HOLY CHILD PARISH

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ALL SAINTS SUNDAY (S)
1st November 2026

MASS SCHEDULE



HOLY CHILD CHURCH
Tuesday to Friday – 9 am*
Saturday – 5 pm
Sunday – 9 am
*2nd WEDNESDAY, every other month – 10.30 am at Summerland Seniors' Village

OUR LADY OF LOURDES MISSION
Sunday – 11 am
(St. Barbara's Church) Okanagan Falls

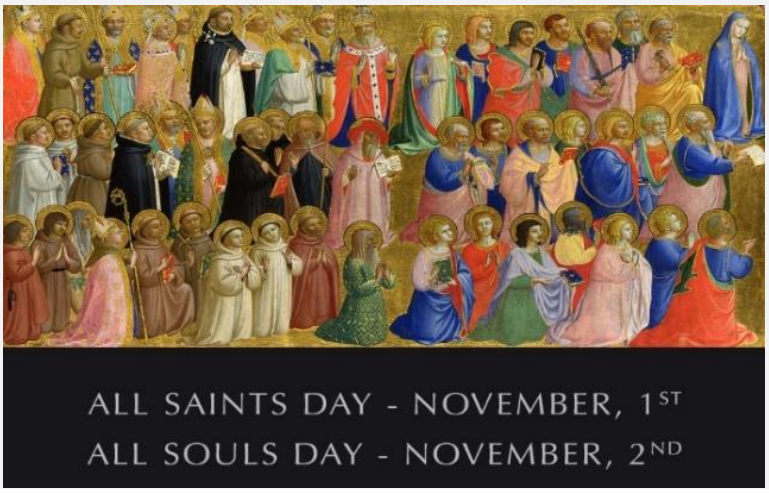
Sacrament of Reconciliation:
Every Friday, after 9 am Mass
Every Saturday, before the 5 pm Mass
Or by appointment

Holy Hour Adoration:
Every Friday, after 9 am Mass

MASS INTENTIONS



NOVEMBER	
TUE 3	**(R) ALL SOULS**
WED 4	**(R) RACHEL MCNEIL**
THU 5	**(I) SCOTT LEAVER**
FRI 6	**(I) FISHER FAMILY CHILDREN & GRANDCHILDREN**
SAT 7	**(I) DINA TREMBLAY**



ALL SAINTS DAY

Join us on **Sunday, November 1**, at **9 am** for our All Saints Day Mass.
To celebrate the rich heritage of the saints, the parish children will dress up as their favourite saint.

ALL SOULS DAY MASS & PRAYERS

Monday, November 2 at 9 am
All Souls Day Mass will be in the church, followed by prayers at Canyon View Cemetery (weather permitting).

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE 2026



Please write the names of your beloved family members and friends who have died. The Book will be placed before the altar and remembered during November, the month of All Souls. It is a spiritual work of mercy to pray for the dead.

S'MORE

MINI RETREAT ON PRAYER

Deep is calling on deep - Psalm 42

If you have a longing for deeper prayer or have a desire for a mysterious sense of needing "s'more" … Come marinate in the words of Fr. Thomas Dubay, an intelligent, humorous, respected and sought-after speaker (on DVD).

He was a retreat master for Monasteries, Cloisters, Priests, and religious from around the world, teaching about deeper prayer.

He uses the words of our Doctor of the Church, St. Theresa Avila, who urges us all to become good friends with this person of Jesus who longs for a lively, loving, deeper relationship with each one of us.

Monday, Nov. 2 and Tuesday, Nov. 3
Opening introduction by Julia Ziebarth.
Session 1: **5 pm- 6 pm**
followed by a simple, quick dinner
Session 2: **6:30-7 pm**
followed by questions and dessert
Please sign up in the foyer so we know how much food we will need.

BIBLE STUDY WITH FR. GABRIEL

Every Thursday, after the 9 am Mass. Join us as we dig deeper into the Word of God!
Copies of the pastor's message are available in the foyer every week.

HOLY CHILD CWL MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

After the weekend Masses in November.
See Kathy T. or Jacquie P.

