

Sunday Bulletin: April 21st, 2024 St. Pius X Parish

*Fourth Sunday of Easter
Good Shepherd Sunday/ Vocations Sunday*



PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Parish Matters

Every fourth Sunday of Easter, the Church celebrates the Good Shepherd Sunday. It is also known as the World Day of Prayer for Vocation. On this day we ask the Lord of the harvest to bless the Church with vocation to the priesthood and concentrated life.



Vocation is not only about the priests and consecrated people, it is for everyone - for we are all called by God for a particular purpose and mission in life.

By the virtue of our baptism, every Christian is called to be a "good shepherd" in his environment: Parents must be good shepherds to their children edifying them with love. Spouses give an imprint to their relationships as couples by conforming to Jesus the good shepherd in the way they care for each other's heart. Teachers in schools, workers in factories, all in various professions are called to seek to be a good shepherd like Jesus.

Last Week's Retreat - Rachel's Vineyard

Our retreat last weekend was a grace-filled one. All who attended experienced healing. They were able to drop the burden they are carrying at the foot of the Cross and reclaim their identity as beloved children of God. They went home with a renewed sense of purpose to walk in the light of Christ-the Good Shepherd who journeys by our side, who knows us by name, who loves us with a love that is unconditional.

If you or you know of anyone who might benefit from this retreat, please reach out to us at 250-762-2273. We have another retreat coming up in October 18 - 20. **(Pastor's Message continued on Page 2)**

Welcome to St. Pius X Parish

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 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.

World Day of Prayer for Vocations

Today the Church throughout the world prays for vocations.

Will you make a special effort to ask the Lord for vocations to the priesthood and religious life?

Pray for the priests who have ministered to you throughout your life, both living and dead. Encourage your children, grandchildren, or other young people to consider a vocation as a priest or religious brother or sister.

Pray a rosary for more young men and women in our diocese to respond to God's call.

Mass Schedule - St. 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 Friday
9:35 am - 10:00 am

Confession

Saturday 4:00 pm
or by appointment

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THE PARISH

Pastor's Message continued...

Angelica and Cherry - our Parish Office Shepherds

Angelica has been away on holidays for a well-deserved rest in Mexico and to celebrate her parents 50th Wedding anniversary. We pray and hope her vacation was restful. Blessings to her parents and family.

We are grateful to Cherry who stepped in for Angelica these past two weeks. Cherry, Angelica along with myself and the parish are so grateful for your work - done with great love.

3G Youth Festival:

We are excited for the upcoming youth festival. Please we need your help and support in any way possible. We will need to feed the kids and youth on Saturday after the 5pm Mass. We would like to order pizza for them. We also need housing. If you can help to house some of the youths for one night - May 5th, that would be very much appreciated. More importantly, we need your prayers that it may be a life-changing event for them. We want the young ones to be excited about the beauty of our Catholic Faith. I see that happening already. Together, relying on the help of the Holy Spirit, we desire to keep journeying with them.

Rosary Procession - May 13th. Details to follow next week.

May you have a wonderful weekend. May we continue to be good shepherds for one another.

I look forward to celebrating with you this weekend.

Happy Sunday!

Your Brother, Fr. Obi



Okanagan Korean Catholic Community (OKCC) cordially invites you to a **Korean Language Mass** to be held at **St. Pius X Church on April 21, 2024, Sunday** by Fr. PARK FRANCISCO of Vancouver St. Andrew Church at 3pm with Confession at 2:30 pm Fellowship after from 4-6 pm - parish hall

HOSPITAL VISITATIONS

There has been a temporary change to our access to patient information in hospital. If you know of any St. Pius X parishioners who are in hospital and they would like to receive the Eucharist, please let Angelica in the parish office know so our parish hospital visitation team can visit them.

Summit: An Evening of Eucharistic Adoration

Please join us at **Immaculate Conception Church** on Sutherland Avenue on **Saturday, April 27 from 7:00 – 8:30 pm** for an evening of Eucharistic Adoration with music, short talks, prayer, and reflection. Priests will be available for reconciliation. All ages and all parishes welcome! If possible, please bring a plate of snacks to share for the social to follow in the hall.

