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**Weekly News and Bulletin Information from the  
Chancery Office to all Parishes and Catholic Schools**

**March 18, 2025**

The Month of March is dedicated to the **St. Joseph.**

**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.

**Words from our secondary patron, St. John Vianney**

***"...Be prepared to render anyone a service whenever the opportunity arises..."***



**Holy Hour – for Vocations**

**Serra Club of Kamloops Diocese**

Prayer is a moving force in vocational development. Few are called to the 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).

**Kamloops:**

8:00am - 8:45am Wednesday following 7:30am Mass at OLPH

7:50am – 8:50 am Mon., Tues, Thurs. & Fri. 7:50am – 8:50am before 9 am Mass.

Wednesday 9:30 am – 9 pm and Fridays 7-8 pm following 6:30 pm Mass at Sacred Heart Cathedral

8am – 9am Saturdays at Holy Family Parish



***11. It is impossible in human terms to exaggerate the importance of being in adoration before the Eucharist as often and for as long as our duties and state of life allow. (Fr. John Hardon)***

*Prayerful wishes to Bishop Joseph Phuong Nguyen who celebrates his birthday on March 25<sup>th</sup> and to Fr. Fred Weisbeck who celebrates his birthday on March 29<sup>th</sup>!*



## **Remembering Vocations in your Lenten Devotions—2025**

*“God has not grown weary of us. Let us welcome Lent as the great season in which he reminds us: “I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery” (Ex 20:2). Lent is a season of conversion, a time of freedom. Jesus himself, as we recall each year on the first Sunday of Lent, was driven into the desert by the Spirit in order to be tempted in freedom. For forty days, he will stand before us and with us: the incarnate Son. Unlike Pharaoh, God does not want subjects, but sons and daughters.” Pope Francis*

### **Meditations**

**March 23—Third Sunday of Lent:** “Therefore every vocation, even within the variety of paths, always requires an exodus from oneself in order to centre one’s life on Christ and on his Gospel. Both in married life and in the forms of religious consecration, as well as in priestly life, we must surmount the ways of thinking and acting that do not conform to the will of God.” We all have a vocation; it must be discerned through prayer and a willingness to sacrifice ourselves to the Lord’s will for the success of our vocation.

### **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. This is a time for renewal, healing, and growth as disciples of Christ.

Information can be found on the Diocesan website:

<https://www.rcdk.org/jubilee2025>

## CCCB Journey through Lent 2025

Third Sunday of Lent 2025



On this Third Sunday of Lent, Bishop Franken provides a reflection on suffering and turning to God.

### *Rachel's Corner*

***"Do not fear; I am with you; do not be anxious: I am your God. I will strengthen you; I will help you, I will uphold you with my victorious right hand."***

*Isaiah 41:10*

Did it feel like she was the only one who could have thoughts and feelings of guilt and shame after the loss due to an abortion decision? What you think and feel is very real, and you don't have to carry that alone anymore. Come join us on a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat.

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

[rvkamloops@yahoo.ca](mailto:rvkamloops@yahoo.ca)

250-267-5081



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

All former staff and students who attended from **1975 and earlier** are invited to attend a tea hosted by SAA students to come together, catch up and share your memories of your days at St. Ann's Academy.

Students will engage with alumni by asking questions about their time at St. Ann's Academy, eager to learn about their experiences and capture their stories. We hope this event will be a meaningful way to bridge generations at St. Ann's, fostering connections between our students and those who helped shape our school's legacy.

**Wednesday, April 23rd**  
**10:00 am to 11:30 am**  
**St. Ann's Academy Gymnasium**

Please RSVP by April 16th via phone or email  
250-372-5452 or [advancement@st-anns.ca](mailto:advancement@st-anns.ca)



ST. ANN'S ACADEMY  
ESTABLISHED 1880



You Are Cordially Invited to commemorate the  
**Anniversary of the Covenant Signing**  
on Easter Sunday, April 20, 2025

Join us as we come together in faith, unity, and reflection.

### **Program of Events**

#### **1:00 PM – Holy Mass at St. Joseph's Church**

A sacred celebration featuring the harmonious voices of both Indigenous and non-Indigenous choirs.

#### **2:00 PM – Procession**

The congregation will journey to the Tk'emlúps te Secwépemc Powwow Arbour, where Community Members and Non-Indigenous Catholics will unite in fellowship.

### **Cultural Celebrations**

- Traditional Dance and Drumming
- Inspiring Words from Our Leaders:  
**Chief Rosanne, Manny Jules, and Bishop Joseph** will share reflections on this important milestone.