EXPLORE THE FAITH

Join us on **Thursday, November 5**, at **6 pm** in the church hall.
We continue a program in preparation for Advent. The series is called "THE SEARCH," and it looks at the meaning of our lives and the role of Christ and the Catholic Church in our lives. Please join us to watch the videos and participate in the discussion.
All are welcome!

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR 2026

Volunteers and Donations Welcome

As this is a fundraiser for our parish, we are grateful for any support our community is able to offer. We also recognize that this has been a difficult year for many in our parish family, and we want everyone to know that there is absolutely no pressure to volunteer or contribute. Sign-up sheets will be available in the foyer beginning October 25th. If you are able and would like to lend a hand, we warmly invite you to add your name to the list. We appreciate every contribution, in whatever way feels right for you. If you are able to donate an item or offer your services for our **silent auction**, please contact **Dianne Roberge or Denise MacDonald** directly.
Thank you for being part of our parish community and for supporting our Christmas Bazaar in whatever way you can. Every bit of support is appreciated, and simply joining us for the event is a wonderful way to participate.
We look forward to seeing you there!

CLEANING BEE

Can you help with a "cleaning bee" inside the church area?

We will be cleaning the carpets and pews in preparation for Advent and need a few hands to make it light work! The date is **Monday, November 16**. Contact Ray at 250-490-7893 for more details.









THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday November 1	**9:00 am** **11:00 am**	**All Saints Day Mass** *with Children's Liturgy and Refreshments* **All Saints Day Mass** at OLOL Mission
Monday November 2	**9:00 am** 11:00 am 5:00 pm	**All Souls Day Mass** *with prayers at the cemetery afterward* CWL Apple pie pickup S'more Mini Retreat on Prayer
Tuesday November 3	8:25 am **9:00 am** 5:00 pm	Liturgy of the Hours & Rosary **Mass** S'more Mini Retreat on Prayer
Wednesday November 4	9:00 am 3:30 pm 5:15 pm 7:00 pm	**Mass** & Rosary Catechism for K-Grade 2 Catechism for Grade 3 & up Youth Pilgrims
Thursday November 5	8:25 am **9:00 am** 6:00 pm	Liturgy of the Hours & Rosary **Mass** & Bible Study Explore the Faith
Friday November 6	9:00 am 9:30 am 6:00 pm	**Mass** Eucharistic Adoration & Confession Junior Youth Group
Saturday November 7	4:15 pm **5:00 pm**	Confession **Anticipated Sunday Mass**

PILGRIMAGE OF FAITH 2026

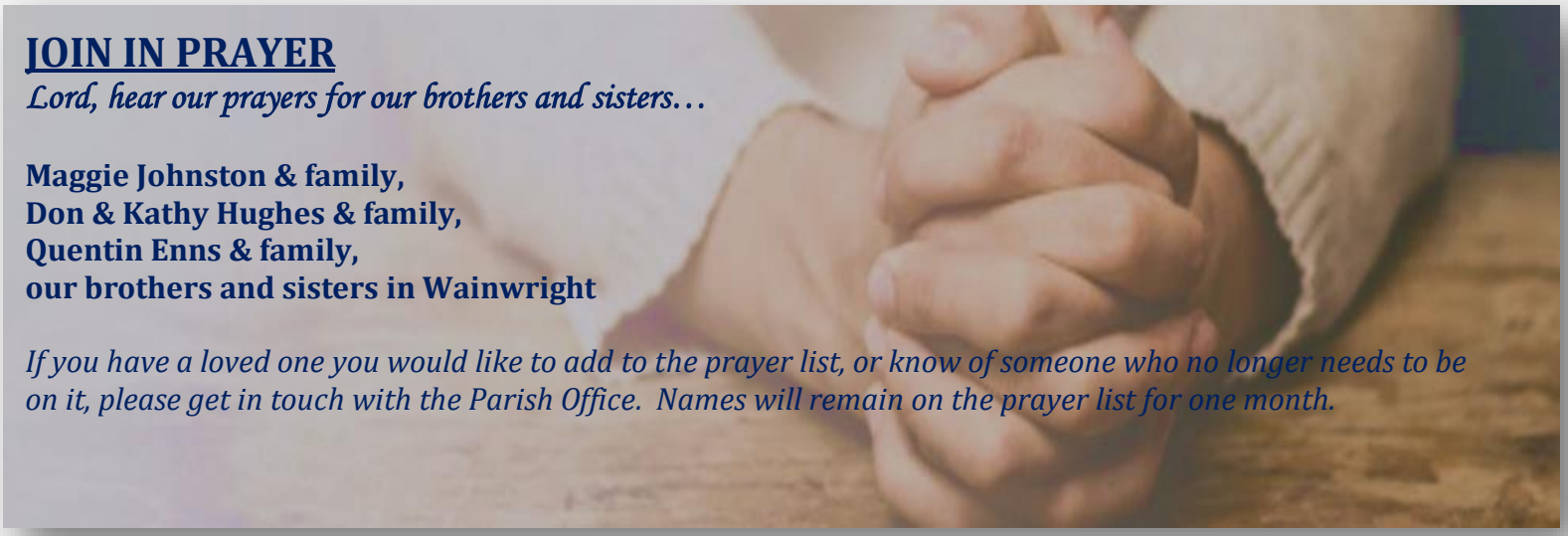
Our Parish goal is $17,650
Raised: $8,450
Still to raise: $9,200

