

Immaculate Conception Roman Catholic Church

Roman Catholic Diocese of Nelson

Parish Priest: Fr. Maurice Okolie

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April 13, 2025 – Palm Sunday, YEAR C

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

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

ICC Offices are closed Good Friday and Easter Monday.



*Please silence
your phones
prior to Mass.*

Thank You!!

**TUESDAY APRIL 15TH 8:00AM
MASS WILL BE RESCHEDULED**

*With Fr. Maurice and Fr. Sebastian
returning from the Chrism Mass in
Nelson, BC on Tuesday April 15th,
the Daily 8:00am Mass will be
rescheduled to 5:00pm.*

We apologize for any inconvenience.

MASS READINGS FOR:

13 April 2025, Sunday

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

Procession: Luke 19: 28-40

First: Isaiah 50: 4-7

Psalm: Psalms 22: 8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24

Second: Philippians 2:6-11

VBG: Philippians 2: 8-9

Gospel: Luke 22: 14 - 23: 56

**THE HOLY FATHER'S
PRAYER INTENTION
FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL:**

For the use of the new technologies:
"Let us pray that the use of the new technologies
will not replace human relationships, will
respect the dignity of the person, and will help us
face the crises of our times."

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 | **Emergencies Only** – 250-762-8445*

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND INJURED: Jeannette Berry, Teresa Kovacs, Elizabeth Downey, Maggie Johnstone, Samuel Jovez, Rick Prost, Sheila Lowe, Lea Carpenter, Ken Antao, Bishop Gregory Bittman, Fr. Jim Ratcliffe, Michael Ward, Teresa McGauley, Chiamaka Aghaizu, Josephine Bruch, Mary Van Verdegem, 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, 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*



STATIONS OF THE CROSS @ ICC

Fridays throughout the Lent Season.

Confession: 4:00–4:45 pm 🕊 **Stations:** 5:00 pm

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 the 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

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC SCHOOL 2025 MASS SCHEDULE

***updated* Fri. April 25 @ 9:30 am**

Thurs. May 29 @ 9:30 am

Thurs. June 12 @ 9:30 am

All are welcome!



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

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



Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops presents:

Journey through Lent 2025 Video Series

Weekly Reflections for the Lenten Season (English),
there is a new video uploaded each week:

<https://www.cccb.ca/evangelization-catechesis-catholic-education/video-resources/journey-through-lent/>

POLISH COMMUNITY CONFESSION & MASS

On Friday April 11th from 4–7:00pm and Saturday April 12th from 12–3:00pm, **Fr. Wladyslaw Karciarz** will be at ICC to hear confession (in Polish) and to celebrate Polish Mass on Sunday April 13th at 3:00pm.

Blessing of Easter Food, Saturday April 19th at 12:30pm.

HOLY LAND COLLECTION

Good Friday, April 18, 2025

The annual Good Friday Collection is the only yearly request asked by the Holy See of dioceses and parishioners throughout the world. The collection helps the Church of the Holy Land to maintain Christian sites, so important for Christians everywhere, and to provide pastoral, educational, and social works among the small Christian population.

The Church and our Christian brothers and sisters count on your help to retain a faith filled Christian presence in this land of our Lord. Please give generously during your parish's Good Friday celebrations on April 18, 2025.

If you are unable to attend the service, it is possible to contribute online by going to Commissariat.ca/supporting-us and donating via CanadaHelps or Interac e-transfer. Receipts will be issued.

On behalf of the Franciscan Custody of the Holy Land, to whom the Holy See has entrusted this ministry for nearly 700 years, I sincerely thank you for your support.

