



St. Charles Garnier Parish

March 6, 2022

First Sunday of Lent.

Jesus was led by the Spirit into the wilderness:
there he was tempted.

Luke 4



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PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Brothers and Sisters in the Lord!

I wish to invite Our Parishioners and all good-willed people to reflect on this beautiful theme "Lift up Your Holy Hands" from 1 Timothy 2:8 In the Mediterranean World 'lifting up of hands' was a normal posture of prayer. It was common among Jews and Christians as folding hands, bowing heads, closing eyes, keeling down & etc.; 1Kgs 8:54 "Solomon rose from where he was kneeling with hands stretched out towards heaven before the Altar and stood erect".

'Lifting up of hands' is a Universal sign of Surrender. When we come to God in Worship - 'lifting our hands is a physical demonstration of our surrender in our heart and mind to His Lordship, Christ! "All beings in the Heavens, on earth and in the underworld, should bend the knee at the Name of Jesus and that every Tongue should acclaim Jesus as Lord!" (Phil 2: 10) Lifting up of our hands is also a form of supplication. Like a person drowning in water (Ps 68: 1-2) "Save me God! The water is already up to my neck! I am sinking in the deepest swamp, there is no foothold; I have stepped into deep water and the waves are washing over me". We lift our hands to be saved. In war, when we lift our hands, we surrender to the enemy allowing us into captivity and humiliation. When we lift our hands in prayer, we 'surrender to god for freedom to be raised up to live life to the full'.

Therefore 'lifting up of Hands is an act of the Will'. Lifting up of the Heart as the centre of affection - that prompts the outward act of the hands of supplication. We are weak people and without any power outside of God. When we are desperate, we lift up our hands in prayer surrendering to God asking Him to empower us. 1 Pt 2:9 Tells, 'You are a chosen race,

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Mon	Mar 7	8:30am	Int. Gabriele Geismayr
Tue	Mar 8	8:30am	✠ Antonio Ammataro
Wed	Mar 9	8:30am	✠ Reg Humphries
Thu	Mar 10	8:30am	✠ Natalia Mlikotic
Fri	Mar 11	8:30am	✠ Reg Williston
Sat	Mar 12	5:00pm	✠ Late Jela & Mike Lazic Fam.
Sun	Mar 13	8:30am	Int. Radi Family
		10:30am	Int. Olga & John Hilmer 60 anniversary

Next Week's Readings

1	<i>Genesis</i> —	15:5-12, 17-18
2	<i>Philippians</i> —	3:17– 4:1
Gospel	<i>Luke</i> —	9:28b-36

a royal priesthood, a consecrated nation, a people set apart, to sing the praises of God who called you out of the darkness into His wonderful light". When we lift our hands, we exercise our priestly function - by raising our hands to call on the Name of the Lord! (Ps 18:6) "In my distress I called God, and cried. From His Temple he heard my voice, my cry came to His ears".

We wish to raise our hands in supplication on behalf of our sisters and brothers in Ukraine for the coming Seven Sundays of Lent. During our Sunday assembly we wish to plead with our uplifted hands to God Our Father...as the Ukrainian's are in great distress/ they are in deep waters. Through our sharing of their pain and suffering we would like to raise our Holy hands in Prayer, which is a devoted act of surrender and service to the Lord at this time. This is a profound gesture of prayer.

Ps 141:2 Encourages "Let my prayer be counted as incense before you, and lifting of my hands as the evening sacrifice". Ps 143:6 "I thirst for you as a parched land thirsts for rain". Probably this is what Russians will also be praying for, because 'peace is disrupted and they thirst for peace. On their behalf and on behalf of the whole human race we would like to raise our holy hands and surrender to the Lord with our challenges. Be sure and certain, 'the Lord hears the cry of the poor' (Ps 103:8) Join our Congregation with 'uplifted Hands during the Prayer of Our Father'. Let us bring healing and comfort in the troubled parts of the World.

