

HOLY CHILD PARISH

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AUGUST 20, 2023
20th Sunday in Ordinary
Time

MASS SCHEDULE

HOLY CHILD CHURCH

Tuesday to Friday - 9 am*

Saturday - 6 pm

Sunday - 9 am

*2nd WEDNESDAY of the month -

10 am at Summerland Seniors' Village

OUR LADY OF LOURDES MISSION

Sunday - 11 am

Willow St. at 11th Ave. (St. Barbara's
Anglican Church) Okanagan Falls, BC



Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Every Friday, after 9 am Mass

Every Saturday, before the 6 pm Mass

Or by appointment

Adoration: Every Friday, 9.30 am - 11.00 am

MASS INTENTION



AUGUST

TUE 22

(R) PAUL MARTIN

WED 23

(R) NELLIE TAYLOR

(I) FLOYD & GERRY LAVALLEE

THU 24

(R) MARIA LADEIRA

(I) BEV MACINTYRE

FRI 25

(R) TASAKA FAMILY

SAT 26

(I) EUDORA ESPEUT

EXPLORE THE FAITH

Thursday, August 24, at 6 pm. Join us!
Jesus & The End Times - A Catholic View of the Last
Days (presenter Brant Pitre) - Part 3 of 4

LIVING IN THE SPIRIT PRAYER GROUP

There will be **no** prayer meetings for the rest of
August. Prayer meetings will resume on Monday,
September 11 at 6 pm. Thank you!

OUR PILGRIMAGE OF FAITH APPEAL 2023

*Our deep appreciation to all parishioners who
have made a gift to our appeal.*

HOLY CHILD PARISH

Goal - \$16,350

Received - \$6,490

Still to raise - \$9,860

OUR LADY OF LOURDES MISSION

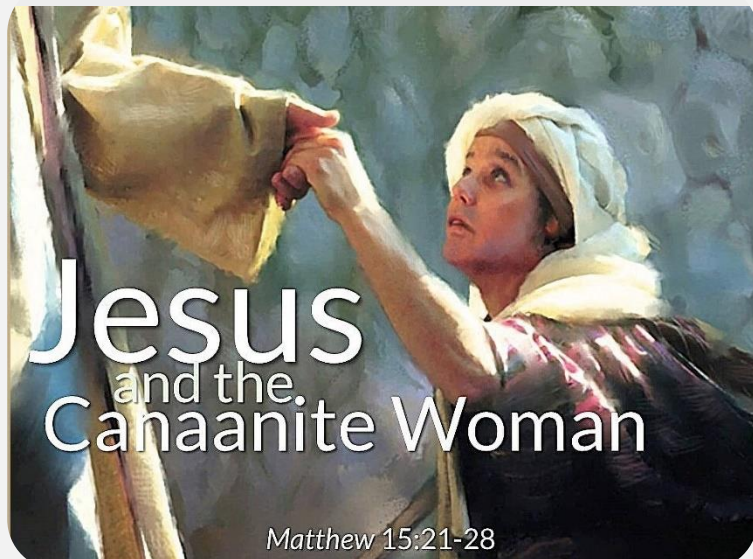
Goal - \$350

Received - \$120

Still to raise - \$230

**Please continue to respond in prayer and
generosity.**

Gifts can be made via etransfer to:
ettransfer.pof@nelsondiocese.org or by completing a
pledge card and returning it along with a
cheque/cash to the parish by collection, in person or
by mail.



Matthew 15:21-28

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NEW EMAIL ADDRESS

Holy Child Parish's new email address is:
summerland@nelsondiocese.org

PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Scripture Message for 20th August 2023 (20th Sunday Ordinary time)

"Does God answer our prayers?" seems to be the question many/all of us have. Mark 11:24 answers, "Ask in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours". Again Matthew 7:7 reiterates, "Ask and you will receive. Search you will find. Knock and the door will be opened. For the one who asks, always receives. The one who searches, finds. The one who knocks, will have the door opened for him". If our prayer request is according to God's Holy Will and if it is beneficial for our growth, God grants them. If they are not, God takes time (he decides according to His good pleasure and not according to our demands/urgency. But He always assures us of His grace. "His grace is sufficient for us" (2 Cor 12:9)

