

HOLY CHILD PARISH

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April 30, 2023
4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER
Vocation Sunday

MASS SCHEDULE

TUESDAY to FRIDAY - 9 am
SATURDAY - 6 pm
SUNDAY - 10 am



Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Every Friday, after 9 am Mass or by appointment

Adoration: Every Friday, 9.30 am - 11.00 am

MASS INTENTION

MAY

TUE 2

(R) ALL SOULS

WED 3

(R) MARIA LADEIRA

THU 4

(I) LIVIO MAZZOCATO &

(I) JUNE BARTIER

FRI 5

(R) TONY CICCETTI

SAT 6

(R) GIOVANNI ANDREUCCI



CONFIRMATION

AT HOLY CHILD PARISH

Pls. Mark your calendar!

Sunday, May 7, 2023 at 10 am



POF Goal

\$16,350



OUR PILGRIMAGE OF FAITH APPEAL

Our Parish Goal for 2023 is **\$16,350.**

Our total so far is **\$5,200.**

All donations are gratefully received.

Thank you so much for your generosity.

HOLY CHILD CWL ANNUAL PLANT & BAKE SALE

Sale coming up soon!

Please support your parish CWL!

Saturday, May 13, 9am to 1pm in the hall



Plants and garden items may be dropped off starting this weekend, April 29th and during parish office hours:

Tues - Friday 9:30am to 1:00pm

Contact: Dianne Roberge 250 494 9620

Thank you to all our bakers!

Baking may be dropped off on May 12th during parish office hours (9:30am to 1:00pm) or from 5-7pm! Kitchen door.

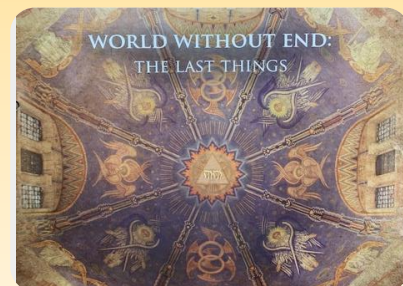
Contact: Sylvia MacKay 778 516 4341

CATHOLIC MOUNTAIN STAR is back!

Article submission deadline for the year **2023** first issue is on **Monday, May 15th**. Please limit articles to 600 words (fit one page of 8 ½" x 11" paper) using size 11 font. News articles for parish or caption information limit to 1 or 2 sentences. **Please email all submissions to catholicmstar@gmail.com.**

CATHOLICISM - ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Our Parish Faith Formation program continues **Thursday, May 4, at 6 pm**. Join us!
"World Without End: The Last Things"



CELTIC FUSION

Tuesday, May 9 at 6:30pm

at Kelowna Community Theatre.

Please get your tickets soon for best seating to enjoy a fun, family-oriented evening out to support Seton House of Prayer. Tickets may be purchased online at <https://theatre.kelowna.ca/upcoming-events/celtic-fusion>, click on tickets, choose your seats, and follow the prompts. Or, call 250-469-8940. Or, in person at the Kelowna Community Theatre 1375 Water Street in advance of the show (box office hours are Mon. to Sat. 10am - 4pm).

It will be a great evening of entertainment and your support is greatly appreciated!

PILGRIMAGE TO HOLY LAND AND ROME

9 DAYS – HOLY LAND – OCTOBER 17-25, 2023

4 DAYS – ROME – OCTOBER 26-29, 2023

COST: \$8057.00 (CANADIAN)

PLEASE CONTACT FR. BEN

250 494 2266

malipot9@yahoo.com

GRIEF TO GRACE RETREAT

The next retreat is May 23 - 27, 2023 in Kelowna.

Call 250-808-6403 or email

griegtogracekelowna@gmail.com

SECULAR ORDER OF DISCALCED CARMELITES (OCDS)

Carmelite Seculars, together with the Friars and Nuns, are sons and daughters of the Order of Our Lady of Mount Carmel and of St. Teresa of Jesus. As a result, they share the same charism with the religious, each according to their particular way of life. It is one family with the same spiritual possessions, the same call to holiness (*cf Eph 1.4; 1Pet 1:15*) and the same apostolic mission. Secular members contribute to the Order the benefits proper to their secular state of life (*Constitutions #1*).

