



Immaculate Conception Church

ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF NELSON

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NEW EMAIL ADDRESS

Office Hours: Monday – 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 during celebration of the Holy Mass.



September 24, 2023 — 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

ICC Offices are closed Monday October 2nd, in recognition of National Truth and Reconciliation Day and Monday October 9th for Thanksgiving Day.

WEEKEND AND DAILY MASS TIMES:

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| 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).



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.

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| Sat. | 23-Sept | 9:00 AM | I. | Yvonne Pereira (for Thanksgiving) | Sat. | 30-Sept | 9:00 AM | I. | Yvonne Pereira (for Thanksgiving) |
| | | 5:00 PM | R. | Chedra Bullock | | | 5:00 PM | R. | Marguerite White |
| Sun. | 24-Sept | 9:00 AM | | Intentions of Parishioners | Sun. | 01-Oct | 9:00 AM | | Intentions of Parishioners |
| | | 11:00 AM | | Intentions of Parishioners | | | 11:00 AM | | Intentions of Parishioners |
| | | 5:00 PM | R. | Nicholas Matthews | | | 5:00 PM | I. | Akurienne Family |
| Mon. | 25-Sept | 8:00 AM | I. | Yvonne Pereira (for Thanksgiving) | Mon. | 02-Oct | 8:00 AM | I. | McKenzie Family |
| Tues. | 26-Sept | 8:00 AM | I. | Yvonne Pereira (for Thanksgiving) | Tues. | 03-Oct | 8:00 AM | I. | Dos Santos Family |
| Wed. | 27-Sept | 8:00 AM | I. | Yvonne Pereira (for Thanksgiving) | Wed. | 04-Oct | 8:00 AM | R. | Blair Kirkpatrick |
| | | 5:00 PM | R. | Salome Lancheros | | | 5:00 PM | R. | Teresa Chiarello |
| Thurs. | 28-Sept | 8:00 AM | I. | Yvonne Pereira (for Thanksgiving) | Thurs. | 05-Oct | 8:00 AM | R. | Ingrid Muller |
| Fri. | 29-Sept | 8:00 AM | I. | Yvonne Pereira (for Thanksgiving) | Fri. | 06-Oct | 8:00 AM | R. | Maggie Fuergutz |
| | | | | | | | 4:00 PM | I. | Lorraine Mayhew |

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 **Corpus Christi Parish**
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.



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 Andrea at the Parish office 762-3910 ext. 0, or email icc.kelowna@nelsondiocese.org



SUNDAY COLLECTIONS — September 17, 2023

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| Regular Collection | \$ | 5,719.53 |
| Collection to date | \$ | 301,525.38 |
| Weekly Collection required | \$ | 8,592.00 |
| Collection to date required | \$ | 326,496.00 |

Balance to Date **\$ - 24,970.62**

We appreciate and require your financial support to help in the maintenance, operations and programs 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

PARISH ENVELOPES: email icc.kelowna@nelsondiocese.org for information on registering or to get donation envelopes.

You can also mail donations to - ICC:
839 Sutherland Ave, Kelowna, BC V1Y 5X4

We accept **E-transfers!** etransfer.ICC@nelsondiocese.org
No password needed!! Indicate where to deposit donation (example: Sunday collection). Your donation will be deposited.

A Pre-Authorized debit form is available by email or mail if you are interested in signing up for donations through the **SAG program**. Email or call the office 250-762-3910

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



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."



PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL

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

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| <u>SUN</u> | 8 AM, 9 AM & 3 PM | <u>FRI</u> | 12 AM |
| <u>MON</u> | 10 AM | <u>THURS</u> | 4 AM |
| <u>TUES</u> | 12 AM & 7 AM | <u>SAT</u> | 4 AM & 2 PM |
| <u>WED</u> | 2 AM & 3 AM | | |



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

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!*



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

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.

ICC BOOK OF HOLY SOULS

The month of November is dedicated to *the Holy Souls in Purgatory*. Throughout the month of October, we will be gathering the names of our deceased family members in notebooks located at the Usher's Counter in the front of the church. We ask that you please **PRINT** the names of your loved ones *very clearly*, as their names will be read during masses celebrated during the month of November (starting November 3rd).



ICC KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS UPCOMING EVENTS:

PARISH BREAKFAST!!

ICC Knights of Columbus would like to invite you to join us for pancake breakfast, **Sunday October 1st.**

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



The food will be blessed and the fellowship will be divine!!!!

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Seton House Clean Up!

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

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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.

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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.

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 griefftoGracekelowna@gmail.com or make a confidential call to 250-808-6403



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
- 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.

