St. Charles Garnier Parish

May 29, 2022

The Ascension of the Lord.

Jesus withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven.

Luke 24



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WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS					
Mon	May 30	8:30am	Int. David MacKinnon		
Tue	May 31	8:30am	♣ Antonia & Vaclavar Slavik		
Wed	Jun 1	8:30am	Int. Harold Weisgerber		
Thu	Jun 2	8:30am	🕆 Gilbert Wolf		
Fri	Jun 3	8:30am	🕆 Judy Newman		
Sat	Jun 4	5:00pm	🕆 William Green		
Sun	Jun 5	8:30am	Int. Brigit, Lua & Briza		
		10:30am	♣ Irene Claggett Int. Fred Glynn		

Next Week's Readings				
1	Genesis —	11:1-9		
2	Romans —	8:22-27		
Gospel	John—	7:37-39		

PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Sisters & Brothers in the Lord!

Ascension normally evokes the image of Jesus' being lifted up to heaven on a cloud after 40 days. (Acts 1:1 & 9) "He was taken up to Heaven. He was lifted up while the Apostles looked on, and a cloud took him from their sight". Ascension also recognizes and celebrates Jesus' being lifted up to Heaven, from where He descended at His Birth (Jn 3:13) "No one has gone up to heaven except the one who came down from heaven, the Son of Man who is in heaven, and the son of Man must be lifted up". By going into heaven, Jesus is exalted, glorified and seated at the right hand of God as the King of the Universe. (Phil 2:11)

Ascension sprang up and blossomed as the 'Birth of the Christ Movement from Jerusalem'. Jerusalem became the key city (Centre of the Christ Movement) which facilitated the growth and development of the Apostolic Activity after the Reception of the Holy Spirit. The timid disciples of Christ were empowered by the Spirit of God to boldly profess and witness Christ all around the World. The Church's Missionary efforts began when they recognized that they should branch out and bear witness to Christ as they had been called and commissioned by the Lord himself.

The Outpouring of the Holy Spirit became the operating principle in the missionary activity of the Church from time immemorial. It's the Holy Spirit that Guides and Leads individuals and communities to Christ's life. Holy Spirit is the gift of the Father and Son Jesus. The Power of the Holy Spirit became very much visible and vibrant only after the Ascension of Christ. (The Apostles waited on the

Holy Spirit for their direction to move forward after the Ascension of Christ, since there wasn't anyone on whom they could depend on for Leadership except the Holy Spirit on earth)

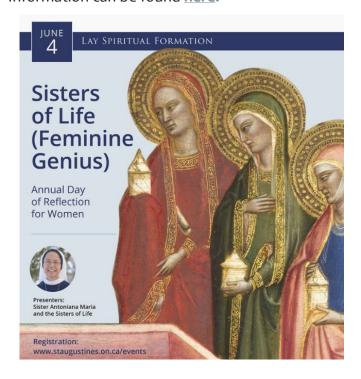
Today we are reminded by the Church that we are all made for Heaven & to be with God in Paradise. Therefore, we are to have a clear understanding of Heaven. Heaven is not a place above the earth. It's the presence of God that makes heaven possible. Heaven is the Kingdom of the Father (Mt 13:43) Heaven is the Kingdom of the Son of Man (Mt 13:4) St. Paul tells us in Romans 14:17 "Heaven is Justice, Peace and Love in the Holy Spirit". Heaven is the experience of the Divine by the people of God (redeemed community of Christ) Heaven is entering into the Promised land of our patrimony. May Jesus the Lord, give us this wonderful gift of being united with Him in Heaven through our fervent faith.

All the best!

Affectionately in Christ, Gabriel

ST. AGUSTINE'S

Annual Day of Reflection for Women
The Sisters of Life will lead us on a journey into the
Heart of Woman to uncover and recover the Feminine Genius desperately needed in our day.
Information can be found here.



SSVP



"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 re-

spect, 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.

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 are struggling financially. We take weekly turns delivering food hampers and meet the second and fourth Wednesdays, 9am, to report our visits and to tend to other business.