#### **3:30 PM – Closing with Community Lunch**

A time to gather, share, and celebrate over a meal.

We sincerely hope you will join us for this momentous occasion of faith, reconciliation, and community. All are welcome.

KAMLOOPS PRO-LIFE SOCIETY

# Cherish Life Dessert Evening

& SILENT AUCTION

Saturday, April 12, 2025

OLPH Parish Centre - 635 Tranquille Road  
Doors open at 6 p.m. -Desserts served at 7 p.m.



Guest Speaker:

**Angelina Ireland**

*Executive Director of the  
Delta Hospice Society*

Topic: Resisting MAID, Our need  
to build a Culture of Sanctuary

For tickets call 250-376-4054 or e-transfer to [kamloopsprolife@gmail.com](mailto:kamloopsprolife@gmail.com)  
or purchase them at St. Joseph Christian Bookstore  
256 Nicola Street, Kamloops.

**Tickets \$15.00**  
Invite your friends  
and fill a table  
of eight.



Tickets  
Deadline  
April 10, 2025  
Get them now!

**Vernon & Area Pro-Life Society** is offering a \$1,500 scholarship to a 2025 Grade 12 graduate student. For more info or application email [prolifescholarship@gmail.com](mailto:prolifescholarship@gmail.com) Deadline is May 15. Applications also at Vernon Pro-Life Thrift Store 3101 31 Ave Vernon.

## 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.



#### **Food and Beverage**

##### **5 Bean Brewbar & Café**

2 for 1 Beverage - valid 2 visits

##### **Bold**

Buy 1 Get 1 Half Off

##### **Brynn's Bakery**

Buy 1 Get 1 Half Off Sourdough Bread

Buy 2 Sticky Buns or Scones & Get 1 Free

##### **Fryer's Express**

Buy 1 Sandwich and Get One Half Off - valid 2 visits

##### **Happy Fryer's Blender Express**

Buy 1 Smoothie and Get One Half Off - valid 2 visits

##### **Katch Craft Kitchen + Bar**

Save \$10 on Food Purchase of \$40 or More

##### **Kekuli Cafe**

2 for 1 Beverage, \$5 Off Taco

##### **Klasske's Bistro**

Save \$3 on Purchase of \$20 or More valid 2 visits

##### **Oh! Sushi Mura**

2 for 1 California Roll & 2 for 1 Dynamite Roll each offer valid 2 visits

##### **On the Rocks Pub and Grill**

Save \$10 on Food Purchase of \$40 or More

##### **Red Tomato Pies**

Free Menu Item with Purchase of any Small, Medium, or Large Pizza

##### **Señor Froggy**

Any Classic Item for \$10 & 2 Can Dine for \$19.99

##### **Spice of India Cuisine**

Save \$5 on Purchase of \$30 or More valid 2 visits

##### **The Ice Cream Social**

\$1 Off Any Menu Item - valid 4 times

##### **The Vic Downtown**

2 for 1 Beverage - valid 2 visits

##### **Wok Box**

2 for 1 Noodle or Rice Box - valid 2 visits

#### **Activities and Retail**

##### **All Around Gamerz**

20% Off VR Time

Free 20 Minutes

##### **All Mine Photography**

\$25 Off Photography Session

##### **BC Wildlife Park**

One Child Admission Free

##### **Deadly Awesome Detailing**

\$25 Off Full Interior Car Detailing

\$30 Off The Works

##### **Enchanted Artisan Cookies**

\$10 Off a Cookie Decorating Class

##### **Falcon Lanes**

50% Off 5 Pin Bowling - valid monthly

##### **Footprints Eco Store & Refillery**

30% Off One Refill - valid 2 visits

##### **Great Canadian Oil Change**

\$15 Off Any Oil Change - valid 2 visits

##### **Kamloops Florist**

Save \$10 Off Your Purchase of \$30 or More

##### **Kuzina Messer Culinaire**

\$20 Off one Cooking Class

##### **Legends Used Books**

Free Book with Purchase of Any Used Book valid 2 visits

##### **Let's Move Studio**

50% Off 1 Month Unlimited Membership

##### **Lo-Boy Market**

\$5 Free Money; 25% Off Thursday;

Spend \$20 Save \$5

##### **Masala Fusion Meats**

20% Off on All Products, Free wings with Purchase of \$40 or More

##### **Mt. Paul Golf Course**

Free Medium Bucket with Purchase of 9 Hole Green Fee

##### **Nutters Everyday Naturals**

20% Off Any Regular Priced Vitamin, Supplement, or Personal Care Product - valid 2 visits

