

HOLY CHILD PARISH

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2ND SUNDAY OF LENT
1st March 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

MARCH

TUE 3

(I) DENESE ESPEUT-POST &
(I) MATTHEW TRENAMAN

WED 4

(I) JOHANNE LIBOIRON

THU 5

(I) MURIELLE BLEZY & FAMILY

FRI 6

(I) CONNIE BLACKBURN

SAT 7

(I) SYLVIA MACKAY

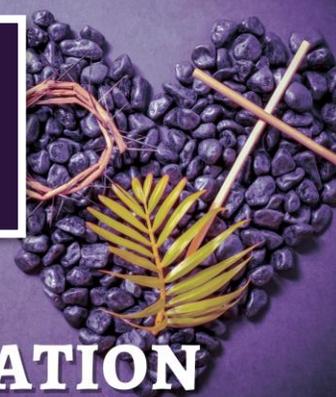


MESSAGE OF POPE LEO XIV FOR LENT 2026

The 2026 Message of Pope Leo XIV for Lent is titled "*Listening and Fasting: Lent as a Time of Conversion.*" In his message, the Holy Father writes: "Lent is a time in which the Church, guided by a sense of maternal care, invites us to place the mystery of God back in the center of our lives, in order to find renewal in our faith and keep our hearts from being consumed by the anxieties and distractions of daily life." Read the entire message. [Click here](#)

Thursday, March 5,
6pm in church

Additional priests will be available for confessions



LENTEN RECONCILIATION

This Lent, let us all make an act of contrition and seek forgiveness. This practice is not only about admitting sins but also seeking God's grace and forgiveness, leading to a renewed relationship with Him.

JOURNEY THROUGH LENT 2026

The *Journey through Lent* video has spiritual reflections for each Sunday in Lent.
In English: www.cccb.ca/lenet

EXPLORE THE FAITH

Join us on **Thursday, March 5, at 4 pm,**
in the church hall.

We are following: "**The Chosen - Last Supper**"
(part 5 of 8 episodes)

We plan to continue this series throughout Lent.
Please join us! All are welcome!

THE WAY OF THE CROSS

Every Friday of Lent at 6 pm, in the Church.

Leaders of the Stations:

Feb. 27 - Lectors

Mar. 6 - Parish Council

Mar. 13 - Youth

Mar. 20 - D & P

Mar. 27 - Eucharistic ministers



BIBLE STUDY WITH FR. GABRIEL

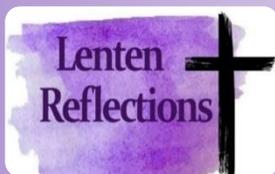
Every Thursday, after the 9 am Mass.
Join us as we dig deeper into the Word of God!
Everyone welcome!
Copies of the pastor's message are available
every week in the foyer.

YOUTH BOTTLE DRIVE CONTINUES

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

PARISH LENTEN SERVICE

Wednesday, March 25, at 6 pm, in church



*Take time this Lent to be still.
Join us as our music ministry team lead us
through a special time of Lenten reflections
with beautiful music.
Refreshments will be served after the service.*

PILGRIMAGE OF FAITH 2026

Roman Catholic
Diocese of Nelson

Our Pilgrimage of Faith Appeal 2026

A Journey toward a mansion of
many rooms.
"In my Father's house there are
many dwelling places." (John 14:2)



A new appeal year
is upon us, and
the Pilgrimage of
Faith
Committee has
approved a
diocesan
goal of \$605,000.

**Our 2026 parish
goal is
\$17,650.00.
OLOL Mission goal
is \$850.00**

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



GRAB YOUR FRIENDS, DON YOUR GREEN, AND GET READY
FOR A NIGHT FILLED WITH LUCK, DANCING, AND LOTS
OF LAUGHTER!

CWL PRESENTS
**SAINT
PATRICKS
DAY
PARTY**
MARCH 15, 2026

80 TICKETS WILL BE PRESOLD
\$15/ADULTS
\$5/CHILDREN UNDER 10
25 TAKE OUT MEALS WILL BE
AVAILABLE FOR PU AT 4 PM

4 PM - 7 PM
IRISH DANCERS AT 5 PM

IRISH STEW, IRSH SODA BREAD, AND DESSERT
NON ALCOHOLIC GUINNESS AND SODA
WILL BE AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday March 1	9:00 am	Sunday Mass with Children's Liturgy & Refreshments
	11:00 am	Sunday Mass at OLOLM
Monday March 2	7:00 pm	Youth Group
Tuesday March 3	8:30 am	Liturgy of the Hours & Rosary
	9:00 am	Mass
Wednesday March 4	9:00 am	Mass & Rosary
	4:00 pm	Children's Catechism & Supper
Thursday March 5	8:30 am	Liturgy of the Hours & Rosary
	9:00 am	Mass
	9:45 am	Coffee & Bible Study
	4:00 pm	Explore the Faith
	6:00 pm	Parish Reconciliation Service
Friday March 6	9:00 am	Mass
	9:30 am	Holy Hour/Adoration
	9:30 am	Confession
	6:00 pm	Stations of the Cross (PPC)
Saturday March 7	4:15 pm	Confession
	5:00 pm	Sunday Mass

