

MARCH 23RD: 3RD SUNDAY OF LENT

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 March is dedicated to St. Joseph.

Lent



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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
Tuesday, April 15th: 6:30pm

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday	March 24	8:00am Mass
Tuesday	March 25	6:30pm Mass - Bernard Kim (RIP)
Wednesday	March 26	8:00am Mass - Brennan Beltrano (RIP)
Thursday	March 27	8:00am Mass - The Tom Turner Family (INT)
Friday	March 28	5:30pm Mass - The Life Members of the Kamloops CWL (INT)
Saturday	March 29	9:00am Mass - Micheline Pare (RIP)
Sunday	March 30	10:30am Mass

COMING UP

7:30am Adoration
7:00pm Forgiveness Session 1, Annunciation of the Lord
7:30am Adoration
7:30am Adoration, 7pm Knights of Columbus Meeting
6:00pm Stations of the Cross, Parish Potluck
8:00am Adoration
10:00am Rosary

THE HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH 2025: FOR FAMILIES IN CRISIS

Let us pray that broken families might discover the cure for their wounds through forgiveness, rediscovering each other's gifts, even in their differences.

CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE

APRIL 4 & 5 - IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH - KELOWNA, BC

Join us for the Catholic Men's Conference at Immaculate Conception Church in Kelowna, BC, on April 4th and 5th. This inspiring event will feature esteemed speakers Fr. Troy Nguyen and David Paul.

Please see poster on bulletin board for more details!

CHRISM MASS 2025

Join Bishop Joseph Nguyen and the priests of our Diocese on **Tuesday, April 15, 2025, at 10:00 AM at Sacred Heart Cathedral** for the celebration of the Chrism Mass. During the Chrism Mass, Bishop Joseph will bless the oil of the sick and the oil of catechumen and consecrate the oil of chrism which will be used in the parishes of the diocese throughout the year. This Mass also acknowledges the ministry of priests as they renew the commitments they made at their ordination and receive the prayers and support of the people. All are invited to this special liturgy to pray especially for priests and for all who will be anointed by these oils in the coming year.

1st SUNDAY - HISPANIC COMMUNITY

On Sunday, April 6th, in lieu of the Hispanic Mass, the Rosary will be prayed. All are welcome to join. Rosary begins at 5:00pm followed by potluck supper.

Tuesdays AT HOLY FAMILY

MASS AT 6:30PM FOLLOWED BY VIDEO PROGRAM AND GROUP DISCUSSION. ALL ARE WELCOME!

1ST SESSION: TUESDAY, MARCH 25TH
EPISODE 1: WHERE ARE YOU?

EXPLORE THE GRACE AND HEALING OFFERED IN CONFESSION

FORGIVEN

THE TRANSFORMING POWER OF CONFESSION

PRAYERFUL WISHES TO BISHOP JOSEPH PHUONG NGUYEN WHO CELEBRATES HIS BIRTHDAY ON MARCH 25TH AND TO FR. FRED WEISBECK WHO CELEBRATES HIS BIRTHDAY ON MARCH 29TH!

Join us on Friday, Mar.28th at 5:30pm for Mass, Stations of the Cross, Parish Potluck and group reflection. There will be Lenten activities for the children. **Please keep in mind, no meat on Fridays during Lent!**

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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.

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/>

Kamloops Pro-life Society offers a **\$1000 annual scholarship** towards post secondary tuition. Those eligible will have completed their 2025 Grade 12 courses and will have successfully enrolled in a post-secondary institution for the fall of 2025. Due date: April 1st, 2025. Visit <https://voices4life.com/news.html> for more details!

ANNIVERSARY OF THE COVENANT SIGNING ON EASTER SUNDAY

Join us as we come together in faith, unity and reflection. See poster on bulletin board for more details.

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



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 Dinner in celebration of the 80th Anniversary of the Diocese of Kamloops.

More info to come!

KAMLOOPS PRO LIFE SOCIETY FUNDRAISER

THE BIG DEAL COUPON BOOK:

Food, fun, & services for only \$10 (cash only).

Good till Sept 30, 2025.

