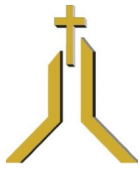


Welcome

to

St. Charles Garnier Parish

3645 Benvoulin Road, Kelowna, B.C. V1W 4M7 250.860.6776 Website: www.stcharlesgarnier.ca



Sunday Bulletin

March 2, 2025

GOSPEL OF LUKE 6:39-45

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Next week's readings:
First—Deuteronomy 26:4-10
Second—Romans 10:8-13
Gospel—Luke 4:1-13

Pastor: Fr. Gerald
Associate pastor: Fr. Ferdinand

SCRIPTURE MESSAGE

The Book of Sirach (27:4-7) extends an invitation to practice the virtue of 'Integrity', which is also called 'sound judgement, honest, sincere and unimpaired soundness, wholeness, or completeness'. Unless one is straightforward/honest and sincere in one's dealings, especially with finances and relationships, their integrity would be threatened. One of the dangers would be dishonesty for this virtue, which leads to cheating. Integrity in maintaining our tongue is another aspect. If the tongue is not used /handled carefully, it will lead to evil and misleading opinions, especially 'betrayal of confidence'. Stone is recognized as a stable metal. We should achieve stability like this stable metal through our truthful speech, behaviour, sincerity and credibility. Other vices are to be refused like husks, straw and dung.

According to Martin Joy, an American Historian, 'Hypocrisy is Pretense', which may be shown through deception, flattery, lying, cheating, false pretense and slander. It's a way of living on 'borrowed glory, play acting revealed in the concealment of truth'. The Book of Job condemns this vice as 'godless & profane'. Jesus condemned the Scribes and the Pharisees as 'Hypocrites' (Mt 7:5) Islam considered hypocrisy as a 'serious sickness'. The Holy Quran rails against those who claim to be believers of Peace/peacemakers, thinking they are following God and others, but only fool themselves. Carl Jung attributed hypocrisy to those who are not aware of the dark or shadow side of their nature. Therefore, he wrote, Everyone needs to have an inner revolution, renewal to be truthful to see our true self. The Bible recommends 'Doing good, but not for fame'. It also encourages all to be non-judgmental, advising us to embrace everyone with love, like Christ. Let us worship God in Spirit and in Truth, but not in pretense.

Are we Truthful? Claiming to be Christian in name alone does not make any of us merit God's blessings, unless we change and renew to mean what we believe. Hypocrisy is indeed very human... because it is not God centered. When we fail to be Just and execute Justice, we are hypocrites. When we kill someone with our looks, speech or action, we are hypocrites. When we do something unlawful or rob someone, either their property or innocence, we are hypocrites. We are all guided by our conscience, which gives us the real relationship with our God. We try to Know our God, love and trust Him. If we listen to our inner voice, God will be able to guide us.

When we fail to listen to that still inner voice, and pay attention to our inclination alone, we make stupid mistakes and pretend as if we did it for the right reason. God Challenged Cain (Ge 4:47) He challenges you and me today, when we do not care for our brothers and sisters. Jesus confronted the hypocrisy of the Scribes & Pharisees of His time. They hated Him intensely and eventually had him arrested, charged with false accusations and put him to death.

Evangelist Luke (6:39-45) exhorts the disciples of Christ to have Self-criticism of themselves after the example of Christ. Let's be grounded on Christ. Let's follow the bedrock principle of Christianity. Let's commit ourselves to the 'Way of Life' that Christ teaches. Let's love the Lord and Love our brothers and sisters despite the challenges we face from time to time. Let's not be carried away by the whims and fancies of the World. Let's become doers of the word and not mere hearers only. May the good Lord help us practice what we believe. Let's live our faith and practice it faithfully. Let's be an active recipient of His mercy and not merely a passive consumer.

All the best.

In the Service of the Word!