3G YOUTH FESTIVAL

Go – Grow – Glow

May 4-5, 2024
St. Pius X Parish
1077 Fuller Ave, Kelowna, BC

Kindergarten-Grade 2, Grades 3-7, Grades 8-12, Young Adults

May 4th: 12noon until 5pm
then 5om Mass and dinner
May 5th: - 11 am finale Mass



Contact person: Cherry
email: chepesis@yahoo.com
mobile: (250) 300-9128



THE PARISH

Prayers Requested

First Communion Students

Noah Adam
Casey Alvarez
Uchenna Claire Anagboso
Jayden Iligan
Erika Iturbide
Manfred Lumalang
Danica Roach
Charlie Sierhuis
Danica Roach
Gideon Santos
Emilia Schulze
Evelino Stradiotto

Confirmation Students

Chimdi Emma-Ann Anagboso
Sebastian Blazejewski
Wayne Zander Espejo
Cadence Filice
Matias Arroyo Flores
Mariana Iturbide
Vincent Kohut
Hanna Slivinski
Callum Vos
Jasper Woodman

Mass Intentions

- *Saturday, April 20th, 5:00 pm
Noreen Tenechuk -R-
- *Sunday, April 21st, 9:00 am
Parishioners of St. Pius X
- *Sunday, April 21st, 11:00 am
- *Sunday, April 21st, 6:00 pm
- *Tuesday, April 23rd, 9:00 am
Attilio & Albina Gemin -R-
- *Wednesday, April 24th, 9:00 am
Madison Family -INT-
Jim Baeker & Family -INT-
- *Thursday, April 25th, 9:00 am
Gene Allen 90th Birthday -INT-
- *Friday, April 26th, 9:00 am

Pray for the Sick

Please pray for the sick and injured at home and in hospital, especially for...

Walter Quarenghi, Joel Del Pino, 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, Constance Courneane, 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 strength and spirit.
Amen

Our Pilgrimage of Faith Appeal

This [annual appeal provides funding](#) for capital project rebates, Catholic education, social and pastoral programs, and many other key services in our Diocese as well as to our parish.

Our Diocesan Goal: \$39,450

Parish Goal: \$6,000

Total Goal for 2024: \$45,450

We hope that everyone will participate in this year's appeal. Remember to fill out your pledge card and drop it along with a cheque/cash in the collection, or donate via e-transfer to: etransfer.pof@nelsondiocese.org or online via Canada Helps at Canada Helps: <https://www.canadahelps.org/en/dn/24360>. For more information on how to give, contact St. Pius X office.

Gluten-Free Communion

For those requiring Holy Communion without gluten, please see the presiding priest during the distribution of Holy Communion and ask for a gluten-free Eucharist.

St. Pius X Catholic Women's League

Our CWL council is looking for individuals to serve in as our Service & Social Justice leads. Learn more at cwl.ca. If you are interested in the positions, please contact president Mary Ann Rehlinger 250-763-3396.

***Up Coming Events:**

Diocesan CWL Convention: May 2-4. Theme is Renewing God's Fire Within Us: Summerland, Holy Child Parish. Registration packages have been emailed to members.

Provincial CWL Convention: June 20-22 Theme is Joyfully Serving the Lord: Kamloops, Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish Center..

National CWL Convention: August 11-14. Theme Here I Am Lord, Send Me: Saskatoon, Saskatchewan. Go to cwl.ca for more information.



THE PARISH: Baptism, Catechism, Youth, Young Adult, Marriage, Seniors

Welcome to the St. Pius X Parish Family!!

We are so happy that you have chosen to Baptize your beautiful child at St. Pius X and we invite you to this special time of preparation for the Baptism of your child!

Baptism Prep Check List:

- Contact the St. Pius X Parish office to enquire about Baptism at least 2 months prior to Baptism Rite.
- Watch the video <https://watch.formed.org/videos/what-is-baptism>
- Our Parish Office Manager will send information about the Baptism Prep Program and Selecting Godparents.
- Provide a copy of your child's Birth Certificate



Young Adult Group

17 years and older.
Meets every **Sunday**
at 4:00 pm in the
St. Pius X church hall.

Come join us for prayers, games, watch a really good video on growing in our love for Jesus, getting to know Him more and supporting each other as young Catholics.

Everyone is welcome! Bring a friend!

Marriage Preparation

Are you getting married in the Catholic Church this spring or summer?

There will be a marriage prep session at St. Pius X Church starting
on Thursday, April 4th at 6:30 pm.

