

Immaculate Conception Roman Catholic Church

Roman Catholic Diocese of Nelson

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

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

(WEEKLY BULLETIN)

November 23, 2025 – *Christ the King Solemnity*
(Thirty-Fourth and Last Sunday in Ordinary Time), YEAR C

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

MASSSES 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

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND INJURED:

Filomena Rotundo, Ashton Therrien, Bishop Gregory Bittman, Irene Heisler, Lawson, Teresa Kovacs, Elizabeth Downey, Maggie Johnstone, Samuel Jovez, Rick Prost, Sheila Lowe, Fr. Jim Ratcliffe, 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, 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, Chineze 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.

To add or remove a name from the parish prayer list, kindly contact the Parish Office at 250-762-3910 or email icc.kelowna@nelsondiocese.org

Feast of the Immaculate Conception - Monday, Dec. 8

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH'S FEAST DAY!!

Join us for Mass at 5:00 PM, followed by a potluck in the Parish Hall.
Please bring a dish to serve 8.

Drop off food in the Hall kitchen before Mass:

- Hot dishes: ovens available, or crockpots can be plugged in.
- Cold items: fridges available.

Your presence is a beautiful gift to Mary. All are welcome!



KELOWNA AND AREA HOSPITAL CHAPLAINCY

For the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick/pastoral emergencies or for end-of-life blessings (Last Rites) please call 250-878-1502 (24/7).

The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick may be received more than once!!

THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER:

For the prevention of suicide:

"Let us pray that those who are struggling with suicidal thoughts might find the support, care, and love they need in their community, and be open to the beauty of life."

2025/26 ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL MASS SCHEDULE

Thursday December 4 @ 9:30 am

Thursday January 29 @ 9:30 am

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

Thursday April 9 @ 9:30 am

Thursday May 28 @ 9:30 am

Thursday June 11 @ 9:30 am

NIGERIAN IGBO MASS

Fr. Maurice Okolie and Fr. Obi will be celebrating a Nigerian Igbo Mass on **Sunday, December 7th** at 3:00 pm, followed by fellowship and a reception in the GOLD Room in the Parish Hall.

POLISH MASS & CONFESSIONS

Fr. Waldemar Karciaz will be visiting Immaculate Conception Church in December to celebrate mass and hear confession for our Polish Community (in Polish).

SCHEDULE:

Reconciliation:

Saturday December 13th, 1:00–3:00 pm

Mass:

Sunday December 14th at 3:00 pm.

GET WELL CARDS FOR BISHOP GREGORY

While Bishop Gregory continues his medical care in Vancouver, let us surround him with our prayers and encouragement. Parishioners are welcome to bring 'get well' cards to the parish office—we will see that they reach him.

**NORTH OKANAGAN DEANERY
2025 ADVENT CONFESSION SCHEDULES**

Parish/School	Date	Time
LOLO School	Tues. Dec. 02	10:00 am
IMMAC High School	Wed. Dec. 03	10:30 am 1:00 pm
Corpus Christi Parish	Wed. Dec. 03	6:00 pm
Our Lady of Lourdes Parish	Wed. Dec. 10	3:30 pm
St. Pius X Parish	Mon. Dec. 15	5:00 pm
St. Joseph's School	Tues. Dec. 16	10:30 am 12:30 pm
St. Francis of Assisi Parish	Tues. Dec. 16	5:30 pm
St. Charles Garnier Parish	Wed. Dec. 17	5:00 pm
Immaculate Conception Parish	Thurs. Dec. 18	3:00 pm
St. Edwards Parish	Fri. Dec. 19	4:30 pm