For more information, please contact

Laurent 1-778-212-1945 or Loretta 250-448-5633

SYNOD – CONTINENTAL DOCUMENT

The Continental Stage of the Synod on Synodality concluded on March 31, at which time the CCCB, along with the United States Conference of Bishops (USCCB), submitted the *North American Final Document for the Continental Stage* to the Synod Secretariat. The *Final Document* from North America is now publicly available on the CCCB website at the following link:

<https://www.cccb.ca/media-release/bishops-release-north-american-final-document-to-conclude-continental-stage-of-the-2021-2024-synod/>

**Seniors' Village Holy Mass
resumes every second week of
the month. The first is on May
10, Wed., 9:30 AM.**

COMPASSIONATE COMMUNITY CARE

*'Being With' Volunteer Training
Gain the confidence to journey with those who are suffering, socially isolated, sick, or dying, to renew their hope and purpose in life.*

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[Tuesday June 6th](#) 7 p.m.- 9 p.m. EST &

[Wednesday June 7th](#) 7 p.m.- 9 p.m. EST

[Register Now:](#) beingwith.org & click Events



Okanagan Catholic Family Camp

September 8-10, 2023

Camp Winfield, Lake Country

Early Bird Registration Opens May 1-15, 2023

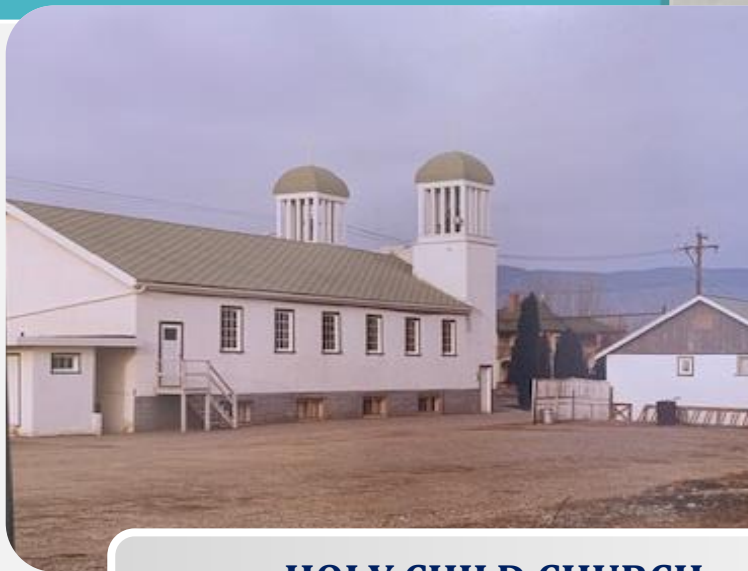
Register at www.okanagancatholic.ca

**HOLY CHILD PARISH IS
CELEBRATING 75 YEARS AS A
PARISH, 95 YEARS AS A
COMMUNITY!
MAY GOD CONTINUALLY BLESS
OUR COMMUNITY!
We praise! We thank! We
celebrate!**

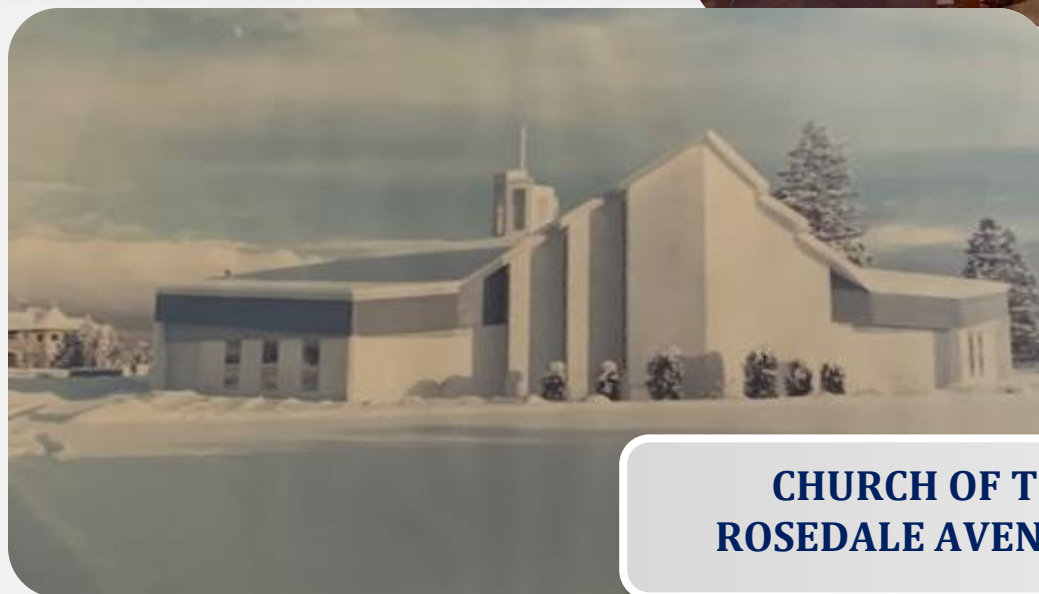
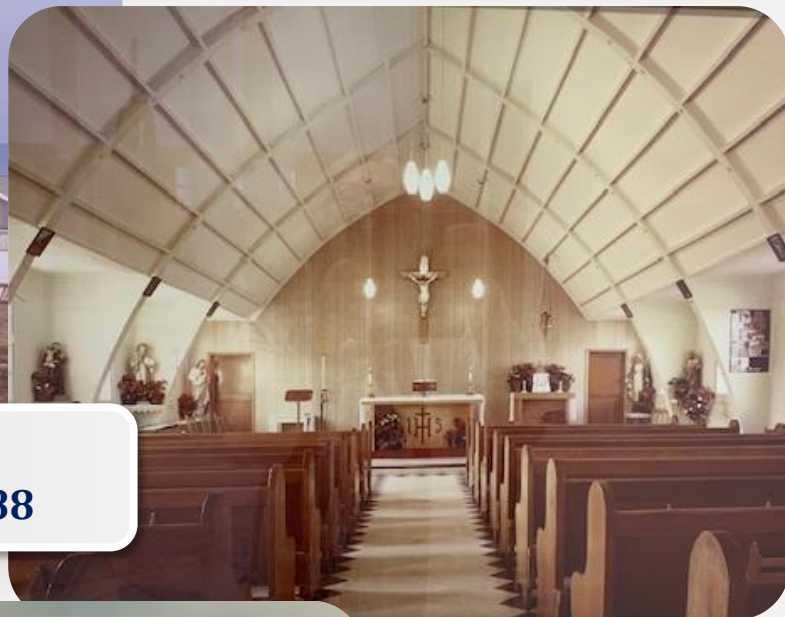
**CELEBRATION IS ON
JUNE 11, 2023, 10 AM,
SUMMERLAND MEMORIAL
PARK.**