Fr. Robert Mokry, o.f.m.,
Commissary of the Holy Land in Canada

HOLY WEEK / EASTER SCHEDULE

HOLY THURSDAY (April 17)

Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper - 7:00 pm
Procession of the Blessed Sacrament & Reposition
8:30 pm - 10:00 pm (Please bring your own candle)

GOOD FRIDAY (April 18)

Holy Rosary - 9:30 am
Stations of the Cross - 10:00 am
Good Friday Service of the Lord's Passion - 3:00 pm
****updated: Divine Mercy Novena immediately following the Service of the Lord's Passion**
Procession of the Crucifix - 4:30 pm
(Please bring your own candles)

HOLY SATURDAY (April 19)

Rosary - 8:30 am
9:00-10:00 am RCIA Rehearsal
Sacrament of Confession - 10:00 am - 11:00 am
Blessing of Easter Food - 12:30 pm
****updated: Divine Mercy Novena, 3:00 pm**
Easter Vigil - 8:00 pm (Please bring your own candles)
**** No 5:00 pm Mass on Holy Saturday ****

EASTER SUNDAY (April 20)

Rosary - 8:30 am
Holy Mass - 9:00 am
Holy Mass - 11:00 am
****updated: Divine Mercy Novena, 3:00 pm**
Holy Mass - 4:00 pm
**** No 5:00 pm Mass on Easter Sunday ****

MASS INTENTIONS Repose - R. Intention - I.

Sat.	12-Apr	9:00 am	R.	Teresa Bruni
		5:00 pm	I.	St. Vincent de Paul Families
Sun.	13-Apr	9:00 am		Intentions of Parishioners
		11:00 am		Intentions of Parishioners
		5:00 pm	I.	Matteo Plaxton
Mon.	14-Apr	8:00 am	R.	Rodney Bernier
Tues.	15-Apr	** 5:00 pm	I.	Stella & Dennis Boyd & Family
Wed.	16-Apr	8:00 am	I.	Douglas Rasmussen & Christina Marin
		5:00 pm	I.	Herhaus Family
Thurs.	17-Apr	8:00 pm		<i>Holy Thursday</i>
Fri.	18-Apr	3:00 pm		<i>Good Friday</i>
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Sat.	19-Apr	8:00 pm		<i>Easter Vigil</i>
Sun.	20-Apr	9:00 am		<i>Easter Sunday</i>
		11:00 am		<i>Easter Sunday</i>
		4:00 pm		<i>Easter Sunday</i>
Mon.	21-Apr	9:00 am	I.	Stella Magic
		4:00 pm	R.	William G. Ferguson
Tues.	22-Apr	8:00 am	I.	Mary Patterson
		4:00 pm		
Wed.	23-Apr	8:00 am	I.	Colleen Finlon
		4:00 pm	I.	Fr. Cerlouie F. Jimenez
Thurs.	24-Apr	8:00 am	I.	Carlin Fuergutz
		4:00 pm		
Fri.	25-Apr	8:00 am	R.	Linda Britton
		4:00 pm		

Come and Celebrate the Divine Mercy of Christ

Good Friday, April 18 - Novena Immediately Following the Service of the Lord's Passion - (Service at 3:00 pm)
Holy Saturday, April 19 - 3pm, Novena & prayers
Easter Sunday, April 20 - 3pm, Adoration & Novena
Holy Mass at 4:00 pm ****No 5:00 Mass****
Easter Monday, April 21 - 3pm, Adoration & Novena
Holy Mass at 4:00 pm
Tuesday, April 22 - 3pm, Adoration & Novena
Holy Mass at 4:00 pm
Wednesday, April 23 - 3pm, Adoration & Novena
Holy Mass at 4:00 pm ****No 5:00 Mass****
Thursday, April 24 - 3pm, Adoration & Novena
Holy Mass at 4:00 pm
Friday, April 25 - 3pm, Adoration & Novena
Holy Mass at 4:00 pm
Saturday, April 26 - 3pm, Adoration & Novena
Holy Mass at 4:00 pm ****No 5:00 Mass****
Sunday, April 27 - Divine Mercy Sunday:
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
3:00 pm Adoration & Divine Mercy Prayers
Holy Mass at 4:00 pm ****No 5:00 Mass****

USHERS NEEDED FOR HOLY WEEK/EASTER

If you're attending the following Mass times, please consider volunteering as an Usher:

Holy Saturday – 8:00 pm (2 volunteers)

Easter Sunday – 4:00 pm (4 volunteers)

There is a sign-up sheet is on the Usher's Counter in the church entrance.

Thank you in advance for your consideration and assistance!!

ICC KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



LIVING STATIONS OF THE CROSS

You are invited to attend the 4th Annual Knights of Columbus outdoor Stations of the Cross procession.