We continue to pray that you will consider joining us for a meeting. Inquiries to 250-860-2536 or ssypstcharles@hotmail.com

CWL



WOMEN OF THE PARISH

The Catholic Women's League of Canada will be holding their 102^{nd} annual convention **here in Kelowna** at the Delta Grand Hotel, this August $14-17^{th}$.

What an opportunity for members and non-members alike to check out what this organization is all about. It's an amazing experience to be in a room with hundreds of like-minded women from across Canada, all coming together in faith, to grow in knowledge and love. Everyone is welcome! You can attend all 3 days or just one.

We are also asking women to step forward to help the planning committee fulfill our theme *Rejoice in the Vineyard of the Lord!* If you can give some of your time or would like more information on attending please contact Debbie Cloutier atdebcloutier27@gmail.com.

We encourage you to go to www.cwl.ca for more information on who and what we're all about.

Roman Catholic Diocese of **Nelson website:**

https://www.nelsondiocese.org/

Holy Sacrifice of the Mass & Devotions Live stream click here

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News and Announcements from Diocese of Nelson please click here.



For Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops website click here.

CARE OF CREATION



LAUDATO SI' Thank you to the five parishioners who walked and prayed at Fascieux Wetland, a natural and

protected wetland between Richter and Casorso Roads, close to the Mission Shopping Centre.

We will continue to celebrate Laudato Si' Week, the worldwide celebration of the publication in 2015 of Laudato Si': On Care For Our Common Home from May 22 to 29. The theme for Laudato Si' Week this year is "Listening and Journeying Together".

At St. Charles Parish we will continue to celebrate our wetlands, which are so crucial to the survival of wildlife and diversity. On May 29 at 2pm we will walk and pray at Rotary Marsh, meeting at the Dolphins sculpture on Water Street. We'll begin with a prayer from Laudato Si', walk around the wetland and pray in silence together as we observe and exult in the abundant wildlife in that place.

In this way we will join our Catholic brothers and sisters around the world in celebrating our interconnected life here on earth.

For more information and to join our green team, please contact Karen Krout at 250-317-4214. Laudato SI' events:

https://laudatosiweek.org/allevents/

St. Charles Garnier Parish

http://stcharlesgarnier.ca/

Holy Sacrifice of the Mass is being live-streamed Sunday 8:30

Livestream click here

CHALICE



Click here

INDIGENOUS CONNECTIONS

"All my relations" is a phrase members of several indigenous nations use when speaking to each other, or at the end of circle time. It serves as an



acknowledgement of interconnectedness and respect for one another, and as a reminder of one's place within the Real.

"Who is my neighbour?" Jesus is asked. He tells what we call the story of the Good Samaritan in response to the question, having previously instructed his listeners to love God first and above all, and to love our neighbour as ourself.

"All my relations" is an indigenous answer to the question: "Who is my neighbour?" Who is the "all" in "All my relations?" Is it just blood relatives or immediate family? Is it just members of the band or tribe? Is it only indigenous people? No! "All my relations" means ALL who share Creator's gift of life, including the "plant people" and the "animal people."

If anything, "all my relations" expands the answer to the question Jesus was asked because it recognizes that the four-leggeds, the flyers, the swimmers, as well as the two-leggeds, are part Creator's web of life.

If you've ever thought of indigenous spiritualities as primitive or superficial, think again! We Christians could learn a thing or two.

Pam Kemp

GATHERING IN THE SPIRIT



Gathering in the Spirit: Fun, Fellowship, Friends: "The Light of God's Glory."

Come! Join us in Kelowna, August 7-12, as we Gather in the Spirit, at St. Charles Garnier Church. Father Peter Sanders, from Monterey, California, will present a series of talks on the Word of God from Rev 19.7, "Let us rejoice and exult and give Him Glory." Father Peter's

ministry has taken him worldwide on seminars, retreats, and healing services.