With every Blessing!

Gabriel



The first Sunday of the month is SSVP Sunday. Vincentians will be in the foyer to gratefully accept your donation. Donors may also give online at:

<https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/society-of-st-vincent-de-paul-st-charles-garnier-conference/>

Many thanks for your continued support.

Have you ever given thought to joining the Society? What would it involve? First and foremost, a love for and commitment to neighbours in our community who struggle financially. We take weekly turns delivering food hampers and meet the second and fourth Wednesdays 9 am to report and tend to other business. We hope that you will consider joining us for a meeting. Inquiries to 250-860-2536.

"Help Honours when, to the bread that nourishes, it adds the visit that consoles, the advice that enlightens, the friendly shake of the hand that lifts up sinking courage, when it treats the poor with respect, not only as an equal but as a superior, since (s) he is suffering that which we would perhaps not be able to bear ourselves;"
Frederic Ozanam

EASTER CALENDAR

Events	Date / time
Mass presided by Bishop Gregory Bittman Stations of the Cross – Blessing	March 6 - 10:30 After Mass
Knights of Columbus – Pancake breakfast	March 6 – After 8:30 am – 10:30 am Masses
Reconciliation Service	March 31 - 6:30 pm
Palm Sunday	April 9 - 5 pm Saturday April 10 - 8:30 am and 10:30 am
Easter Triduum	
Holy Thursday	April 14 – 7:00 pm
Good Friday	April 15 – 3:00 pm
Easter Vigil	April 16 - 7:00 pm
Easter Sunday	April 17, 8:30 and 10:30 am

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](#).

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE



Development and Peace is once again beginning the ShareLent campaign. Please check out the solidarity calendar and the video below to find out about some important projects in the world.

They are also focusing on helping the people of Ukraine.

<https://www.devp.org/en/campaign/people-planet-first/share-lent/solidarity-calendar/>

<https://youtu.be/TsmZZsEzvHO>



CHALICE



Our 2022 Lenten Mission will be hosted on our conference website: www.ChaliceEvents.ca

INDIGENOUS CONNECTIONS



Shhh!

It's a secret!

Reconciliation can be fun, even during Lent.

Find out for yourself by attending a free concert with Cheryl Bear, award-winning musician, at Metro Hub, 1265 Ellis Street, on Sat., March 12, 6:30-9:00 P.M. Cheryl uses a combination of stories and songs to help us understand some of the beauty and complexity of aboriginal history and culture.

To obtain your free tickets check out the website created by our own parishioners Caroline Halili and Asif Khan.

<https://www.globalcitizenevents.com>



March 12

6:30-9:30 pm

Metro Hub

1265 Ellis St

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<https://www.danschuttemusic.com/lenten-retreat-individual/>

ANNOUNCEMENTS

...After the 10:30 AM Service, His Excellency Bishop will Bless and dedicate the Newly erected Stations of the Cross in our Campus for our Spiritual nourishment. Kindly pick up the handout for this service on your way and participate in the dedication ceremony. After the Blessing Ceremony, all are invited for a Fellowship prepared by our Parish Knights.

...Our Knights will be hosting a Pancake Breakfast for all Parishioners & visitors on Sunday 06th March after the Services. This is a great gesture of Welcoming everyone after 2 full years of the Pandemic & the panic that everyone underwent. Have a wonderful Fellowship. Tables are arranged in the Parish Hall and lawn for your Convenience.

...Those who wish to Walk & Reflect the Stations are most welcome all through the week. Reflection materials are available in the Foyer of the Church. Pick up your material and walk with your family and friends as often as you can. As a Parish Community, we will have a Communal Stations inside the Church at 7:30 PM on all Fridays of the Lenten Season. All are cordially invited!