2025 Christmas & New Year's Mass Schedules

Wednesday Dec. 24	8:00 am	Daily Mass
Christmas Eve	4:00 pm	First Mass of Christmas
	7:00 pm	Second Mass of Christmas
	12:00 am	Midnight Mass
Thursday Dec. 25	9:00 am	Christmas Day Mass
Christmas Day	11:00 am	Christmas Day Mass
	4:00 pm	Christmas Day Mass
Friday Dec. 26	9:00 am	Daily Mass
Saturday Dec. 27	9:00 am	Daily Mass
	5:00 pm	for Sunday Mass
Sunday Dec. 28	9:00 am	Daily Mass
	11:00 am	Daily Mass
	5:00 pm	Daily Mass
Monday Dec. 29	8:00 am	Daily Mass
Tuesday Dec. 30	8:00 am	Daily Mass
Wednesday Dec. 31	8:00 am	Daily Mass
New Years Eve	5:00 pm	Mass—Solemnity of Mary Mother of God
	11:30 pm	Holy hour/Benediction
Thursday Jan. 1	9:00 am	Mass—Solemnity of Mary Mother of God
New Year's Day	11:00 am	Mass—Solemnity of Mary Mother of God
	4:00 pm	Mass—Solemnity of Mary Mother of God

**You're invited to the 9th Annual
Celtic & Christmas Concert,
THE GIFT OF CHRISTMAS!**

**Immaculate Conception Parish Hall,
839 Sutherland Avenue, Kelowna.**

Music by: *Ceol na hEireann*

on Sunday November 23, 2025 from 2 pm until 4 pm.

**Admission by donation | Refreshments provided
by Springfield Funeral Home.**

**All proceeds go to Society of St. Vincent de Paul
Invincible Housing Project — preventing
homelessness 1 small rent subsidy at a time.**

BLESSING OF SACRAMENTAL ITEMS

On **Monday December 8th**, after the 8:00 am Mass there will be a Blessing of Sacramentals. You may bring your candles, oils, water, salt etc... to the baptistery *prior to Mass*.

Please keep all items you bring in 1 basket/container/bag and ensure that your bottles or containers are open – please take the caps off.

You may pick up your blessed sacramental on Monday December 8th, *after the blessing of items*.

STEWARDSHIP/WEEKLY OFFERINGS

Sunday Collections – 11/16/25	\$ 7,580.35
Weekly Parish Budget	\$ 7,968.00

YTD OFFERINGS TARGET, OVER/SHORT \$ 44,915.06
2025 POF Appeal, Over/Short \$ –38,968.15

YTD PARISH, OVER/SHORT \$ + 5,946.91

*Thank you for your generous financial support, which helps sustain
our parish's ministries, expenses, and mission.
May God bless you!*

MASS INTENTIONS Repose – R. Intention – I.

Sat.	22-Nov	9:00 AM	I.	Tim & Patricia Phelan
		5:00 PM	I.	St. Vincent de Paul Families
Sun.	23-Nov	9:00 AM		Intention of Parishioners
		11:00 AM		Intention of Parishioners
		5:00 PM	R.	Mr. Dana Allers
Mon.	24-Nov	8:00 AM	I.	Andrea Mitton
Tues.	25-Nov	9:00 AM	I.	Brant Sharko
Wed.	26-Nov	8:00 AM	I.	Deacon Rod Attwell
		5:00 PM	R.	Fr. Sylvester Okechukwu
Thurs.	27-Nov	8:00 AM	I.	Blanka Mikulic
Fri.	28-Nov	8:00 AM	I.	Fr. Maurice Okolie

ST. VINCENT'S CORNER:



Last weekend thanks to Knights of Columbus many children received new, warm winter jackets. Thank you, Knights!

As we end the liturgical year we are once again delighted to have the Angel Giving Tree in the foyer. Please take an envelope and make a child smile this year. Donations of funds and also gift cards are most welcome.

We will have **180 children** this year to prepare for. If you donate online mention in subject line, it is for *Christmas Angels*.

And remember you can always donate at
icc.ssvp@gmail.com
or scan the QR code!



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

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



★ ICC Mini Bazaar ★

Join us on **Sunday, December 7** at the Immaculate Conception Hall for our Youth Group's **Mini Christmas Bazaar**, happening from **10:00 am–**

1:00 pm during the Parish Breakfast! Browse our **Bake Sale**, **Christmas Corner**, and **Treasures Boutique** for festive finds, homemade treats, and unique gifts.