##### **Once Upon a Child**

Buy 1 Get 1 Free PJs

\$5 Off Your Purchase of \$20 or More

##### **Pineridge Golf Course**

2 Green Fees for \$45; Bonus offer: Power Cart Rental for \$10/seat - valid 5 visits

##### **The Fun! Factor**

2 for 1 Laser Tag or Bowling, Birthday Party Discount, 20 Free Credits with Purchase

##### **Uncle Chris the Clown**

\$35 off One Hour Party, \$25 Off 45 Minute Party

##### **Zaaz**

2 for 1 Indoor Play, 50% Off One Day Child Care, 50% Off Zaaz Eatery, 50% Off Indoor Play

KAMLOOPS CATHOLIC YOUTH GROUP INVITES THE  
CANDIDATES FOR CONFIRMATION TO

## A CONFIRMATION RALLY



# A PILGRIM OF HOPE

APRIL 26TH, 2025  
10:00AM TO 4:30PM  
OLPH PARISH CENTRE,  
635 TRANQUILLE ROAD  
KAMLOOPS, BC

TO REGISTER OR FOR MORE  
INFORMATION PLEASE EMAIL ANDY AT  
[KCYG@RCDK.ORG](mailto:KCYG@RCDK.ORG)



## ATTENTION MEN OF KAMLOOPS CATHOLIC PARISHES

### Prayer, Formation, and Fraternity for Men

The men of Knights of Columbus Council No. 1614 are excited to share the implementation of *Cor*, a new formation and fraternal opportunity for the men of our parish.

*Cor* exists to form and strengthen Catholic men in faith and virtue as missionary disciples by drawing them into a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ through prayer, formation, and fraternity.

While *Cor* is sponsored by the Knights, it is not a K of C event, it is open to every man of the Parish. (*Cor* is not a membership drive.)

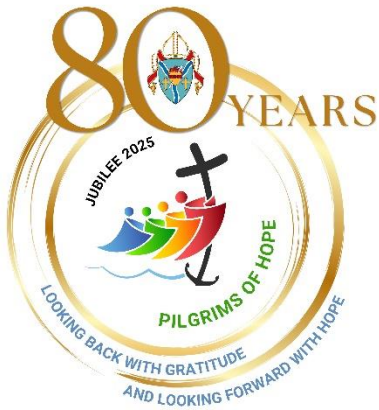
**Feel free to come for one session, or for all.**

Come join your brother parishioners for coffee and donuts, prayer and fraternity.

If you have additional questions, please reach out to Fr. Derrick, or contact Mark Perren at 587 201 1712 / cathedralpa@rcdk.org



*What we do as men,  
we do because it is  
the fruit of our  
relationship with  
Christ.*



## Diocesan Anniversary Celebration

### *Save the Date!*

**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 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Diocese of Kamloops. More info to come!

### SAVE THE DATE!!

Our Lady of Good Counsel Dinner will be April 26, 2025, at St. John Vianney Parish Hall, tickets for the dinner will be \$35.00.

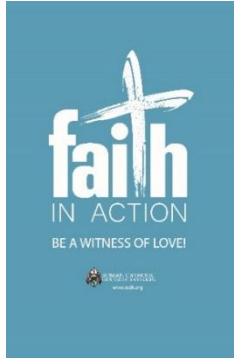
Mass will be at 5:00pm and dinner at 6:00pm

For more information or to book your ticket email [stjohnvianney@rcdk.org](mailto:stjohnvianney@rcdk.org) or call Brenda Thompson

at 250-579-9464.



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 [griegtogracekelowna@gmail.com](mailto:griegtogracekelowna@gmail.com) or make a confidential call to 250-808-6403.



## Faith in Action Campaign 34 - Be a Witness of Love

Faith in Action 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>

## MASS AT SUN PEAKS

There will be Mass celebration at Sun Peaks once a month on Saturday from January to April 2025 at 5:00 pm in the Annex.