Gabriel



WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Mon	Mar 3	8:30 am	† Aggie Turner
Tue	Mar 4	8:30 am	Int. Chriss Schmidt
Wed	Mar 5	8:30 am	Int. Emily Buhman
Thu	Mar 6	8:30 am	Int. Jannie & Roy Rolstone
Fri	Mar 7	8:30 am	† Carol Coveny
Sat	Mar 8	8:30 am 5:00 pm	Int. Jim Coveny & Fam Int. Joseph Lawrance
Sun	Mar 9	8:30 am	† Walter Quarengui
		10:30 am	† Rachel Ryan
		7:00 pm	Parishioners of St. Charles Garnier

Roman Catholic Diocese of

Nelson website:

<https://www.nelsondiocese.org/>

Holy Sacrifice of the Mass & Devotions

Live stream click [here](#)

St. Charles Garnier Parish

<http://stcharlesgarnier.ca/>

Holy Sacrifice of the Mass is being

live-streamed Sunday 8:30

Livestream click [here](#)

DIOCESE OF NELSON—CCCB NEWS



News and Announcements from Diocese of Nelson please click [here](#).



For Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops website click [here](#).

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

To order gifts, please call:

1-800-776-6855

or visit:

<https://chalice.ca/gift-catalogue/>



PARISH CALENDAR

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Saturday, March 1	8:30 am 5:00 pm	Daily Morning Mass Sunday Mass
Sunday, March 2	8:30 am 10:30 am 7:00 pm	Sunday Mass Sunday Mass— Children's liturgy Sunday Mass
Monday to Friday	8:30 am	Morning Mass—Rosary after Mass
Saturday		Confessions after Mass or by appointment (please call the office)
Monday, March 3	9:30 am	1:00—4:00 pm—Card Social
Tuesday, March 4	9:30 am 7:00 pm	CWL—Executive Meeting RCIA
Wednesday, March 5	8:30 am 9:30 am 12:00 pm 4:30 pm 5:00 pm 7:00 pm	ASH WEDNESDAY MASS Catholic Mom's Connect ASH WEDNESDAY MASS CANCELLED —Catechism—1st Communion ASH WEDNESDAY MASS CANCELLED —Catechism—Confirmation
Thursday, March 6	9:30 am	Bible Study—Church Hall

HOSPITAL VISITATION



If you have family member in the hospital and wish to have a visit/communion. Please phone/email the office to let us know. 250-860-6776
scgkelowna@nelsondiocese.org
Or call Ethel @ 250-860-2101

KELOWNA AND AREA HOSPITAL CHAPLENCY

For the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick/pastoral emergencies or for end-of-life blessings (Last Rites) please call 250-878-1502 (24/7)
or email: chaplain@nelsondiocese.org
The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick may be received more than once!!

GRIEF TO GRACE



Through a 5-day 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 program in Canada is May 20- 25 in Kelowna. For more information please email: griegtograncelowna@gmail.com or make a confidential call to [250-808-6403](tel:250-808-6403).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **WYD FUNDRAISING:** Continue to support bottle drive and purchase tickets for fundraising dinner.
- **SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE DINNER:** Reminder for those registered, dinner Tues, Mar 4th @ 5pm
- **ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICES:** Mar 5th @ 8:30am, 12pm & 5:30pm. No catechism classes on Ash Wed.

GUIDE TO GIVING

SCG—February 2025					
	2	9	16	23	Total
Monthly Parish Collection Budget	8,350	8,350	8,350	8,350	33,400
Monthly automatic bank donations received (SAG)					
Sunday Cash/Cheque Collection	5,288	4,412	2,934		
E-transfers received			9,755		
Monthly total to date	5,288	9,700	22,389		

E-transfers are accepted at St. Charles Garnier Parish
Send your offering via e-transfer to:
etransfer.SCGK@nelsondiocese.org
no password is required.
Or by using the QR code



INCOME TAX RECEIPTS

2024 Income Tax Receipts were emailed to active email addresses in our system, parishioners with no email address, a copy of your tax receipt is available for pick up in the foyer.
If you have any questions regarding your receipt from the parish, please call Carmen at the Parish Office: 250 860-6776.
Tax receipts from Our Pilgrimage of Faith and The Society of St. Vincent de Paul were mailed.