Please contact Deacon Peter d'Aoust or Lynn Hale to register
and for more information.

lhaledaoust2012@gmail.com or phone **250-460-0378**

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 Tuesday @ 10:30 am
Sandalwood: Date & Time to be Announced

CATECHISM UPDATE

We are on Spring Break! Our Catechism students now gather at 5:45 pm on Thursday evenings in the hall. We will start with a snack and begin our evening in the church at 6 pm. Classes end at 7:15 pm.

Next Class April 25th

Please consider helping out at catechism classes. We are always in need of spares for all grades! Contact Mike Wilson mwilson@cisnd.ca

Children's Liturgy at St. Pius X Church
Every Sunday at the 11am Mass

Ages 3 to 9

Prayer Group

We'd love to have you come join us! Come and celebrate our risen Lord ☺

*Give thanks to the LORD, invoke his name; make known among the peoples his deeds! Sing praise, play music; proclaim all his wondrous deeds!
Glory in his Holy name; rejoice,
O hearts that seek the LORD!*

Psalm 105: 1-3

Our needs are great... our GOD is GREATER!!!!!!!

When: Tuesday evenings from 7:00 – 8:30pm

Where: St Pius X Parish

For more info please call Piera 250-215-7100

Springfield Funeral Home Presents

FREE Seminar & Complimentary Dinner
for the Catholic Diocese of Nelson

Catholic Estate & Funeral Planning

Tuesday, May 7th - 5:00 PM
Immaculate Conception Church Hall, Kelowna

LEARN ABOUT: The Catholic Funeral Rites, Estate Planning, Catholic Funeral Pre-Planning, Nelson Diocese Planned Giving

Guest Speakers:



Mark Brade
Estate Lawyer
Pushor Mitchell LLP



Fr. Cerlouie Jimenez
Chancellor
Nelson Diocese
Parish Priest
Our Lady of Lourdes



Charlotte Lutzer
Pre-Planning Director
Springfield Funeral Home

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springfieldfuneralhome.com/catholic
OR 250.860.7077

Registration is limited to 18*. No sales or solicitation.


Springfield
Funeral Home

THE PARISH

ST. PIUS X PARISH EVENTS: April 20th - 26th

Friday, April 26th	5:30 - 7:30 pm	Ignite Youth Group
Saturday, April 20th	5:00 pm	Holy Mass
Sunday, April 21st	9 am & 6pm	Holy Mass
Sunday, April 21st	11 am	Mass & Baptism
Sunday, April 21st	3pm	Korean Mass
Sunday, April 21st	4pm	Young Adult Group
Monday, April 22nd	6:00 pm	ESL (English Class) — Parish Hall
Tuesday to Friday	8:30 am	Rosary Followed by Holy Mass
Tuesday, April 23rd	11:00 am	Korean Prayer Group — Fr. Martin Room
Tuesday, April 23rd	10:00 am	Divine Will Studies — Fr. Mulvihill Room
Tuesday, April 23rd	7:00 pm	Prayer Group
Wednesday, April 24th	10:00 am	Quilter's Day Fr. Martin Room
Thursday, April 25th	1:30 pm	Bible Study—Fr. Martin Room
Thursday, April 25th	5:45 -7:15 pm	Catechism - all grades
Friday, April 26th	9:35 am	Adoration

THE DIOCESE



OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL
 FEAST DAY
 FRIDAY, APRIL 26TH
 OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL IS THE PATRONESS OF THE CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE OF CANADA. IN HONOUR OF OUR PATRONESS, WE INVITE YOU TO JOIN US!
MASS AND POTLUCK!
 FRIDAY, APRIL 26TH, 2024
 5:00 PM
 All are welcome!
 Please bring a dish to share.
 Catholic Women's League
 OF IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH
 KELOWNA

Society of St. Vincent de Paul News Update

Greetings St. Pius X Parishioners! The following is an update to let you know what has been happening so far this year. The first three months of 2024 have been quite busy, we even had a couple of extra delivery days to keep up with requests. We received 122 calls, delivered 58 hampers, gave out \$4030 in gift and gas cards and utility relief, had 22 referrals, and assisted 24 new clients. The gift cards allow clients to buy fresh dairy products, vegetables, and fruit. Gas cards help clients attend medical appointments locally and sometimes Childrens' Hospital. At times, there is not enough money to go around and clients need help with their utility bills. Sometimes the requests we receive require more specialized assistance. That is when we refer folks to other organizations.