**FIRST HOLY CHILD CHURCH
JULIA STREET, 1928-1948**



**HOLY CHILD CHURCH
ROSEDALE AVENUE, 1948-1988**



**CHURCH OF THE HOLY CHILD
ROSEDALE AVENUE, 1988 - present**

HOLY CHILD PARISH HISTORY

Our humble beginnings...

In Summerland, British Columbia, like in the case of many thriving faith communities in Western Canada, the seeds of faith were first planted by the Oblates of Mary Immaculate. The pioneer missionaries came initially from Kelowna and then from Penticton, to preach the Word, celebrate the Sacraments, and take care of the spiritual needs of the early settlers. The faithful would gather in homes, in the local Anglican church building, and even in the community hall until 1928 when our first Church was built on a piece of donated land. This mission church was carried out by the Oblate missionaries from Penticton and spread out in the whole Okanagan Valley, belonging to the Archdiocese of Vancouver at that time.

On February 22, 1936, the new Diocese of Nelson was created and the small mission of Summerland was part of the new Diocese. However, Summerland Church, just like any planted seed on the ground, was nurtured, nourished, and grew as a people of God. In 1948 Summerland gained the status of a Parish with Father Anthony Meulenbergh as the first resident Pastor. Soon, plans were underway to build a new Church to accommodate the increasing number of parishioners. The new building was completed by December of 1948 and the first Holy Mass celebrated in the newly built church was the Christmas Midnight Mass.

Father Meulenbergh was succeeded in 1962 by Father Michael Guinan who in turn was followed by Father Frank Flynn in 1972. It was during Father Flynn's time that the present Rectory was built in 1975. Father Flynn was replaced by Father William Laurie as parish priest in 1978 and was succeeded by Father John Koenders in 1980. Soon, Father John began the preparations for the building of a new Church since the congregation was growing fast. On May 29, 1988, the new Church was blessed and dedicated by Most Rev. Emmett Doyle, Bishop of Nelson.

Monsignor Charles Mulvihill took over from Father John Koenders in 1997 when Father John retired and returned to Holland. Monsignor Charles led our Parish from 1997 to 2002. When Monsignor Mulvihill retired in 2002, Father Sebastian Puthenpura was appointed as Pastor. Father Sebastian Puthenpura finished his pastorship in 2008 and was appointed to Oliver's Christ the King Parish. Holy Child Parish welcomed Father Ferdinand Wagner Nalitan as the new Parish Priest. Fr. Ferdinand ended his term in 2012 and Fr. Jim Ratcliffe was appointed as the new Parish Priest. Unfortunately, he had to leave the parish after one year because of health concerns and so retired from active service. In 2014 we welcomed Br. Matthieu Gombo as Parish administrator until a new Pastor was appointed.

Eventually, Fr. Gerald Sekanga became the new Pastor appointed by Bishop John Correavue in 2014 until July 2016. In July 2016, Father Gerald was transferred to St. Pius X Parish in Kelowna and to work in the Diocesan Tribunal Office. Father Ruben Buela replaced Father Gerald and became the Pastor until the present time.

