

Welcome to St. Pius X Parish, Kelowna

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October 8.15 2023: 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Pastor's Message

Beloved Parishioners,

Pilgrimage of Faith Campaign, 2023

The Little Boy Gave Jesus His Five Loaves and Two Fish (John 6:8-11)

Our campaign started early this year. Our goal this year is \$41,200. So far, we have raised \$22,665. We have \$18,535 to go.



Jesus, I give you My Loaves and Two Fish

As I think about our Pilgrimage of Faith journey, I am reminded of the little boy in the Gospel. He gave Jesus what he had, probably his lunch. He gave with love. When you look at the number of people - more than 5,000, 5 loaves and two fish doesn't look like much. It seemed like nothing. But it was this little, this 'seeming nothing,' that Jesus took, gave thanks and blessed. The little boy's gift was multiplied, hungry people were fed. I often imagine the joy of the little boy as he watched and saw how his gift to Jesus became a blessing to thousands of people.

This is what happens when we give Jesus our gift - no matter how big or small. He multiplies it and miracles happen. Imagine the miracle that will happen in our diocese this year and beyond as you give to Jesus in the Pilgrimage of Faith, as you give your loaves and two fish with great love.

Youth Ministry, Catechism and Catholic Education

With your gift, we will be able to accompany our children and young people who are searching for Jesus. We will be able to bring Jesus to them and them to Jesus. We will be able to continue our catechism, start a robust youth ministry and form the hearts of our students in the Catholic schools in the ways of the Lord. Our teachers in our Catholic Schools benefit from your gift of love.

Retired Priests retire with dignity

With your gift, we will be able to take care of retired priests like Frs. Jim, Wayne, Harry, John, Sebastian. Your gift helps them to retire with dignity.



Confession Times

Every Saturday at 4pm or by appointment.
Check page 6 for details regarding the other Sacraments in our parish.

Care-Home Masses

We are happy to announce that Care-home Masses have started again.

Northwood Regency: 1st Fri @ 10.30am

David Lloyd Jones: 2nd Tues @ 10.30am

Brandt's Creek Mews: 1st Wed @ 10.30am

Three Links Manor: 3rd Tues @ 10.30am

Sandalwood: Date & Time to be announced

MASS SCHEDULE - ST. PIUS X

Adoration/Benediction

Every Wednesday and Friday 9:35-10:00 am



Saturday 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 8:30 am & 11:30 a.m.

Tuesday Rosary 8:30 a.m. Mass 9:00 a.m.

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Friday Rosary 8:30 a.m. Mass 9:00 a.m.

Welcome to St. Pius X Parish

We are happy that your life's journey has brought you here today to pray with us. Welcome. If you are visiting, we pray that your visit with friends and family here in the beautiful Okanagan may be pleasant. May your journey home be safe.

To everyone here today to worship, our great hope is that each Mass will increase in our hearts LOVE for Jesus, His Gospel and for one another.



Vocation

When I arrived in Canada, I was sent to the seminary in Edmonton for my studies. I did not have the money to pay for my studies in the seminary. It was through your donation that Bishop John was able to pay my school fees. I remember one of the people we met in Edmonton. He said to us: make sure you are a good priest. It's not cheap to go to seminary here. I have not forgotten that. So, thank you for helping me study and become a priest for our diocese. I will keep working and will retire here 😊

With your gift, we will be able to train more seminarians to serve as priests. We will also be able to train more permanent deacons. We are so grateful for our new deacon who was ordained on October 11, 2023. It was through your donation that his formation in our diocese became possible.

With your gift, many lives will be touched and enriched in our diocese in many other ways.

In a nutshell, these are the major ministries/projects to be funded by the Appeal are:

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For more information on how to give, please contact our parish office at 250 762 2587. You can also email us at spxke-lowna@nelsondiocese.org

We will be happy to help in any way, including filling the forms.

You can also logon to the Nelson Diocese website <https://www.nelsondiocese.org/> and click on the 'Donate Now' button.

Prayers

I appeal to you to prayerfully consider what Jesus is asking you to give this year. Remember it is to Jesus that we give, and He will bring the gift to where it is needed.

As I sign my cheque this year, I say: 'Jesus, this is for you.' He will receive it, bless it, multiply it and miracles will happen.

Thank you in advance for your gift of love!

May our dear Lord bless you and your family and provide for you.