All proceeds support our parish youth –thank you for helping them shine!

ICC CWL Corner

MEMBER'S ADVENT BOOKLETS

If you haven't received your 2025 Advent Booklet yet, please check the table in the entrance of the church.

CWL Memberships are due - renew or become a new member! Ladies 16 and older are welcome to join!

To renew, please drop off a cheque or cash in the amount of \$45.00 at the ICC Main office mailbox or in an envelope for the collection baskets when attending Mass. Please label the envelope "ICC CWL Membership". You can also give the gift of membership!

All memberships paid before the end of Dec. will be entered to win a prize!

The ICC CWL will continue to meet every second Tuesday of the month at 1pm in the Main Hall or Blue Room for a coffee social! Join us for a rosary and a short presentation with plenty of time to enjoy each other's company. Tea and coffee provided, snacks to share are always accepted! All ladies of the parish welcome, even non-members and kids.

CWL Coffee Socials - 2nd Tuesday of the month @ 1pm - Main Hall/Blue Room.

Christmas Tea will be on December 9th.

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



Bishop Emeritus Eugene Cooney will celebrate his 94th birthday on Wed. Dec. 10th. Cards may be mailed to him:

c/o Applewood Unit
Providence Care
149 Providence Blvd SE
Calgary, AB, T2X 0X2



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

FORMED

To find this week's featured content, visit:

<https://watch.formed.org/this-week-on-formed> or scan the QR Code to download the Formed app to your phone or device!

WEEK OF NOVEMBER 23, 2025

- Sacred Art: Christ the King
- Who is Jesus Christ? w/ Sr. Bethany Madonna | SEEK23
- Who is Jesus? | The Search | Episode 5



Gr. 8–12 Kelowna Catholic Youth Group News

Join us next Sunday, November 30, for our Life Teen Night from **6:30–8:30 pm** at the ICC Parish Center! Bring your Bible as we dive into the Gospels. Doors open at **6:15 pm** for snacks and games!

New to Youth Group? You can register and sign up for events at:
www.kelownacatholicyouthgroup.ca



Knights of Columbus Corner



The 64th Annual Knights of Columbus Charity Appeal is under way and will run until December 13th. Our Knights will be selling tickets after Sunday Mass and at our monthly Parish Breakfast.




64th ANNUAL CHARITY APPEAL

Click here  KofCCharity.ca

WIN \$100,000 in prizes including a
2025 Ford Maverick XLT AWD Grand Prize

PRIZES

1st Prize	2025 Ford Maverick XLT AWD
2nd Prize	\$25,000
3rd Prize	\$10,000
4th Prize	\$5,000
5th to 14th	\$1,000 each! → Early Bird Draws

TICKETS

1 for \$5
10 for \$25
50 for \$50



Celebrate With Us!!

Our Lady of Guadalupe is the Patroness of the Knights of Columbus.

Come to this family event to celebrate Our Lady's Feast Day!!

Friday, December 12, 2025

Immaculate Conception Church
839 Sutherland Ave.



Mass will be celebrated at **5:30 pm** with dinner to follow in the ICC Parish Hall.

Tickets: available at all Kelowna Parishes, and Loaves and Fishes.

Pricing: Before December 1st: \$40.00
After December 1st: \$55.00
Children 10 and under are free.

Door Prizes!

Event tickets must be presented at main door for entry.

CATHOLIC BUSINESSES

Catholic business owners are invited to place a business-card-sized advertisement in the "Catholic Businesses" section of our parish photo directory for a fee of \$125. If you're interested, please contact David Z at david.icckelowna@gmail.com by **December 1.**

PREPARING FOR CHRISTMAS - PREPARE THE WAY FOR JESUS.

The Office of Evangelization invites you to an evening to prepare our hearts and families this Advent to welcome Jesus in a special way this Christmas, Jubilee 2025.

2-hour session comprising of one Talk, Testimony, Music, Adoration and commissioning.

