

HOLY CHILD PARISH

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EASTER SUNDAY

5th April 2026

MASS SCHEDULE

HOLY CHILD CHURCH

Tuesday to Friday - 9 am*

Saturday - 5 pm

Sunday - 9 am

*2nd WEDNESDAY of the month -
10.30 am at Summerland Seniors' Village or
Dr. Andrew Pavilion

OUR LADY OF LOURDES MISSION

Sunday - 11 am

(St. Barbara's Anglican 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 INTENTION

APRIL

TUE 7

(R) ESPEUT FAMILY,
deceased members

WED 8

THU 9

FRI 10

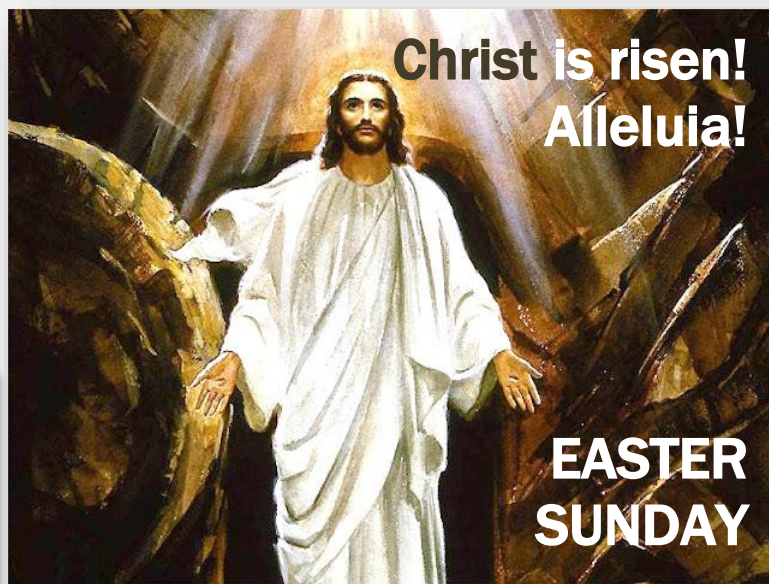
SAT 11

(I) For those in long-term care

(I) MURIELLE BLEZY & FAMILY

(I) JAYDEN HUGHES

(I) JOHANNE LIBOIRON



Christ is risen!
Alleluia!

EASTER
SUNDAY

*May the glory of Christ's resurrection
illuminate your path and
strengthen your faith.
Blessed Easter to you
and all your loved ones!*

HOLY TRUDDUM MASS TIMES

April 3 - FRIDAY OF THE PASSION
2:30 pm - Way of the Cross (outside)
3 pm - Veneration of the Holy Cross, Liturgy of
the Word and Holy Communion

April 4 - HOLY SATURDAY
8 pm - Paschal Vigil

April 5 - EASTER SUNDAY
9 am - Holy Mass

Spring Cleaning & DECLUTTERING

Let us take your unwanted items!

The CWL will be holding the 2nd Annual Garage Sale
Fundraiser in Holy Child Parking Lot on Saturday,
April 18.

We are now accepting donations of gently used items
for this event. Drop off items in the red shed at the gate
of 15215 Tada Avenue, or if you have larger items, call
Kathy T. (250-492-1133).

Items can be dropped off at the church on
April 15 & 16 between 9:30 am - 1 pm or
April 17 between 9 am - 4 pm.

**Please do not drop off items at church
before April 15.**

Thank you!

MASS AT S'LAND SENIORS' VILLAGE

Mass at Summerland Seniors' Village is on
Wednesday, April 8, at 10:30 am.
No 9 am mass in church.

EXPLORE THE FAITH

Join us on Thursday, April 9, at 4 pm, in the church hall as we watch and discuss the final episode of "The Chosen - Last Supper".

BIBLE STUDY WITH FR. GABRIEL

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



LOOKING FOR GIFTS OR CARDS?

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

CWL FASHION SHOW FUNDRAISER



SASS FASHION SHOW

MAY 9, 2026
1:00-3:30 PM

CATHOLIC CHURCH
14010 ROSEDALE AVE

TEA/COFFEE AND
CAKE SERVED

20% OFF AT SASS
3:30-6:00 PM

3RD ANNUAL CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE
FUNDRAISER. EXPLORE THE 2026 SPRING
FASHION TRENDS!