Your brother,

Fr. Obi

Week Mass Intentions

Saturday Oct 14	5:00 pm	Clarence & Margaret Becker –INT-
Sunday Oct 15	8:30 am	Parishioners -INT-
Sunday Oct 15	11:30 am	Mirella DiMarcello-R-
Tuesday Oct 17	9:00 am	Harry DiMarcello -R-
Wednesday Oct 18	9:00 am	Margaret & Clarence Backer-INT-
Thursday Oct 19	9:00 am	Michael Curran-R-
Friday Oct 20	9:00 am	Miguel & Vergia Henriques -R-
Saturday Oct 21	5:00 pm	Silvana Rosa-R-

REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR THE ILLS

Please pray for the sick and injured at home and in hospital, especially for...Tessa McGibbon, June Hanushchak, Christine Zlogar, Vince Cummings, Oliver Fabris, James McGlinchey, Rita Gemin, Betty Klinger, Desjardins Family, Trudy Szulkies, Brenda Campbell, Arlene Pilgrim, Ashleigh Landry, Ernie Poitras, Manuela Ungreanu, Dana Duguay, Cathie Lock, Rick Lock, PJ Cuomo, Evelyn Burzminski, Dan Ryder, Patricia Graham, Anita Kurapatwa, Helen Curran, Heather Duguay, Pamela Renzi, Sandra Martinez, Claudia Albarran, Gloria Moyer, Constance Cournane, Fionnuala Kane, Wilai Basuwan, Jennifer Roa, Rugene Valle, Grace Tumale, Beatriz Hernandez, Dalia Whissell, Betty Yarrow, Patricia Cisakowski, Melissa Arriola, Jin Taggart, Majid.

If you have a loved one that you would like on the prayer list or if you know of someone who no longer needs to be on the list please contact Angelica at the Parish office **250-762-2587** or by Email: spxkelowna@nelsondiocese.org

MERCIFUL JESUS, GRANT THEM A HEALING OF MIND AND BODY, AND RESTORE THEIR STRENGTH AND SPIRIT. AMEN



What is my purpose?
Is Jesus still relevant?
Is God present in my loneliness?
How can I have hope?

Where can I ask these questions?

Alpha provides a space to ask all your questions about life, faith, and meaning in a friendly environment with people who, like you, want to explore.

Each Alpha session includes a short video, time to connect, and plenty of time to discuss.

Join us!

Every Thursday evening for a meal, a short video and a great discussion
October 5-December 14
530-730 pm
St. Pius X Parish - 1077 Fuller Ave
call the office at 250-762-2587 or Angela 250-3177670 to register



To conclude the month of October, **MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY**, a Mass and Living Rosary will be Celebrated on Tuesday October 31st at Immaculate Conception Church.

Please join us for this special Mass being offered for the clergy & religious of our Diocese.

Confession from 4:30-5:00 pm.

Holy Mass at 5:15pm.

LIVING ROSARY at 6:15 pm, followed by an outdoor procession, tentatively scheduled, with prayers and hymns.

If you want to play a part in the Living Rosary, please arrive by 6:00 pm (we need ~60 people).

Bring your children, family and friends!

St. Pius X Catechism Classes for 2023-24

We need catechist teachers for part time, occasional, and fulltime positions. We are especially in need of support throughout September and October when our programs begin. If you are interested, please sign up on the sheet provided in the church foyer. My contact information is Mike Wilson at mwilson@cisnd.ca or cell **250-859-6718**.

Upcoming Events

1.FORMED.

Have you heard the buzz on FORMED? No? Then check it out at www.formed.org It's amazing and it is coming to St. Pius X soon. Look for more information in upcoming bulletins.

2.Multicultural Day:

We are planning to have a multicultural day. Details soon.

3.RCIA:

Are you, or do you know someone who is searching, who is asking questions about becoming a Catholic, about deepening relationship with Jesus? Are you a Catholic who has received baptism but not the other Sacraments? Are you from another Church and looking to be received into the Catholic? We look forward to journeying with you in the RCIA program. We would like to hear from you. Please give us a call at 250 762 2587. Please ask to speak with Fr. Obi. You can also email us at spxkelowna@nelsondiocese.org

St. Pius November Bazaar: Another great Bazaar has passed, but we still have one more to go on November 4th. We will be having Christmas Bazaar. So if you have any Christmas articles you don't want anymore we would be happy to accept them.

