

APRIL 30, 2023: FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC CHURCH

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A WARM WELCOME TO GUESTS, AND VISITORS!

Whether you are visiting, looking for a new home parish, or returning to your faith, we are happy you are here!

THE MONTH OF APRIL IS DEDICATED TO THE *HOLY EUCHARIST*.



The Holy Father's Intention for the month of April 2023: *For a non-violent culture*
"Let us pray for a more widespread culture of non-violence, that will progress when countries and citizens alike resort less and less to the use of arms."

MASS INTENTIONS + SCHEDULE

Sunday, April 30	10:30 a.m.	People of the Parish
Tuesday, May 2	8:00 am	Int. A. Mercuri
Wednesday, May 3	8:00 a.m.	Tony Freeman (RIP)
Thursday, May 4	6:30 p.m.	Int. Don Mc Namee
Friday, May 5	8:00 a.m.	Brennan Beltrano (RIP)
Saturday, May 6	8:00 a.m.	Guido Stellato (RIP)
	8:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.	Confessions (or by appointment)
Sunday, May 7	10:30 a.m.	People of the Parish

THIS WEEK'S PARISH CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Tuesday: May 2	6:30 p.m.	Faith Formation for Children
Thursday: May 4	12:30 p.m.	Walking with Purpose
	5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.	Adoration
	7:00 p.m.	Walking with Purpose



WORDS FROM OUR SECONDARY PATRON, ST. JEAN VIANNEY:

"Our Lord carried his Cross – surely I can do as he did."



INTERAC EMAIL DONATIONS: Did you know that you can now E-Transfer your offerings to giving@holyfamilychurch.ca? Holy Family has set this up for auto-deposit, so a security password/question is not required. Thank you for your generous support! Please contact the parish office to discuss other options that are available.

Library Books For All

I have library books that were brought from the Immaculate Heart of Mary Shrine to St. Gerard's. If you would be interested in having some good library books please feel free to contact me at stgerards@rcdk.org. I welcome everyone to come and see. After May 15 we will be disposing of them.

SERVE AT MASS

ALTAR SERVERS: Have you received your First Holy Communion? Are you interested in serving in our parish? Join our Altar Server Ministry. Contact our coordinators at 250-320-3541, or altarservehf@gmail.com. that are available.

USHERS AND GREETERS: Please contact the parish office during office hours if you are interested in filling this valuable role in our church.

Fourth Sunday of Easter - April 30, 2023 - World Day of Prayer for Vocations

The Good Shepherd calls his own sheep by name and leads them. Is He asking you to help others to find Him? Pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and religious life, especially for our diocese, that God will raise up good shepherds in our midst. If God is calling you, contact Fr. Derrick Cameron, Vocation Director, Diocese of Kamloops at (250) 372-2581. Email office@sacredheartkamloops.org

CATHOLIC WOMENS LEAGUE



We will again be having a 500 dollar bursary for a grade 12 student from the Holy Family Parish. The applications will be at the back of the church under the CWL board. They will be in brown business envelopes marked CWL BURSARY. The completed form will be due July 3, 2023. Contact information is Evelyn Blom at evelynblom@hotmail.com or 250-573-4914

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 9697



The Holy Family Parish Knights of Columbus Council 9697 is pleased to announce the availability of Six, Five-Hundred-Dollar Scholarship Bursaries in 2023. Applications for these bursaries may be submitted by Female and Male parishioners, for either assistance in Post Secondary education costs, or dire financial need. Information and Applications can be found on the bulletin boards on the left as you enter the foyer of the Church.

Live-In Retreat, Seton House of Prayer, Kelowna, May 19-21: The whole purpose of the Live-In is to lead those who come to a deeper personal relationship with **Jesus Christ**. People who make the Live-In seem to always experience "Jesus as someone real". They experience a new peace and deeper faith. Many people say that during their Live-In, they have received a whole new outlook on life, an understanding of God's love for them, and a new desire to pray and read scripture. The program involves a series of instructions and slides on the basis of Christian life. There are a variety of speakers from all walks of life. It is Roman Catholic funded and based. It includes the celebration of Reconciliation and the Eucharist. Contact Theresa Lidster (250.314.6779) for an application form

Thank you to all who have responded to the Faith in Action appeal! You may still send/bring your pledge and/or funds at future Sunday Masses.