Please consider donating to the Pilgrimage of Faith Appeal.
Pick up a booklet in the foyer.

OLOL Mission goal is $850
Raised: $880
Goal Exceeded!!!!



Thank you again for your dedication to this appeal and for your continued generosity.



JOIN IN PRAYER

Lord, hear our prayers for our brothers and sisters…

Maggie Johnston & family,
Don & Kathy Hughes & family,
Quentin Enns & family,
our brothers and sisters in Wainwright

If you have a loved one you would like to add to the prayer list, or know of someone who no longer needs to be on it, please get in touch with the Parish Office. Names will remain on the prayer list for one month.

PASTOR'S MESSAGE

'Who are Saints?' Saints are ordinary people who did extraordinary things for the love of Christ. (Like St. John Bosco, St. Augustine, St. Ambrose, St. Helena, St. Macmillian Kolbe, St. Pio, St. Paul, St. Peter, St. Therese, St. Mother Teresa, and so on.) Today, we remember the known and unknown saints, Canonized (recognized) or Unknown Saints of all ages. Their basic principle was Love of God and Neighbour. They all had their own struggles, challenges, and shortcomings, but overcame them out of love for God and for the brothers and sisters they served. They were motivated by Christ's great example, who offered his life on the Cross for the redemption of the world. Saints followed in the footsteps of Christ to gain God's love. Saints are interceding for the living when we pray through them to God.

Our Baptism gives us the ability to become Saints, because we are washed clean by the blood of Christ shed on the Cross. We have whitened our robes with the Blood of Christ. The Galaxy of saints gives us a ready example for us to follow. St. John in his First Letter 3:1-3 wrote about Christian Sonship and Daughtership (Living as Children of God). God's great gift to the World is Love (Jesus is the Gift of Love; Jn 3:16). It is this gift that makes us Children of God. Sonship and Daughtership in the ordinary sense are earthly, but our affiliation with Christ empowers us to become members of the Church and gives the joy of sharing the heavenly /eschatological life with Christ. (Rm 5:2 & 8:23) Christian people look forward to their eschatological Union with God through their faith expressed in actions, especially in their Christian life and conduct. Therefore, Christian Faithful are invited to strive for a greater and virtuous life by imitating the Master (2 Cor 7:1 & Phil 2:5) by putting on the attitude of Christ.

Today's Gospel from the Apostle Mathew (5:1-12) proclaims the reign of God. It invites us to become 'Meek and Humble of Heart', to merit the reign of God. We are destined for the eschatological land = the Kingdom of God, because we have washed our robes in the Blood of Christ through our baptism. We bear the Seal of Christ in our mortal bodies and have become the property of God. While living, we are preparing for our Sainthood through works of mercy, almsgiving and forgiveness. Our reward will be great in heaven because we have shown compassion and empathy while living. We will be having Palm Branches in our hands to join the heavenly choir to participate in the eschatological banquet of Christ when He calls us from this earth to Heavenly Glory!

