

# HOLY CHILD PARISH

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*EXALTATION OF THE  
HOLY CROSS  
14<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2025*

## MASS SCHEDULE

### HOLY CHILD CHURCH

Tuesday to Friday – 9 am\*

Saturday – 5 pm

Sunday – 9 am

\*2<sup>nd</sup> 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

### SEPTEMBER

TUE 16

(R) JERRY POLESELLO

WED 17

(I) DONNA GREENWOOD

THU 18

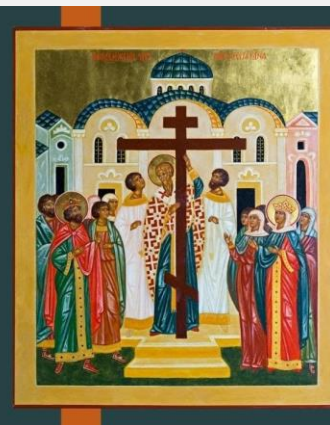
(R) MARY, JOSEPH & FRANCIS  
NAKAGAWA

FRI 19

(I) DAVID HUGHES

SAT 20

(R) PETER WERBESKI



**The Feast  
of the  
Exaltation  
of the  
Holy Cross**



## CWL GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday, September 17

10 am in the hall. Everyone welcome!

A Rosary will be offered for

Jenny Pilkington after the 9 am Mass.

## CATECHISM START UP

Wednesday, October 1, at 4 pm.



All children ages 7-12  
welcome. Remember to  
complete your registration  
form. We are excited to be  
getting together again!

## PILGRIMAGE OF FAITH 2025

*"A Journey of Hope"*

Remember to fill out your pledge card and drop it  
along with a cheque/cash in the collection,  
or e-transfer to: [etransfer.pof@nelsondiocese.org](mailto:etransfer.pof@nelsondiocese.org).

**Our 2025 parish goal is \$17,350.00.**

**Raised so far: \$7,800.00**

**OLOL Mission goal is \$600.00**

**Raised: \$690.00 Goal exceeded!!!!**

*Thank you!*



## OKTOBERFEST 2025 - JOIN US!

Friday, September 26,  
4-9 pm in the church  
hall

*Join the fun! Drop in!*

Traditional German cuisine and drinks will be  
served. Food and drink tickets can be purchased at  
the door. Eat and drink well for around \$20.

## SILENT AUCTION - TIME TO BID!

*Our parishioners have talents and skills to share.*



*It is time to start bidding!  
Bidding sheets are available  
on the table in the foyer.*

## OUR PRAYERS & CONDOLENCES

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

May the souls of the faithful departed,  
through the mercy of God, rest in peace.  
Amen.

To the family & friends  
of **Anne-Marie Rhodes**,  
who passed away  
on Tuesday, September  
9, 2025, in St. Albert.  
May she rest in peace!

### From MaryAnne S. about her mom



Anne-Marie was an active member of Holy Child Parish where she regularly attended daily mass, was a member of the CWL and enjoyed supporting and organizing the Sunday Greeter Ministry.

A particular highlight of her time in our parish was working with the visiting workers from Mexico to organize a traditional Mexican luncheon after a Sunday Mass. Anne-Marie loved her God and lived her faith daily and like her mother before her, was an inspiration to the power of faith to her family.

## EXPLORE THE FAITH

Thursday, September 18, 6 pm in the Church hall -  
Continuation of our study of the parts of the mass  
(video presentation by Dr. Brant Pitre).

Please join us as we explore the Faith!

All are welcome to attend.

## 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!



## RELIGIOUS CARDS & GIFTS AVAILABLE

The cabinet in the church foyer is organized  
by the CWL as a fundraiser. You can buy religious  
cards for all occasions, rosaries, hand-made  
jewelry, religious gifts and so much more.

Prices are marked on the individual items,  
and if not marked, by donation, to the CWL.

Cash accepted during office hours or  
e-transfer [holychildCWL@gmail.com](mailto:holychildCWL@gmail.com)

## THANK YOU FOR BEING SCENT-SITIVE IN CHURCH!



Be air aware! Scented products can be  
harmful to people with fragrance  
sensitivities, asthma, allergies and other  
medical conditions.

## SUNDAY COLLECTIONS REPORT

August 2025 (includes SAG and e-transfers)

### **Holy Child Parish**

	<b>Collections</b>	<b>Budget</b>
August 3, 2025	\$ 3,612.75	\$ 2,769.23
August 10, 2025	\$ 3,014.60	\$ 2,769.23
August 17, 2025	\$ 3,041.05	\$ 2,769.23
August 24, 2025	\$ 2,471.20	\$ 2,769.23
August 31, 2025	\$ 3,066.30	\$ 2,769.23
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 15,205.90</b>	<b>\$ 13,846.15</b>
<b>Balance</b>		<b>\$ 1,359.75</b>

### **Our Lady of Lourdes Mission**

	<b>Collections</b>	<b>Budget</b>
August 3, 2025	\$ 160.00	\$ 184.04
August 10, 2025	\$ 369.00	\$ 184.04
August 17, 2025	\$ 311.00	\$ 184.04
August 24, 2025	\$ 246.10	\$ 184.04
August 31, 2025	\$ 275.00	\$ 184.04
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 1,361.10</b>	<b>\$ 920.20</b>
<b>Balance</b>		<b>\$ 440.90</b>



## YOUTH BOTTLE DRIVE



Our Parish Youth are still collecting  
cans to help raise funds for our youth  
activities. Drop off in the Youth room.

Thank you for your support!



