

HOLY CHILD PARISH

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**23RD SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME**
6th September 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

WITH GRATITUDE & HUMBLE HEARTS...

We are grateful for the prayers, support, and encouragement our community has received during the wildfires and evacuation.

A huge thank you to the firefighters, first responders, and volunteers whose dedication and sacrifice helped carry us through this difficult time. We are also deeply humbled and thankful for the love and generosity shown by our neighbours in Penticton and beyond, especially Fr. Neil and our church families at St. Ann's and St. John Vianney. You were a tremendous source of comfort and strength.

Ultimately, we thank the Lord Almighty for the many blessings, for being able to gather together again, and, moving forward, we continue to pray for those whose lives have been affected by the fires and to seek meaningful ways to support them in their recovery.

MASS INTENTIONS

SEPTEMBER

TUE 8

(R) HOLY SOULS

WED 9

(R) MAUREEN DOWNEY

THU 10

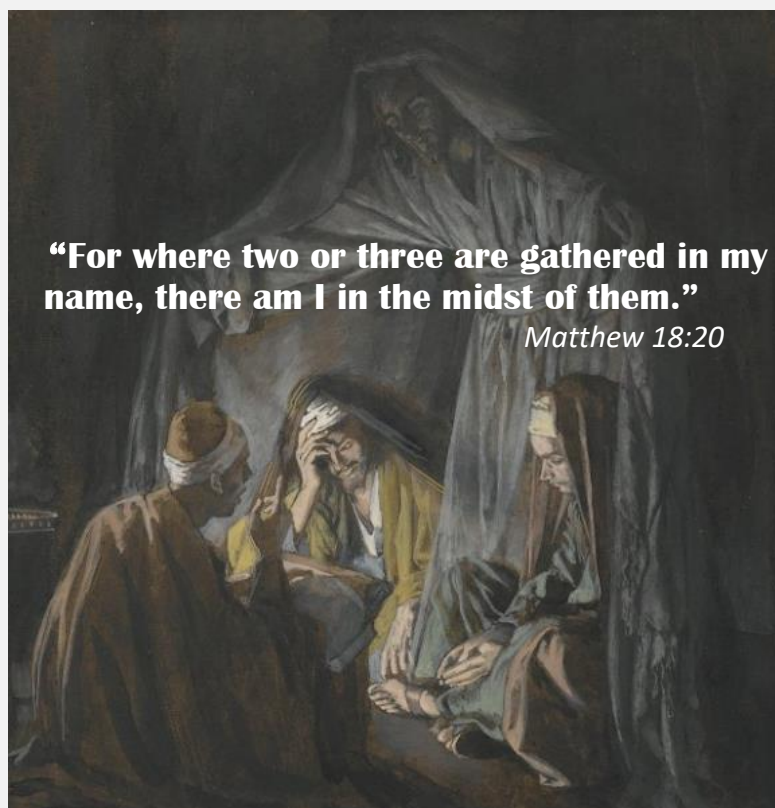
(R) CARLOS & JULITA GUERRERO

FRI 11

(R) ALFONSO & VICENTA JACINTO

SAT 12

(R) JENNY PILKINGTON



"For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I in the midst of them."

Matthew 18:20

CHANGES TO THE MASS SCHEDULE

Wednesday, September 9, 2026

9 am Mass will be held in church for those wishing to attend daily Mass on Wednesday.

Mass at Dr. Andrew Pavilion will be held at 10:30 am on the same day. Due to limited space, this Mass will be for residents of Dr. Andrew Pavilion only.

WELCOME!

Welcome home Fr. Gabriel!
It is good to have you back in the Parish!

EXPLORE THE FAITH

Join us on **Thursday, September 10**, at **6:30 pm** in the church hall.

Our study of the parts of the Mass continues with a look at the prayer posturing.

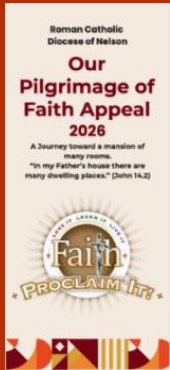
All are invited to attend, to view the lecture and to engage in the discussion.