All the best!
In the Service of the Word!
Fr. Gabriel

ITEMS IN NEED FOR NEW PARISH CATECHISM PROGRAM:

Wooden collapsable table
Child/Youth size wooden chairs (12)
Carpet sections to sit on
Round 7' diameter rug
Light box – electric with flat surface (normally used to look at slides)
Small Laminating machine, easy to move and store
Cross of the Resurrected Christ
Bibles in as many languages as possible – any Christian bible, Old (and/or) New Testament
Green painters tape ½" or ¾"
Pocket folders 20 x multicolour, good quality
Gold, Frankincense and Myrrh – small samples of each
Two large hand mirrors
Two petri dishes
Two grapevines in dirt with trellis in T shape
2 sets of 3 small jars (like perfume jars) for three Chrism Oils
Flowers fresh weekly or dried
Crochet needles/yarn (five sets)
Calligraphy instruction/pens
Hand printing of large song and prayer sheets (details provided)
Hand printing of small scripture booklets (details provided)

Please reach out to Shirley or Jon if you might be able to help with these items so we can confirm that they are still needed

DEVELOPMENT & PEACE

See our Bulletin Board for a story on Keeping Hope Alive in Palestine.
Would you like to become a D&P member to help our Canadian voices for justice be heard?

YOUTH BOTTLE DRIVE

Parish Youth are collecting cans to help raise funds for WYD 2027. Drop off in the Youth room.
Thank you!

LOOKING FOR GIFTS OR CARDS?

Check out the CWL Cabinet in the foyer for cards or gift ideas for special occasions.

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS REPORT

September 2026 (includes SAG and e-transfers)
Holy Child Parish

	Collections	Budget
September 6	$ 2,920.45	$ 3,000.00
September 13	$ 3,186.20	$ 3,000.00
September 20	$ 2,910.00	$ 3,000.00
September 27	$ 2,868.20	$ 3,000.00
Total	**$ 11,884.85**	**$ 12,000.00**
Balance		**-$ 115.15**

Needs of the Church $615.00

Our Lady of Lourdes Mission

	Collections	Budget
September 6	$ 815.00	$ 225.00
September 13	$ 370.00	$ 225.00
September 20	$ 185.00	$ 225.00
September 27	$ 295.00	$ 225.00
Total	**$ 1,665.00**	**$ 900.00**
Balance		**$ 765.00**

Needs of the Church $40.00

Thank you for your continued support!

BOOK OF THE LIVING!

"The names of the just are written in the Book of the Living!"(Ps 69:28-29). According to the Letter of Paul to Philippians 3:20, The Book of the Living is the "Heavenly Record of the Names of the Elect!" Christianity & Judaism still consider the 'Book of Life' as a Heavenly Record, wherein God records the Names of every person who is destined for Heaven. We are encouraged to read the Book of Revelation (3:5), which teaches the following: "Those who prove Victorious will be dressed in White Robes". God will not blot their Names out from the Book of Life, but acknowledge their names in the Presence of my Father & His Angels. The opposite of the Book of Life is the Book of the Dead. The Gospel of Luke 10:20 Alludes to the 'Book of Life ': "Rejoice because your Names are written in heaven. Names that are written in the Book of Life will not be erased. (Rev 3:5 & Rm 8:37- 39) As we come to November, the faithful people of God gather to pray for their deceased, devotedly invoking God's mercy and forgiveness. Praying for the Deceased and visiting the local cemetery merits a plenary indulgence, as per the teachings of the Church. It would be a good idea that we gather in Prayer to remember our deceased members during this month with a Special Intention in our daily Worship!
Blessings in the Lord!
Fr. Gabriel

DIOCESE OF NELSON

For News and Announcements from the Diocese of Nelson, visit: nelsondiocese.org/apps/news