Bring your family and friends and join your neighbours and fellow brothers and sisters in an opportunity to reflect on Jesus' death and the sacrifice He made for us.

Join us April 18th, 2025 – Good Friday at

12:00 noon at Immaculata Regional High School at the tennis courts at the back of the school (1493 KLO Road, Kelowna).

There's lots of parking, but unfortunately no washroom facilities available.

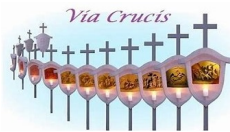
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Free 1 Year On-Line Membership

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

Promo Code: BLESSEDMCGIVNEY

After joining, please check your INBOX for confirmation.



GRADE 7-12 KELOWNA CATHOLIC YOUTH GROUP NEWS!

Gr. 7-12 Kelowna Catholic Youth Group News

Just a reminder that there is no Youth Group next Sunday (April 20). Wishing you a Happy Easter!

—David, Leanne, Nicole & Laura

For more information or to RSVP for any of our events and download our Youth Group registration form, go to www.kelownacatholicyouthgroup.ca

FAITH OF THE FATHERS READING GROUP

sessions are temporarily suspended until April 23, 2025.



The Diocesan Paper known as the **Catholic Mountain Star** is now accepting any news, photos, and articles for publication for this coming Spring issue at catholicmountainstar@nelsondiocese.org

Deadline is April 21, 2025.

ICC – OFFICE

VOLUNTEER “GREETERS” NEEDED

Immaculate Conception Church Office is looking for a few volunteer “Greeters” from 8:30 am until 12:30 pm Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.

Please call or email the parish office 250-762-3910 or icc.kelowna@nelsondiocese.org for more details!

STEWARDSHIP/WEEKLY OFFERINGS, W/E – 04/06/25

Weekly Offerings required	\$ 7,968.00
Sunday Collections	\$ 10,036.34
Offerings received to date	\$ 117,176.20
Offerings required to date	\$ 119,520.00

Shortfall to Date \$ -2,343.80

Thank you for your continued support and generosity to the financial needs of our parish family. 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 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!)

Catholic Women's League

OF IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH
BURSARY

The ICC CWL is pleased once again, to support our Community with a \$500 Bursary! Applicants must be:

- 21 years old or younger.
- a baptized Roman Catholic.
- a practicing Parishioner of ICC.
- planning to attend a post-secondary institution as a first-year full-time student.
- Applicants must submit the Bursary Application, Cover Letter, Pastor's Form and Transcript by **May 31, 2025**.

Application packages are available to pick up at the ICC Office, Tuesday-Friday between 8:30am and 12:30pm.

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Want to get the latest ICC CWL news delivered right to your email! Scan the QR code above to fill out the form, or contact Monaco Parker to be added to the list!



Not a member? That's okay!

This is open to all ladies in the parish and beyond.
Contact Monaco Parker, cmparkerfamily@gmail.com

Call or text - 250-300-7773

You will be sent a confirmation email once you have been added to the list.

ANNUAL CHRISM MASS
CATHEDRAL OF MARY IMMACULATE

All parishioners are welcome to attend and celebrate the annual
Chrism Mass at 7:00 pm on **Monday April 14th, 2025** at the
Cathedral of Mary Immaculate:

813 Ward Street, Nelson, B. C. V1L 1T4
Ph (250) 352-7131 | fax (250) 352-7180
cathedralnelson@gmail.com

The Chrism Mass at the Cathedral of Mary Immaculate in Nelson
will be **live-streamed** on the Cathedral's Facebook page on April
14 at 7:00 p.m. at:

 <https://www.facebook.com/nelson.cathedral>

MEN'S MORNING STUDY SERIES

All men are invited to join us at ICC Parish Center on Wednesday
mornings from 6:30 to 7:30 am starting April 23 for a six-week video
series called *My Father's Father*. How many of us struggle to know that
we have a Father in heaven who knows, loves, and chooses us as His
sons and daughters? Join Fr. Dave Pivonka as he journeys home to
reflect on the urgent need to know God as Father amidst the
backdrop of his hometown and the relationship he shared with his
dad. This poignant documentary series explores the transformative
impact of embracing our inheritance, unraveling the intricate tapestry
of fear, doubt, shame, and brokenness to reveal a loving Father- for
each of us.

