#### **HOLY CHILD PARISH**

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December 12, 2021
3rd SUNDAY OF
ADVENT

## **MASS SCHEDULE**

TUESDAY TO FRIDAY – 9 am SATURDAY – 6 pm SUNDAY – 9 am & 10.30 am



Sunday 10.30 am Mass continues to be livestreamed at <a href="https://www.twitch.tv/holychildchurch">https://www.twitch.tv/holychildchurch</a> Sunday 10.30 am Mass can be listened to

Sunday 10.30 am Mass can be listened to on 91.9FM and communion will be available in the parking lot.

<u>Sacrament of Reconciliation</u>: Fridays after 9 am Mass or by appointment

Adoration: Every Friday 9.30 - 10.30 am



## **CONFESSION SCHEDULE**

ST. ANNE PARISH, PENTICTON – DEC. 13, MONDAY, 5 PM



## **2022 OFFERING ENVELOPES**

2022 envelopes are now available for pick up in the foyer. New envelope numbers have been assigned, according to last name. Please begin to use these envelopes from January 1, 2022. A set of offering envelopes can be assigned to you if you do not have a box. Please contact the Parish Office.

Thank you for giving to Holy Child Parish!

#### **MASS INTENTION**

**DECEMBER** 

SUN 12 (9am) (R) BRUCE GOLHOVITS

TUE 14 WED 15 (R) ALL SOULS
(R) ALEX WEAVER

THU 16

(I) ROY & BEV MACINTYRE

FRI 17 SAT 18 (R) SOULS IN PURGATORY





# CHRISTMAS SEASON MASS SCHEDULE

\*Registration is required for Christmas Eve and Christmas Day Masses. Please click the mass time for the link to register.

FRIDAY DECEMBER 24, 2021
6 pm Christmas Eve Mass\*
8 pm Christmas Eve Mass\*

SATURDAY DECEMBER 25, 2021 10 am Christmas Day Mass\* 6 pm Sunday (26th) Anticipated Mass

9 am Mass 10.30 am Mass

SATURDAY JANUARY 1, 2022 9 am Mass 10.30 am Mass 6 pm Sunday (2<sup>nd</sup>) Anticipated Mass

> SUNDAY JANUARY 2, 2022 9 am Mass 10.30 am Mass



#### Office of the Bishop

## **New Health Orders for Worship Services**

2 December 2021

Dear Pastors, Assoc. Pastors, and Parishioners,

Greetings and Peace in the Lord!

As of 30 November 2021, the Provincial Government has issued new Provincial Health Orders to reduce the risk of COVID-19 infection during worship services. The reasoning centres around the greater risk at this time of year, and the increase in faith gatherings and social interactions associated with Christmas. The two changes are as follows:

 Masks have been made mandatory for worship services. This also includes those who sing in music ministry or choirs. Fortunately, we have all been wearing masks already, so this change is inconsequential, except for our music ministry. A person can remove their mask for Holy Communion and once outside the Church.

Readers are allowed to speak without a mask subject to distancing requirements being met or a barrier to prevent transmission.

It is important for masks to be worn properly to be effective. They must cover one's nose and mouth. If a person cannot wear a mask plus or minus 1 hour, it might be better to attend Mass virtually or in their vehicle through FM broadcast.

- Our capacity limit for worship services has been reduced to 50% of seated capacity. (NOTE: your fire capacity may be different than your seated capacity and should be verified.) This means that you will need to:
  - a) determine your seated capacity
  - b) have a person or persons monitor numbers as parishioners enter the church
  - c) use your hall when your church has reached capacity (50% seated capacity applies in the hall)
  - d) use your parking lot and FM broadcast so that people are not turned away (Holy Communion will need to be provided to the people in their cars)
  - e) live stream Mass if you are not already doing so

All previous preventative measures remain in place re: hand sanitizing, social distancing, etc.

As we approach the season of Christmas, this is not the direction I was hoping for. Yet, I believe that each other's safety and peace of mind are paramount when attending Mass or other church services.

While definitely an inconvenience, this is an opportunity, as with all the other inconveniences that COVID has brought, to grow in merit and grace. Our Faith tells us that our pain and sufferings can be offered up for the good of one another, our world and other spiritual intentions. This is another occasion to do so.

Thank you for your continued patience and cooperation in light of these changes. God bless you.