To <u>register</u> and inquire about funding assistance, contact Maria McManus:

1-250-707-1423 untamedspirit@telus.net

Early Bird Rate: closes <u>June 17</u>, and is \$500 with accommodation at Seton House, (limit 50 people). Commuter rate is \$275. From June18-July 22, the rate with Seton House is \$550 and \$325 for commuters. Posters and brochures contain detailed information, and are in your parish and on the web:

https://www.holyspiritbaptizer.com/gathering-in-the-spirit

ST. JOSEPH



St. Joseph Catholic School is now accepting applications for September 2022 enroll-

ment. St. Joseph provides a supportive, caring, and safe environment for students in Kindergarten through Grade 7. We are also proud to offer our amazing Outdoor Academy program in collaboration with the Clubhouse Farm. Students experience season-specific programming that connects them to the land and gives them the opportunity to see how things change, grow, and evolve. This spring our theme is Local Sustainable Agriculture.

With over 80 years of academic excellence and the best Kindergarten program in Kelowna we invite your family to join our family!

For more information, visit our website at:

stjosephkelowna.ca, email us at sjkoffice@cisnd.ca or call 250-763-337

BEST BREAKFAST IN TOWN



Fellow St. Charles Garnier Perishers you are invited to the Best Breakfast in town this Sunday after both 8:30 am & 10:30 am. Sunday May 29.

Breakfast is served by the Knights of Columbus!

Cost only \$ 9.00 per person or \$ 25.00 for a family. A hug from your Favorite Knight is Free! All funds raised go to Knights Charities!

DONTIONS BY E-TRANSFER



Etransfers are accepted at St. Charles Garnier Parish
Send your offering via e-transfer

etransfer.SCGK@nelsondiocese.org

no password is required.

Pilgrimage of Faith donations are also accepted with

FORMED



During the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, we remember a fundamental pillar of our Faith: "God is love" (1 Jn 4:8). This simple statement is the beginning and the ending of our pilgrimage of Faith. In this episode of The Wild Goose, join Fr. Dave Pivonka as he illuminates God's eternal pouring out of Love.

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nicolehorsman@telus.net

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Families from across Canada are invited to a live and virtual "Rosary for the Family".

The CCCB Standing Committee for Family and Life is hosting this national event in preparation for the 10th World Meeting of Families (WMF) that will take place in Rome and in dioceses across the world (22–26 June 2022).

The live Zoom event, "Rosary for the Family", takes place Father's Day, Sunday, 19 June 2022, at 3 PM EST.

Featuring different families and voices from across the country, it is an opportunity to gather in prayer with other faith-filled families.

Everyone is welcome!

Register here





Pacific Time



12:00 PM

The Zoom registration link can be accessed here.

The promotions kit is available for downloaded below: <u>English Kit</u> <u>French Kit</u>



Youth of the Diocese of Nelson

Join Pope Francis, and young Catholics from around the world for the 16th International World Youth Day Pilgrimage! World Youth Day is a week-long spiritual and cultural opportunity for youth and young adults to meet and gather for prayer and inspiration from Pope Francis and other Catholic leaders. Participants will grow in their faith and their appreciation for the power and presence of Jesus in the Church today. World Youth Day 2023 is from July 28, 2023, to August 7, 2023, in Lisbon, Portugal.

WYD is open to all young people who want to take part in a festive encounter centered on Jesus Christ together with their peers. This event is an opportunity to personally experience the universality of the Catholic Church, and to share with the whole world the hope of many young people who are committing their lives to Christ and His Church. World Youth Day is a unique way to deepen your faith and grow closer to Christ, through prayer and the sacraments, together with hundreds of thousands of other young people who share your interests and ambitions.

Cost \$ 4500 (Cad)

Interested in attending World Youth Day?

please contact: Deacon Rod Attwell: rod.attwell@nelsondiocese.org or call Phone: (250) 448-2725 ext 280



www.facebook.com/groups/wydnelson

CWL NEWS

Please plan to attend our Wind-Up Luncheon.

Join us on June 14th in the Parish Hall.