UPCOMING PARISH DINNER/DANCES

THANKSGIVING DINNER / DANCE Friday October 6th

Doors open @ 6:00/refreshments
Dinner @ 6:30 🎵 Dancing from 7:30

Music by Vic Dance Band

Tickets—\$40 per person

NOT A DANCER???

Come and join us for turkey dinner!!
Dinner tickets are \$25 per person!

All tickets available through
Loaves & Fishes

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!

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

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

WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 24TH

Who Are the Angels?

<https://watch.formed.org/videos/who-are-the-angels>

St. Jerome | Catholic Saints

<https://watch.formed.org/videos/st-jerome-catholic-saints>

Who Are the Archangels?

<https://watch.formed.org/videos/formed-now-archangels>

KELOWNA RIGHT TO LIFE SOCIETY UPCOMING EVENTS:

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!



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



Fundraising Dinner

with Inspiration and Entertainment

Enjoy appetizers and a wonderful meal followed by real life stories of hope, encouragement, and inspiration.

Thursday, October 5, 2023

Reception @ 5:30 pm / Dinner @ 6:15 pm

Metro Church

1265 Ellis Street, Kelowna BC

Tickets \$30 each

Advance tickets only available from

Freedom's Door

1279 Centennial Cres, Kelowna

P 250.717.0472 • info@freedomdoorskelowna.com

Kennedy's Parable

#31, 2070 Harvey Avenue, Kelowna

P 250.762.8444 • www.kennedysparablekelowna.com

Loaves & Fishes Book & Church Supplies

P 250.868.8933 • 591 Lawrence Ave, Kelowna

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.

***Next weekend (September 30th & October 1st)**
St. Vincent de Paul members will be
holding donation boxes following mass.
All money collected goes directly to helping those who are
disadvantaged in our city.*

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



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:

1. Register for The Men's Retreat at, www.liferestoration.ca/mensretreat
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 & PEACE – CARITAS CANADA’S RESPONSE TO THE MOROCCO EARTHQUAKE

The General Secretariat of the CCCB was recently informed that Development and Peace – Caritas Canada (DPCC) has launched an appeal in response to the earthquake that struck Morocco on 8 September 2023.

You are invited to consult the DPCC website for further information:

English:

<https://devp.org/en/faq-development-and-peace-%e2%80%95-caritas-canadas-response-to-the-morocco-earthquake/>

French:

<https://devp.org/fr/faq-lintervention-de-developpement-et-paix-%e2%80%95-caritas-canada-a-la-suite-du-seisme-au-maroc/>

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.

Rachel's Corner

“I am like the sick sheep that strays from the rest of the flock. Unless the Good Shepherd takes me on His shoulders and carries me back to His fold, my steps will falter, and in the very effort of rising, my feet will give way. —St Jerome- feast day September 30th.

Have you felt isolated from life itself as you have struggled since the day of your abortion decision? Join us on a Rachel's Vineyard™ Retreat and allow The Good Shepherd to scoop you up into His merciful embrace and carry you until you feel strong 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@rachelvineyardkelowna.com
www.rachelvineyardkelowna.com
f Rachel's Vineyard Kelowna
250-762-2273

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/>

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.

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!

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.

Prayer Group

Greetings, Grace and peace to you all.

**“Come to me all you who are laboured and heavily burdened
and I will give you rest” Matthew 11:28**

Come Join us!

Where: St Pius X Parish
When: Tuesdays at 7:00 pm
Starting: October 3rd 2023

We gather in an atmosphere of love and support for one another, in an effort to grow in the knowledge and love of God and to show this love in our attitude toward others.

The prayer group is a place where people have found a new dimension to their spiritual lives and have discovered God's love in a more profound way.

Together we are learning to live a surrendered life to the Lordship of Jesus Christ who continually leads us to our ABBA Father. We gather with thanksgiving, in the power and guidance of the Holy Spirit to seek God's face in Praise and Worship. Entering His presence and giving Him ours, gazing upon His goodness.

“He inhabits the praises of His people.” (Psalm 22:3)

In His beautiful presence we give Him our struggles, fears, anxieties, frustrations, loneliness, circumstances, and shortcomings. In this place our loving Father accepts us just as we are and fills us with His Mercy and Grace and gives us a renewed Peace and Hope. Often our problems begin to disappear when we praise God, who then gives us a new perspective on life.

The Word of God is read and listened to. Scripture teaching, on aspects of the Christian life, instructs and helps us to grow in our spiritual life.

Through prayer ministry and intercession, we pray for each other, for our Church, city and our world. Testimonies are shared as a most important way of building faith in others.

All are welcome. We would love to have you join us.

All Glory and Praise to our Lord Jesus Christ

For more information please call Piera (250) 215 7100