

Sunday Bulletin: January 14th, 2024

S^t. Pius X Parish Welcomes You!

PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Following the Feast of the Epiphany, we are now in what the church calls, Ordinary Time. The Christmas decorations - symbols that help us remember the miracle of Jesus' birth and his true and enduring gift to the world - those ornaments have come down and we begin a new liturgical year.

And like many who made resolutions for January 1st, we may take this opportunity to make some resolutions when it comes to our faith life. I encourage everyone in our parish to offer their talents this year to make our parish a centre of enduring community.

As our Opening Prayer before mass offers: we pledge to live Christian Community in our homes, in our parish and in our world.

If any of these parts of your life seem like they've entered "ordinary time".... It's time to reach deep and find the extraordinary.

When we reach out to help each other - get to know one another - and offer ourselves in service to the Lord, we step outside of the ordinary and help build great things.

There is room for your talent and time in all ministries at our parish.

For in the book of Galatians we hear good advice: *"And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up. So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith."*

God's sacrifice of his only Son is now on the horizon with Lent and Easter just around the corner. What better an opportunity to grow in our faith by growing in our connection to our faith community. We are here for one another as we serve together with our talents.

Your brother,

Fr. Obi



"We have found the Messiah"
Second Sunday, Ordinary Time

Mass Schedule - S^t. Pius X

Mass

Saturday	5:00 pm
Sunday	9:00 am, 11:00 am & 6:00 pm
Tuesday	Rosary 8:30, Mass 9:00 am
Wednesday	Rosary 8:30, Mass 9:00 am
Thursday	Rosary 8:30, Mass 9:00 am
Friday	Rosary 8:30, Mass 9:00 am

Adoration/ Benediction

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

Confession - Saturday 4pm or by appointment

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Welcome!

We are happy that your life's journey has brought you here today to pray with us. If you are visiting, we pray that your visit with friends and family here in the beautiful Okanagan Valley may be pleasant. May your journey home be safe. To everyone who has joined us this weekend to worship: our great hope is that each Mass we offer will increase your LOVE for Jesus, his Gospel and for one another.

THE DIOCESE



Discerning a Vocation to Permanent Diaconate?

The Diocese of Nelson is hosting an online information session for Catholic men aged 35 to 60 who are interested in learning more about being a deacon. If you feel God is calling you to become a permanent deacon, consider attending an Online Information Session:

6:00 pm - 7:30 pm
Monday, February 12th, 2024

You are encouraged to attend with your spouse (if applicable).

Register no later than Monday, February 5th, 2024

Email: rod.attwell@nelsondiocese.org

A link to join the online session will be sent to you after registration.



Perpetual Adoration Chapel

Our Lord Jesus is inviting you to visit Him in the Perpetual Adoration Chapel, located in the southwest corner of Immaculate Conception Church at 839 Sutherland Avenue, Kelowna, off the west driveway.

Schedule Hours Available:

Monday 1 am, 2 am & 10 am
Tuesday 7 am, 12 pm (noon)
Wednesday 1 am, 2 am, 3 am & 2 pm
Thursday 3 pm
Friday 12 am (midnight)
Saturday 2pm

Spares are always needed. Shared times available.
For Information, phone Lorie: 250-448-5633

Rachel's Corner

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"Sometimes God allows us to make a really big mistake, not so I find my identity in what I have done, but so that I find my identity in Him."

Dr. Edward Sri

Seeing ourselves as God sees us and not as how we see ourselves for what we have done, is hard. Regret, and shame for an abortion decision can only make that more challenging. Join the men and women on a Rachel's Vineyard® Retreat and find out how that can all change as you find your identity in Him.
250-762-2273

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:

Sunday, Jan 14th & 28th: The Search (a dynamic weekly video series for teens)

Sunday, Jan 21st: Night Hike and Snowy Taffy

Youth Group Registration Form and Event Sign-up required.
www.kelownacatholicyouthgroup.ca

THE PARISH

Parish Christmas Party - An Update and a Note of Gratitude

Our Christmas Party was truly a blessing. Immense gratitude to all who worked so hard to make it happen. The meal was catered. We paid \$1,500 for the groceries and the plan was to pay the remaining amount afterwards.

