

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.



January 11, 2026 – *THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD*

YEAR A

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

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

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 JANUARY:

For prayer with the Word of God:

"Let us pray that praying with the Word of God be nourishment for our lives and a source of hope in our communities, helping us to build a more fraternal and missionary Church."

ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL MASS SCHEDULE

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

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND INJURED:

Matthew Miller, Jason & Mary Angela Newcomb, Ken & Lynda Antao, 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, Chine 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

2026 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

The 2026 collection envelopes are ready for pick up in the foyer of the church. **Some 2026 envelopes were missed due to a processing error; more envelopes have been assigned...** If you did not receive collection envelopes in the past and you wish to receive 2026 Offertory Envelopes, or you notice your annual box of envelopes is still missing, please contact the parish office.

2025/2026 SUNDAY MISSALS

We have a few extra Sunday Missals available in the Church Sacristy or the Parish Office for purchase, the cost is \$7.00 each.



GR. 8-12 KELOWNA CATHOLIC YOUTH GROUP NEWS

Join us this Sunday, January 11, from 6:30–8:30 pm at the ICC Parish Center as we start our new winter series! 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

PHOTO DIRECTORY UPDATE

Although we hope to have our parish photo directory ready for a spring distribution, if you have not received your purchased family portraits, please contact the parish office so that we can follow up with the company.

Memorial Mass – van den EERENBEEMT, Beatrice (Bea) Elizabeth

A Memorial Mass for the late Beatrice (Bea) Eerenbeemt will be celebrated at Immaculate Conception Church on Saturday January 17, 2026 at 12:00 pm, followed by a reception in the Parish Hall. Your presence and prayers in support of her family are warmly welcomed.

"Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her."



MASS INTENTIONS Repose – R. Intention – I.

Sat.	10-Jan	9:00 AM	R.	Aida Ogoy
		5:00 PM	R.	Melandro Ogoy
Sun.	11-Jan	9:00 AM		Intention of Parishioners
		11:00 AM		Intention of Parishioners
		5:00 PM	R.	John Erick Ogoy
Mon.	12-Jan	8:00 AM	I.	Elpie Aprile
Tues.	13-Jan	8:00 AM	R.	Joseph Irungu
Wed.	14-Jan	8:00 AM	R.	Koley Family
		5:00 PM	R.	Chris Gaudet
Thurs.	15-Jan	8:00 AM	I.	St. Joseph School Staff, Teachers & Students
Fri.	16-Jan	8:00 AM	R.	George Janicki



Knights of Columbus Corner



Please join us in warmly welcoming our newest Brother Knights of Columbus to Fr. Pandosy Council 2558: **Jarrod Thalheimer, Santhosh Kuppam, and William (Bill) Nicholls**. We are grateful for their "yes" to serve, and we look forward to walking together in faith, charity, and fraternity. May God bless them and their families as they begin this journey with us.

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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.

ICC CWL Corner

2026 CWL Membership renewals are now past due!

Renew or become a new member!

Ladies 16 and older are welcome to join!

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 Social - Jan. 13, 2026 – 1 pm Main Hall - Rosary to start and New Year presentation to follow with light refreshments. Please bring a snack to share. Kids are always welcome!

CWL General Meeting - Jan. 20, 2026 – 6:30 pm Main Hall

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

STEWARDSHIP/WEEKLY OFFERINGS

Sunday Collection – 12/21/25	\$ 8,398.38
Christmas Collection – 12/25/25	\$ 15,699.43
Sunday Collection – 12/28/25	\$ 11,308.63

2025 OFFERINGS TARGET, OVER/SHORT \$ 69,146.63
2025 POF Shortfall \$ pending

2025 PARISH, OVER/SHORT \$ pending

2026

New Year's Collection – 01/01/26	\$3,844.45
Sunday Collection – 01/04/26	\$11,644.15

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

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

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

Catholic Book Sale!

There will be a Catholic Book Sale in the Parish Hall during our Pancake Breakfast on Sunday February 1st.

ST. VINCENT'S CORNER:



Happy New year to all!

Through your generosity and kindness we had 197 people come to our Christmas lunch, this included 105 children. The children were all able to meet Santa and receive a small gift.