Sincerely in Christ our Lord,

⊕ Gregory J Bittman
 Bishop of Nelson

#### **PRAYER LIST**

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

George Szucs, Christine Delaurier, Vivian Dolezsar, Eugene Chorneyko, Rosa Santos, Kathryn Simpson, Toran Younge, Anne Arthur, Nick Deuling, Olivia Whitfield-Carson, Sandy Jaser, Malinowski Family, Carrie Malinowski, Jennifer Knoll, Reid & Anne Watson, Paul & Dianne Pasqualetto, Kian Hooshmand-Hall, Dawna Werbeski, Pat Thomas, Sheila Daflyen, Betty Jolie, Chrissy Kozier, Richard Roess, Cecilia Roess, Jack Rowland, Jo-Ann Rowland, Jody Richter, Geraldine Koropchuk, Bill Appel, Dina Tremblay, Rachel Donegan, Jenny Pilkington, Sophie Graydon, Renee Tameling, Gail Brice, Patricia Horan, Jack Jolie, Nancy Brooks, Mirjana Komljenovic, Todd Brice, Mason Webb, Bob Butler, Manuela Ungureanu, Maria Ladeira, Belinda D'Souza, Wills Hodgkinson, Denise McDonald (daughter of M. Harrington), Lloyd Jolie, Linda Haworth, Maggie Johnston, Aspen Alfred, Bishop Christopher Budd, Helen Schaeffer, Mary Riggs, Vicky Bolger, Connie Weaver & family, Paul & Joyce Richter, Annette Lefebvre, Hector Cartier, Peter Deuling.



#### 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!



## Rachel's Corner

"In the inner stillness where meditation leads, the Spirit secretly anoints the soul and heals our deepest wounds."

- St John of the Cross-feast day December 14

After having suffered a loss due to an abortion decision, the deepest of wounds can be submerged in complete silence and shame. Join us on a Rachel's Vineyard® Retreat and allow the Spirit to anoint your soul and heal you of what has caused you such great pain.

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## **DAILY MASS READINGS**

#### THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

First Reading: <u>Zephaniah 3:</u> 14-18a Second Reading: <u>Philippians 4:</u> 4-7

Gospel: <u>Luke 3:</u> 10-18 **MONDAY – ST. LUCY (M)** 

First Reading: Numbers 24: 2-7, 15-17a

Gospel: Matthew 21: 23-27

TUESDAY - ST. JOHN OF THE CROSS (M)

First Reading: Zephaniah 3: 1-2, 9-13

Gospel: Matthew 21: 28-32

**WEDNESDAY** 

First Reading: <u>Isaiah 45</u>: 6c-8, 18, 21c-25

Gospel: Luke 7: 18b-23

**THURSDAY** 

First Reading: Isaiah 54: 1-10

Gospel: Luke 7: 24-30

**FRIDAY** 

First Reading: Genesis 49: 2, 8-10

Gospel: Matthew 1: 1-17

**SATURDAY** 

First Reading: <u>Jeremiah 23:</u> 5-8

Gospel: Matthew 1: 18-24

## <u>DECEMBER 12 - NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER IN SOLIDARITARY WITH THE</u> <u>INDIGENOUS PEOPLES</u>

#### **LET US PRAY:**

O God, Creator and Father of all, with humility we your children acknowledge the relationship of all living things. For this we thank you, we praise you and we worship you. We call on you, Great Mystery, the Word made Flesh

- our teacher, prophet and brother -

to open our hearts to all our brothers and sisters, and with them to grow in the wisdom, honesty, courage and respectfulness shown in The Sacred Teachings.

Give us the vision and honesty to recognize that the we are all brothers and sisters of one human family, created and sustained by the One Creator.

As we deal with many challenges, may we never give way to fear and anger, which can be the source of division and threat amongst peoples.

We look to how God always gives to us, as a remedy for sins of prejudice and intolerance.

We see in God the Creator of all things, one who always provides and is generous

– even given the abuses we have heaped on one another and on the earth.

We see in the Son, Jesus Christ

- the innocent Victim who pours His life blood out from the Cross for all peoples.

We see how the Holy Spirit is God's gift, alive in our world today

- inspiring vision and hope that we can have the same mind and heart of God!

May Your Spirit also bless and guide the delegation of indigenous leaders and young people as they prepare to visit the Holy Father, Pope Francis,

in the near future. May this be occasion of grace and healing, and make possible a renewed journey and future.

O Creator, show us the way to healing, forgiveness and reconciliation, and a renewed fellowship.
+Amen

## **BC CHARISMATIC**

Catholic Charismatic Renewal Services of B.C. newsletter Fall 2021 is now available.

http://bccharismatic.ca/bccharismatic-fall-newsletter-fall-2021/

## **CCO RISE UP CONFERENCE**:

**January 6 – 8, 2022** 

Rise Up is a conference for young adults hosted by Catholic Christian Outreach, a Canadian university student movement. But Rise Up is more than a conference; it exists to motivate and inspire leaders for the renewal of the world. Registration is available through www.cco.ca/rise-up with early registration pricing until Nov. 30, 2021 (online and in-person options available).