Holy Child Parish recognizes too the dedicated Sisters of Charity from Kelowna who enriched and took care of our parish in its early years of existence. Through their initiative, the parish would hold the annual Summer School Catechism classes. Later in 1974, the Sisters of Charity opened Seton House of Prayer on Fosberry Road in Summerland, to cater to the needs of our parish, especially teaching catechism to our children.

Furthermore, they also facilitated retreats, and seminars and offered spiritual counselling to the parishioners. In 1986, the prayer house was transferred to Kelowna; however, the sisters continued their service to the parish. Sister Barbara Prior CND, became our Pastoral Assistant from 1989 to 1997 and Sister Yvette Beford SSA, succeeded her from 1998 to 2001.

Holy Child Parish continues its service in Summerland despite a decline in its members. The church continues to stand tall despite the many trials that we must face. Parishioners are actively taking part in different ministries and offer what they can for the good of the parish.

PRAYER LIST

LORD HEAR OUR PRAYERS FOR OUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS...

George & Margaret Szucs, Vivian Dolezsar, Eugene Chorneyko, Rosa Santos, Kathryn Simpson, Toran Younge, Anne Arthur, Nick Deuling, Sandy Jaser, Malinowski Family, Carrie Malinowski, Jennifer Knoll, Reid & Anne Watson, Kian Hooshmand-Hall, Dawna Werbeski, Pat Thomas, Sheila Dal-flyen, Betty & Jack Jolie, Chrissy Kozier, Richard Roess, Jack Rowland, Jo-Ann Rowland, Jody Richter, Bill & Anna Appel, Dina Tremblay, Jenny Pilkington, Sophie Graydon, Renee Taming, Patricia Horan, Nancy Brooks, Mirjana Komljenovic, Mason Webb, Bob Butler, Belinda D'Souza, Wills Hodgkinson, Denise McDonald (daughter of M. Harrington), Aspen Alfred, Paul & Joyce Richter, Annette Lefebvre, Peter Deuling, Bill Bolger, Thiele family, Eileen McAteer, Mark Johnston, Tara Bridge, Mark Ducheck, Sharon Mahussier, Shawn Murphy, Perry Pasqualetto, Joy Frost & family, Krista Munsie, Winnie St. Germaine, Gage Penney, Chrys Tremblay, Donna Greenwood, Sheila Le Blanc, Bob & Josie Reid & family, Jann Bouthillier, Rhonda Connell, Jared Howe.



PRAYER FOR HEALING

Father, thank you for loving us and calling us out of darkness. There are those of us in need of your healing virtue today, by His Stripes we were healed. Father, we bind up all sickness and disease, and loose your healing virtue unto your children. For those going into surgery, we loose guidance to the hands of the surgeons. Touch all the sick and shut ins today and restore health to their bodies. In Jesus' precious name,

Amen!

DAILY MASS READINGS (April 30-May 6)

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

First Reading: [Acts 2: 14a, 36-41](#)

Second Reading: [First Peter 2: 20b-25](#)

Gospel: [John 10: 1-10](#)

MONDAY

First Reading: [Acts 11: 1-18](#)

Gospel: [John 10: 11-18](#)

TUESDAY – ST. ATHANASIUS (M)

First Reading: [Acts 11: 19-26](#)

Gospel: [John 10: 22-30](#)

WEDNESDAY – ST. PHILIP AND ST. JAMES (F)

First Reading: [First Corinthians 15: 1-8](#)

Gospel: [John 14: 6-14](#)

THURSDAY

First Reading: [Acts 13: 13-25](#)

Gospel: [John 13: 16-20](#)

FRIDAY

First Reading: [Acts 13: 26-33](#)

Gospel: [John 14: 1-6](#)

SATURDAY – ST. FRANÇOIS DE LAVAL (M)

First Reading: [Acts 13: 44-52](#)

Gospel: [John 10: 11-16](#)

Rachel's Corner

"For I am the Lord, your God, who grasps your right hand; It is I who say to you, do not fear, I will help you." Isaiah 41:13

Fear can be the greatest obstacle to your healing. He is a God of mercy, compassion, and love. Allow Him to hold your hand and bring you back into His embrace. Like a good Father, He yearns to help you with every step. Join us on our next Rachel's Vineyard™ Retreat.

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WAYS IN WHICH YOU CAN

SUPPORT

HOLY CHILD PARISH:

1. **Sunday Envelopes:** A set of offering envelopes can be assigned to you & 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:** Alternately 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.

Welcome to Holy Child!



Do you need to update your contact information?

New phone number, e-mail or postal address?

Please contact the Parish Office

Tel: 250-494-3110

Email: holychildparish@shaw.ca.

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