A further 28 families were not able to attend due to illness, work, etc. The Vincentian team delivered gift cards to them.

We are so grateful for the support of parish staff to assist and especially the Youth who washed all the dishes.

Thank You and May our God continue to bless each and everyone, especially the most vulnerable

and remember the needs continue donations can be made anytime at icc.ssvp@gmail.com or scan our QR-code!



CATHOLIC MOUNTAIN STAR. The Catholic Mountain Star is now accepting any news, photos and articles for publication for the coming winter issue: Deadline January 20, 2026. Please send photos, news and articles to: Catholicmountainstar@nelsondiocese.org

WORLD YOUTH DAY – Seoul, Korea

August 3 – 8, 2027

Young Adults of the Diocese of Nelson

World Youth Day 2027 is from
July 27th, 2027 - August 11th, 2027
in Seoul, Korea

*Dates include both Days in the Diocese and WYD
Join Pope Leo XIV and hundreds of thousands of
young Catholics (18 - 35 years old) from around the world for the
World Youth Day Pilgrimage!

Participants will grow in their faith and their appreciation for the
power and presence of Jesus in the Church today.

Priest Chaplain: Fr. Ferdinand Bayarong
For more information, please contact: Deacon Rod Attwell
rod.attwell@nelsondiocese.org

"Take courage! I have overcome the world."
(John 16:33)



Youth Group Bottle Drive

Did you accumulate bottles over the Christmas season? Using the Return-It App, please consider donating them to help our ICC teens get to the 2026 Steubenville Conference.

Return-It App makes donations easy, to get started:

1. Log-in to your account through the Return-It App (found on Google Play Store or the iOS App store) or visit <https://app.return-it.ca>.
Don't have an account? Sign up for a free Return-It account at <https://app.return-it.ca>
2. Donate to the Youth Group by clicking the QR Code or by using the following link: <https://app.return-it.ca/immaculateconceptionchurch>
You'll have the option to set auto-donations or a one-time donation.
3. Return all your empty beverage containers to a **Return-It Express location**, every container counts!



This program 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. Through a retreat program facilitated by mental health professionals and centered on Jesus Christ. The next retreat in Canada is **March 2026 in Kelowna, British Columbia**. For more information please email griegtograckelowna@gmail.com or make a confidential call to 250-808-6403.



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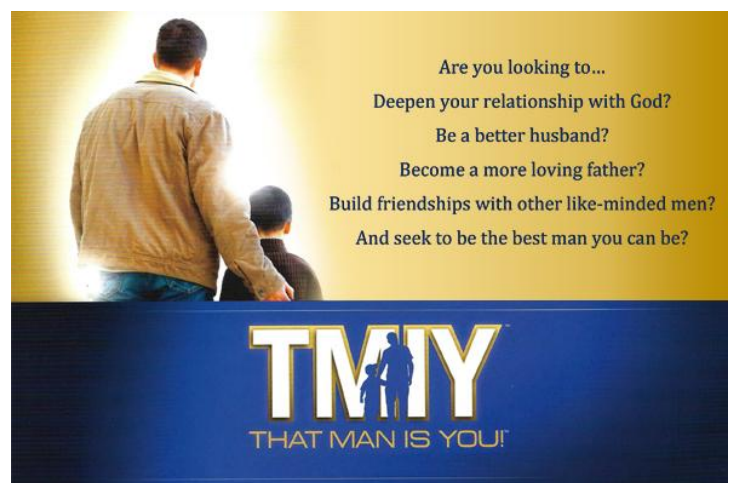
Our parish has a Formed subscription!
Sign-up information is in the church entrance!

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 JANUARY 11, 2026

- **Reborn**
<https://app.formed.org/app/videos/586216/>
- The Desert Fathers (Part 1) | Littlest Saints
<https://app.formed.org/app/videos/3713529/>
- The Desert Fathers (Part 2) | Littlest Saints
<https://app.formed.org/app/videos/3766047/>



That Man Is You is an interactive men's program focused on the development of male leadership in the modern world. It combines the best research from science with the teachings of the Catholic faith and the wisdom of the saints to develop the vision of authentic men capable of transforming themselves, their families, and the greater society.

