



St. Charles Garnier Parish

February 13, 2022

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time.

Blessed are the poor, but woe to you who are rich!.

Luke 6



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WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Mon	Feb 14	8:30am	Int. Tracey Vincent
Tue	Feb 15	8:30am	✠ Hugo De Burgos
Wed	Feb 16	8:30am	Int. Marianne Morgan
Thu	Feb 17	8:30am	✠ Antonio del Gaizo
Fri	Feb 18	8:30am	Int. Emily Buhman
Sat	Feb 19	5:00pm	✠ John Gay
Sun	Feb 20	8:30am	Int. Juliana & Jada Lavell
		10:30am	✠ Jim, Colette, Mary Slavik

Next Week's Readings

1	<i>1 Samuel</i> —	26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-25++
2	<i>1 Corinthians</i> —	15:45-49
Gospel	<i>Luke</i> —	6:27-38

PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Brothers & Sisters in the Lord!

"True Happiness" is the hallmark of a content life. It has the following essential components, a) Good Health & Wellbeing at all aspects such as Great Physical, Mental, Emotional and Spiritual Health. These are the foundational principles of happiness. b) Strong relationships with family, friends, people we work with or the connections that we form with others spending quality time with everyone. c) Sufficient Resources especially in terms of financial security for a comfortable life. All these three components facilitate a healthy and content life. When these areas are covered satisfactorily, people are more successful in their marital life, friendship and work performance. Happy people have more friends and a better support system in times of need. Therefore "True happiness" according to the World's Understanding is rooted in Wealth, Health, Power, Influence, Prestige, Privilege and Status. Jesus today teaches that these are illusory or temporary and passing or changing realities in the world.

Jesus invites us for "True Spiritual Happiness". What's true spiritual happiness? It is Enlightenment. It is a spiritual awakening. James Joyce in her Noval, 'Stephen Hero' described the adventure of the Magi who searched for the Christ Child as, "Sudden Spiritual Awakening" which impelled them to seek and find the Messiah, the Christ. This Spiritual insight is also the key to have a connection with the Divine. It can be developed by our dependency on the Divine through our chants, meditation, dance, pilgrimages, fasting, prayer, almsgiving and a contemplative way of life... Above all we are invited to experience the Divine in our everyday ordinary life by conditioning our body and soul to unite with the Divine.

One of the Key Principles to unite with the Divine is to 'Express our Gratitude' because it makes us spiritually happy, which is a deep feeling of joy and contentment, which impels us to be optimistic to get attached with the Divine.

"Worldly Happiness" is also known as "Macarisms" which come from the Jewish culture. The modern culture transformed it into Wealth, Power, Health, Influence etc". The Bible has 37 Macarisms in the NT. Jesus has quoted 17 of them and explained to his disciples. Evangelist Mathew has quoted 8 of them in the Beatitudes as the Charter of Leadership. Beatitudes are also known as the "Magna Carta of the Kingdom". 'Das Kapital' of Karl Marx was known as the Communist Manifesto. "Sermon on the Mount" by Jesus is the "Magna Carta" of our Faith in Action. The Evangelist Luke has quoted 4 of them in his writings in order to form the 'true manner of our Christian life'.

Dr. Harold Treffert from Wisconsin (US) Mental Health Institute in an article entitled, "The American Fairy Tale" discusses five dangerous ideas that people have about 'happiness'. 1. Happiness in things 2. Happiness in earning more 3. To be Fashionable is happiness 4. Mental Health is happiness and 5. Happiness in communicating with Electronic Gadgets (TV, Cell Phone, Computer etc.) Therefore he concluded the people of the World are still searching for happiness from material securities.

The "True Happiness" should be found in the Almighty Power of God, explains today's Scripture. Our true happiness should come from "Our Love for God and Our Trust in His Promises". True happiness comes from keeping his commandments, explains Psalm 1. Paul in 1. Corinthians 15:12, 16-20 advises that "Everlasting Life in Christ" leads to happiness. Jeremiah, the Prophet was powerful to affirm that 'true happiness' is to be found in our faith which could help us place our Trust in God alone. Jesus is inviting us to experience this happiness through our dependence on God - We depend on God when we are Powerless & Hopeless. "His Power Strengthens me!" (2 Cor 12:10) and gives me joy and happiness which the world cannot give.

Wish you all the best!

Affectionately in Jesus!

