

Welcome to
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.



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Our Lady of Perpetual Help School: 250-376-2343 | **Website:** <https://olpshschool.ca>

Home Learning: 1-888-599-5775 | **Website:** <https://ascendonline.ca>

Diocese of Kamloops: (250) 376-3351 | **Diocese Website:** www.rcdk.org

ADORATION

M/W/Th/F (not last Fridays): 7:30am
Saturdays: 8:00am
First Sundays of the month: 10:00am

MASS TIMES

Sundays: 10:30am
M/W/Th/F: 8:00am
Tuesdays: ~~6:30pm~~
Last Fridays of the Month: 5:30pm
Saturdays: 9:00am

RECONCILIATION

Saturdays: 8:30am-8:50am, or by appointment

THE HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL 2025: FOR THE USE OF THE NEW TECHNOLOGIES:

Let us pray that the use of the new technologies will not replace human relationships, will respect the dignity of the person, and will help us face the crises of our times.

| | SCHEDULE | INTENTIONS | COMING UP |
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| Monday | April 28 7:30am Adoration 8:00am Mass | Frank Plut (RIP) | St. Louis Mary de Montfort |
| Tuesday | April 29 7:30am Adoration 8:00am Mass | Brennan Beltrano (RIP) | St. Catherine of Siena |
| Wednesday | April 30 No Mass | | St. Pius V |
| Thursday | May 1 No Mass | | St. Joseph the Worker |
| Friday | May 2 No Mass | | 6:00pm Children's Catechesis |
| Saturday | May 3 No Mass | | Sts. Philip and James, the Apostles |
| Sunday | May 4 10:30am Mass | | 5:00pm Hispanic Rosary + Potluck |

The Divine Mercy Sunday origin is from a revelation to Saint Faustina, a Sister of Mercy in Poland who initiated the Divine Mercy devotion. Between 1930 and 1938 Jesus requested numerous times a Feast of Divine Mercy. On May 5, 2000, five days after the canonization of Saint Faustina, the Vatican decreed that the Second Sunday of Easter would henceforth be known as Divine Mercy Sunday.

PRAYERFUL WISHES

to Fr. Vernantius Ononwu who will celebrate his birthday on April 27th, and to Msgr. Jerry Desmond who will celebrate his 59th Anniversary of Priestly Ordination on April 28th!

KAMLOOPS CATHOLIC YOUTH GROUP
ENCOUNTER NIGHT!
APRIL 27TH (DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY)

All youth are invited to TONIGHT at 7:15pm at the Sacred Heart Cathedral basement. Contact kcyg@rcdk.org if you have any questions.



Prayer upon the Death of Pope Francis

Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord.
R. And let perpetual light shine upon him.

O God, faithful rewarder of souls, grant that your departed servant Pope Francis, whom you made successor of Peter and shepherd of your Church, may happily enjoy for ever in your presence in heaven the mysteries of your grace and compassion, which he faithfully ministered on earth. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

R. Amen.



JOIN THE HISPANIC COMMUNITY

ON SUNDAY, MAY 4TH! ROSARY BEGINS AT 5:00PM, FOLLOWED BY A POTLUCK MEAL. PLEASE BRING A DISH TO SHARE. CONTACT CAROLINA +57 320-693-1188 (WHATSAPP) OR +1 236-795-3556 (CALL OR TEXT)



CWL CORNER

Applications are now open for the annual CWL Bursary for young people studying at the post-secondary level. Several packages are posted on the bulletin board for potential recipients to access. The date for submission and all submission requirements are described in the package. One award of \$500 will be given.

12 Hours of Prayer for Palliative Care/ National Week of Hospice and Palliative Care Awareness (May 4 - 9)

What are the challenges of access to euthanasia and assisted suicide in Canada? Catholics must educate themselves, pray for good palliative and hospice and let their government representatives at Federal and Provincial level know of their concerns.

Here are some opportunities to pray, learn, and act during this nationally designated week and Catholic Women's League Prayers for Palliative Care.

-Sacred Heart Cathedral: May 4-10 Rosary after 9 am Mass with special intentions for Palliative Care; Wed. May 7 Adoration after 9 am Mass till 9 pm - hourly intentions for Palliative Care

-Saint John Vianney: Wed. May 7, 2 pm Advance Care Planning Session in Friendship Room (beginning, work in progress or completing - all are welcome/ Everyone needs an ACP)

-Our Lady of Perpetual Help: Friday, May 9, 6:30 pm Stations of the Cross: "The Way of the Cross Today: Reflections on Suffering in Sickness and Dying" by Sister Nuala Kenny.

-Holy Family: Spiritual Bouquet: commit to an hour of prayer (or more) over the week in support of good palliative, hospice and pro-life care in Canada. Create a Spiritual Bouquet card in reminder of this 12 Hours of Prayer for Palliative Care during the National Week of Awareness of Hospice and Palliative Care.