There will be a brief meeting at 10:30 followed by the luncheon at 11:30 a.m.

Tickets are \$10 and available at at the Parish Office.

Hope to see you there!

GIRLS' YOUTH GROUP

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

Where: St. Charles Garnier

What: A free evening of fun filled with food, games,

music, crafts and faith-building activities.

Dinner will be served.

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.



CMC



For information please contact abbey at: 250-899-4384



SSVP—INVINCIBLE HOUSING



Want to join a small group of volunteers who are hard-working, innovative, flexible and cooperative?

We use these skills to help people stay housed when they hit hard times. It may be a family break-up, an illness or injury,

or a critical change in circumstances where the next stop is homelessness.

This group is "Invincible Housing", and it is a special project of The Society of St. Vincent de Paul of the Okanagan Valley. We meet people one-on-one and assist them with small but essential financial and other support for housing. This approach led, in part, to St. Vincent de Paul's nomination as a finalist in the Kelowna Civic Awards as 'Volunteer Group of the Year'!

We could use a few more good people on our small but mighty team! Come for a brief, open meeting on Saturday, June 4th, 2022, at 9:30 in the Blue Room of the Immaculate Conception church hall at 839 Sutherland Avenue to see what we're about!

Featuring Grandma Maria's home-made cinnamon buns, good coffee or tea and good plans!

Questions? Call Peggy at 250-718-1575 or email:

salaberryp2@gmail.com for more info...



Help Wanted

Do you love to sing?
We are looking for a few more singers to join our group twice a month at the 8:30 mass.

Rehearsals: Wednesday Nights 7:00 – 8:30 pm For more information, please contact Corinne McCarthy at 250-258-9677 or

gcmccarthy@shaw.ca

RACHEL'S CORNER

"The LORD is a stronghold for the oppressed, a stronghold in times of trouble". Psalm 9:10

Sometimes our very thoughts and feelings after having been through the experience of abortion, are what oppresses us the most. Have you considered what it would be like to know you had a refuge from that oppression, a safe place where you are loved unconditionally? Join us on a Rachel's Vineyard™ Retreat and encounter God's merciful embrace where you can rest and be free of all oppression and condemnation.

info@rachelsvineyardkelowna.com www.rachelsvineyardkelowna.com f Rachel's Vineyard Kelowna 250-762-2273

SCAM ALERT



Scammers are active again, please be alert!! Fr. Gabriel is NOT emailing/texting parishioners.

BE SAFE!

Seventh Sunday of Easter ©

John 17:20-26



"I pray that they may all be one, as We are one."

Father, hear Jesus' constant prayers for us. Send the Holy Spirit to us so that we can love each other as You love Jesus.

Amen

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL



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

MINISTRY COORDINATORS

If you wish to become involved contact the Parish Office $\dots\dots250\mbox{-}860\mbox{-}6776$				
	Dave Crane			

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

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. Pere-

grine prayer list.

Contact :Christine Reeves, OFS. 250-575-2043 E-mail: cbreevesac@shaw.ca SECULAR FRANCISCAN ORDER - "The Little Flowers of St. Francis Fraternity" will be returning to St. Charles when we re-open.

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

CONTACT NUMBERS

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CLUBHOUSE DAYCARE
CREIGHTON MODEL FERTILITY CARE250-491-1088
DIOCESE OF NELSON—Catholic Pastoral Centre
ELIZABETH SETON HOUSE OF PRAYER
FREEDOM'S DOOR freedomsdoor@shaw.ca 250-717-0472
GRIEF TO GRACE
KELOWNA RIGHT TO LIFE . kelownarighttolife@hotmail.com. 250-870-4103
OZANAM HOUSE hope@ozanamhouse.com 250-762-4673(HOPE)
PREGNANCY CARE CENTRE
RACHEL'S VINEYARD info@rachelsvineyardkelowna.com 250-762-2273
REACH OUT YOUTH COUNSELLING & FAMILY SERVICES 250-763-7892
reachoutokanagan@gmail.com

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after-shave or heavily scented personal care products

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

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