"What is Prayer?" Prayer is a human experience. It's also a Christian experience. In prayer we express our dependency on a Higher Power (God/Deity) which is our guiding principle. We have the inclination/urge to pray because of our affiliation with the Deity. We have this privilege of asking God for blessings and favours. We cannot control God or dictate to him as to what He should do or should not do for us and to the world at large. We pray for several years depending on God's Mercy/benevolence, but nothing happens. Then we are frustrated. We feel that our prayer requests are unanswered/unheeded and our circumstances remain unchanged. Oftentimes we complain that God does not seem to be responding. This situation is festering in our heart, mind and soul. St. Paul explained this situation as 'thorn in one's flesh' (2 Cor 12:7-9)

"Does prayer give a turning point in our lives?". If we are able to depend & allow ourselves to go according to the Plans of God, we all can have a 'turning point' in life. Like Jesus, we should be able to respond, "not my Will, but let thy Will be done". (Lk 22:42) Jesus shows us the way out from our challenges. Jesus saw his imminent death, he was completely challenged, devastated, frustrated and annoyed even beyond his endurance. Yet he trusted in the goodness of God, His Father (Mt 26:38-39) Jesus had built an abiding relationship with His Father God. (Jn 15:7) Abiding becomes a harmonious blending of heart & mind. It makes us tuned to God's Will. When we reach this stage, we begin to depend on God fully well and realize that God listens to our prayers.

Ps 34:18 Tells, "God listens to the Cry of the Poor".... especially the helpless, hopeless, the powerless & lifeless (the anawim of God). "What then Prayer is?". Prayer is waiting on God with eager expectation and longing. Whenever our prayer is persistent and sincere, God listens to the cry of the heart. (Ex : 1. The Canaanite Woman (Mt 15; 21-28) & 2. Abraham's Waiting for an offspring, Issac (Ge 17) prayer also deepens our relationship with God. The Divine Mercy Prayer of Sr. Faustina deepens our relationship with Christ, because it is not born out of material gains, considerations, but it is the pure manifestation of our Genuine Love.

Prayer also helps us to Surrender & Trust more in the Almighty Power of the Deity. The exemplary Trust of Job in the goodness of God is felt when we read, "The Lord gave & He has taken away. Praised be thy Holy Name". (Job 1:21) For the unshakable Trust of Job, the good Lord returned, "Double Portion" of all that job had lost (Job 42:10) Therefore let us try to depend on the Lord with all our prayer petitions, intercessions and requests, always believing that he will grant us His Blessings in due time!

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



GOOD NEWS!

You will find attached the Summer 2023 issue of the Catholic Mountain Star. [Click here](#)



YESHUA 2023 RETREAT

“Men are yearning to encounter the real person of Jesus. The problem is that in today's fast-paced, digitalized world, many good men are often caught in a whirlwind of responsibilities and distractions. The deeper questions of purpose, faith, and personal connection with God can get sidelined.

The Men's Retreat: Yeshua, is more than just a three-day event; it's an opportunity to rediscover Christ. Guided by Jake Khym and Peter White, attendees will dive deep into understanding not just the teachings, but the very person of Jesus. The Men's Retreat offers:

* Personal Discovery: Learn that Jesus isn't just a figure in history, but a real, competent, and loving Savior who seeks a personal relationship with you

* Brotherhood: Forge deep connections with like-minded men who are committed to going deeper with Jesus

* Adventure: Break free from routine, and be immersed in the stunning outdoors of Rockridge Canyon

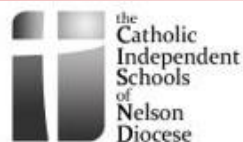
Here's what you need to do:

1. Register for The Men's Retreat at, www.liferestoration.ca/mensretreat
2. Invite a friend or brother priest to join you.
3. Get ready to deeply experience the person of Jesus. Rediscover. Reconnect. Recommit. Register today.”

GRIEF TO GRACE

Through a retreat program facilitated by mental health professionals and centered on Jesus Christ, Grief to Grace helps those who have endured neglect, physical, emotional, sexual, and/or spiritual abuse in their family of origin, their community, from spouses/partners, and/or coworkers or supervisors, find healing and journey to wholeness. The next retreat in Canada is October 24 – 28, 2023 in Kelowna.