Gabriel

INDIGENOUS CONNECTIONS

A replica of The Witness Blanket by Carey Newman at The Kelowna Art Gallery is available for free viewing through April 10. Here's a description from the Kelowna Art Gallery website:

<https://kelownaartgallery.com/the-witness-blanket/>

The Witness Blanket is a large-scale installation by artist and master carver Carey Newman, inspired by a woven blanket. The Kelowna Art Gallery is honoured to exhibit a 40-foot-long reproduction of The Witness Blanket, constructed from cedar with photographic panels to represent the original artifacts.

The Witness Blanket stands as a national monument to recognize the atrocities of the Indian residential school era, honour the children, and symbolize on-going reconciliation. The original piece is made from hundreds of items reclaimed from Indian residential school survivors and their families, band offices, churches, government, friendship centres, and other cultural organizations, which were borrowed from 77 separate sites across Canada. Each item tells a story of loss, strength, resilience, and pride.

The Witness Blanket is an exhibition based on the art of Carey Newman and was developed in collaboration with, and circulated by, the Canadian Museum for Human Rights.

(Winnipeg, Manitoba)



FREEDOMS DOOR

"We at Freedom's Door wish to express our deep gratitude to all parishioners who delivered gifts under the Freedom's Door Christmas tree. The gifts were plentiful and we were able to deliver a gift bag for each of our 64 men on Christmas day. For many this was the first time in a long time that they experienced a sober, loving, joyful, family style Christmas. Your generosity is helping to bring hope, healing and wholeness to the lives of men struggling with addiction and mental health issues. Thank you and God bless you."



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](#)

NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS—DIOCESE OF NELSON



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



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

RACHEL'S VINEYARD

ABORTION HEALING RETREAT: Many women, men, couples & relatives who have had an abortion experience, suffer emotional & spiritual pain, afraid to reveal their deep secret. We invite you to come on a Rachel's Vineyard Weekend Retreat where you will receive God's mercy, compassion & grace replacing shame, guilt, anger, & grief. Registering now. Confidentiality assured.

www.rachelsvineyardkelowna.com

info@rachelsvineyardkelowna.com

250-762-2273

Now accepting registrations for our Spring Retreat: March 11-13, 2022

Are you or someone you love suffering the heartbreak of abortion experience? Take courage and consider attending a local Rachel's Vineyard Retreat. Women, men, couples anyone affected by an abortion experience are welcome. This retreat offers an opportunity to experience hope and healing.

Call 250-762-2273 or email info@rachelsvineyardkelowna.com for information and registration. Visit www.RachelsVineyardKelowna.com. Confidentiality assured.

Healing the pain of abortion...one weekend at a time

CHALICE



2022—ENVELOPES

2022—Donation envelopes are ready to pick up at the church foyer.

If you are not able to find your envelope, please phone the office 250-860-6776.

Please **do not** use your **2021** envelopes.

Please **do not** grab any other envelopes with out your name.

2022— envelopes number has changed.

If you wish to donate by e-transfer please use the following email for direct deposit on St. Charles Garnier Bank Account:

etransfer.SCGK@nelsondiocese.org

For special donations please add a comment ex: Mary Mother of God.

For pre-authorized debits (SAG) please contact the office.





Are you looking for a way to re-engage with life, get out of yourself, meet people from a new context, broaden horizons that seem to be getting narrower? And do all this while opening up to the spiritual dimensions of service? Ozanam Recovery

House is looking for new board members as we carry on the work of supporting men in recovery from substance abuse. We are creative, involved people from various backgrounds; we formulate strategic plans to enhance programs for the men and engage in promotion, fund-raising and other activities to improve the lives of those struggle with addictions. Ozanam Recovery House offers a program of up to two years' live-in support in a fully staffed facility, with access to trauma counselling, urban farming, life-skills funding, and especially, intensive, effective recovery experiences oriented to leading a good and wholesome life. Please consider joining your talents to this remarkable group. If you have been looking for a way to give back to our community - especially in these hard times, here is one! We meet, by Zoom these days, at 7:00 on the 4th Thursday of the month.

Give us a call at 250-762-HOPE (4673) or email: hope1@recoverykelowna.ca

For your sake and for the sake of others.

Ozanam Recovery House is an 18-bed facility which operates under the guidance of its founders: the Society of St. Vincent de Paul of Central Okanagan. As such it shares in the ideals of the international Society which aims to:

- See Christ in anyone who suffers
- Come together as a family
- Have personal contact with the poor
- Help in all possible ways.

