyone enjoyed joining in to the live Christmas carols. At the meal, we served 249 adults and 92 children. We gave out \$19,400 in gift cards. We still have some deliveries left to do this week to ensure that everyone will receive a Christmas hamper.

None of this would be possible without the generous hearts of our parishioners, our donors, and our many volunteers. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts. May you all experience a wonderful Christmas with family and friends. May the Saviour of the World fill your hearts with love and peace.

Remember you can always donate online through
icc.ssvp@gmail.com (no password required).



SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE AT ICC

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.



SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM AT ICC

Please contact the Parish Office **FIRST** when enquiring about your child's baptism. **At least one Parent and all Godparents must 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.

MADE FOR MORE

with CHRISTOPHER WEST & MIKE MANGIONE

Thursday, February 8 from 7:00 to 9:30 pm at Immaculata Regional High School

Ever wonder the "why" behind the "what" the Catholic Church teaches? Want to hear the Gospels in a whole new light? Join best selling author Christopher West and award-winning musician Mike Mangione as they present *Made For More: Visions of The Promised Land*. MADE FOR MORE is an inspired blend of teaching, live music, and art that taps the deepest desires of the human heart revealing their ultimate purpose and goal.

Tickets are \$35 and are available at the parish office, Loaves and Fishes or online at <https://www.icckelowna.ca/made-for-more>

Please see the bulletin insert for more information, or contact David Ziebart at david@icckelowna.ca.



Are you *Called* to be a Permanent Deacon?

The deacon's ministry has three dimensions: *liturgy*, *word* and *service*. At the Mass, the deacon proclaims the Gospel, may be invited to preach the homily, and assists at the altar. In addition to his duties related to *service*, the deacon may also baptize, witness, and bless marriages, and preside at funeral liturgies outside of the Mass. Deacons may be married or single, they may have full-time careers or be retired.

If you are a Catholic male registered in a parish within the Diocese of Nelson, between the ages of 35 and 60, and would like to learn more about the Permanent Diaconate, please contact the Director of Permanent Diaconate, Father Cerlouie Jimenez: cerlouie.jimenez@nelsondiocese.org

Applications for the Fall 2024 class will be accepted until March 1, 2024.

Parish/Organization TELEPHONE NUMBERS

(Area 250 Unless Indicated)

Parish Priest.....	Fr. Paul John Iumba.....	762-3910
Permanent Deacon Deacon.....	Rod Attwell ... rod.attwell@nelsondiocese.org	
Parish Secretary/Office Manager.....	Andrea Mitton	762-3910 ext 0
Parish Fax.....		763-7450
Maintenance	Douglas Rasmussen	762-3910 ext 0
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.....		762-2273
		info@rachelsvineyardkelowna.com
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

REFUGEE FAMILY SUPPORT: Can you assist our refugee families by donating some of the following items?

- Maternity clothes (L)
- Winter clothing —winter boots, especially winter jackets
- Clothing for: 12-mo old boy, 2-yr old boy, 6-yr old girl
- Full-sized baby crib.

The ongoing **URGENT NEED** for **AID**

UKRAINE includes:

FIRST AID SUPPLIES. Also, suitcases, floor mats & sleeping bags for soldiers.

Pray for peace!!

God bless your continued support!

Stuff the AMBULANCE BUS for UKRAINE with First Aid Supplies!



Bring your donations & ease the suffering!

A collection of suitcases will be available in the front entrance of the church.



SECULAR ORDER OF DISCALCED CARMELITES (OCDS)

Carmelite Seculars, together with the Friars and Nuns, are sons and daughters of the Order of Our Lady of Mount Carmel and of St. Teresa of Jesus. As a result, they share the same charism with the religious, each according to their particular way of life. It is one family with the same spiritual possessions, the same call to holiness (*cf Eph 1.4; 1Pet 1:15*) and the same apostolic mission. Secular members contribute to the Order the benefits proper to their secular state of life (*Constitutions #1*).

For more information please contact
Laurent 1-778-212-1945 or Loretta 250-448-5633



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

People of Faith Prayer Group — Come Join us!

Where: St Pius X Parish

When: Tuesdays at 7:00 pm

Come Lord Jesus come and be born a new in our hearts....

Prayer group will not be gathering for the rest of December... but will resume in January 2024!!

Prayers will continue...

Merry Christmas!!!

For more info please call Piera 250-215-7100.

CATHOLIC MOMS CONNECT:

Wednesdays, 9:30-11:00 am @ St. Charles Garnier Hall.

Childcare provided. *Join us for prayer and fellowship.*

Questions? Contact Abbey @ 250-899-4384

If you would like to make a donation towards our sanctuary floral displays, please see one of our Sacristans.

Aid to the Church in Need (ACN Canada) Religious Freedom in the World Report 2023.

The Summary is available in PDF format ready to be downloaded at the following link;

<https://acninternational.org/religiousfreedomreport/>



Office of the Bishop

Christmas 2023

"They set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy." (Matthew 2.9-12)

My Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Every Christmas, we read about the star that led the three Wise Men to Jesus. In times past and even today, stars serve as beacons to guide people on their way.

In a world where it is becoming more and more difficult to navigate, we need to remember that we have Jesus, "The Star" God sent us, to help guide and steer us on our life journey.

May Jesus, our "Star," shine brightly in your hearts and in your lives, not only to guide you, but also so that you too will be stars for others, especially those who have lost their way.

Merry Christmas everyone!

✠ Gregory J Bittman
Bishop of Nelson



IMMACULATA
REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL

CENTRAL OKANAGAN COMMUNITY FOOD BANK

December 21st, 2023

On behalf of Immaculata Regional High School, Rink Hockey Academy, and our key media partners K96.3 and Castanet, we would like to thank all donors from within our community for stepping up once again this year to help ensure the success of the sixth annual Kelowna Turkey Drive.

A total of 244 turkeys (including cash that was donated and utilized 100% to buy additional turkeys) were collected and donated to the Central Okanagan Food Bank. "We couldn't be more pleased given that the current economic situation has made things somewhat more challenging for many within our community, and not only those who struggle to put food on the table" says Jim Hare (event founder).

"I would like to thank everyone from Immaculata, Rink Hockey, Castanet, and of course K96.3 who contributed towards making this special day not only a fundraising success, but just an overall enjoyable day that was filled with great energy and fun" adds Hare.

Wishing everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy Holiday season. Looking forward to 2024!

Jim Hare
Event Founder
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