HOLY CHILD PARISH

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32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
8th 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

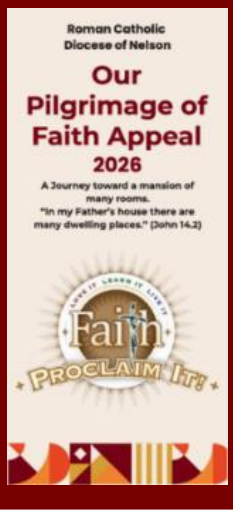
MASS INTENTIONS



NOVEMBER	
TUE 10	(I) FR. HARRY CLARKE
WED 11	(I) FRANCES NAKAGAWA
THU 12	(R) FRED HOFFARTH
FRI 13	(R) HOLY SOULS
SAT 14	(R) CHERYL ANDERSON



PILGRIMAGE OF FAITH 2026



Our Parish goal is $17,650
Raised: $9,600
Still to raise: $8,050
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.

EXPLORE THE FAITH

Join us on **Thursday, November 12**, 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!

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE 2026

The Book will be placed before the altar and remembered during November, the month of All Souls. Praying for the dead is a spiritual work of mercy.

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 8	**9:00 am** **11:00 am** 5:00 pm	**Sunday Mass** *with Children's Liturgy* **Sunday Mass** at OLOL Mission CWL Feast of Unity
Monday November 9		
Tuesday November 10	8:25 am **9:00 am**	Liturgy of the Hours & Rosary **Mass**
Wednesday November 11	 9:00 am 11:00 am 3:30 pm 5:15 pm	Parish Office closed **Mass** & Rosary Remembrance at Cenotaph Catechism for K-Grade 2 Catechism for Grade 3 & up
Thursday November 12	8:25 am **9:00 am** 6:00 pm	Liturgy of the Hours & Rosary **Mass** & Bible Study Explore the Faith
Friday November 13	9:00 am 9:30 am 6:00 pm 6:30 pm	**Mass** Eucharistic Adoration & Confession Junior Youth Group Christmas Craft Evening
Saturday November 14	4:15 pm **5:00 pm**	Confession **Anticipated Sunday Mass**

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

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 are 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!

HOLY CHILD CWL MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

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

BIBLE STUDY WITH FR. GABRIEL

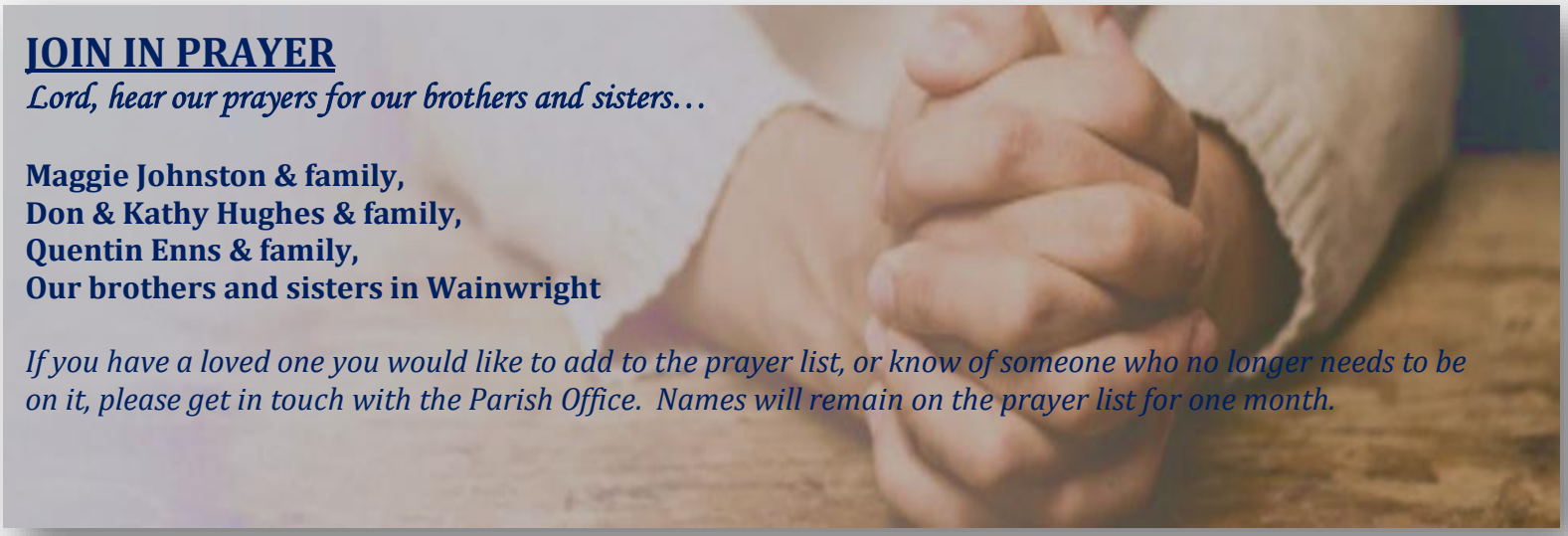
Every Thursday, after the 9 am Mass. Join us as we dig deeper into the Word of God! Copies of the pastor's message are available in the foyer every week.