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS—SSVP

Prayer for Vocations to the Vincentian Family - Lord, we ask that you bless our Society by continuing to call men and women to serve you as full members of the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul. We remember that many years before Vatican II called forth the vocation of the laity, Blessed Frederic Ozanam and his companions recognized their vocation and so became our founders and examples. We pray for an increase in membership for our Conferences. Help us to seek and find those you have called. Help us to encourage them and invite them to join us in serving the poor with love, respect, justice and joy. We ask this through Jesus our brother, Amen.

Heartfelt thanks to the generous parishioners of St. Charles Garnier who donated to help us reach our Pilgrimage of Faith financial goal for 2021!

In fact, we **EXCEEDED** our goal and raised a total of \$99,061.92.... how incredibly wonderful.

We received a rebate of 28,911.92

2022 forms are available at the foyer, feel free to pick up one!

Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God. Hebrews 13:16



If the death of a loved one has left you searching for God in your grief, we are here to help.

Grieving with Great Hope is a Christ-centered grief support group with an approach rooted in the traditions and teachings of the Catholic Church. It uses prayer, scripture, reflection activities, faith sharing and fellowship to help you find Christ's consolation in your grieving.

Our 2022 Winter Session will run for 10 weeks, each Wednesday, 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm from January 26th to March 30th, 2022 Sessions will be held in the Immaculate Conception Parish Hall.

If *Grieving with Great Hope* is for you or if you wish to learn more or to register, call ICC parish office (250.762.3910) or email Deacon Rod Attwell:

rod.attwell@nelsondiocese.org

****Registration is required to ensure that a participant booklet and seat is available for you.**

Note: There are no fees for the sessions, participant booklet or journal.

IMMACULATA CLASS OF 2022 WINE AUCTION

The Immaculata Regional H.S. Graduation Committee is hosting the “Grapes for Grads Wine Auction” to offset the cost of the grad retreat, ceremony, banquet, and scholarships. We are gratefully accepting bottles of commercially produced wine or spirits to be auctioned off later in February. Bottles can be dropped off at Immaculata on KLO or at the church office by February 7th. Thank you for your ongoing support of our school.

IRHS GRAD SHOW FUNDRAISER

The Grad Class of 2022 is hosting an online version of the annual tradition of the Grad Show. Purchase tickets, show snacks, and wine by calling the school office. 250-762-2730. 100% of the proceeds go to offset the cost of the grad retreat, ceremony, banquet, and scholarships. We are still collecting bottles of wine and spirits as well as silent auction donations for this event as well. More details can be found [here](#).



1. Please adhere to the B.C Health Protocols while attending Church Services at St. Charles Garnier Parish.

Masks covering your nose and mouth are mandatory for all Faithful, above 12 years of age. Kindly remove the Mask for the Reception of Communion / Eucharist only. On receiving the Eucharist, consume it immediately and do not walk away with it to the pews. All are encouraged to receive the Eucharist in the Palm of their hands.

Parishioners are encouraged to come with their personal mask when they attend church services.

2. Entry into Our Parish Hall, either for a short meeting or gathering is Restricted for those who are Double Vaccinated only. Everyone entering the Parish Hall has to pass through the Vaccine Passport check with the Parish Secretary. (A file of your Vaccine Passport will be maintained in the Parish archives) Since safety is our high priority in our premise, we are unable to have any type of Fellowship until further clarifications from the B.C Health.

3. Could you please consider assisting the Care Home Ministry this year. Our Parish has a vast area, and all the Care Homes in our Parish limits need Communion Ministers. If you are interested in this ministry, kindly stop and ask Fr. Gabriel.

4. Tentatively Sacrament of confirmation is arranged for May 15th at 10:30 am.

GRIEF TO GRACE

Grief to Grace (healing the wounds of abuse) retreat May 25-29, 2022. For more information visit our [website](#) or call Pam @ 250-255-7223.





Happy Feast of St. Valentine! This Valentine's Day, remind yourself of the beauty of the Sacrament of Marriage with the Beloved series, presented by the Augustine Institute.

Provides amazing content 24/7 for you to learn and grow in your faith.

Enjoy a free subscription:

stcharlesgarnier.formed.org

Don't have an account? Click on Register and enter your email and create a password.