During the party, one of the parishioners was deeply touched by the love, warmth and the joy in our midst. He went to the kitchen, put his arms around Paulette - the caterer - and said: "Thank you for such a delicious meal. How much did it cost? I'll pay whatever remains." God bless him for his incredible generosity.

This is the kind of community we have - loving, generous and hardworking. The parish realized \$2,100 from donations. Thank you everyone!

Christmas Festival and Carols

An update on the amount received:

So far, we have received \$3,009.25.

The amount has been given to St. Vincent de Paul as they continue to help the poor in our community.

Thank you to members of St. Vincent de Paul for all you do!

Keep a date for this year's Christmas Festivals. It'll now be held every First Sunday of Advent. This year, it'll be on December 1st.



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 Ungureanu, 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, Majid, Daren Reiter, Gloria Moyer.

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 strenath and spirit. Amen

Knights Of Columbus Breakfast Sunday!



You are more then welcome to join us for the Best Breakfast in town on January 14th

St. Pius Church thanks you for your generosity! Donate here ----->



Society of St. Vincent de Paul URGENT REQUEST!

Do you happen to have a tent or sleeping bag that you do not anticipate using anymore tucked away in your garage or storage space? This week, especially in view of the extremely cold weather, and dwindling supply of these items, there is a community request for tents and blankets for those who may find themselves without even this shelter in the coming weeks. Outreach workers will distribute them to those at tent city or elsewhere who have no other accommodation. They can be accepted at the parish office while the cold weather lasts or until this message is updated. Thank you!

THE PARISH

English As A Second Language (ESL)

We have now started a program to help immigrants who wish to learn or improve their English. The first one was held on Monday January 8.

If you or you know someone who can benefit from this, you are welcome to join us every Monday at 6pm in the parish hall.

Fr. Obi says he's going back to school and that he is definitely going to register!

We have a professional English teacher who has stepped forward to help with this. She is no other than our own Jenny Achtem - our 9am Pianist.

Jenny has a Master's degree in education with an emphasis in ESL. She taught adult immigrants, refugees and international students.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, Jan. 13th, 5 pm:
Ricardo & Helan Cabusao -R- & Antonia Guercio -R-

Sunday, Jan. 14th, 9 am:
St. Pius X Parishioners

Sunday, Jan. 14th, 11 am:
Maria Lamk -R-

Tuesday, Jan. 15th, 9 am:
Linda & Doug Kleintelder -INT-

Wednesday, Jan. 16th, 9 am:
Baggenstos Family -INT-

Thursday, Jan. 17th, 9 am:
Peter & Maria Tran -R-

Friday, Jan. 18th, 9 am:
Sebastian Blessings & his Family -INT-

Saturday, Jan. 19th, 5 pm
Leerne & Raymond -INT-

Catechism News

New families continue to seek out our Catechism program for children in grades 1 through 7. It's a sign of faith and continued growth in our parish!

We also welcome extra hearts to help guide our students. Please let the office know if you have time to take on a class to make our groups smaller. Our students meet on Thursday evenings.

Please continue to pray for our students making their sacraments this year!



The children enjoy our games equipment before and after class. Seen here are children from the Illigan family with Max Bregolissee.

Care-Home Masses

Northwood Regency: 1st Fri @ 10:30 am
David Lloyd Jones: 2nd Tuesday @ 10:30 am
Brandt's Creek Mews: 1st Wed @ 10:30 am
Three Links Manor: 3rd Tues @ 10:30 am

Bazaar Donations Year Round!

Contact Beryl with items you have for our 2024 Bazaars 250-717-0527