FAITH IN ACTION
Diocese of Kamloops
635A Tranquille Road
Kamloops, BC
V2B 3H5

Parish Assessment: \$26,761.00

Parish Goal: \$10,000

Total Goal: ---\$36,761.00

RECEIVED TO DATE: # of Pledges: 89

Total Pledged: \$36,395.00

Faith in Action donations are being accepted by E-transfer to the Chancery office at fia@rcdk.org. No security question required. For tax receipt purposes, please include in the e-transfer memo section: your name, address, phone number, parish to which you would like the donation allocated, and the city where the parish is located. Donations may also be made directly to the Diocese of Kamloops.

SERRA CLUB OF KAMLOOPS DIOCESE

"The future belongs to those who worship God in silence." -St. John Paul II

Holy Hour - for Vocations

Serra Club of Kamloops Diocese



5:00PM 1st Wednesday of the month at OLPH

7:00PM 3rd Wednesday of the month at St. John Vianney

7:00PM 2nd and 4th Wednesday at Sacred Heart

Cathedral and every Friday at Sacred Heart Cathedral

1:00PM Tuesdays and 3:00 PM on the first Friday of the month at Blessed Sacrament Parish in Chase.



26. This is not merely a passing devotional practice. It is founded on divinely revealed truths. (Pope Pius XII)



Rachel's Corner

"For I am the Lord, your God, who grasps your right hand; It is I who say to you, do not fear, I will help you." Isaiah 41:13

Fear can be the greatest obstacle to your healing. He is a God of mercy, compassion, and love. Allow Him to hold your hand and bring you back into His embrace. Like a good Father, He yearns to help you with every step. Join us on our next Rachel's Vineyard™ Retreat.

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SAVE THE DATE!

"Concrete Ways to Renew Practices of Family Holiness"

Open webinar hosted by the
CCCB Office for Family & Life



SATURDAY
June 3, 2023



1:00 - 2:30 PM EDT

Presented in French with LIVE simultaneous
translation in English



FEATURING:
Mons. PHILIPPE BORDEYNE
President of the John Paul II Pontifical
Theological Institute for Marriage and Family
Sciences, Rome, Italy.





To love one another is to see the face of Christ in every person, beginning with our families. To love one another recognizes a person's inestimable dignity and worth. To love one another is our shared need for unfailing tenderness, kindness, compassion, and care.

National Family & Life Week (NFLW), May 7-14, 2023, is an invitation from the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops to the faithful in Canada to celebrate the joy and beauty of family and life by seeking out new and creative ways to live out this call in our daily lives. The NFLW theme is Jesus' words, "Love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another" (John 13:34). Love is at the heart of familial relationships and our families are a communion of love in Christ. We are "guardians of life" when we love one another within our families, as well as in wider society when we show kindness toward and care for the vulnerable and marginalized.

Advance Care Planning

Join other Catholics for workshops on completing Advance Care Plans that accommodate Catholic Teachings and assistance for assuring preparation is made for End of Life events. For more information contact Kathy Dahl at kathysdahlhouse@gmail.com or 250-318-9698.

In the meantime, check out these resources, especially for Catholic End of Life Planning:

*Getting started: <https://www.bc-cpc.ca/lets-get-you-started/>

*Catholic Health Association of BC – Advance Care Planning – A Catholic Perspective
<https://www.chabc.bc.ca/wp-content/uploads/2017/05/ACP-document.pdf> (p. 29-33)

*Delta Hospice Advance Directive
<https://deltahospicesociety.org/about-us/do-not-ethanize-dne-advance-directive/>



Through a retreat program facilitated by mental health professionals and centered on Jesus Christ, Grief to Grace helps those who have endured physical, emotional, sexual, and/or spiritual abuse find healing. The next retreat is May 23 – 27, 2023 in Kelowna. For

more information, please email griegtograncelowna@gmail.com or make a confidential call to 250-808-6403.

Vernon & Area Pro-Life Society is offering a \$1,000 scholarship to a graduating Grade 12 student. For more information email us at prolifescholarship@gmail.com

Preparing for the End of Life as We Know It!

Have you watched Eternal Rest: The Art of Dying Well on FORMED.org? Here are the links to videos: <http://watch.formed.org/eternal-rest> Watch and discuss the four episodes after 9:00 am Mass at Sacred Heart Cathedral on Tuesdays in May. Watch for a special evening presentation in May: date to be announced. For more information contact Kathy Dahl at kathysdahlhouse@gmail.com or 250-318-9698

National Hospice and Palliative Care Week May 7-13 and 12 Hours of Prayer for Palliative Care Watch for special presentations in the Kamloops Parishes. This year May 7 is Pro-Life Sunday in Diocese of Kamloops. Watch for displays and information at your parish. Each parish is preparing to educate and assist with the challenging issues of End of Life. Check here for times, dates, and details over the next few weeks.