Please contact Nicole Horsman at:

nicolehorsman@telus.net

if you have any further questions about

Formed.org

Happy Valentine's Day



A new initiative to encourage faith and friendship among young women.

Who: Girls in grade 6-8.

When: Sundays (once a month) from 5-8pm
March, 13th...

Where: St. Charles Garnier

What: A free evening of fun filled with food, games, music, crafts and faith-building activities.

Dinner will be served. We will be working with the Blaze Belong "Walking with Purpose" Catholic program for the faith component of the evening.

How: Please RSVP to Laura Smith:

smith.landr@gmail.com

or Nicole Horsman: horsmanfamily@telus.net

Girls need to register, so we can ensure we have enough food and supplies.

*** Due to recent Provincial Health Orders, we have decided to postpone the start date of the Girls' Youth Group. We are hopeful that we will be able to start soon. We will provide an update closer to that time. In the meantime, please register to express interest and to receive email updates.

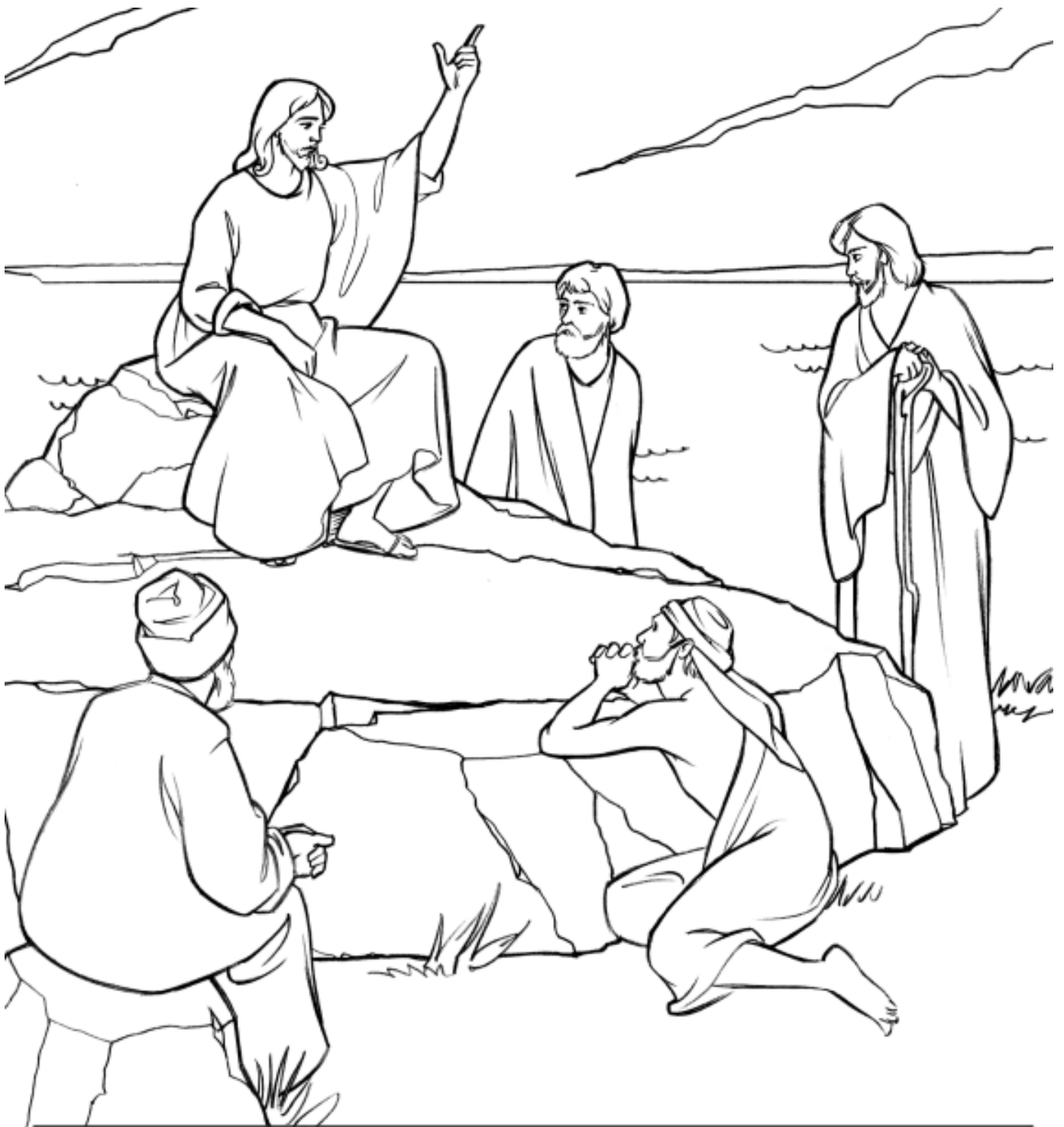
CATHOLIC MOMS GROUP



Catholic moms connect is currently meeting remotely. Please contact abbey at 250-899-4384 for more information.