- 6:00pm: Talk on 'Rediscovering Jesus this Advent, His love and The Call to Discipleship'
- 6:45pm: Break
- 6:50pm: Testimony
- 7:00pm: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament (Adoration, Quiet time to hear the call of Jesus, music)
- 7:40pm: Participants will be equipped, commissioned and sent out into the community as missionary disciples to share Christ's love in the world this Advent, Christmas and always, beginning with our family and in our workplaces.



Venue: Immaculate Conception Church

Date: December 5, 2025

Time: 6:00pm

Everyone is welcome. Free Admission.

for inquiries, contact: Fr. Obi at
demd.pastor@nelsondiocese.org or phone 250 448 2725.

Catholic Foundation of the Diocese of Nelson Society Blessed Marie Anne Blondin Bursary

The Catholic Foundation is accepting applications for the Blessed Marie Anne Blondin Bursary.

Please submit applications to
CatholicFoundation@nelsondiocese.org
or mail to: Catholic Foundation,
3665 Benvoulin Road, Kelowna, BC V1W
4M7

Applications will be accepted until
November 30, 2025.

There is a link to the forms below.

https://www.nelsondiocese.org/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC_ID=1069767&type=d&pREC_ID=1358622

Upcoming Dinner/Dances @ ICC Parish Centre

WINTER DINNER/DANCE

Friday November 28th

Doors open at 6:00 pm/Refreshments

Dinner at 6:30 pm 🎵 Dancing from 7:30 pm

Live music by Vic Dance Band

Tickets are \$45 per person
& available through Loaves & Fishes!

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NEW YEAR'S EVE DINNER/DANCE

Wednesday December 31st

Doors open @ 6:00/refreshments

Dinner @ 7:30 🎵 Dancing 8:45-1:00 am

Midnight snacks

Live music by Vic Dance Band

Tickets are \$80 per person (non-refundable)
prior to December 12th

\$90 (non-refundable) after December 12th
& available through Loaves & Fishes!

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THE KELOWNA POLISH CULTURAL SOCIETY

invite you to join them for *Christmas
Dinner* on Saturday November 29th
at the ICC Hall!

Doors open @ 5:00/refreshments
Dinner @ 6:00

Admission: **Members** – \$10 /person.

Non-Members, Adults – \$40 /person.

Ages 12-20 – \$20 /person.

Tickets will be available by sending email
or by phone:

Wioletta Konefal phone: 431-276-8434

email: wkonefal5@gmail.com

Marta Maj phone: 604-679-7832 email:

marta@maj.ca

Event tickets must be presented at main door for entry.

DIOCESE OF NELSON PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL
839 Sutherland Avenue

Located off the back of Immaculate Conception Church;
entrance is off west alley/driveway.

Find a moment of peace with Jesus in the Perpetual Adoration Chapel.
He longs to be with you!

Scheduled Volunteer Hours available are:

SUN: 1 AM, 2 AM, 4 PM & 6 PM | **MON:** 1 AM, 2 AM & 4 AM | **TUES:** 11 AM |

WED: 1 AM, 2 AM & 3 AM | **THURS:** 12 AM | **SAT:** 3 PM

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



CHALICE CHRISTMAS GIFT CATALOGUE

Chalice, a Catholic, Canadian charity,
invites you to share the blessings of
Christmas with children in the developing
world. Our Christmas Gift Catalogue
allows you to purchase a gift for someone
in need in honour of a loved
one. A beautiful handwritten card will be
sent to the recipient, telling them of the
gift that is given.

To order gifts, please call 1-800-776-6855
or visit

<https://chalice.ca/gift-catalogue/>

2025 Christmas Candlelight Service.

Our cherished annual service featuring a
heartfelt candle-lighting ceremony, music,
and a photo tribute to honour loved ones,
along with shared stories of finding
strength through grief. A reception with
light refreshments follows.

November 30, 2:00 PM
Springfield Funeral Home
2020 Springfield Road, Kelowna

Register at:

springfieldfuneralhome.com/events

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