Starting January 21, TMIY will meet for semester 2 on **Wednesday mornings, 6:30 am – 7:30 am** in the **Immaculate Conception Parish Center (Use EAST Entrance)**. Light continental breakfast items available. Come check it out, and if you feel it is a good fit, we have a suggested donation of \$25.00 (or whatever you can afford) for the semester to help cover materials and breakfast items.

For more information about the program, check out the [Paradise Dei Website](#), and to **save your spot**, please email the [TMIY Core Team](#).

Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus.

The Young Adults Group

meets on Sundays in the **Blue Room** (ICC Hall) after the 11 am mass. Come join them for snacks and fellowship.

All adults ages 18-35 are welcome.

DIOCESE OF NELSON PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL
839 Sutherland Avenue

The Adoration Chapel has new contact information!!

Email: adorationkelowna@gmail.com
Text/Telephone: 778-214-0680
Contact: Luke Mitton

The adoration chapel is still verifying the schedule. We request that **all scheduled Adorers verify their scheduled hours and information** with the contact information above and also **indicate yes/no if you would like to have your email added to the spare list.**



Current available permanent hours:
Wednesday: 3am

Hours in need of support:
Monday: 8am (support) | Friday: 8am (support)

Pray For Us!

The Alpha course is coming back to Immaculata in February. The most important element of Alpha is prayer, and that includes our community. We ask that you pray for the participants, for the leaders, and the course itself. A great initiative from Alpha Canada invites us to pray for all our high school students:

<https://wearemadeforthis.com/>

We ask that you choose Immaculata as one of the High Schools. You can repeat the process and pray for as many High Schools in Canada that you choose. There is power in prayer, and our new generation needs this!



IMMACULATA
CATHOLIC REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL

DIOCESE OF VICTORIA PASTORAL CARE TRAINING SESSIONS STARTING JANUARY 2026:

"God calls us to touch the lives of our aging, lonely, ill, palliative and dying sisters and brothers with accompaniment, kindness and compassion as the hands and face of Christ. In these sessions, you learn basic tools necessary to accompany those who are in need of the healing ministry of Christ." – Most Reverend Gary Gordon, Bishop of Victoria

The valuable and free Pastoral Care Outreach Training series will be offered online this winter. The training is open to spouse caregivers, family members who care for their loved ones, clergy and religious, care aides and others in the health industry, and anyone who is personally drawn to learn basic tools necessary to accompany those who are in need of the healing ministry of Christ.

Nine sessions will be held via Zoom on Saturday mornings from 9:30 – noon, **starting on January 24 and running until March 28, 2026** (with no session on March 7). Missed session can be made-up, and a Certificate of Completion is provided to those who complete all nine sessions. 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 parish by January 13, 2026.** For further information, please email moiraking@shaw.ca

Parish Coffee Socials

Sundays **after the 9 am mass** there will be coffee in the hall. Coffee Socials will be sponsored by the following ministries as follows:

Week 1 – Knights of Columbus, Breakfast

Week 2 – available

Week 3 – St. Vincent de Paul

Week 4 – Kelowna Right to Life Society

Week 5 – Parish Council

All are welcome!

Children's Liturgy Every 2nd Sunday during the 9am Mass

After the opening prayers of the Mass, Father will invite children between the ages of 4/5 (preschool) to age 8 to the front of the church and send us off for the Children's Liturgy of the Word in the Bedford Room of the parish hall. (Children who have received First Holy Communion should remain in the Church). Parents are also welcome to join with their younger kids.

2026 dates:

January: 18th | February: 1st and 15th
March: 1st, 15th and 29th | April: 12th and 26th

If you have any questions, please contact Leanne at 250-762-3910 ext 4, or email leanne@icckelowna.ca

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

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

Please contact the Parish Office **FIRST** when enquiring about your child's baptism. **At least one Parent and all Godparents must have received all sacraments of initiation (Baptism Eucharist and Confirmation), and 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.

ICC VALENTINE'S DINNER / DANCE

Friday February 13th

Doors open @ 6:00/refreshments

Dinner @ 6:30 🎵 Dancing to follow!

Live music by Vic Dance Band

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

Event tickets must be presented at main door for entry.