TICKETS
AVAILABLE AT SASS
OR AT THE
CATHOLIC CHURCH
PARISH OFFICE

\$25 - CASH ONLY

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS REPORT

February 2026 (includes SAG and e-transfers)

Holy Child Parish

	Collections	Budget
February 1, 2026	\$ 4,320.75	\$ 3,000.00
February 8, 2026	\$ 2,803.50	\$ 3,000.00
February 15, 2026	\$ 2,816.50	\$ 3,000.00
February 22, 2026	\$ 2,582.95	\$ 3,000.00
Total	\$ 12,523.70	\$ 12,000.00
Balance		\$ 523.70

Our Lady of Lourdes Mission

	Collections	Budget
February 1, 2026	\$ 118.00	\$ 225.00
February 8, 2026	\$ 225.00	\$ 225.00
February 15, 2026	\$ 770.00	\$ 225.00
February 22, 2026	\$ 335.00	\$ 225.00
Total	\$ 1,448.00	\$ 900.00
Balance		\$ 548.00

Thank you for your continued support!

YOUTH BOTTLE DRIVE

Don't forget our Parish Youth are collecting cans to help raise funds. Drop off in the Youth room. Thank you!

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday April 5	9:00 am	EASTER Sunday Mass with Refreshments
	11:00 am	EASTER Sunday Mass at OLOLM
Monday April 6		
Tuesday April 7	8:30 am 9:00 am	Liturgy of the Hours & Rosary Mass
Wednesday April 8	10:30 am 4:00 pm	Mass at Summerland Seniors' Village Children's Catechism & Supper
Thursday April 9	8:30 am 9:00 am 9:45 am 4:00 pm	Liturgy of the Hours & Rosary Mass Coffee & Bible Study Explore the Faith
Friday April 10	9:00 am 9:30 am 9:30 am	Mass Holy Hour/Adoration Confession
Saturday April 11	4:15 pm 5:00 pm	Confession Sunday Mass

PILGRIMAGE OF FAITH 2026

Our Parish goal is \$17,650

Raised: \$1,100

OLOL Mission goal is \$850

Raised: \$500

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



PRAYER LIST

Lord, hear our prayers for our brothers and sisters...

Denise McDonald (Madeleine's daughter), **Diane, Al De Ferro, Jack & Betty Jolie & family, Maggie Johnston & family, Kelly & family, Ron Arnett & family, Eyas & Sandra Jaser & family, Ed & Linda Thibeault & family, Don & Kathy Hughes & family**

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

PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Easter Sunday Message, 05th April 2026

In his Easter Message 2026, to the Vatican City and the World, His Holiness the Pope was loud and clear to voice "Hope and Renewal". The Risen Christ sent his disciples into the World, to our friends and families, our communities and strangers in our midst to share His good news. Easter is the heartbeat of our faith, light overcoming darkness, hope triumphing over despair, and life emerging victorious from the tomb. We greet each other with the ancient proclamation: "The Lord is Risen! The Lord is Risen indeed! Alleluia!"

From the Empty Tomb in Jerusalem, we hear the good news. "Jesus, who was crucified, is not here; he has risen!" (Lk 24:5). Jesus is not in the tomb. He is alive! Love has triumphed over hatred, light over darkness and truth over falsehood. Forgiveness has triumphed over revenge, said the Pope.

In the Passion and death of Christ, God has taken upon himself all the evil in this world and, in his infinite goodness, has defeated death. He has uprooted the pride that poisons the human heart and wreaks violence and corruption on every side. The Lamb of God is Victorious. That's why today, we can joyfully cry out, "Christ, my hope, has risen". The Resurrection of Christ is indeed the basis for our Hope. Hope is no longer an illusion, because Christ the Crucified has risen from the dead. Hope is not an evasion, but a challenge; it does not delude, but empowers those who adhere to Jesus' principle of love and service!

'Christ is Risen!' These words capture the whole meaning of our existence, for we were not made for death, but for life. Easter is the Celebration of Life! God created us for life and wants the human family to rise again! In his eyes, every life is precious. The life of a child in the mother's womb, as well as the lives of the elderly and sick, who, in more and more countries, are looked upon as people to be discarded.

On this Holy Day, let us hope to renew and revive our trust in others, including those who are different from ourselves, or who come from distant lands, bringing unfamiliar customs, ways and ideas. For all of us are children of the One and only God! Therefore, may the light of Easter inspire us with Hope that all of our church's efforts may be able to promote harmony, to reduce tensions and crises, by promoting Peace and Consolation for all concerned in every region of the World.