YOUTH BOTTLE DRIVE

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

LOOKING FOR GIFTS OR CARDS?

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



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

The Gospel of Matthew 25:1-13 is proclaimed as 'The Parable of Foresight', suggesting constant alertness to stay abreast, as the Messiah is coming at an unexpected hour. It extends a call for being prepared, ready and vigilant to welcome Christ, the Bridegroom.

The Prophet Jeremiah 2:2 tells that 'God is the Bridegroom / Christ is the Bridegroom'. We need to understand the Palestinian culture at the time of Jesus. It was deeply steeped in traditional festivities because it was an agro-based culture. Most bridal processions (before the wedding) took place in the thick of the night. As there was no electricity or street lights at the time of Jesus, everyone depended on handmade torches for light. It was the custom in Palestine at the time of Jesus, and vividly, the bride's maids played the vital role of Torch-bearers.

They were young virgins who helped the bride in her wedding celebration. It became their responsibility to keep their torches burning by applying oil at different intervals. The Bridal Procession and Bridal Party always had dance and singing all through their way to the 'Groom's House'. But the Groom was late. Therefore, the bridal party slept a while or had a nap. But in the middle of the night, there was a huge commotion when the Groom arrived. The Wise Virgins (who were ready) immediately lit their lamps/torches and accompanied the groom. But those who were not prepared could not accompany him for the feast. They were left behind.

Psalm 63, which we sang today, explains the concept of 'Being Vigilant or Ready' and 'Being Prepared and Aware '. "Readiness and Vigilance" comes from the 'thirsty soul' that's tuned to God's Voice. Every human being has a soul, which is the life principle. Our soul has the ability to discern God's benevolence. The Greeks understood the soul for all humans as a Spiritual Life Principle, wherein our conscience is stored. The Scriptures call this innate ability 'The Holy Spirit', who grants everyone the grace of foresight, far-sight, vision, and intuition. The Holy Spirit helps us acquire 'Wisdom through careful study and practice'. Facts and data are not needed for wisdom and discernment. To make informed decisions, we need to acquaint ourselves with the Wisdom of God. The Soul listens to the inner voice of God, and through its help we discern, act, and pursue our goal.

St. Joan of Arc listened to the voice of God, and she was able to free the French people from the English aggression. To listen to the voice of God, we need to be prudent and vigilant, to stay awake and to be aware. Since we are the bridesmaids, waiting with our torches to meet Christ, the Bridegroom. But Christ is delayed in His Coming. But through His Delay, He is giving us a chance to get ready and be prepared. The indwelling Spirit of God in each one of us guides and counsels us to become the Temple of God through our readiness.

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

REVISED ITEMS STILL IN NEED FOR NEW PARISH CATECHISM PROGRAM:

- Wooden collapsible table
  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
- Small Cross of the Resurrected Christ
- Bibles in as many languages as possible – any Christian bible, Old (and/or) New Testament
- Pocket folders 10 x multicolour, good quality
- Gold and Myrrh – small samples of each
- Two large hand mirrors
- Two petri dishes
- Two small pots of grapevines in dirt with a T-shaped trellis in T shape
- 2 sets of 3 small glass jars (like perfume jars) for three Chrism Oils (6 total)
- Crochet needles/yarn (3 sets)
- Calligraphy instruction/pens
- Hand printing of large song and prayer sheets (details will be provided)
- Hand printing of small scripture booklets (details will be 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

HOW DO YOU GIVE?