Thank you for all the support you gave us, we really appreciated the generosity from all our Parishioners and Friends. Feel free to call **Beryl** at **250-717-0527**,



The St. Edward's Church C.W.L.

Fall Fair will be held on Saturday, October 28, 2023 from 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Featuring Tea Room, Baking, Crafts, gifts and so much more! Everyone is welcome. 11123 Okanagan Centre Road East in Lake Country.



Etransfers are accepted at **St Pius X Parish**

Please Send your offering via etransfer to ettransfer.spxkelowna@nelsondiocese.org no password is required.

Pilgrimage of Faith donations are also accepted with no password at ettransfer.pof@nelsondiocese.org. We thank you for your support. God bless you!



Parish & Diocese

Kelowna Catholic Youth Group

If you are in grades 7-12 and want to deepen your faith with other Catholic teens, please join us!



Upcoming events ...

Sun, Oct. 22 Altaration Series on the Mass 6:15 to 8:15 pm

Sun, Oct. 29 Cosmic Bowling, Pizza and Living Rosary 4:00 to 7:00 pm

Registration form and sign-up **REQUIRED**.

For more details, sign-up links and/or registration forms, go to www.kelownacatholicyouthgroup.ca



Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB)

Statement by the Most Rev. William T. McGrattan, Bishop of Calgary and CCCB President, to the Catholic Faithful in Canada on the Recent Escalation of Conflict in the Holy Land Thursday, October 12, 2023

Over these last few days, the world has witnessed a rapid escalation of armed conflict in the Holy Land, with reports of a growing number of wounded or dead, including innocent civilians.

As the Holy Land is immersed in this violence and bloodshed, we remember that Jesus, the Son of God, who lived and walked there as Love Incarnate, through His teaching by word and deed, calls us as brothers and sisters to be always united by the bond of charity.

I invite the Catholic faithful in Canada to join other people of good will, here and around the world, in imploring God to move the hearts of those leaders engaged in the present conflict in order to deescalate the acts of terrorism, cease violence and war, and resume constructive efforts that are aimed at establishing lasting peace and concord. As we pray for peace, let us remember all the families and individuals suffering because of this most recent outbreak of violence.

As Christians we are compelled by the teachings and example of Jesus to pray for peace throughout the world. In a fraternal spirit of solidarity with Christian, Jewish, and Muslim brothers and sisters, let us join together in recalling God's desire for peace in the land that Jesus Christ called home.

12 October 2023

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Our Parish

Serving the Lord in our Parish

We are in need of ushers for all Masses

we are in need of ushers for the 5:00pm Mass on Saturday and the 8:30am Mass on Sunday. This is a great way to meet the parishioners and welcome them to Mass with a smile. If you love to smile, this ministry is for you. Your welcome becomes the warm welcome of Jesus. Your welcome can be what it takes for someone to keep coming back to encounter Jesus at Mass. If this is your calling, please call Trish at **250-763-1090**.



Prayer Group

Greetings, Grace and peace to you all.

“Come to me all you who labour and are heavily burdened and I will give you rest” Matthew 11:28

Come Join us!

Where: St Pius X Parish

Starting: October 3rd 2023

We gather in an atmosphere of love and support for one another, in an effort to grow in the knowledge and love of God and to show this love in our attitude toward others.

The Word of God is read and listened to. Scripture teaching, on aspects of the Christian life, instructs and helps us to grow in our spiritual life.

Through prayer ministry and intercession, we pray for each other, for our Church, city and our world.

Testimonies are shared as a most important way of building faith in others.

All are welcome. We would love to have you join us.

All Glory and Praise to our Lord Jesus Christ

For more information please call Piera (250) 215 7100

For a Eucharistic Life.

We pray that Catholics may place the celebration of the Eucharistic at the heart of their lives, transforming human relationship in very deep way and opening to the encounter with God and all their brothers and sisters.

Knights of Columbus - St. Pius X Parish

You are more than welcome to join us for the Best Breakfast in town on October 15th from 8:30 am to 10:30 at St. Pius X Hall.



Our Parish

Our Pilgrimage of Faith Goal is \$41,200.00

So far we have received \$22,665.00. We are so grateful to everyone who have donated. If you are yet to donate, we hope you can prayerfully consider doing so. Together we will work hard to reach our goal. May our dear Lord bless you abundantly for your generosity.