May the Risen Christ, who is our Hope, grant Peace and Consolation for all people of goodwill and all those who have been victims of violence and conflict in every region of our modern World. Let's also recommit ourselves to the cause of Freedom of Religion, freedom of thought, freedom of expression and respect for the opinions of others. Happy Easter, and May the Risen Christ bless us all in His tender love and mercy!

Blessings in the Lord!

(Edited from the homily of Pope Leo XIV, Easter 2026)



Office of the Bishop

30 March 2026

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Greetings and peace in the Lord!

"If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!" (2 Corinthians 5.17)

St. Paul's words to the Corinthians have captured the essence of Easter and God's message to us every Easter which is simply "new life!" Through the birth, passion and death of Jesus, He has brought us new life. It is as the Letter to Hebrews says, *"the new and living way that he opened for us."* (Hebrews 10.20) Nothing will be the same again because of His Resurrection from the dead. All has been made new.

This should fill us with great hope – the hope in Jesus' promise of new life both now and in eternity. We are challenged to live this new life as new people now, in the present and in preparation for the eternal life of heaven. This isn't always easy when earthly life is filled with what seems to be the "same old" everyday: the same troubles and worries and problems our parents, grandparents and their forebearers faced. But, we have been made new. We have been made new in Christ and cannot but help to live in a new way, with a fresh way of being, a fresh way of thinking and acting. This is one of the great joys of Easter!

May you once again experience a renewed sense of new life this Easter, and the hope that this new life brings every Easter season.

God bless you and your families this Easter!

Sincerely in Christ our Lord,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Gregory J. Bittman", is positioned above the printed name.

✠ Gregory J Bittman
Bishop of Nelson

THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR APRIL:

For priests in crisis

Let us pray for priests going through moments of crisis in their vocation, that they may find the accompaniment they need and that communities may support them with understanding and prayer.

BIBLE READINGS

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

EVERY LIFE IS PRECIOUS – PROTECT MENTAL HEALTH AND SUPPORT BILL C-218

Write your Member of Parliament Today! Visit HelpNotHarmCanada.ca

You are invited to visit HelpNotHarmCanada.ca to quickly and respectfully contact your federal Member of Parliament, urging them to support **Bill C-218 (The Right to Recover Act)**. This legislation would amend the Criminal Code to ensure that Medical Assistance in Dying (MAiD) is not extended to individuals whose sole underlying condition is mental illness. Without this amendment, MAiD will be available for mental illness alone beginning in March 2027. A vote is expected to take place mid-April 2026.

Our Catholic faith teaches that every human life is a sacred gift from God. We are called to accompany those who suffer, to uphold their dignity, and to ensure they receive authentic care, compassion, and hope. Mental Page 2 of 2 illness requires treatment, support and love — never abandonment or the offer of death. Many of us know someone living with mental illness — a family member, friend, neighbour, or colleague. At this critical moment, let us raise our voices in faithful witness to the Gospel of life.

Visit HelpNotHarmCanada.ca today and ask your MP to support Bill C-218.



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ST. CARLO ACUTIS LEGACY ACADEMY

Now accepting applications for grades 8 – 10 students for the 2026-2027 school year.
<https://www.holyc.com/legacy-academy>

DIOCESE OF NELSON

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

At Easter we welcome many returning Catholics, visitors from other faiths, and people simply curious about Jesus and our church.

Coming together as children of God, every one of us, fills us with joy!

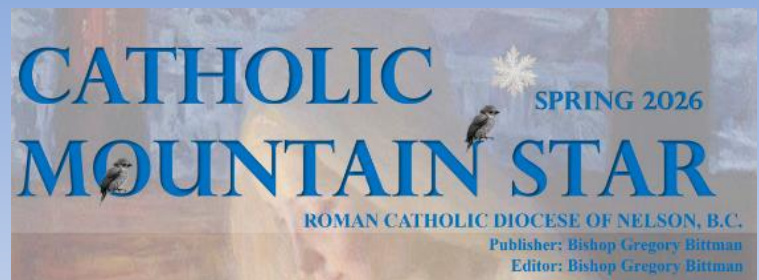
In this video, Fr. Mike accompanies all of us through each part of the Mass to help us better understand and fully participate in our most solemn celebration.



Link to faith formation page (this video and others): <https://www.nelsondiocese.org/apps/pages/faithformation>

Direct link to video:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RS8NrJ0Y508>



CMS SPRING 2026 EDITION

Please find attached the Catholic Mountain Star Spring 2026 Edition.