## **PRAYER LIST**

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

**Brigitte Mercer & family, Maggie Johnston & family, Lynn Works & family  
Margaret Szucs & family, Bob & Sheila Dalflyen & 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 it, please get in touch with the Parish Office. Names will remain on the prayer list for one month.*

## **PASTOR'S MESSAGE**

Saint Helena, the Queen Mother of Constantine the Great, found the 'True Cross of Christ' in the year 362 AD and built a church (Church of the Sepulcher) on that site. Today's Feast of the 'Holy Cross' celebrates Christ's Victory over sin and death. (1Cor 15:12-19) The Holy Cross has become an instrument of our Salvation. This instrument, which was considered a device of torture in the past, has been acclaimed to be a 'Life-Giving Tree' for the believers. The Cross is the Universal Symbol / Image of Christian belief all over the world. Artists throughout the centuries have transformed it into a thing of beauty to be carried in procession or worn as jewelry. For the eyes of the first Christians, it had no beauty. But today it stands out as a symbol of grace, welcoming everyone to his all-embracing love.

Crucifixes in homes, schools, offices, and other prominent places proclaim loud and clear the Saving Love of Christ, bearing constant witness to His Life and Death, reminding us of our Faith. The Cross of Christ is not just a piece of wood. It's a symbolic summary of his suffering, death and resurrection, by which we have been redeemed. It expresses our faith in the crucified Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ! Pope Francis once mentioned that 'Wearing the Cross is good, but following the Cross is better'. People who love much, sacrifice much (Jn 3:16), yet sacrifices do not make us poorer but richer.

The image of the Cross was a Stumbling Block to the Jews, wrote Apostle Paul in Gal 6:12-13. The Cross made the Jewish Circumcision unnecessary (1 Cor 1:23 and Phil 3:18) as the Judaizers insisted on circumcision and a few other legal obligations. For believers, the Cross means the whole Christ Event' (Gal 6:14) through which the world has been crucified to Him and We to the World'. The Jewish Circumcision has been replaced by the New Creation (2 Cor 5:17) Christ through His Death and Resurrection, transformed us as New Creatures = The Redeemed Community, by giving us rebirth through Water and Spirit.

Christian Life is a call to take up one's Cross = Discipleship or Stewardship (Mk 10:38), initiating 'Renunciation'. The Gospel of Luke 9:23 invites us to 'Take up our Cross daily and come after the Lord' (Follow Christ with our daily struggles and challenges). The Holy Cross offers 'Reconciliation'. The Christ event was for the reconciliation of the World to God the Father and also to reconcile with one another = to make peace with our friends and families, as Paul wrote in Ephesians 2:14, "Jesus is our Peace". Christians share in the suffering of Christ through their daily crosses (Col 1:24). We have to suffer until the end of the World.

Jesus' Cross has the salvific power (Rm 4:25). It was an instrument of Curse as per Deuteronomy 21:23. It was used to punish the worst criminals. That's why the Jewish people could not accept the death of Jesus on the Cross. For them, the Messiah cannot die on the Cross, therefore, the Cross became a stumbling block. (1 Cor 1:23) But Paul experienced this Christ on the way to Damascus, and appreciated His redeeming Words: "I am Jesus of Nazareth, whom you are persecuting". Like Paul, we are invited by the Church to realize the 'redeeming Power of Christ's Cross in our lives'.

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

# The Hills Are Alive 2

Jubilee 2025

An annual  
Seton House  
fundraiser



Scan or click the QR code  
to purchase tickets online.

Tickets also available at  
Loaves & Fishes and all  
Kelowna area parish offices.



## Join Us

November 1, 2025

1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.  
ICC Parish Hall, Kelowna

## GRIEF TO GRACE

The next retreat in Canada is late October  
2025 in Kelowna.

For more information please email  
[griegtograncelowna@gmail.com](mailto:griegtograncelowna@gmail.com) or  
make a confidential call to 250-808-6403.

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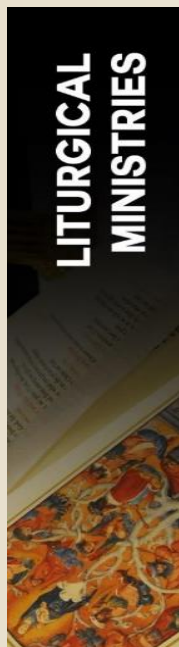


For unity and peace  
On October 7, 2025

In collaboration with:



## MINISTERS SERVING THIS WEEKEND & NEXT



MINISTRY	Saturday Sep. 13 at 5 pm	Sunday Sep. 14 at 9 am	Saturday Sep. 20 at 5 pm	Sunday Sep. 21 at 9 am
<b>Greeter</b>		Connie		Julia
<b>Sacristan</b>	Johanne	Marc	Johanne	Ray
<b>Music</b>	Keiltys	Keiltys	Mark	Mark
<b>Lector 1</b>	Eunice	Rick	Lucy	Gerry
<b>Lector 2</b>	Linda	Stacee	Paul	Marc
<b>Commentator</b>	Neil	Julie	Jon	Bev
<b>Extra-ordinary Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Marianne	Sylvia Ilse	Carmen	Roy Julie
<b>Cross Bearer</b>		Zoë		Zoë
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Acolyte</b>		Joseph		Kasen
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Acolyte</b>		Malaika		Izzy
<b>Hospitality</b>		Louise Mark		

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Admin Assistant: Claire Nowen

## 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	Jacque 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	Roy E.
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](mailto: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](mailto:summerland@nelsondiocese.org)