#### **Summerland Refugee Sponsorship Society**

#### They're Here!

The Summerland Refugee Sponsorship Society is back in business! After nearly twenty years in the refugee camp and then another two long years of waiting and uncertainty after their match with the Summerland Refugee Sponsorship Group, the Ayuen Mach family, refugees from South Sudan, have finally arrived in Summerland on November 11<sup>th</sup>.

Ajah and her 7 children (aged 20, 18, 16, 13, 9, 7, and 2) are currently settling into their new home while they complete all the Ministry of Health travel requirements after their two-day journey from Nairobi.

Housing is all arranged, and we have a committed Family Support Team who are ready to assist the family during their first year in Canada. We may be reaching out in due course for donations of specific household items, however there isn't anything we need as of yet.

We do need to raise additional funds for the family's monthly financial support. If you wish to make a tax-deductible charitable donation, you can do so online through the Community Foundation: <a href="https://www.cfso.net/donors/donate/summerland-refugee-sponsorship-fund/">https://www.cfso.net/donors/donate/summerland-refugee-sponsorship-fund/</a>

Once the family is out of quarantine and vaccinated, we will need volunteers to help with driving and tutoring, etc. We have a Covid-19 safe Volunteer Plan based public health guidelines and, to this end, we will require any volunteer working directly with any family member to be fully (double) vaccinated as well as providing an updated criminal record check.

If you are interested in assisting in any way, please contact Mary-Anne Smirle at <a href="msmirle@shaw.ca">msmirle@shaw.ca</a> or 250-494-5038 Please keep Ajah and her family in your prayers.



#### **CHURCH DONATIONS**

There are different ways to donate:

#### 1.SAG (Pre-Authorized Giving)

Please call the parish office for a form.

#### 2. E-TRANSFER

Log in to your bank account and e-transfer your donation to:

#### etransfer.HCPS@nelsondiocese.org

Your donation goes directly into the parish bank account. Password is no longer needed. Please indicate in the message box of the e-transfer to which fund the donation is intended. For example: Sunday Offering, Special Church Care, Christmas, one of the Ordered Collections, or if it is to be split between two or more of these.

#### 3. MAIL

Please mail your donation to the parish address at the top of the bulletin.

God bless your generous hearts!

#### **PARISH CONTACT LIST**

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#### **PARISH OFFICE**:

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Music Ministry	Imelda K.	250-494-5921
Eucharistic Ministers	Bernadine J.	250-494-7972
Lectors/Commentators	Neil M.	250-494-8418
Catechism	Shirley M.	250-494-8418
Safe Environment Rep.		
Youth Coordinator		
Development & Peace	John M.	250-494-9590
Sick/Homebound Services	Terri W.	250-809-1734
Greeters	Anne-Marie R.	250-494-9220
Holy Cross School Office		250-492-4480
Knights of Columbus	Roy E.	250-494-8808
Catholic Women's League	Sandra S.	778-516-0211
Ministerial Singers	Terri W.	250-809-1734

## **HOLY CHILD PARISH IS IN NEED OF A CUSTODIAN**

**Custodian Position Description** 

#### (Diocesan Employment Policy for Lay Employees)

This is a part time job – 3 HOURS/WEEK

Summary Reporting to the Pastor or his designate, the Custodian maintains the church and Parish centre and associated grounds. Basic Position Description: To clean and maintain the Parish buildings and grounds. Duties and Responsibilities • Clean washrooms, dust all surfaces, clean glass windows and surfaces, dry mop or vacuum all floors and remove garbage and recycle items from Parish buildings. • Ensure that the sacristy and church (e.g., pews, floors) are clean at all times. • Maintain the carpets and hard-surfaced floors periodically. • Perform and/or report necessary repairs. • Keep all equipment in good working order. • Coordinate periodic fire inspections. • Maintain the grounds, lawns and flowerbeds as required. • Clear snow and ice from sidewalks and walkways and maintain the spring, autumn and winter checklists required by the diocesan insurance policy. • Arrange for power sweeping of parking lots and line painting if required. • Maintain the cleaning supplies inventory and order supplies as needed within the approved budget. • Update and maintain records contained within the diocesan "Arson Risk Management Compliance Declaration." • Provide other duties as required.

PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE FOR APPOINMENT IF YOU DESIRE TO APPLY. THANK YOU!