For more information about the series or to register, go to
www.icckelowna.ca, click on the 'Parish Groups' tab and scroll down
to Men's Morning Study Series. Sponsored by the Father Pandosy
Knights of Columbus.



Parish Coffee Socials!!!

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

- Week 1 – Knights breakfast
- Week 2 – CWL ****No coffee PALM SUNDAY**
- Week 3 – St. Vincent de Paul ****No Coffee EASTER SUNDAY**
- Week 4 – available
- Week 5 – Parish Council

All are welcome!

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: 1 PM & 4 PM | **MON:** 1 AM & 2 AM |

WED: 1 AM, 2 AM, 3 AM & 2 PM | **THURS:** 1 AM

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



KELOWNA RIGHT TO LIFE SOCIETY
UPCOMING EVENTS:



2025 Dinner Event!

The Kelowna Right to Life Society and the Knights of Columbus
present an evening with Alex Schadenberg and Dr. Ryan Wilson.
Mr. Schadenberg is the Executive Director of the Euthanasia
Prevention Coalition and Dr. Wilson is the President of Canadian
Physician for Life. The subject of the evening is *Euthanasia
Expansion in Canada*.

You won't want to miss this semi-formal, educational dinner
evening on Saturday, **May 24th** at the **ICC Parish Hall** –
839 Sutherland Ave in Kelowna. Doors open at 6:00 pm.
Tickets are \$35 each or \$250 for a table of eight.

Cheques may be paid to *Kelowna Right to Life Society*.

Visit prolifekelowna.ca for more information and online ticket
purchase. Tickets also available at Loaves & Fishes bookstore and
the ICC office.

Call 250-870-4103 or email kelownarighttolife@hotmail.com.



ANNUAL MASS FOR LIFE!

Join us to pray for the Unborn, the
Elderly, and the Disabled.



Thursday **May 8th**, Canada reflects
on 56 years of mourning legal abortion in Canada.
Euthanasia has become the latest desecration of LIFE
in our country! *How do we respond?*

A *Mass for Life* will be celebrated
on Thursday, May 8, 6:30pm
at **Immaculate Conception Church**
839 Sutherland Avenue, Kelowna

Following the MASS FOR LIFE, there will be coffee
and refreshments as well as a short 30-minute video of awareness
in the Parish Hall.

Please join us to defend LIFE, become informed
and convicted to STAND FOR LIFE!

CALLED & GIFTED WORKSHOPS



You're invited

God is calling you to a unique
purpose. Discover your spiritual
gifts and begin to
discern God's call.



www.nelsondiocese.org/apps/pages/invitation

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



CISND



@cisnd_catholic_schools

Download our App



**ARE YOU A CHEF?
AND LOOKING TO PICK UP A FEW HOURS OF WORK?**

This might be the opportunity you are looking for!
Seton House of prayer requires a Chef on a casual basis.
We need someone to cook for smaller groups of up to 10 people,
and occasionally for larger groups, on a casual basis.



Maybe you're retired and still want to share
your talent or maybe you're starting out and
want to show off your skills!



If you're interested please send your resume and cover
letter to executive-cpc@nelsondiocese.org by May 15, 2025



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 APRIL 13, 2025

† **Triduum: A Spiritual Pilgrimage**

<https://watch.formed.org/videos/triduum>

† **The Last Days: The Passion and Death of Jesus the Christ w/
Jonathan Roumie**

<https://watch.formed.org/videos/the-last-days-the-passion-and-death-of-jesus-the-christ>

† **How to make a Palm Sunday Cross**

<https://watch.formed.org/videos/how-to-make-a-palm-sunday-cross>

ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH IN CALGARY HUMBLYPRESENTS

Shroud of Jesus: HOPE of the Resurrection Exhibition & Conference

Experience an extraordinary journey into the most studied relic in history—the Shroud of Turin. From **April 3 to April 27, 2025**, St. Patrick's Church will host this special exhibition, offering a profound exploration of faith, history, and science. Recent scientific findings from **southern Italy** confirm that the **Shroud dates back to the time of Christ**, aligning with the Gospel's account of His Passion and death. This exhibition provides a rare opportunity to delve into the latest research and timeless theological insights surrounding this sacred artifact.