Available at St. Joseph's Christian Bookstore- Located at 256 Nicola Street, Kamloops, BC, across from Sacred Heart Cathedral. For more information, please call at 778-471-6100.

THE HOPEWELL BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN



Starts Sunday, March 9th, until Sunday, April 20th.

Hopewell's mission is to bring hope to women and families affected by an unplanned pregnancy or family crisis and it is all done in Jesus' name.

Care is offered from the moment they find out they are pregnant until her child is entering kindergarten. Every woman needs a place where she can find hope and healing for her future. To learn more, watch Isabella's story here: <https://youtu.be/fwRbZmTqzqk>.

You can support women and families by giving to their annual Baby Bottle Campaign. You can donate to support women in need in 4 ways: Online (www.hopewellkamloops.ca), Etransfer (donate@hopewellkamloops.ca), mailing in a cheque (429 Tranquille Rd. Kamloops, BC V2B 3G9), or by picking up a bottle in the foyer and returning it by Easter Sunday. Your donation brings hope and healing to women and families affected by an unexpected pregnancy. We recommend you start bringing your bottles back when you wish to return the filled bottles.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Sunday March 30th

Recitation of the Holy Rosary at 10am

followed by Eucharistic Celebration of the Mass at 10:30am.



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. No applications will be accepted after June 30, 2025.

Faith in Action Campaign 34

Faith in Action also accepts Interac E-Transfers. Simply send your e-transfer contribution to fiac@rcdk.org

Faith In Action Campaign 34 Video <https://youtu.be/XM8HXoRFvQ8>

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

TOTAL PLEDGED \$33,869 | CASH RECEIVED \$33,809

SEEKING INTEREST: CATHOLIC HYBRID HOMESCHOOL FOR FALL 2025

Ascend Online is exploring the possibility of launching a hybrid homeschool program for Sept.2025. This would offer 1-2 days a week of faith-enriching studies in a community setting to supplement foundational subjects completed at home. At this stage, we are simply gauging interest. If this is something your family might consider, please email catholichybridschool@pm.me to let us know and receive updates.

CATHOLICS AND GENDER

What we believe and how we can remain rooted in truth?

Saturday, March 29, 2025 2 - 4 pm

Please come and participate in this important discussion on this topic influencing our world today. As Catholics, we are called to remain rooted in our faith and principles, but it can be difficult to navigate these situations with our family, friends, and co-workers who may not have the same beliefs. Let us come and learn together on what the church believes and walk through some examples to help us develop skills to handle these situations. Light refreshments will be provided, and you may bring an appetizer if you wish. We would like to offer childcare for parents who would like to attend. Please email Trish at trish.nicol.83@gmail.com by noon (12 pm) on Wednesday, March 26 if you would like to bring your child so we can arrange the care.



RACHEL'S CORNER

www.rachelsvineyardkamloops.org

rvcamloops@yahoo.ca | Call/Text (Confidential): 250 267 5081

"The LORD will fight for you; you have only to keep still." Exodus 14:14

After everything you have been going through since your abortion, being still and knowing the Lord will fight for you, seems almost hard to believe.

Believe it! It is God's promise to you! Join us on a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat and learn how that happens.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL 'POOR BOX' COLLECTION

St. Vincent de Paul Society would like to thank the Kamloops parishes for their generous donation of \$12,000 for 2024. This amount comes from the monthly 'Poor Box' collections. These funds help the needy in such things as food hampers, donations of clothes/furniture, twice weekly senior meals and gift bags at Christmas for various shelters, etc. None of this would be possible without your help! Come and join us for soup and a sandwich at the senior luncheons every Thursday and Saturday from 11:00 to 1:00, 168 Briar Ave. We would love to see you at the store or join us at our monthly meetings. Phone 250-554-0098 for more information.

Our Lady of Good Counsel dinner will be April 26th, 2025 at St. John Vianney Parish Hall. Tickets are \$35. Contact stjohnvianney@rcdk.org to book your ticket.



Cherish Life - Dessert Evening & Silent Auction

Saturday, April 12 at OLPH Parish Centre.

Doors open at 6pm, Desserts served at 7pm. Tickets are \$15, and will be available for purchase after Mass.

See poster on the bulletin board for more details!