LENTEN SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Stations of the Cross

- Every Friday @ 6:30pm

Soup & Stations

(Family Stations of the Cross)

- Every Wednesday during Lent @ 5:30pm (except for April 9th & 16th)

Parish Lenten Mission

- March 21st – 24th
- Details to Come

Almsgiving Sunday

(non-perishable food items offered at Mass)

- April 6th Masses

Lenten Reconciliation Service

- Wednesday, April 9th @ 5:00pm

RACHEL'S CORNER

“What in you has become leprous? What in you is being called back to intimacy with Christ? ... That in you which needs healing must come and prostrate itself before Christ and ask to be received. And, of course, He wants to heal. That is why He has come.” Bishop Barron

Have there been times you felt like an outcast since your abortion decision? Is it hard to truly believe He wants to heal you? Come on a Rachel's Vineyard™ Retreat and let Him show you.

info@rachelvineyardkelowna.com

www.rachelvineyardkelowna.com

 Rachel's Vineyard Kelowna

250-762-2273

CATHOLIC YOUTH GROUP

Gr. 7-12 Youth Group News

STUEBENVILLE NW YOUTH CONFERENCE

Spokane, Washington – July 9-13, 2024

If you are a Catholic student currently in grade 8 to 12 and are from one of the Catholic parishes in Kelowna, W. Kelowna or Lake Country, we invite you to apply for this sacrament-soaked weekend! This youth conference is filled with talks, small group discussions, lively worship music, the Sacrament of Reconciliation, Eucharistic Adoration, and Mass to help us see the importance of our relationship with the Lord.

Trip cost: \$695.00 (additional funding may be available - please contact your parish office.) Cost includes bus ride from ICC Kelowna, four nights' accommodation, all conference activities, 11 meals, travel medical insurance and entry into Silverwood Theme Park. Space is limited!

Complete these three application steps by April 4:

1. INTERESTED? Email David Z FIRST at: snw.kelowna@gmail.com with 'I'm Interested' in the subject line so that he can watch for the following:
2. Parish Commitment Form signed by teen's parish priest.
3. School-Based Character Reference

For more information or to RSVP for any of our events and download our Youth Group registration form, go to:

www.kelownacatholicyouthgroup.ca

A CALL FOR PRAYER AND PEACE

Three Years of War in Ukraine

24 February, 2025, Ottawa – On the third anniversary of Russia's invasion of Ukraine, the [2024 Canadian Pastoral Letter on Ukraine, Canada, and the Church](#) remains an important resource for guidance and reflection. It highlights the role of faith communities in promoting peace and justice, and encourages them to continue their support for those affected by the war.

We remember in a special way the lives lost, those countless people who have been displaced, and those suffering in Ukraine and beyond. During this time of reflection, we encourage everyone to pray for an end to violence and for the restoration of peace and dignity for all people.

May our prayers provide strength and hope to everyone affected by conflict in our communities and around the world.

ICC DINNER/DANCES

Upcoming Dinner/Dances @ ICC Parish Centre, 839 Sutherland Ave.

Spring/Easter Dinner/Dance, Friday April 25th 2025
Doors open @ 6:00 (refreshments) | Dinner @ 6:30 | Dancing from 7:30

Music by Vic's Dance Band

Tickets are \$40 per person and are available at Loaves & Fishes — 591 Lawrence Ave | 250-868-8933

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

March 15th @10am will be held at Corpus Christi Parish, 750 Rutland Road North, A reception will follow in the church hall. All parishes are welcome.

PEOPLE OF FAITH PRAYER GROUP

Meetings will be every other Tuesday for the foreseeable future (6:00 to 7:30 p.m.) at St. Pius X Parish. The upcoming dates are:

March 4

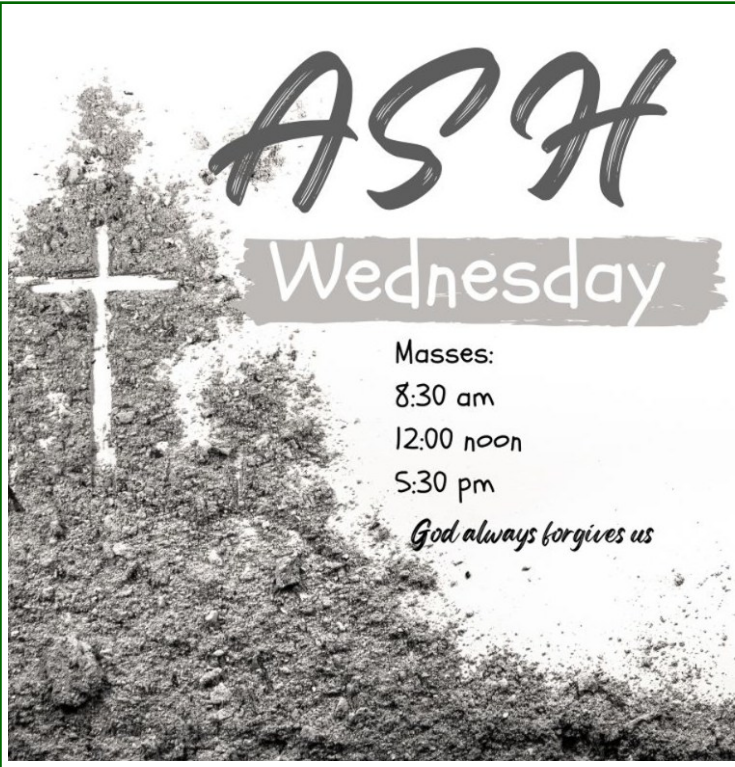
March 18

Please join us for praise, worship, prayer and fellowship.

Father Wayne Pfliger's 50 Anniversary of Ordination
Join in the celebration of Fr. Wayne Pfliger's 50 Anniversary of Ordination on May 9, 2025 at Immaculate Conception Parish.

Mass will be at 5:00 p.m. with dinner to follow in the parish hall at 6:00 p.m.

Tickets are \$35/person and are available at the Keweenaw area parishes and from Loaves and Fishes.



ASH

Wednesday

Masses:
8:30 am
12:00 noon
5:30 pm

God always forgives us

Shrove Tuesday

Catholic Women's League & Knights of Columbus

Invites all Parishioners to a Pancake Dinner
Tuesday, March 4

5:00 pm in Church Hall

Pancakes, scrambled eggs, ham
yogurt, strawberries & blueberries
and maple syrup

Coffee, tea and juice

Please see sign up sheets in church foyer, so that we know how many parishioners will be attending.

Thank you.



FUNDRAISER

Bottle Drive



to Help Support the youth & young adults World Youth Day pilgrimage to Italy.

Collection Date:
Sundays before and after masses:
8:30 am
10:30 am

Drop-off Location:
SCG Parish parking lot
3645 Benvoulin Rd.