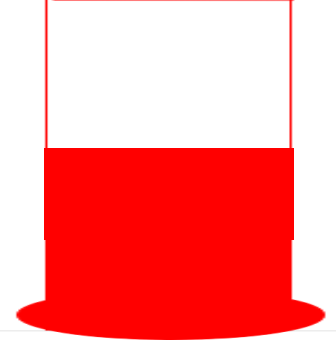


\$45,000

\$30,000

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For more information on how to give contact the Pilgrimage of Faith office at the Pastoral Centre at **250-448-2725 ext. 240** or email appeals@nelsondiocese.org or logon to the Nelson Diocese website <https://www.nelsondiocese.org/> and click on the 'Donate Now' button.

CWL October 14,15 Announcements

* Thought for the Week: Peace

The Catholic Women's League helps members grow in their relationship with God and with each other, a true peace. Find peace with us.

*St. Pius X CWL Webpage: Have you checked out our new webpage on our parish's website?

If not check it out at <https://www.spxbc.com/cwl> to learn more about what we are about, who we are and our calendar of events.



Diocese

Knight of Columbus Councils of the Okanagan

You are invited to attend K of C Retreat 2023
Theme: Knights in the Church
Embarking
on a journey together.

Date: Saturday November 25, 2023
from 8:30 to 3:00 pm, at
St Charles Garnier Church Hall.

3645 Benvoulin RD Kelowna, BC.
For registration contact:
Bernie Schneider: Cell 250-300-7163
Email: bschneider1001@gamil.com or
Mike Sehn: Phone : 250-762-3143
Email: micahelsrose@telus.net



Parish & Diocese

PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL



Our Lord Jesus is inviting you to visit Him
in the Perpetual Adoration Chapel.



Scheduled Hours available are:

<u>TUES</u>	7 AM	<u>WED</u>	2 AM, 3 AM & 2 PM
<u>THURS</u>	4 AM & 3 PM	<u>FRI</u>	12 AM, 1 AM, 2 AM
<u>SAT</u>	1 AM, 4 AM	<u>SUN</u>	7 PM

*Spares are always needed. Shared times available!
For information phone Lorie 250-448-5633*

Rachel's Vineyard

Healing the trauma of abortion – one weekend at a time

Rachel's Vineyard Fall Retreat: is a life-giving journey for women, men or anyone who struggles with the emotional and spiritual pain caused by abortion. Our retreats offer the mercy and compassion of God as well as a pathway to forgiveness, transforming the pain of the past into hope for the future. To register please contact Vicki: **250-762 2273**, info@rachelsvineyardkelowna.com, www.rachelsvineyardkelowna.com,

St. Joseph Catholic School is looking for a bus driver to transport our students from the school to the Clubhouse Farm in Ellison on Wednesdays starting in September. These weekly visits are an important part of our Outdoor Academy program which gives our students hands on learning in nature. If you know someone who could help out, please contact sjkinternational@cisnd.ca.

Marriage Prep/Course

Are you getting married in the Catholic Church this fall? The next marriage prep session starts Oct 4 at 6:30pm. Attendance can be virtual or in person in Penticton. Contact Deacon Peter d'Aoust or Lynn Hale for more information. lhaledaoust2012@gmail.com or phone 250-460-0378.

Corpus Christi Parish is hosting their annual Turkey Supper on Saturday, November 11, 2023

Seating times are 4:30 pm & 6:00 pm, with take-out between 5:00 & 6:00 pm. Tickets are \$15 each. You can pre-purchase your tickets at the Parish office - 750 Rutland Road North, or reserve tickets by calling

250-765-6869



Have you thought about leaving a legacy?

You can help ensure that the vitality of the Diocese of Nelson and its mission to spread the Gospel are sustained well into the future with a Legacy Gift. You may make a bequest through your will, a trust, retirement assets, privately held securities, real estate, a life insurance policy, shares or stocks.

Legacy Gifts provide future financial support to the Diocese and affirm the importance of faith in the life of the donor.

Donations can be made to the Catholic Foundation of the Nelson Diocese Society which provides vital support for evangelization, retired Priests, vocations, building preservation, the poor and Catholic education. Donations can also be made to your Parish.

For more information or assistance contact the Diocesan Appeals Office at the Catholic Pastoral Centre.

phone: 250-448-2725 ext. 240

email: plannedgiving@nelsondiocese.org



Cummunity

Baby Bottle Brigade 2023

Mother's Day to Father's Day

Oct 8- Oct 29th 2023



**OKANAGAN VALLEY
Pregnancy
Care Centre**