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

Luke 6



"Blessed are you who are poor, for the Kingdom of God is yours. Blessed are you who are now hungry, for you will be satisfied. Blessed are you who are now weeping, for you will laugh. Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude and insult you, and denounce your name as evil on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice and leap for joy on that day! Behold, your reward will be great in Heaven. For their ancestors treated the prophets in the same way." (Luke 6:20-23)

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL



Pastor—Fr. Gabriel
Chair—Bernie Schneider
Liturgy—Sr. Nancy Hurren
Financial—Kevin Schmidt
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SSVP—Arnie Schneider
K of C—Duncan Boyczuk
CWL—Deborah Cloutier
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PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Meet second Tuesday of the month at 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: Jarrod Stocker 250-869-2219
 Email: jjstocker@shaw.ca

- **ST. PEREGRINE PRAYER CIRCLE** *(An Apostolate of The Little Flowers of Saint Francis Fraternity of the Secular Franciscan Order).*
 St. Peregrine is recognized as the Patron Saint of Cancer Patients and Other illnesses. St. Peregrine's Feast Day is celebrated on May 4. If you have friends/family members with cancer or other illnesses we will add them to our list and pray for them & their family daily. We meet once a month and pray together.
 All are welcome to join us. Also, once a month we offer Mass Intentions for the St. Peregrine prayer list.
 Contact: Christine Reeves, OFS. 250-575-2043 E-mail: breevesac@shaw.ca
SECULAR FRANCISCAN ORDER - *"The Little Flowers of St. Francis Fraternity"* will be returning to St. Charles when we re-open.
SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT de PAUL 250-860-2536
 Meet second and fourth Wednesdays at 9:00 am
FIRST SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH—SSVP DONATIONS
SSVP DONATIONS-VEHICLE, RV & TRAILER- KEITH :250-300-1062

MINISTRY COORDINATORS

If you wish to become involved contact the Parish Office250-860-6776

Children's Liturgy Allison Knitting. 778-477-3790
 Eucharistic Ministers Dave Crane. 250-861-4085
 Catholic Moms Connect Group Abbey 250-899-4384
 Music JoAnn Young. 250-317-8965
 Readers. Sr. Nancy 250-808-9805
 Sacristans Brenda Korby 250-859-0840
 Safe Environment Coordinator Jeremy Orr - jeremy@digitcontracting.ca
 Ushers George Jarrouj - georgejarrouj@gmail.com
 Pilgrimage of Faith Rhonda Sali
 Development and Peace Karen Krout—karenikrout@gmail.com
 Campus Ministry - (Kelowna Catholic Collective) email: ubco.focus@gmail.com

CONTACT NUMBERS

CANADIAN FOOD FOR CHILDREN . . Penticton-Linda 250-493-0816
CLUBHOUSE DAYCARE 250-860-4393
CREIGHTON MODEL FERTILITY CARE 250-491-1088
DIOCESE OF NELSON—Catholic Pastoral Centre 250-448-2725
ELIZABETH SETON HOUSE OF PRAYER 250-764-4333
FREEDOM'S DOOR freedomdoor@shaw.ca 250-717-0472
GRIEF TO GRACE www.GriefftoGrace.org 250-870-8517
KELOWNA RIGHT TO LIFE . . kelownarighttolife@hotmail.com . 250-870-4103
OZANAM HOUSE . . hope@ozanamhouse.com 250-762-4673(HOPE)
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

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.

WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS!

Please complete this form and leave it in the collection basket or at the Parish Office.

Name (s): _____ **New Parishioner:** **Information Change:**

Address: _____ Postal Code: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

CHILDREN	
Name (s)	D.O.B.— (yyyy/mm/dd)

Would you like to be contacted by one of our parish groups?

- CWL Music
 Knights of Columbus Reader
 St. Vincent de Paul Usher

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.**