Pick-up available.
Please give us a call:
250-681-0091

Thank you for supporting us with your donation! ❤️



PARISH MISSION

March 21-24

@ St. Charles Garnier Parish

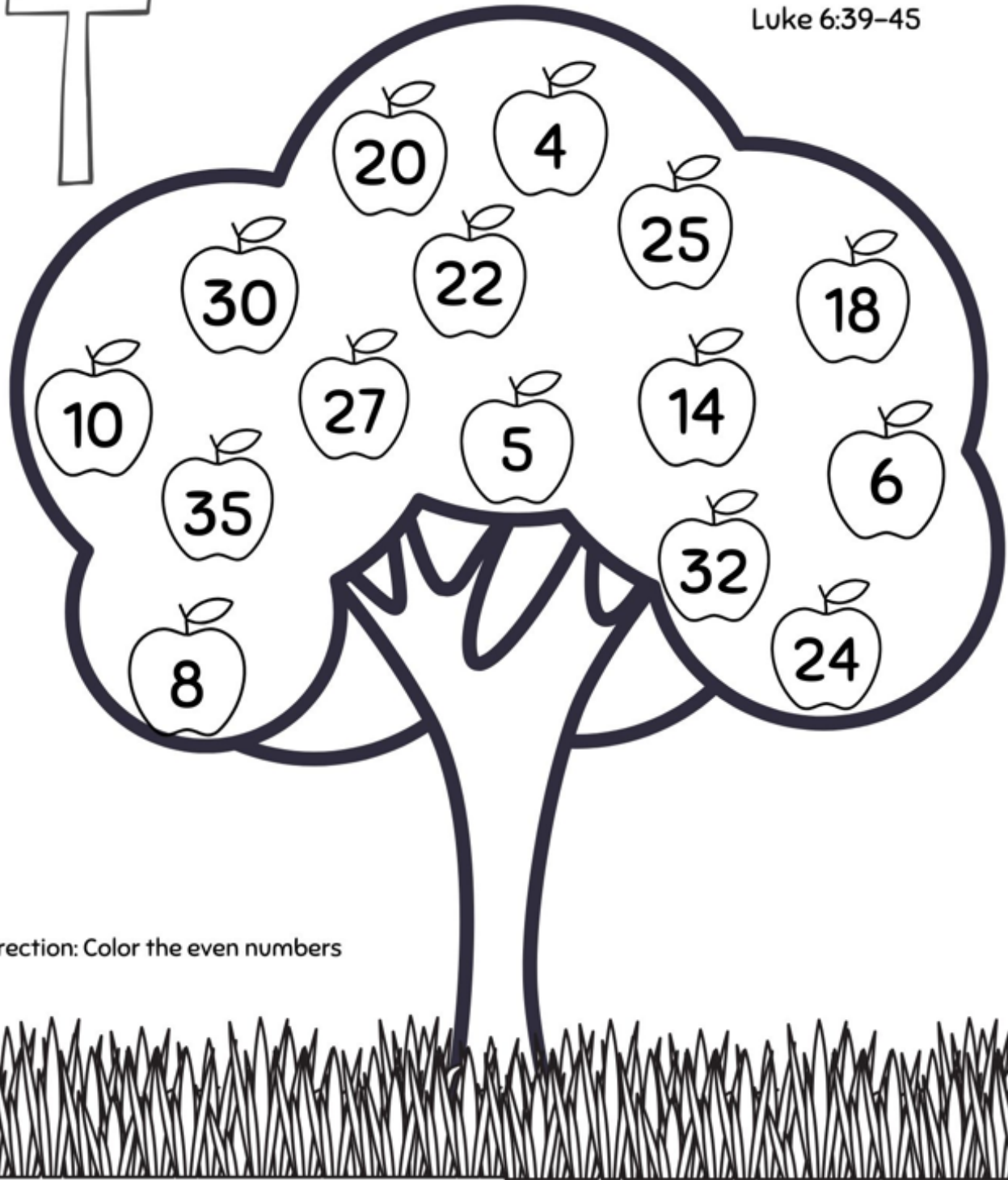


GOD BLESS YOU



Eighth Sunday in Ordinary time

Luke 6:39-45



Direction: Color the even numbers

"A good tree does not bear rotten fruit, nor does a rotten tree bear good fruit. For every tree is known by its own fruit. For people do not pick figs from thornbushes, nor do they gather grapes from brambles. A good person out of the store of goodness in his heart produces good, but an evil person out of a store of evil produces evil; for from the fullness of the heart the mouth speaks."

(Luke 6:43-45)

CONTACT US

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Office Manager: Carmen
Office Phone: (250) 860-6776
Office e-mail: scgkelowna@nelsondiocese.org
Office hours: 9:00 am—2:00 pm Tuesday to Friday

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Meet second Tuesday of the month @ 9:30 am
 Contact: Diane Cey 250-868-9636
 Membership inquiries: Betty Ann Richard bettyannrichard@gmail.com
FR. PANDOSY 4TH DEGREE ASSEMBLY—Knights of Columbus

Meet third Sundays of the month at 2:00 pm
 Inquiries: Gino Servedio 250-764-3182

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS www.stcharleskoc.com

Meet second Thursday of the month at 7:30 pm.
 Grand Knight: Paul Schembri pjaas@gmail.com

St. Peregrine Prayer Circle *(An Apostolate of The Little Flowers of Saint Francis Fraternity of the Secular Franciscan Order)*

If you have friends/family members with serious illnesses we will add them to our list and pray for them & their family daily. We meet once a month and pray together.

Contact: Christine Reeves, OFS. 250-575-2043 e-mail: sforeec10@gmail.com

SECULAR FRANCISCAN ORDER -

"The Little Flowers of St. Francis Fraternity"

Meeting the 3rd Sunday of the month @ 1:00 pm at Our Lady of Lourdes-Meeting Room. Contact Sandy: 250-212-3596.