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 every week in the foyer.

PILGRIMAGE OF FAITH 2026



Our Parish goal is \$17,650

Raised: \$3,850

Still to raise: \$13,800

Please consider donating to Our Pilgrimage of Faith Appeal.

Pick up a booklet in the foyer.

LOL Mission goal is \$850

Raised: \$880

Goal Exceeded!!!!

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

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS REPORT

July 2026 (includes SAG and e-transfers)

Holy Child Parish

	Collections	Budget
July 5	\$ 3,054.75	\$ 3,000.00
July 12	\$ 3,115.15	\$ 3,000.00
July 19	\$ 2,480.25	\$ 3,000.00
July 26	\$ 2,727.25	\$ 3,000.00
Total	\$ 11,377.40	\$ 12,000.00
Balance		-\$ 622.60

Our Lady of Lourdes Mission

	Collections	Budget
July 5	\$ 530.00	\$ 225.00
July 12	\$ 190.00	\$ 225.00
July 19	\$ 367.00	\$ 225.00
July 26	\$ 175.00	\$ 225.00
Total	\$ 1,262.00	\$ 900.00
Balance		\$ 362.00

Thank you for your ongoing support!

YOUTH BOTTLE DRIVE

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

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday Sept. 6	9:00 am	Sunday Mass with Children's Liturgy and Refreshments
	11:00 am	Sunday Mass at LOL Mission
Monday Sept. 7		
Tuesday Sept. 8	8:25 am 9:00 am	Liturgy of the Hours & Rosary Mass
Wednesday Sept. 9	9:00 am	Mass & Rosary
Thursday Sept. 10	8:25 am 9:00 am 6:30 pm	Liturgy of the Hours & Rosary Mass & Bible Study Explore the Faith
Friday Sept. 11	9:00 am 9:30 am	Mass Eucharistic Adoration & Confession
Saturday Sept. 12	4:15 pm 5:00 pm	Confession Anticipated Sunday Mass

HOME CARE WORKER NEEDED

I am a parishioner and am looking for a part-time home care worker to assist me in caring for my 94-year-old Mom.

Job description: house cleaning, light cooking, walking an elderly woman, reading and playing games

Hours: 2 hrs in the morning and/or afternoon

Payment: \$25/hr

Location: Princeton Avenue, Peachland, BC

Start Date: September 8

For more details, contact Mary at:

205-767-0310 [text or call]

email: rankin.mary4394@gmail.com

LOOKING FOR GIFTS OR CARDS?

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

PRAYER LIST

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

**Dorothy Malinowski & family, Jacob & Jaden Webb, Fred & Jenny Wangler & family,
Chrys & Celynne Tremblay, Paul & Diane Pasqualetto & family,
Don & Kathy Hughes & family, Quentin Enns & 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

"Building Christian Communities" is the theme for this Sunday. Christian communities are built on the values of love and service, selfless service to God and to His Children. Today's scriptures invite us to share our love and service with everyone, even with those who do not share our hopes and dreams and those who don't wish to have any dealings with us. Robert Putnam, a leading sociologist, tells us that 'Community is a social capital and this capital is a wonderful investment'. In order to benefit from this 'Social Capital', we are encouraged to be part and parcel of the community. Let's follow a few steps in this direction to benefit from it.