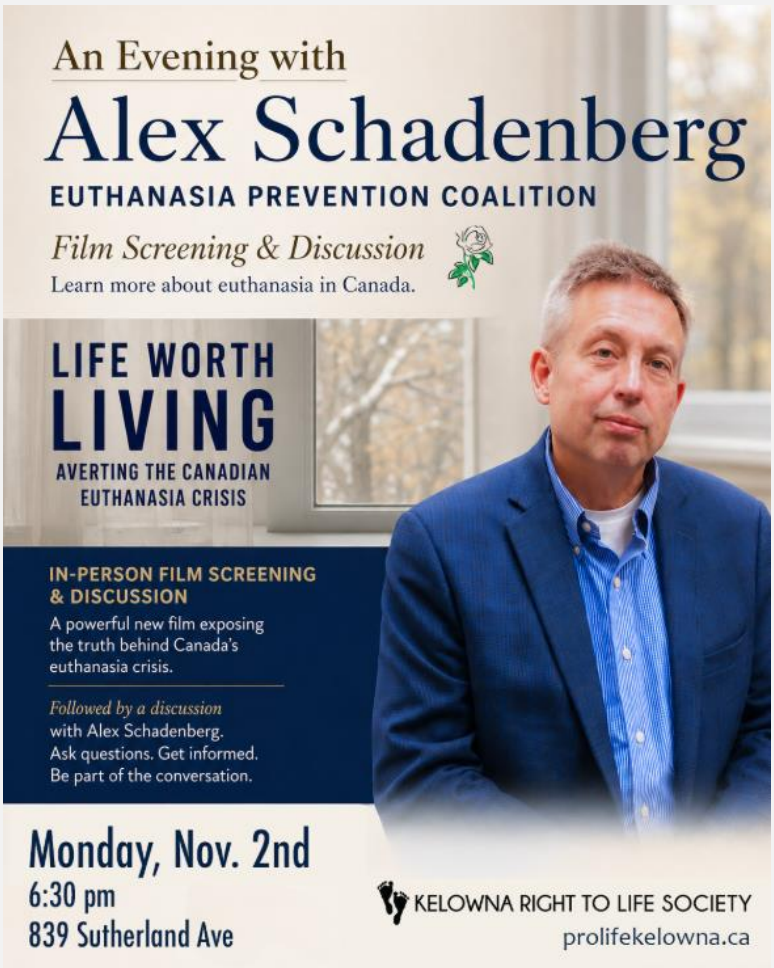
THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR NOVEMBER:

For the proper use of wealth

Let us pray for the proper use of wealth, that not succumbing to the temptation of selfishness, it may always be put at the service of the common good and solidarity of those who have less.

BIBLE READINGS

For the daily Bible readings, visit: cccb.ca or readings.livingwithchrist.ca

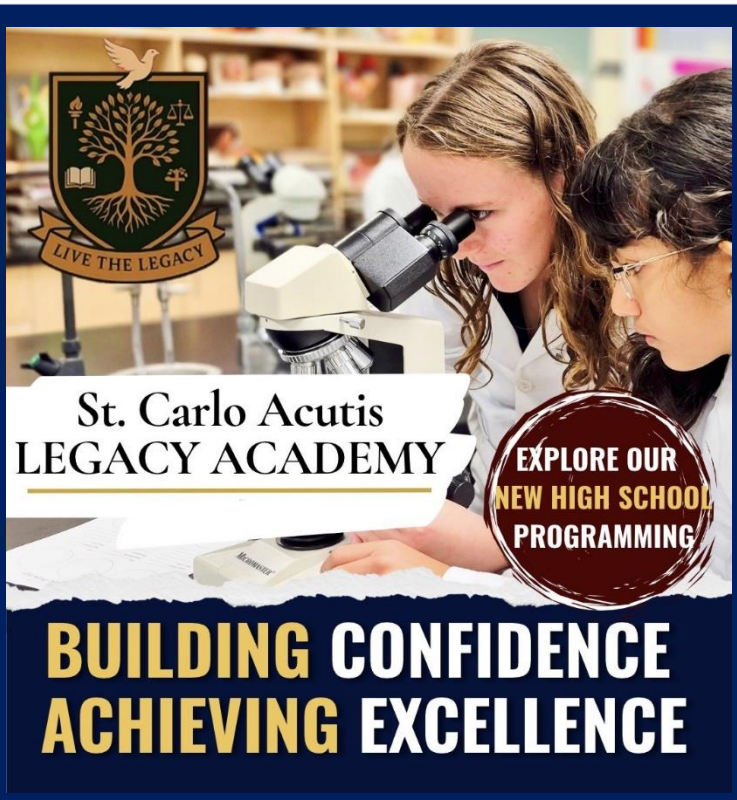


RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREATS

Has abortion left you feeling empty and alone? This retreat is for any woman, man, couple or family member who has struggled with the emotional and spiritual pain of abortion. If you are searching for peace and inner healing from an abortion experience, this retreat is for you.