It is also be posted on the Nelson Diocese website. https://www.nelsondiocese.org/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC_ID=1069723&type=d&pREC_ID=135

THE KELOWNA RIGHT TO LIFE SOCIETY The Kelowna Right to Life Society presents an evening with the Honourable Stockwell Day on Thursday, April 30th at the ICC Parish Hall, Kelowna. Doors will open at 6:00 pm with dinner scheduled for 6:30 pm. Tickets are \$40.00 ea, or purchase a table of 8 for \$280.00.

Visit prolifekelowna.ca for tickets.



Join the festivities at our annual Black Tie Gala in support of Catholic Education

This year's theme is James Bond, Agent 007

When: April 11, 2026

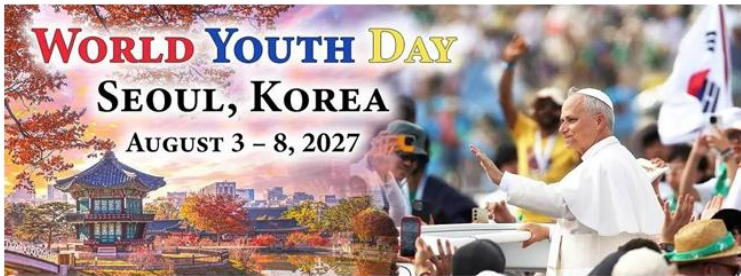
Where: Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic School, West Kelowna

Tickets: \$75.00, e-transfer to ololschool@cisnd.ca

Dust off the tuxedo and dress to the 9's! Join us for great food, good music, silent auction and James Bond trivia!

BISHOP THOMAS LOBSINGER MEMORIAL BURSARY PROGRAM 2026

Below you will find some information regarding this year's Bishop Thomas J. Lobsinger, OMI, Memorial Bursaries. Feel free to bring it to the attention of any young Catholic students you know who are planning to attend a post-secondary institution in BC in the fall. [Download here](#) The deadline for receipt of completed applications by the Bursary Chairman is June 30, 2026, immediately preceding the academic year.



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.

Interested? Save your spot!

E-transfer \$500 to

etransfer.DPC@nelsondiocese.org

before May 10, 2026

Add "WYD 2027 deposit" + "your full name" + "your parish" in the e-transfer message

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)

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NELSON DIOCESAN CATHOLIC RENEWAL CONFERENCE

FRIDAY EVENING PRAISE AND WORSHIP AT 6:30

MASS WITH HEALING PRAYERS AT 7 PM

SATURDAY 9AM - 4PM

MASS 5PM

ACCOMMODATIONS AVAILABLE AT

BEST WESTERN PLUS HOTEL AND SUITES 2 QUEENS

BEDS \$150.78 INC TAX

AVALON INN QUEEN OR KING BED \$114.84 INC TAX



SPEAKER: FATHER JACK MICHALCHUK

CONFERENCE DETAILS

24-25 APRIL 2026

AT ST ANNE CHURCH, 7610-87 STREET, OSOYOOS, BC

JOIN US NOW!

CONTACT: LOREE RENWICK - NDCCRS2020@GMAIL.COM

CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE

APRIL 24-25, 2026

KELOWNA, BC

Immaculate Conception Church
839 Sutherland Avenue

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FR. LARRY
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MINISTERS SERVING THIS WEEKEND & NEXT

MINISTRY	GOOD FRIDAY April 3 at 3 pm	PASCHAL VIGIL April 4 at 8 pm	EASTER SUNDAY April 5 at 9 am	SATURDAY April 11 at 5 pm	DIVINE SUNDAY April 12 at 9 am
Greeter			Johanne		Connie
Sacristan	Roy	Johanne/ Carmen	Ray	Johanne	Marc
Music	Jim	Imelda	Celina	Keiltys	Keiltys
Lector 1 Lector 2 Comm.	Scott, Lucy Bev, N: Jon S: Denese J: Fr. Gabriel	Jon, Gina, Marc, Mike, Ilda, Scott, Denese, Linda, Neil	Youth	Gina Eunice Mary-Anne	Rick Marguerite Jon
EMHC	Julie Johanne	Sylvia Marianne	Ruben Ilse	Imelda	Carmen Julie
Cr. Bearer 1 st Acolyte 2 nd Acolyte	Malaika Zoë Patrick	Elizah Francis Kasen	Malaika Izzy Paul		Claire Joseph Patrick
Hospitality		CWL	Maribel		Mary-Anne Greg

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PARISH CONTACT LIST

Position	Name
Parish Pastoral Council Chair	Jacques L.
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Sacristan	Imelda K.
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	Johanne L.
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, Special Church Care, etc.)
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