1. Belong to the community through our interactions, especially dialogue and communication.
2. Networking and voluntarism. Canadians excel in this area and are known for building lasting community spirit by motivating and sustaining this spirit even in small communities. Every province or municipal structure within the borders of Canada promotes this ideal. Oftentimes we hear on the radio, "Community First"... this is a welcoming gesture. Such communities help the new citizens to interact and get established in Canada, with their skills, talents, hopes and dreams.
3. Building trust among the community members through friendship and camaraderie seems to be vital for thriving. We are called to be friendly with all to develop deep and stronger, but lasting relationships or ties with integrity and credibility to blossom in life.
4. We should be cautiously optimistic to avoid any type of domination or overpowering, but can agree to disagree gently and politely. Community spirit should help practice a give-and-take approach in all decision-making processes without ruining the common good at any time.
5. We should promote team spirit and help the community walk the walk. Therefore, none of us should become a solo actor, but a teammate. Let's motivate our members of the community to be creative, allow them to explore, innovate, and help them make a difference and walk extra miles, but when differences mount, don't avoid but listen carefully and patiently. Don't magnify matters and don't be too personal. Tolerate and move on, but keep the focus alive to achieve the 'common good' for the entire community.
6. Help engage the members with productive activities, which deepens their personal and interpersonal relationships. Community togetherness depends upon the quality of relationships that exist between members. Therefore, keep the people engaged and maintain the community spirit. When engagement goes down, the community spirit goes down. This is the first stage towards disintegration.

Robert Putnam identified the following reasons for Community disintegration:

1. Urban busy life/lack of time/lack of finance and family burdens.
2. Media and the effect of the electronic age-related havoc.
3. Generational gap and change of mindsets. When we fail to treat community as a family, a gift and possibility, a blessing and never a burden, we will ultimately fail in our mission. Community includes members from several backgrounds, haves and have-nots, rich and poor, educated or less educated, skilled or unskilled, faith based /agnostic, athletic, spiritual or temporal and so on. Everyone under the Sun belongs to the community.

Let our communities be built on values and ideals, ethics and spirituality. Let human rights and diversity develop. Let's form a multi-cultural outlook and accommodate everyone with great love and affection for the love of the Lord Jesus. Our Christian Community is based on love and service. Selfless Service to God and Community should be our goal. Let's share this ideal and care for each other in the Spirit of Jesus Christ.

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

DIOCESE OF NELSON

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

THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR SEPTEMBER:

For the care of water

Let us pray for a just and sustainable management of water, a vital resource, so that everyone may have equal access to it.

BIBLE READINGS

For the daily Bible readings, visit: cccb.ca or readings.livingwithchrist.ca

JUBILEE YEAR IN HONOUR OF ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI

Pope Leo proclaimed a special Jubilee Year in honour of St. Francis of Assisi on the occasion of the eighth centenary of his death.

You are invited to celebrate this Jubilee Year by visiting St. Francis of Assisi Parish in Revelstoke, which the Bishop has designated as a pilgrimage site.

Holy Child Parish is arranging a Pilgrimage to Revelstoke in October 2026.

This is a one-day pilgrimage.

If you would be interested in joining the Pilgrimage, please contact the Parish office so we can get a rough idea of the number of pilgrims to make arrangements.

A specific date and more detailed information will be given nearer the time.

You may receive a plenary indulgence for those who participate devoutly in this extraordinary Jubilee.

Catholic Foundation of the Diocese of Nelson Society

BLESSED MARIE ANNE BLONDIN BURSARY

The Catholic Foundation is accepting applications for the Blessed Marie Anne Blondin Bursary.

Please submit applications

to CatholicFoundation@nelsondiocese.org

Or mail to: Catholic Foundation, 3665 Benvoulin Road, Kelowna, BC V1W 4M7

Applications will be accepted until November 30, 2026

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED



800th Year Jubilee Celebration of St. Francis of Assisi

St. Francis of Assisi Parish – Revelstoke



Sunday October 4, 2026

To: Priests, Deacons, Seminarians, and Faithful of the Diocese of Nelson

St Francis of Assisi Parish, Revelstoke cordially invites you to join us for the 800th Year Jubilee Celebration of St. Francis of Assisi, the patron of our parish on Sunday, October 4, 2026.



3:00 pm - Blessing of pets at the Church parking lot



4:55 pm - Procession from the Parish Hall to the Church



5:00 pm - Jubilee Mass celebrated by Bishop Gregory and priests of the Diocese



6:15 pm - Jubilee Dinner, free of charge, however pre-registration is required. As well in honour of St Francis of Assisi, we will have a donation box for the Revelstoke Humane Society, which helps lost and abandoned animals (cats and dogs) in the city. Donations are optional and not required.