Dates are as follow:

March 15, April 12

We will need some help setting up and cleaning up...If you would like to help, please arrive at the Annex around 4:30pm. If you have any questions, please contact St. John Vianney at [stjohnvianney@rcdk.org](mailto:stjohnvianney@rcdk.org)

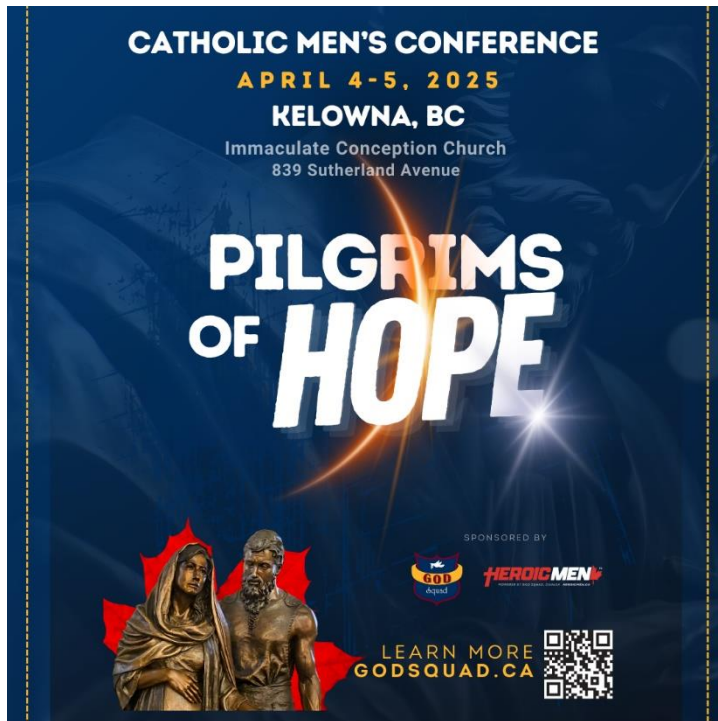


## Mass of Chrism 2025

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. As our bishop blesses these three oils, our hearts turn to our gracious Lord who bestows His infinite love and mercy to us through these sacraments. Let us pray for our bishop and the priests who are the ministers of the sacraments in the parish, that they may be the humble and generous servants of the Lord. 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.

## 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.

#### Event Details:

- Dates: April 4 & 5
- Location: Immaculate

Conception Church, Kelowna, BC

- Start Time: Friday, April 4th at 7:00 pm
- End Time: Saturday, April 5th with closing anticipated Sunday Mass starting at 5:00 pm
- Speakers: Fr. Troy Nguyen and David Paul
- Cost: Regular Tickets: \$60, University Students: \$15
- Includes lunch on Saturday and breaktime refreshments
- Sponsored by *Heroic Men* and *God Squad Canada*

#### Registration:

To register or for more information, please visit [www.godsquad.ca](http://www.godsquad.ca) and click on '2025 Conferences' on the menu bar.

We look forward to seeing you there for a time of faith, fellowship, and inspiration!

*Save  
The  
Date*



ST. ANN'S ACADEMY

# ALUMNI HOMECOMING

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CELEBRATING 145 YEARS OF COMMUNITY  
ST. ANN'S AUDITORIUM  
MAY 2026

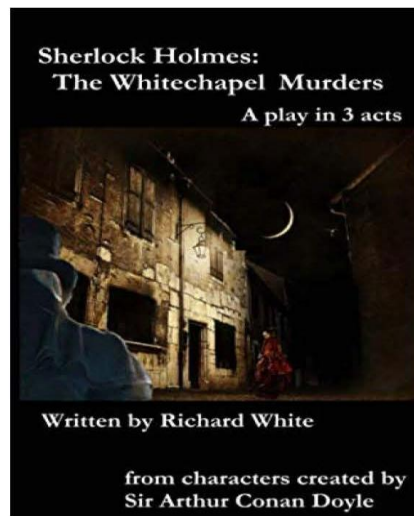
**MORE INFORMATION COMING SOON**



# Save the Date

The Amazing SAA Players Present  
Sherlock Holmes and the Whitechapel Murders

May 14-16, 2025



## CURRENT JOB POSTINGS IN THE DIOCESE OF KAMLOOPS



### Catholic Independent Schools of Kamloops

#### St. Ann's Academy Kamloops, BC

##### **Temporary Part-Time Bus Driver (0.5 FTE)**

St. Ann's Academy is seeking a part-time bus driver to join a team of staff in serving the transportation needs of this K-12 school facility. This weekday position shall commence immediately. The incumbent is responsible for safely transporting students over assigned routes and for reporting any mechanical failures or accidents.

Current Job Postings can be found at [www.ciskd.ca](http://www.ciskd.ca) under the CAREERS tab:  
<https://www.makeafuture.ca/bc-schools-and-districts/catholic-independent-schools-kamloops-diocese/>