CONSIDER PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING

Pre-Authorized Giving allows parishioners to make regular Sunday offerings using the "direct debit" system. When you participate in PAG, your regular Sunday offering is only withdrawn from your account once a month and deposited into the parish account. It is also convenient. Your offering is deducted automatically. You are also in control, as you can increase or decrease the amount to withdraw from the PAG plan simply by dropping a signed note in the collection basket.
PAG brochures are on the noticeboard in the foyer.

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS REPORT

October 2026 (includes SAG and e-transfers)

Holy Child Parish

	Collections	Budget
October 4, 2026	$ 3,213.50	$ 3,000.00
October 11, 2026	$ 2,513.25	$ 3,000.00
October 18, 2026	$ 2,999.15	$ 3,000.00
October 25, 2026	$ 3,061.85	$ 3,000.00
Total	**$ 11,787.75**	**$ 12,000.00**
Balance		**-$ 212.25**

World Mission *$ 780.00*

Our Lady of Lourdes Mission

	Collections	Budget
October 4, 2026	$ 553.00	$ 225.00
October 11, 2026	$ 225.00	$ 225.00
October 18, 2026	$ 288.00	$ 225.00
October 25, 2026	$ 173.00	$ 225.00
Total	**$ 1,239.00**	**$ 900.00**
Balance		**$ 339.00**

Thank you for your continued support!



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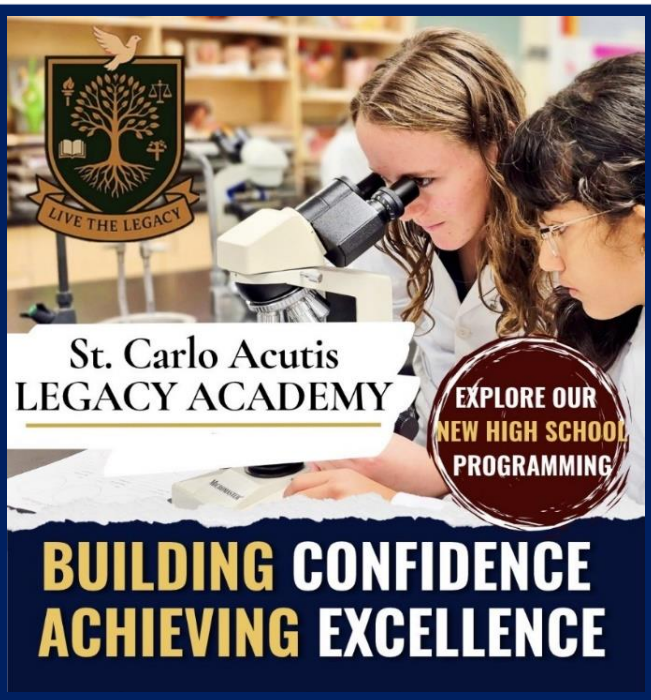
THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR NOVEMBER:

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



ST. CARLO ACUTIS LEGACY ACADEMY

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.

HAVE YOU THOUGHT ABOUT LEAVING A LEGACY?

For more information, contact the Diocesan Appeals Office at the Catholic Pastoral Centre.
Phone: 250-448-2725 ext. 240, or email: plannedgiving@nelsondiocese.org

MINISTERS SERVING THIS WEEKEND & NEXT



MINISTRY	SATURDAY Nov. 7 at 5 pm	SUNDAY Nov. 8 at 9 am	SATURDAY Nov. 14 at 5 pm	SUNDAY Nov. 15 at 9 am
Greeter		Jon		Sylvia M.
Sacristan	Johanne	Ray	Johanne	Denese
Music	Keiltys	Keiltys	Jim	Celina
Lector 1 **Lector 2** **Commentator**	Gina Joan Linda	Bev Daid Scott	Eunice Mike Neil	Youth
EMHC	Marianne	Sylvia Rick	Scott	Madeleine Ray
Cross Bearer **1st Acolyte** **2nd Acolyte**		Elizah Francis Patrick		Joseph Zoë Jillian
Hospitality		No Refreshments		Annie George

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PARISH CONTACT LIST

Position	Name
Parish Pastoral Council Chair	Jacques L.
Finance Council Chair	Scott A.
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	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