If you are joining, please register before Sunday, September 27 through one of these two options:



Email the parish at revelstoke@nelsondiocese.org

OR



Call Flora Bariuad, Parish Secretary at 250-837-2071

The Pastor and Parishioners,
St Francis of Assisi Parish, Revelstoke, BC



ST. CARLO ACUTIS LEGACY ACADEMY

Now accepting applications for
grades 8 – 10 students for the
2026-2027 school year.



St. Carlo Acutis
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**INSPIRING EXCELLENCE AND
LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT**

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Gathering in the Spirit 2026



Seton House Registrants

Tuesday evening through until Saturday night
including meals from Wednesday to Saturday
Cost: Nelson Diocese \$547
Non-Nelson Diocese \$647
(Extra night is available to those who require a
Saturday night stay \$90.00)

(There is limited subsidy from the Pilgrimage of Faith for
those in the Nelson Diocese, please contact Alexa Dolor
250-448-2725 for details).

Commuters

The cost for commuters
\$308.00

Contact for info & registration
ndccrs2020@gmail.com

Gathering Starts/Finishes

September 16, Wednesday morning
at 8:00 a.m.
Finishes on September 19,
Saturday at 4:00 p.m.

September 16-19

Seton House of Prayer, Kelowna, B.C.

Guest Speaker: John Connelly

*"Draw Near to My Sanctuary—Abundant
Life and True Love Await"*

Contact for info & registration
ndccrs2020@gmail.com

Hosted by the Charismatic Renewal

Pastoral Care Training

Nine free online sessions

Saturdays from 9:30 am - noon PST
Sept 26 - Nov 28, 2026 (no session Oct 10)

Session 1
Basics of
Pastoral Care
Sept 26

Session 2
The Healing
Ministry of Christ
Oct 3

Session 3
Active and
Compassionate
Listening
Oct 17

Session 4
Elderly Isolation,
Loneliness, and
the Journey with
Dementia
Oct 24

Session 5
Palliative Care
and the Healing
Ministry for the
Dying
Oct 31

Session 6
The Grieving
Process
Nov 7

Session 7
Bereavement:
Ministering to
Families
Nov 14

Session 8
Ministry of God's
Presence and
Compassion
Nov 21

Session 9
Spouse
Caregiving, Healthy
Boundaries, and
Self-Care
Nov 28

For further
information,
please contact:
Moir King, Chair
Diocese of Victoria Health Care Committee: moiraking@shaw.ca

Come Join Us At
Immaculate Conception Church
For The Harvest Festival
Music - Food - Family Fun Activities
and Harvest Bazaar
All proceeds raised go toward the
future Palliative Care Facility
Saturday September 26, 2026
10-3pm
839 Sutherland Ave.
Kelowna

In the event of unforeseen circumstances, all funds raised will be transferred to the Delta Hospice Society.

ADORATION CHAPEL

Immaculate Conception Church

Adoration Chapel 28 Year Celebration

Please join us in celebrating the 28th anniversary of the Perpetual Adoration Chapel of the Nelson Diocese on **September 8**, the Nativity of Our Lady.

We thank all adorers alive and deceased who have faithfully adored Jesus 24/7 through all the years.

Mass will be at Immaculate Conception Parish in **Kelowna at 5:30 p.m.** with a potluck dinner to follow in the Parish Hall.



**Society of
Saint Vincent de Paul**

Save The Date...

Help Us Make a Difference

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul – Penticton

Invites you to our

**“Give and Be Thankful” Fundraiser Dinner
Saturday, October 17, 2026**

to help raise funds towards our Christmas Hamper campaign that supports individuals and families in need throughout our community

Sit Down Dinner
Cash Bar
Silent Auction
Door Prizes

Thank you for helping us “Give and Be Thankful.”

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.



Rachel's Vineyard Retreats
KELOWNA, BC

Has abortion left you feeling empty and alone?
This retreat is for any woman, man, couple or family member

who has struggled with the emotional and spiritual pain of abortion.

If you are searching for peace and inner healing from an

abortion experience, this retreat is for you.