Register now for our upcoming Fall retreat.

For more information call Vicki: 250–762-2273 or email: rvokanagan@gmail.com



https://www.holyc.com/legacy-academy

JOURNI MAY DIGNITY INITIATIVE

Catholic teaching affirms the dignity of every human life and calls us to accompany families experiencing miscarriage and pregnancy loss with compassion, prayer, and respect.

The Journi May Dignity Initiative is a Canadian effort to promote the dignity of the child, and to provide clearer information and appropriate care for families after pregnancy loss. It arose from the experience of Sarah and Phillip, whose son, Journi May, died during pregnancy. With the assistance of the Church, Journi was laid to rest with prayer and dignity. Their experience revealed how difficult it can be for grieving parents to learn what options exist for burial, cremation, memorialization, spiritual care, or other respectful arrangements.

The initiative seeks practical, non-coercive guidance so that families are informed of respectful options and can make choices consistent with conscience, culture, faith, and grief. A House of Commons e-petition, e-7765, is presently associated with the Canadian initiative.

Learn more: www.JourniMay.ca

House of Commons petition: https://www.ourcommons.ca/petitions/en/Petition/Details?Petition=e-7764

Parishioners are invited to learn more, pray for families who have experienced pregnancy loss, and share this information with others who may benefit from it.

MINISTERS SERVING THIS WEEKEND & NEXT



MINISTRY	SATURDAY Oct. 31 at 5 pm	SUNDAY Nov. 1 at 9 am	SATURDAY Nov. 7 at 5 pm	SUNDAY Nov. 8 at 9 am
Greeter		Gina		Jon
Sacristan	Johanne	Denese	Johanne	Ray
Music	Imelda	Imelda	Keiltys	Keiltys
Lector 1 **Lector 2** **Commentator**	Mike Eunice Ilda	Gerry Marguerite Rick	Gina Joan Linda	Bev Daid Scott
EMHC	Ventura	Scott Marguerite	Marianne	Sylvia Rick
Cross Bearer **1st Acolyte** **2nd Acolyte**		Malaika Claire Paul		Elizah Francis Patrick
Hospitality		Dianne Ken		TBC

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Music Ministry	Celia K.
Eucharistic Ministers	Marianne B.
Lectors/Commentators	Neil M.
Altar Servers	Jacquie P.
Children's Catechism	Shirley M.
Confirmation Program	Mark M. & Linda R.
Youth Ministry	Denese E-P. & Andrew W.
Adult Faith Formation	Mark M.
Safe Environment Rep.	Alicia B.
Development & Peace	John M.
Homebound Eucharist	Terri W.
Greeters	Jon A.
Holy Cross School Contact	Rick B.
Knights of Columbus	Vince K.
Catholic Women's League	Sandra S.

Please call the parish office to contact a coordinator.

WAYS IN WHICH YOU CAN SUPPORT HOLY CHILD PARISH:

1. **Sunday Envelopes**: A set of offering envelopes can be assigned to you and pickup arranged.
2. **SAG/Pre-Authorized Giving/ Direct Deposit**: This method of supporting the church is convenient & practical. The form is available on the welcome board in the foyer.
3. **E-transfer Donations**: Donations can be made by e-transfer. Log in to your bank account and e-transfer your donation to: etransfer.HCPS@nelsondiocese.org
   Please indicate in the message box of the e-transfer to which fund the donation is intended (Sunday Offering, Pro-life, etc.) and your envelope number.
4. **Mail:** Please mail your donation to the parish address at the top of the bulletin.

REGISTRATION IN OUR PARISH



If you are new to our parish or have not yet registered, registration forms can be found on the welcome board in the foyer. Please complete the form and place it in the collection basket or return it to the Parish Office.



Do you need to update your contact information? Please contact the Parish Office on 250-494-3110 or email summerland@nelsondiocese.org