For more information please email griegtogracekelowna@gmail.com or make a confidential call to 250-808-6403



Our Lady of Lourdes Elementary School is looking for a new team member. Do you have the skills and/or experience/certification to work as a Custodian & Maintenance Groundskeeper?

Do you know someone who would be a great asset to our West Kelowna school? There is an opening for School Custodian/Maintenance at Our Lady of Lourdes Elementary. You can access the position details and see all employment opportunities within CISND by going to our website, <https://www.cisnd.ca/employment.php>. OLOL also has open teacher positions.

- Click on “Available Support Positions” or “Available Teaching Positions”

For any questions about the application process, email admin.assist@cisnd.ca.

PASTORAL CARE TRAINING

The free Pastoral Care Outreach Training series will be offered online again this fall by the Diocese of Victoria Health Care Committee. Nine sessions will be held via Zoom on Saturday mornings from 9:30 – noon, starting on September 23 and running until November 25, 2023. Please register through your local parish by September 12.

BACHELOR OF CATHOLIC STUDIES DEGREE

Our Lady Seat of Wisdom College is a faithfully Catholic liberal arts college in Barry's Bay, Ontario, offering a three-year Bachelor of Catholic Studies degree. Small class sizes and a strong academic program set students up for success in the classroom and in all future pursuits. Faculty take their Catholic faith seriously, and profess an oath of fidelity to the Magisterium of the Church. A vibrant campus life, men's and women's residence houses, and ample spiritual opportunities create a Catholic culture that forms the whole person. Students build life-long friendships, and often discern their vocations. The tuition is affordable, and financial aid is available. There are still spots available for 2023-2024! Please visit www.seatofwisdom.ca

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION ADORATION CHAPEL 25 YEAR CELEBRATION

You are invited to join Bishop Gregory Bittman in a Mass of Thanksgiving to celebrate 25 years of perpetual adoration at the Immaculate Conception Adoration Chapel. The Mass will be offered at 5:00 p.m. Thursday, September 7, at Immaculate Conception Church in Kelowna. Mass will be followed by a potluck dinner in the parish hall. Please join us for the celebration.

PRAYER LIST

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

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, Sheila Dalflyen, Betty & Jack Jolie, Chrissy Kozier, Richard Roess, Jack Rowland, Jo-Ann Rowland, Jody Richter, Dina Tremblay, Jenny Pilkington, Sophie Graydon, Renee Tameling, Patricia Horan, Nancy Brooks, Mirjana Komljenovic, Mason Webb, Belinda D'Souza, Wills Hodgkinson, Denise McDonald (daughter of M. Harrington), Aspen Alfred, Paul & Joyce Richter, Taryn Hoskyn, Annette Lefebvre, Peter Deuling, Bill Bolger, Thiele family, Eileen McAteer, Mark & Maggie 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, Josie Reid & family, Jann Bouthillier, Rhonda Connell, Jared Howe Rocky Cogill, Eudora Espeut, Cathy Hughes, Grace Shaw, Darlene MacPherson, Michelle Robertson, Arin Martins.



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 (August 20-26)

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: [Isaiah 56](#): 1, 6-7

Second Reading: [Romans 11](#): 13-15, 29-32

Gospel: [Matthew 15](#): 21-28

MONDAY – ST. PIUS X (M)

First Reading: [Judges 2](#): 11-19

Gospel: [Matthew 19](#): 16-22

TUESDAY - QUEENSHIP OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY (M)

First Reading: [Judges 6](#): 11-24a

Gospel: [Matthew 19](#): 23-30

WEDNESDAY

First Reading: [Judges 9](#): 6-15

Gospel: [Matthew 20](#): 1-16

THURSDAY – ST. BARTHOLOMEW (F)

First Reading: [Revelation 21](#): 9b-14

Gospel: [John 1](#): 45-51

FRIDAY

First Reading: [Ruth 1](#): 1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22

Gospel: [Matthew 22](#): 34-40

SATURDAY

First Reading: [Ruth 2](#): 1-3, 8-11; 4: 13-17

Gospel: [Matthew 23](#): 1-12

The SACRAMENT of BAPTISM

Welcome Grace!

Baptism serves as the first sacrament one receives when entering the Catholic Faith.

It is a sacrament of initiation, meaning once you received it, you officially enter into the body of Christ.



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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: summerland@nelsondiocese.org



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