Register now for our upcoming Fall retreat.

For more information call Vicki: 250-762-2273

or e-mail: rvokanagan@gmail.com

www.RachelsVineyardKelowna.com

Facebook

Rachel's Vineyard Kelowna



Campaign Life Coalition @CampaignLife @clcyouthprofile CampaignLifeTV

Campaign Life Coalition Presents

LIFE CHAIN

Sunday, October 4, 2026

Join thousands across Canada standing against abortion in a peaceful, prayerful demonstration



lifechain.ca | 1-800-730-5358 | lifechain@clife.ca

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

Catholic Mountain Star

Fall 2026 Submissions

Theme: Weddings & Anniversaries

Deadline for submissions: September 30, 2026

We welcome

- Wedding and anniversary photos
- Marriage stories and Memories
- Milestone anniversaries
- Priest Ordination and anniversaries
- Parish Anniversary Celebrations

Submit to the theme—or send us an article you'd like to share, all submissions are welcomed.

Email your submissions to:

Catholicmountainstar@nelsondiocese.org

STATEMENT ISSUED BY THE MILITARY ORDINARY OF CANADA ON SPIRITUAL REFLECTIONS IN MILITARY SETTINGS

The Most Rev. Scott McCaig, C.C., Bishop of the Military Ordinariate of Canada, has released a statement on the Canadian Armed Forces (CAF) *Military Personnel Instructions on Spiritual Reflections in Military Settings*, which was issued on 29 July 2026.

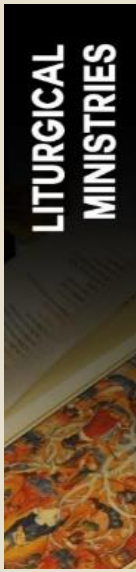
In his statement, Bishop McCaig objects to the new policy, which requires CAF members, including chaplains, to deliver spiritual reflections without words, actions, or symbols specific to a particular faith or spiritual tradition. Under the new policy, “CAF members...shall uphold the principle of state religious and spiritual neutrality by not using words, actions, or symbols that are specific to a particular [spiritual or faith tradition] on the part of the Government of Canada.”

Bishop McCaig states that, for many people, “meaning, purpose, and spiritual wellbeing” cannot be separated from God. He argues that the new policy requires precisely such a separation and therefore conflicts with the Charter’s protection of the fundamental freedoms of conscience and religion.

The CCCB stands in solidarity with Bishop McCaig as he raises these concerns on behalf of the Catholic faithful entrusted to his pastoral care. The Conference is studying the new policy and will continue to follow its implementation, particularly with regard to its implications for freedom of conscience and religion and for the place of religious expression within the Canadian Armed Forces. At this early stage, the CCCB encourages the faithful and all people of goodwill to become informed about these developments and to pray for the CAF, its members, chaplains, and families, as well as for Bishop McCaig in his pastoral ministry to Canada’s Catholic military community.

The full statement by the Military Ordinariate is available [here](#).

MINISTERS SERVING THIS WEEKEND & NEXT

 LITURGICAL MINISTRIES	MINISTRY	SATURDAY Sept. 5 at 5 pm	SUNDAY Sept. 6 at 9 am	SATURDAY Sept. 12 at 5 pm	SUNDAY Sept. 13 at 9 am
	Greeter		Carmen		Jose
	Sacristan	Johanne	Ruben	Johanne	Denese
	Music	Mark	Mark	Keiltys	Keiltys
	Lector 1	Joan	Gerry	Eunice	Bev
	Lector 2	Ilda	Marguerite	Mike	Maribel
	Commentator	Linda	Marc	Neil	Scott
	EMHC	Roy	Rick Marguerite	Johanne	Ray Bernadine
	Cross Bearer 1 st Acolyte 2 nd Acolyte		TBA		TBA
	Hospitality		Annie George		Maribel

PARISH CONTACT LIST

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Tel: 250-494-3110

Email: summerland@nelsondiocese.org

Office Hours: Tuesday to Friday, 9.30 am to 1.00 pm

PARISH CONTACT LIST

Position

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	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