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL 250-860-2536

Meet second and fourth Wednesdays at 9:00 am

St. Charles Garnier Parish—Hall

FIRST SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH—SSVP DONATIONS

MINISTRY COORDINATORS

If you wish to become involved contact the Parish Office 250-860-6776

Children's Liturgy	Allison Knittig	778-477-3790
Eucharistic Ministers	Dave Crane	250-861-4085
CMC/Children Choir	Abbey Ackerman	250-899-4384
CMC/Children Choir	Julia Orr	250-718-0060
Women's Ministry	Joelle Schmidt	250-470-8901
Altar Servers	Jonathan Rowe	778-478-1133
Music/Liturgy	JoAnn Young	250-317-8965
Liturgy/Readers	Marlene Crane	250-861-4085
Sacristans	Lindsay Rowe	779-214-0420
Safe Environment Coordinator	Keith Reeves keefreeves@outlook.com	
Ushers	Gino Servedio	250-764-3182
Pilgrimage of Faith	Rhonda Sali rhondasali@gmail.com	
Development and Peace	Karen Krout— karenkrout@gmail.com	
Hospital Visitation	Ethel Robidoux	250-860-2101
Care-Home Visitation	Christine Schmidt	250-763-4798
Youth Ministry	www.kelownacatholicyouthgroup.ca	
Religious Ed Coordinator	Amanda Tian Seng	

250-860-6776 -Ext: 202 or formation.scg.kelowna@nelsondiocese.org

MINISTRY COORDINATORS

DIOCESE OF NELSON—CATHOLIC PASTORAL CENTRE 250-448-2725
ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC SCHOOL 250-763-3371
IMMACULATA REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL 250-762-2730
CLUBHOUSE DAYCARE 250-860-4393
ELIZABETH SETON HOUSE OF PRAYER 250-764-4333
FREEDOM'S DOOR . . info@freedomdoorkelowna.com 250-717-0472
GRIEF TO GRACE www.GriefftoGrace.org 250-870-8517
KELOWNA RIGHT TO LIFE . . kelownarighttolife@hotmail.com 250-870-4103
OZANAM HOUSE manager@ozanamhouse.com 250-762-4673
PREGNANCY CARE CENTRE 250-763-2112
RACHEL'S VINEYARD . . . info@rachelvineyardkelowna.com 250-762-2273
REACH OUT YOUTH COUNSELLING & FAMILY SERVICES 250-763-7892
reachoutokanagan@gmail.com
CANADIAN FOOD FOR CHILDREN www.canadianfoodforchildren.ca
CREIGHTON MODEL FERTILITY CARE https://creightonmodel.com

Please remember:
OUR CHURCH IS A SCENT-FREE ZONE! Avoid wearing perfume, after-shave or heavily scented personal care products.

DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING ITEMS TO BE INCLUDED IN THE BULLETIN IS THURSDAY NOON.



St. Charles Garnier Parish

WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS!

Please complete this form and leave it in the collection basket, Parish Office or email to:

scgkelowna@nelsondiocese.org

New Parishioner: Information Change:

Name (s) : _____ & _____
(Last) (First) (Middle) (Last) (First) (Middle)

DOB (yyyy/mm/dd): _____ & _____

Address: _____ Postal Code: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

CHILDREN				
Name (s) (Last)	(First)	(Middle)	M/F	DOB (yyyy/mm/dd)

Would you like to be contacted by one of our parish groups?	
<input type="checkbox"/> CWL	<input type="checkbox"/> Music
<input type="checkbox"/> Knights of Columbus	<input type="checkbox"/> Reader
<input type="checkbox"/> St. Vincent de Paul	<input type="checkbox"/> Usher
<input type="checkbox"/> R.C.I.A.	<input type="checkbox"/> Altar Servers
<input type="checkbox"/> Sacristan (Set up for Mass)	

Would you like to pick up Sunday Offertory Envelopes from the ledge in the foyer next week? Yes No

The label will have your name on it, the number identifies you and a tax receipt will be sent to you at the address that you registered with.

You may also register on-line @ www.stcharlesgarnier.ca where you can sign up for the bulletin to be emailed to you each week.