

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.



A Blessed Easter  
to you and  
your loved ones!

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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

**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
<b>Monday</b> April 21	<b>7:30am Adoration   8:00am Mass</b>		Easter Monday
<b>Tuesday</b> April 22	<b>6:30pm Mass</b>	<b>Frank Plut (RIP)</b>	Easter Tuesday
<b>Wednesday</b> April 23	<b>7:30am Adoration   8:00am Mass</b>	<b>Nuno Ramos (RIP)</b>	Easter Wednesday
<b>Thursday</b> April 24	<b>7:30am Adoration   8:00am Mass</b>	<b>The Souls in Purgatory</b>	Easter Thursday
<b>Friday</b> April 25	<b>7:30am Adoration   8:00am Mass</b>	<b>Juver Balmores (RIP)</b>	Easter Friday, <b>6:00pm Children's Catechesis</b>
<b>Saturday</b> April 26	<b>8:00am Adoration   9:00am Mass</b>	<b>Pamela Darlington (RIP)</b>	Easter Saturday, <b>11:00am Funeral Service for Martin Bucher</b>
<b>Sunday</b> April 27	<b>10:30am Mass</b>		Divine Mercy Sunday, <b>10:00am Rosary,</b> <b>Pancake Breakfast</b>



**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!

**PRAYERFUL WISHES**

to Deacon Paul Murphy who will celebrate his birthday on April 21st, to Fr. Derrick Cameron who will celebrate his birthday on April 25th, to Fr. Vernantius Ononiwu 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!



**EASTER EGG HUNT CHALLENGE BEING HELD AFTER MASS TODAY!**



Easter stands at the pinnacle of the Christian liturgical year, celebrating the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, a cornerstone of faith promising redemption and eternal life to humanity. At the heart of this jubilant time is Easter Sunday, a day brimming with the joy of the Risen Lord, which also begins the Easter Octave—eight days of unbroken celebration, each treated as though they are one and the same day. This period invites us into deep reflection and joy over the life-giving mysteries of Christ's triumph over death.

The Octave of Easter is an extended season of joy, underscoring the central truth of Christian faith: Christ's victory over death and sin. Throughout this time, the faithful engage in daily Masses that resonate with Easter's hopeful and renewing message, culminating on Divine Mercy Sunday. This special day highlights God's endless mercy and love.

**KAMLOOPS CATHOLIC YOUTH GROUP**

**ENCOUNTER NIGHT!**

**APRIL 27<sup>TH</sup> (DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY)**

All youth are invited to attend next **Sunday, April 27th at 7:15pm at the Sacred Heart Cathedral basement.** Contact [kcyg@rcdk.org](mailto:kcyg@rcdk.org) if you have any questions.



There will be no evening Mass, or parish potluck and fellowship for the last Friday of this month, April 25th. **BUT, save the date for the evening of May 30<sup>th</sup>!** More exciting details to come!

# APRIL 20<sup>TH</sup> | EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESSURECTION OF THE LORD



## 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.

**Our Lady of Good Counsel dinner IS CANCELLED due to low ticket sales. There will still be Mass at 5:00pm with a small social afterwards.**

## 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

April 18—Good Friday: "A vocation is a fruit that ripens in a well cultivated field of mutual love that becomes mutual service, in the context of an authentic ecclesial life. No vocation is born of itself or lives for itself. A vocation flows from the heart of God and blossoms in the good soil of faithful people, in the experience of fraternal love." 2 We must reflect upon the need for enough priests to minister to the needs of the faithful by celebrating the mass."

## THE HOPEWELL BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN



**A peaceful reminder to all parishioners to bring back the filled Hopewell Baby Bottles with your generous contributions to the Hopewell campaign box in the church foyer today. Your donation brings hope and healing to women and families affected by an unexpected pregnancy.**

You can donate to support women in need in these other ways as well:

- Online ([www.hopewellkamloops.ca](http://www.hopewellkamloops.ca))
- Etransfer ([donate@hopewellkamloops.ca](mailto:donate@hopewellkamloops.ca))
- Mailing in a cheque (429 Tranquille Rd. Kamloops, BC V2B 3G9)

## RACHEL'S CORNER

[www.rachelsvineyardkamloops.org](http://www.rachelsvineyardkamloops.org)

[rvkamloops@yahoo.ca](mailto:rvkamloops@yahoo.ca) | Call/Text (Confidential): 250 267 5081

**"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.

## ST.ANN'S ACADEMY CHERISHED MEMORIES ALUMNI TEA

All former students who attended from

**1985 and earlier** and all former staff are invited!

**Wednesday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> 10:00am-11:30am at St. Ann's Gym.**

Please RSVP by April 16<sup>th</sup> 250-372-5452 or [advancement@st-anns.ca](mailto:advancement@st-anns.ca)



## SAVE THE DATE: THE AMAZING SAA PLAYERS PRESENT:

Sherlock Holmes and the Whitechapel Murders: May 14-16

## OKANAGAN CATHOLIC FAMILY CAMP

Sept.5-7, 2025 at Camp Winfield, Lake Country

Registration begins on May 15th. at [www.okanagancatholic.ca](http://www.okanagancatholic.ca)



## UPDATED SCHEDULE FOR TODAY'S COVENANT SIGNING ANNIVERSARY

- 1:00PM** Holy Mass at St. Joseph's Church
- 2:00pm-2:30pm** Procession to the Tkemlúps te Secwépemc Arbour
- 2:30pm-3:00pm** Welcome and Honour Song by Language and Culture
- 3:00pm-3:30pm** Lighting of 1000 candles
- 3:30pm-5:00pm** Acknowledgements Presentation by Manny Jules & Bishop Joseph



## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

On Sunday April 27<sup>th</sup>, the Rosary will be prayed at 10am, followed by a Pancake Breakfast after the 10:30am Mass.

### **Note- 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](mailto: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](mailto:griefftoGracekelowna@gmail.com) or make a confidential call to 250-808-6403.

## NEW PARISHIONERS

ARE YOU A REGISTERED PARISHIONER? HAVE YOU MOVED? ARE YOU NEW TO THE PARISH? Has your email or telephone number changed? Registering in the Parish makes the process much easier when it is time for baptism, Catechism registration, weddings and when asked to be a sponsor for baptism or confirmation. We welcome anyone who wants to share in the life of our Parish regardless of where they live. While the Diocese is divided into parish geographical areas, you have the option of choosing another parish according to your personal preferences. If you would like to register as a member of Holy Family Parish, there are forms in the foyer. Please fill it out and drop off at the office or leave in the mailbox across from the kitchen door.

## 3<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT

### AT TOBIANO

May 9, 2025 - See poster on bulletin board for details!



## JUBILEE 2025

To bring the blessings of this Jubilee Year closer to you, there are three designated churches in our diocese as pilgrimage sites, each with its own Holy Door through which the faithful may pass and receive the graces of a plenary indulgence:

Sacred Heart Cathedral, Kamloops

St. James, Vernon

Sacred Heart, Williams Lake

Prayerfully visit these holy sites during the Jubilee Year and experience the richness of God's grace. Information can be found on the Diocesan website: <https://www.rcdk.org/jubilee2025>

## A NIGHT AT THE ST. JAMES SALOON (VERNON)

Saturday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> from 6:30pm-11:00pm

for those 19+.

See poster on bulletin board for more details!