PRAYER LIST

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

Mary Riggs, Don & Kathy Hughes & family, Graham & Ginny Bennett & 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

"The Transfiguration of Christ", is a mystical experience, revealing the 'True Identity of Christ, as the 'Son of God / Messiah', who is a 'Suffering Servant'. When Jesus was before Pilate, the Governor, he introduced, 'Ecce Homo = Here is the Man', who claimed to be 'Son of God' (Jn19:6). St. Paul in the Letter to the Galatians 2:20 wrote, "We live by faith in the Son of God, who loved us and gave himself up for us". It was Paul who called Jesus 'the Son of God' for the first time. Psalm 2:7 reminds us: "You are my Son, today, I have begotten you". In the letter to Galatians (4:4), we read 'Jesus was the incarnate Son of the Father'. Apostle Matthew (17:1-9) talks about 'Jesus as the Messiah' (The Redeemer) who is with Glory and Power (Incarnation), but Jesus divested his glory to become a 'Suffering servant' (The Redeemer) for saving the World. 'The Suffering Servant was Christ', and this revelation was manifested in the 'Transfiguration of Jesus', when Moses, the Law Giver, and Elijah, the Prophet, appeared to Peter, James and John, the Disciples of Christ and were talking to him.

What Moses and Elijah talked about to Christ is a real search or thought-provoking endeavour for believers. In fact, they were talking to Jesus about His impending suffering and death. So far, the disciples were able to see the glory of Jesus, but from now on, they will be witnessing the suffering and death of Christ. Moses and Elijah were strengthening the disciples in their resolve to be faithful to Christ even beyond his suffering and death. In a way, they were motivating the core group / the inner circle of Christ to give a visible and credible witness to His Saving Power.

Jesus, the 'Suffering Servant,' was obedient even when it was not pleasant. He went to the Cross according to the plan of God. This week's Liturgy extends an invitation to our consideration, especially "To do God's will", however challenging it may be. Hearing God's call and doing what God wants is a challenge for all. We get a great example from Christ's Mother, Mary, who did God's will by her obedience. She advised us to 'Listen to Him' (Jn 3:6) as she was able to listen to God. Doing God's will like Mary needs a lot of courage and strength, especially in the goodness of the Almighty = The providence of God. We need to develop this mindset. If we do so, the Providence of God can change our miserable existence to become a colourful life. Our challenging life could be transformed into a very promising and productive life.

We are therefore encouraged to develop this spirit of obedience to 'God's will' through our listening capacities. God speaks to everyone. But in the busyness of the world, and in our own busyness, God's Word escapes from our grasp. During these days of grace, may God grant us this wisdom of listening to Him attentively and also to act on it diligently. Jesus, the suffering Servant, heard the voice of God and acted on it faithfully and became a Great Icon of our faith. Like Jesus, we are encouraged to become stalwarts of our faith to experience the transformative grace through our obedience to Him. May this experience of the Transformation of Christ lead us to a 'Turning point' in our lives too.

All the best.

In the Service of the Word!

Gabriel

ON TRACK FOR JUSTICE

Please check out the new Symbol of Solidarity which you will find on the D&P display table.

Development and Peace — Caritas Canada's work in a nutshell

Dignity, participation, solidarity, the preferential option for the poor and integrity. These are the values at the heart of the work of Development and Peace — Caritas Canada, the official international development organization of the Catholic Church in Canada. Since 1967, we've been walking hand in hand with communities in the Global South to promote **justice, peace and dignity.**



Guided by **Catholic Social Teaching**, we support **partner-led projects** that reach over **7 million people in more than 30 countries** around the world.

Watch this [one-minute video](#) for a glimpse of what this work of solidarity looks like.

INVITATION:

LENT 2026 ON ZOOM

To live our Christian destiny well, the Lord calls us to be changed and transformed by his Love. Lent invites us to let the miracle of redemption unfold again in our own lives.

“My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness”

(2 Cor, 12:9).

The Nelson Diocesan Renewal invites you to join us as we learn how to surrender to Christ in faith this Lent. We will be journeying with Ascension press and Fr. Columba Jordan, CFR, in the new Lenten program, **Crux**. Fr Columba will help us build a habit of Scripture reading and prayer, keeping our eyes fixed on Lenten goals and reminding us of our true identity in Christ.