As part of the event, we are honored to welcome **Fr. Andrew Dalton, LC**, a world-renowned Shroud expert and Professor of Theology at the Pontifical Athenaeum Regina Apostolorum in Rome. Fr. Dalton, who has lectured globally on the Shroud and the Passion of Christ, will deliver a series of compelling talks during **Holy Week**.

For full event details, schedules, and speaker information, **visit our website**. www.stpatrickcalgary.com

FATHER WAYNE PFLIGER'S 50 ANNIVERSARY OF ORDINATION

Join in the celebration of Fr. Wayne Pfliger's 50th Anniversary of Ordination on Friday May 9, 2025 at Immaculate Conception Parish.

A *Mass of Thanksgiving* will be celebrated at 5:00 p.m. with dinner to follow in the parish hall at 6:00 p.m.

Tickets are \$35/person and are available at Loaves and Fishes, 591 Lawrence Ave.



JOB OPPORTUNITY @ ICC
PART-TIME BOOKKEEPER NEEDED!!

Immaculate Conception Church, situated in Kelowna, BC is seeking a Part-time bookkeeper – 12 hrs /week to join our team.

This position requires 12 hours per week with a flexible schedule.

Responsibilities:

- ♦ Manage day-to-day bookkeeping tasks.
- ♦ Maintain accurate financial records using QuickBooks.
- ♦ Process data entries and reconcile accounts.
- ♦ Assist with bank reconciliations and preparation of financial reports.
- ♦ Ensure timely and accurate financial transactions.

Qualifications:

- ♦ Proficiency in QuickBooks and general data processing.
- ♦ Proficiency in Microsoft Office (Excel required).
- ♦ Strong attention to detail and organizational skills.
- ♦ Prior bookkeeping experience preferred.
- ♦ Ability to work independently and maintain confidentiality.
- ♦ Must be a practicing Roman Catholic.

If you are committed, trustworthy, and have a passion for accuracy in financial work, we encourage you to apply.

To apply, please submit your resume and a brief cover letter detailing your experience and faith background to the ICC Office in person (839 Sutherland Avenue), or email icc.kelowna@nelsondiocese.org

All things being equal, active members of the Roman Catholic Church will be given preference. We thank all applicants for their interest. Please note that only those applicants selected for an interview will be contacted.



UPCOMING DINNER/DANCES
@ ICC PARISH CENTRE

SPRING/EASTER DINNER/DANCE

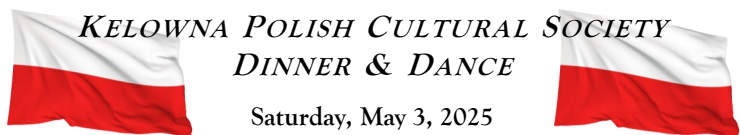
Friday April 25th 2025

Doors open @ 6:00 (refreshments)

Dinner @ 6:30 | Dancing from 7:30

Music by Vic's Dance Band

Tickets are \$40 per person and are available at Loaves & Fishes – 591 Lawrence Ave | 250-868-8933



KELOWNA POLISH CULTURAL SOCIETY
DINNER & DANCE

Saturday, May 3, 2025

Kelowna Polish Cultural Society
Dinner & Dance

Celebration of the Polish Constitution of May 3, 1791
Refreshments 6:00pm | Dinner @ 6:30pm
Dancing from 7:00pm

Tickets will be available by calling
Jacek Tomczyk at: (250)-979-8909



Principal – Michael's Elementary School, Trail BC

Effective: April, 2025

CISND is seeking a passionate and experienced individual to lead St. Michael's School

St. Michael's Catholic School is an independent elementary school within the city of Trail, British Columbia. We foster a strong foundation of faith and academics and ensure high standards of education and discipline to naturally develop intellectually global citizens. Our faith-centered, family environment challenges and nurtures the learner.

Mission: Our Mission is to provide holistic education in a nurturing Catholic Environment which challenges each child to achieve excellence

Vision: A School Where Students Lead, Love, and Learn

Core Values: Our faith is immersed within our school setting to provide opportunities for students to make good decisions and good judgments to cope with the many new challenges in today's world. We lovingly show the way, prioritizing the teaching of interpersonal skills so they can relate well with others and leave our school with a well-developed spiritual life and empathy for the world around them.