...All our Parish activities like Children Liturgy, Young Women Gatherings, Altar Servers Club & Care-Home Ministry etc; are beginning from this week. If you wish to offer your gift and talents for the benefit of the Church, could you please stop by Fr. Gabriel and talk to him about your interest. Everyone Welcome. No Skill needed only goodwill and enthusiasm. God will supply the rest. Could you kindly consider, please!

...Our Parish is inviting volunteers for the Care-home Ministry. If you are interested, please stop by Fr. Gabriel and talk to him about your interest.

KEEPING FRIDAY



Are you looking for a helpful Lenten practice??? Our Canadian Bishops give us helpful suggestions in the Handout

“Keeping Friday” See the link below.

<https://www.cccb.ca/document/keeping-friday/>

PILGRIMAGE OF FAITH



Our Pilgrimage of Faith Appeal

3665 Benvoulin Rd., Kelowna, BC V1W 4M7

"The joy of the Gospel is for all people: no one can be excluded."

The Joy of the Gospel, 23, Pope Francis

Pilgrimage of Faith forms are available at the foyer, feel free to pick up one!

Of download them from the website [here](#).

IMMACULATA HOMESTAYS NEEDED

Do you enjoy learning about other cultures? Do you like kids? Do you have a spare room?

If you answered yes to these questions, you could be just the family we're looking for! We are building our list of homestay families for the 2022-23 school year! We expect to have students from Latin America, Asia and Europe.

This is a great experience for your whole family and we pay \$925 (tax free) per student per month.

If you'd like to learn more, have a look at this link:

<https://www.immaculatakelowna.ca/homestays.php>

and/or contact Shelley Brodeur at irhs.ahc@cisnd.ca

ST. JOSEPH

St. Joseph Catholic School is now accepting applications for September 2022 enrollment. St. Joseph provides a supportive, caring, and safe environment for students in Kindergarten through Grade 7. With over 80 years of academic excellence and the best Kindergarten program in Kelowna, we invite your family to join our family! Early bird rates are in effect until Thursday, March 3rd.

For more information, visit our website at stjosephkelowna.ca, email us at sjkoffice@cisnd.ca or call 250-763-3371.



SCG—Guide to Giving		2022			
February	6	13	20	27	
Monthly Parish Collection Budget	41,500	41,500	41,500	41,500	
Collection/Sag/e-transfers received this month to date. (*)	5,458	4,153	5,605	5,175	
Average collection to date	5,458	3,305	6,072	5,847	
Sunday Collection only (*included)	3,546	4,776	3,228	2,798	

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.



2021 TAX RECEIPTS

2021 Income Tax Receipts are available for pick up from the table in the foyer. If you have any questions regarding your receipt from the parish, please call the Parish Office 250-860-6776.

Tax receipts from The Society of St. Vincent de Paul are also included in your envelope.

Our Pilgrimage of Faith receipts will be mailed separately from the Pilgrimage of Faith office.

GRIEF TO GRACE

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

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nicolehorsman@telus.net

if you have any further questions about

Formed.org



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.