Our six weekly Zoom meetings occur Thursday afternoons at 2 pm, until March 26.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89565693888?pwd=ju5iFyh05wvPoeXYzZS2FGjT0gJyzN.1>

Meeting ID: 89565693888

CHRISM MASS 2026

You are invited to the Diocesan Chrism Mass on **Monday, March 30, at 7:00 p.m. at Immaculate Conception Parish, Kelowna.** Those who register for dinner are invited to a social gathering at 4:15 p.m. in the ICC Parish Hall, followed by dinner at 5:00 p.m. We also invite all couples celebrating special wedding anniversaries (25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50 years, and longer) to join us for dinner. If you would like to attend, please give your name to your Parish Office before March 15th.

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

GRIEF TO GRACE

The next retreat in Canada is **March 2026 in Kelowna, British Columbia.** For more information, please email griegtograckelowna@gmail.com or make a confidential call to 250-808-6403.

BIBLE READINGS

For the daily Bible readings visit: cccb.ca or

DIocese OF NELSON Youth Ministry **DEANERY YOUTH STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

DATE CHANGE



March 7 – West Kootenay | St Rita Parish, Castlegar (1:30 – 6:00 pm)

March 14 – East Kootenay | Christ the Servant, Cranbrook (3:00 – 6:00 pm)

March 28–South Okanagan | St. Ann Church, Penticton (2:30 – 6:00 pm)

March 29 – North Okanagan | Seton House of Prayer (5:30 – 7:00 pm)

(Program: Video Presentation, Stations of the Cross, Reflection, Sacrament of Confession, Holy Mass & Fellowship)

We Adore you O Christ & We Praise You, because by Your Holy Cross You redeemed the World!*

COME & JOIN US! Please contact your Youth Ministry Coordinator or email us at youth.coordinator@nelsondiocese.org

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



Join us for our

SCIENCE FAIR & OPEN HOUSE

Thursday, March 5th from 1:00 - 4:00 pm

Grades 8 & 9

St. Carlo Acutis LEGACY ACADEMY

holyc.com/legacy-academy

THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR MARCH:

For disarmament and peace

Let us pray that nations move toward effective disarmament, particularly nuclear disarmament, and that world leaders choose the path of dialogue and diplomacy instead of violence.



The annual Black Tie Gala in support of the Catholic education will take place on April, 11, 2026.

Theme: *James Bond, Agent 007*

Date: April 11, 2026

Location: Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic School,
West Kelowna

Tickets: \$75; e-transfer payments may be sent to
ololschool@cisnd.ca

Dust off the tuxedo and dress to the 9's! Enjoy an elegant evening featuring fine food, live music, and James Bond—themed trivia.

CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE

APRIL 24-25, 2026

KELOWNA, BC

Immaculate Conception Church
839 Sutherland Avenue

ONE IN CHRIST, UNITED IN MISSION

SPEAKER &
BEST SELLING
AUTHOR:
FR. LARRY
RICHARDS

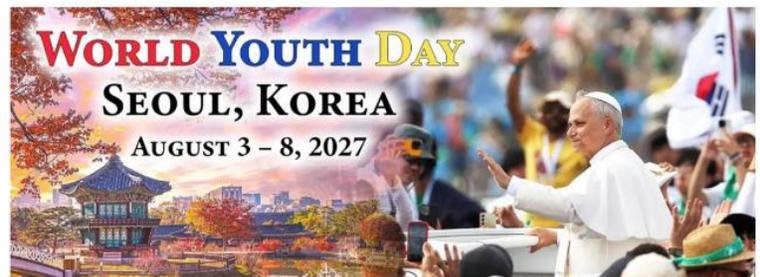


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Young Adults of the Diocese of Nelson

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.

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)

MINISTERS SERVING THIS WEEKEND & NEXT



MINISTRY	Saturday February 28 at 5 pm	Sunday March 1 at 9 am	Saturday March 7 at 5 pm	Sunday March 8 at 9 am
Greeter		Dianne		Sandra
Sacristan	Johanne	Ray	Johanne	Ray
Music	Imelda	Imelda	Jim	Celina
Lector 1	Neil	Mary-Anne	Neil	Youth
Lector 2	Mike	Marguerite	Gina	Youth
Commentator	Gina	Gerry	Mike	Youth
Extra-ordinary Eucharistic Ministers	Ray	Sylvia Madeleine	Scott	Ray Roy
Cross Bearer		Malaika		Claire
1st Acolyte		Joseph		Izzy
2nd Acolyte		Kasen		Zoë
Hospitality		Ken Dianne		TBA

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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	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	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