The ideal candidate should demonstrate:

- A witness and role model of the Catholic faith.
 - Identification with and participation in the life of a Catholic parish.
 - Successful teaching and administrative experience in a Catholic school.
 - Outstanding leadership qualities with an ability to develop and articulate a Catholic educational vision.
 - An ability to collaborate and work effectively with staff, parents, students and other key stakeholders such as clergy, Local School Council and the Parent Support Group.
 - A thorough knowledge and understanding of the BC Education Plan, 21st Century Learning, best educational practices, and student growth and development (including an ability to support staff in curriculum transformation).
 - Instructional leadership skills necessary to promote increased student achievement through a commitment to continuous improvement, educational innovation, and student-centered learning environments.
 - A commitment to fostering and encouraging the integration of the Catholic Worldview throughout the curriculum.
 - Thorough knowledge of the daily operations required of a BC independent school.
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- Excellent interpersonal, communication and public relations skills.
 - An innate ability to anticipate emerging problems, identify unique aspect of the problem and/or demonstrate how the problem is an opportunity for growth and learning.
 - A commitment to professional development with a desire and ability to mentor and empower others to reach their full potential.
 - In addition, candidates for the position are required to provide evidence that they have:
 - A Master's degree in school administration or applicable area of study.
 - Valid BC teaching certificate or be eligible for BC certification through the Teacher Regulation Branch of the Ministry of Education <http://www.bc.teacherregulation.gov.bc.ca>

Please provide:

- Cover letter
- Resume
- Name and contact information for your parish pastor.
- Photocopy of university transcripts
- Photocopy of most recent evaluation
- Name and contact information of at least three professional references
- Photocopy of BC teacher certificate

For further information contact:

Pamela Guilbault
CISND Superintendent of Schools
superintendent@cisnd.ca
250-762-2905 Ext. 2

The Catholic Independent Schools of the Nelson Diocese (CISND), hosts six elementary schools, and one high school. The diocese is located in the beautiful Okanagan and Kootenay regions of British Columbia. We are committed to hiring qualified employees who are dedicated to education in the Roman Catholic tradition.



YOUTH RETREAT

Date: Saturday, April 26, 2025
Time: 9:00am to 7:00pm
Where: St. Ann's Church, Penticton (1296 Main St.)
Who: Youth in Grades 6 to 12
Cost: FREE for participants
Includes: Meals & Mass at 5pm
To Register (required) **click on Youth Retreat** or scan the QR code.
Must be registered by April 19
*This year's theme is **Into the Deep.***



Rachel's Corner

"Don't be afraid to go into your pain, you can continue hiding, ignoring and silencing for more years, but it won't go away. There is light and hope for you...for us. God forgives you and loves you and so does your child. Allow God to lead you and give yourself this time."
—Testimonial

It is time. Time to be free of what has been stored away since the abortion decision. To cease being something you always think about. Hurt about. Join us on our next Rachel's Vineyard™ Retreat and get to know the person you have always hoped to be.

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

OTHER LOCAL PARISHES NEWS & EVENTS:

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

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

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ST. CHARLES GARNIER
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- ◆ **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

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ST. PIUS X
 1346 Gordon Drive | (250) 762-2587
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- ◆ **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.
- ◆ **PEOPLE OF FAITH PRAYER GROUP** – every other Tuesday (April 1, 15 & 29... etc.) from 6:00 –7:30 pm. Please join us for praise, worship, prayer and fellowship.

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OUR LADY OF LOURDES
 2547 Hebert Rd, West Kelowna
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 11123 Okanagan Centre Road East, Winfield
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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).

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Seton House of Prayer		764-4333

KELOWNA CATHOLIC PARISHES KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MONTHLY BREAKFASTS:

1st Sunday - ICC and Corpus Christi
2nd Sunday - St. Pius X
3rd Sunday - OLOL
Last Sunday - St. Charles Garnier

These monthly breakfasts are an important part of the life of our parish communities, youth programs, vocations, education, health systems, community voluntarism and charitable public works.

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