CATHOLIC MOMS GROUP

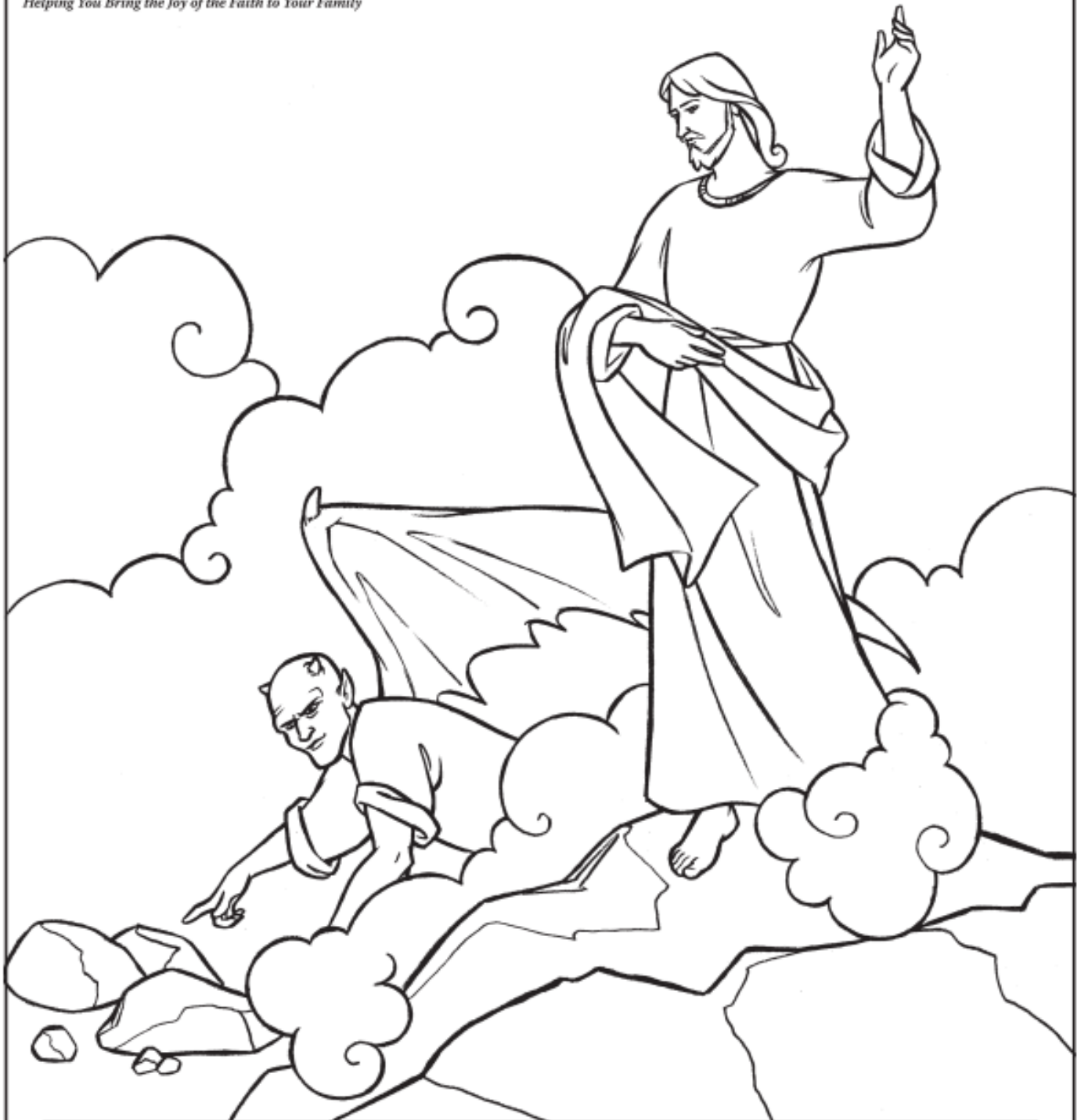


Catholic moms connect is currently meeting remotely. Please contact abbey at 250-899-4384 for more information.

HOLY HEROES

Helping You Bring the Joy of the Faith to Your Family

First Sunday of Lent, March 6, 2022



"Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit into the desert for forty days, to be tempted by the devil. He ate nothing during those days, and when they were over He was hungry. The devil said to Him, 'If You are the Son of God, command this stone to become bread.' Jesus answered him, 'It is written, "One does not live by bread alone."' (Luke 4:1-4)

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL



- Pastor**—Fr. Gabriel
- Chair**—Bernie Schneider
- Liturgist**—Sr. Nancy Hurren
- Financial**—Kevin Schmidt
- Maintenance**—Don Korby
- SSVP**—Arnie Schneider
- K of C**—Duncan Boyczuk
- CWL**—Deborah Cloutier
- Outreach**—Stephen Horsman

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—karenkrout@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.***