There is a great need for affordable housing in Kelowna. Many people walk a thin line between being housed or living on the street, especially those with special needs. Although our Society tries to help where it can, we still have to be diligent and prudent with our resources. To that end, our clients generally only qualify for our help no sooner than every three months.

We need your help. Parish donations have dropped, especially food donations. Please consider dropping off non-perishable foodstuffs in the St. Vincent de Paul bin located in the church foyer. The donation envelope package has a yellow envelope for St. Vincent de Paul on the first Sunday of the month. Please be as generous as possible. May Our Lord bless you for your benevolent charity. If you have any questions, please contact me. Thank-you very much!

Respectfully, Abel Martins




Coming Soon...
Youth Leadership Summit
July 2-6, 2024
 Youth grades 8-12 welcome!
 St. Pius X Parish
 More Information to Follow...



Come to Know God's Heart
Experience the Depth of His Love
Be Strong in the Lord, in the Strength of His Power
Encounter the God of Possibilities



I CAME SO THAT YOU MIGHT HAVE LIFE

NELSON DIOCESE CHARISMATIC

Conference

26 / 27
APRIL 2024

Saint Ann's Church
1296 Main Street
Penticton, BC

REGISTRATION FRIDAY 5:30 P.M.

COORDINATOR: GLADYS MILLER | 250-442-8589
CO-COORDINATOR / BILLETING: BERNADETTE BARRY | 250-809-2524

Rachel Herbeck is the Director of Missionaries for ID. She received her BA in Catholic Studies from the University of St. Thomas in St. Paul, Minnesota. She has worked extensively in youth ministry and she speaks to youth and young adults at retreats, conferences, and events in the US and Canada.

Rachel is passionate about life issues and has worked for multiple pro-life and political organizations both in Minnesota and Washington, D.C. Before joining the ID team, she worked for the Minnesota Catholic Conference, where she did outreach and lobbied on behalf of the Catholic Bishops of Minnesota. She currently resides in Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Live Stream Link:

<https://www.catholicpenticton.org/upcoming-events/>



Scripture-
Ps 117:2-
"The Love of
the Lord is
Strong, the
Lord is Faith-
ful Forever."



Friday: Praise and Worship 6:30 p.m. 7 p.m. Welcome, Adoration, Seeking God's Healing for You

Saturday: Rosary 8:00 a.m., Welcome 8:45 a.m. Praise and Worship 9:00 a.m. 3 Talks, Lunch, Confessions, Prayer Room Ministry, Activations, Love Offering, Concluding with Parish Mass 5 p.m. Child Care is available—contact coordinator or co-coordinator.



Annual Mass for Life

Join us to pray for the Unborn, the Elderly, the Disabled! On May 9, Canada reflects on 55 years of legal abortion in Canada. Euthanasia has become the latest desecration of LIFE in our country! *How do we respond?*



Thursday, May 9, 6:30pm
at Immaculate Conception Church
839 Sutherland Avenue, Kelowna

Coffee and refreshments
in the Parish Hall following Mass.

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



WE INVITE ALL TO JOIN US!
FOR SPIRITUAL NOURISHMENT & OPPORTUNITIES
TO BE OUR LORD'S EYES, HANDS, FEET & VOICE

RENEWING GOD'S FIRE WITHIN US

NELSON CWC 83 TH ANNUAL CONVENTION

For more information or to preregister: debcoutier27@gmail.com

KEYNOTE PRESENTATION:

Preventing Sexual Exploitation of Youth - Friday at 12:30

by BRAVE Education Panel Members and Facilitators:

- Alyssa Favro, MA RCC, Counsellor and Educator
- Brenna Wallace, Experiential Spokesperson and Educator
- Bryna Ari, Investigator, RCMP Serious Crimes Unit
- Kelly Schuler-McDonald, Executive Director

...activities include: Presentations, Film, Facilitated Discussion, Detective Game

WHEN: 12:30 Friday, May 3rd 2024

WHERE: 14010 Rosedale Ave, Summerland BC
Donations to NDCWL are appreciated

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS STUDENT BURSARY

The Fr. Delestre Council of the Knights of Columbus is pleased to announce that it will again be offering bursaries to students who are graduating from high school this year and who are planning to attend an accredited post-secondary school in BC.

One-time bursaries are also available for students already in post-secondary programs who are continuing their studies in accredited post-secondary education in BC. To request an application, please contact Paul Gabias, paul.gabias@ubc.ca. All applications must be received on or before May 15th to be considered.