Holy Hour - for Vocations

Serra Club of Kamloops Diocese

Prayer is a moving force in vocation development. Few are called to priesthood or religious life, but all are called to pray for vocations.

Jesus said, "Pray, therefore, the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest" (Mt. 9:38).

- Holy Family:** 8am - 9am Saturday before 9am Mass
- OLPH:** 8:00am - 8:45am Wednesday following 7:30am Mass
- Sacred Heart:** 7:50am - 8:50 am Mon, Tues, Thurs. Fri. before 9 am Mass, Wed. 9:30 am - 9 pm and Fri. 7-8 pm following 6:30 pm

FINANCIAL PRESENTATION

Please be advised that before Mass on Sunday May 11, there will be a brief presentation to share our parish financial report. We are grateful for your generosity and patience as we take a few extra minutes to reflect on our stewardship together.

ADOPT A FAMILY

Sept 2025 - June 2026

There are many families at St. Ann's Academy who struggle financially with tuition costs. If you would like to adopt a family and help with tuition assistance, please contact the parish office. Any help is greatly appreciated! Tax receipts will be generated for all the donations.

Looking for gift ideas?

Visit St. Joseph's Christian Store, across the Sacred Heart Cathedral, for a selection of giftware, children's missals, bibles, prayer books, rosaries, medals, crucifixes, jewelry, prayer cards, greeting cards, and much more. Store hours: Tuesday-Friday, 10 am-4 pm (Closed 1-2 pm for lunch).



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Deadline to apply for the Knights of Columbus Scholarships/Bursaries: June 30/2025

The Knights of Columbus are offering six scholarships/bursaries valued at \$500 each to successful applicants entering post-graduate secondary education. Mature students attending full time or part time studies are also eligible. Full details of the program can be obtained by writing to the Financial Secretary or pick up a copy from the bulletin board located in the foyer of the church.

Faith in Action Campaign 34

Faith in Action also accepts Interac E-Transfers. Simply send your e-transfer contribution to fia@rcdk.org
Faith In Action Campaign 34 Video <https://youtu.be/XM8HXoRFvQ8>

PARISH ASSESSMENT \$27,068 | NUMBER OF PLEDGES 78

TOTAL PLEDGED \$34,119 | CASH RECEIVED \$34,119

Registration for the 2025 Bishop Thomas Lobsinger Bursary is open. We are offering 14 - \$1,000 bursaries to post secondary Catholic students in British Columbia up to the age of 25. Please see the bulletin board for more info or visit <https://kofcbc.org/bursary-program-2025/>

GRIEF TO GRACE

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. Through a retreat program facilitated by mental health professionals and centered on Jesus Christ.

The next retreat in Canada is May 2025 in Kelowna. For more information please email griefftoGracekelowna@gmail.com or make a confidential call to 250-808-6403.



RACHEL'S CORNER

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"O my soul, what are you doing? Are you not aware that God sees you always? You can never hide yourself from His sight. O Father have pity on us because we are blind and in darkness. Drive out the darkness and give me light." St Catherine of Siena- Feast day April 29
Do you feel like you have been hiding from God since your involvement in an abortion decision? He sees you always and invites you to walk with Him in the light again. Join the men and women on a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat.



DIOCESAN ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

On **Sunday June 22, 2025**, Bishop Joseph Nguyen invites all to a Corpus Christi Mass starting at Riverside Park Bandshell with the Eucharist procession following Mass to Sacred Heart Cathedral, Benediction, Sacred Display and BBQ at St. Ann's in celebration of the 80th Anniversary of the Diocese of Kamloops. More details to come!

SPIRITUALITY & PSYCHOLOGY

Come and join in on a discussion with Fr. Derrick Cameron and Adele Huculak, a Catholic counsellor and a parishioner at Sacred Heart Cathedral, on attachments: possible signals of past injuries/hurts (which reflect the way we relate to God). Our attachments speak loud to us - they tell us something about ourselves, our past, and how we see and relate to God (which can hinder relationship with God).

WHEN: Friday, May 9, 2025

WHAT TIME: There will be two opportunities to join for discussions:
-After 9 am morning Mass
-In the evening after 8 - 9 pm preceded by Mass at 6:30 pm and Holy Hour 7 - 8 pm. Everyone welcome!

THE AMAZING SAA PLAYERS PRESENT:

Sherlock Holmes and the Whitechapel Murders: May 14-16
TICKETS NOW AVAILABLE. SEE BULLETIN BOARD FOR DETAILS.



OKANAGAN CATHOLIC FAMILY CAMP

Sept.5-7, 2025 at Camp Winfield, Lake Country
Registration begins on May 15th. at www.okanagancatholic.ca



SEPTEMBER 5-7, 2025
EASTER SEALS CAMP
LAKE COUNTRY, BC