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

**December 3, 2024**

The Month of December is dedicated to the **Divine Infancy**.

**The Holy Father's Intentions for the Month of December 2024**

**For pilgrims of hope**

We pray that this Jubilee Year strengthen our faith, helping us to recognize the Risen Christ in our daily lives, and that it may transform us into pilgrims of Christian hope.

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

*"Have a pure intention"*



**Holy Hour – for Vocations**

***Serra Club of Kamloops Diocese***

Prayer is a moving force in vocational 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).

**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



***98. Our Holy Hours of Eucharistic Adoration makes us more sensitive to the needs of our fellow man. (St. John Paul II)***

**Prayerful wishes to Fr. Emmanuel Onumadu who celebrated his birthday on December 1<sup>st</sup>, celebrates his 21<sup>st</sup> Anniversary of Priestly Ordination on December 21<sup>st</sup>, to Fr. Thomas Arackal who celebrates his 42<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary of Priestly Ordination on December 26<sup>th</sup> and to Fr. Ajin George who celebrates his 17<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Priestly Ordination on December 27<sup>th</sup>!**



**Jubilee 2025** - In the Diocese of Kamloops, the Holy Year will commence on the feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph on December 29, 2024, with a special liturgy at 1:30 PM followed by Holy Mass at Sacred Heart Cathedral.

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 Advent**

The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops presents Journey through Advent with the Most Rev. Frank Leo, Metropolitan Archbishop of Toronto. Join us as we reflect on the Scriptures for the Sundays of Advent 2024.

A joint initiative of the National Liturgy Office, the Office national de liturgie and the Office for Evangelization and Catechesis.

### **Second Sunday of Advent 2024**



### OLPH PARISH MISSION DECEMBER 05 - DECEMBER 07, 2024

Every good Catholic participates in the Mass every Sunday. But how well do we know what we are doing?

Join us for our Parish Mission where Fr. Vincent Hawkswell, a retired priest of the Archdiocese of Vancouver, and Maureen Creelman, who teaches at the Seminary of Christ the King in Mission BC, will speak on what they understand of the Mass, in plain English. Their hope is that of Pope Francis: to help every Catholic say, as he or she prepares for Mass, *"I am going to participate in Jesus' Last Supper, to see Him crucified on Calvary, to participate in His sacrifice of Himself for me"*.

Plan to attend any or all sessions,

- + 6:00 PM THURSDAY, DECEMBER 5, MASS IN CHURCH;
- + 6:40 PM TALK IN PARISH CENTRE, FOLLOWED BY REFRESHMENTS
- + 6:00 PM FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6 MASS IN CHURCH;
- + 6:40 PM TALK IN PARISH CENTRE, FOLLOWED BY REFRESHMENTS
- + 9:00 AM SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7 MASS IN CHURCH;
- + 9:40 AM TALK IN PARISH CENTRE
- + 10:15 AM CONFESSIONS IN CHURCH AND
- + 11:30 AM FINAL TALK FOLLOWED BY A LUNCHEON IN THE PARISH CENTRE

### 2024 Christmas and New Year's Mass Times

Christmas Day, the Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord, and New Year's Day, the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God are Holy Days of Obligation in Canada.

When to attend Mass:

#### **Christmas (holy day of obligation)**

Anticipatory Mass on Dec. 24 after 4 pm

OR Mass on Dec. 25

#### **Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God (holy day of obligation)**

Anticipatory Mass on Dec. 31 after 4 pm

OR Mass on Jan. 1

Christmas and New Year's Mass times throughout the Diocese can be found on the diocesan website at: <https://www.rcdk.org/post/2024-christmas-and-new-year-s-mass-times>



Hey Young Adult! Do you want to have an epic New Years? Check out Rise Up 2024. Rise Up is the largest catholic young adult conference in Canada. It exists to facilitate a personal encounter with Jesus, provide leadership skills, and commission young people to proclaim the Gospel in their mission field back home. At this conference, participants will attend dynamic sessions and workshops given by amazing speakers, and praise and worship leaders. Rise Up is open to young adults ages 18-35 and will take place in Calgary at the Hyatt Regency Calgary from Dec. 29, 2024 - Jan 1, 2025. Rise Up is hosted by Catholic Christian Outreach™ (CCO™) for more information and to register visit [cco.ca/riseup](https://cco.ca/riseup) or email [riseup@cco.ca](mailto:riseup@cco.ca).



Do you know a young adult looking for a vibrant experience of the Catholic faith? Invite them to Rise Up 2024. Rise Up is the largest catholic young adult conference in Canada. It exists to facilitate a personal encounter with Jesus, provide leadership skills, and commission young people to proclaim the Gospel in their communities. Participants will attend dynamic sessions and workshops, experience praise and worship, and meet hundreds of other young adults looking to grow in their faith. Rise Up is open to young adults ages 18-35 and will take place in Calgary at the Hyatt Regency Calgary from Dec. 29, 2024 - Jan 1, 2025. Rise Up is hosted by Catholic Christian Outreach™ (CCO™) for more information and to register visit [cco.ca/riseup](https://cco.ca/riseup) or email [riseup@cco.ca](mailto:riseup@cco.ca). **Registration is open until December 27th.**



## BC/ Yukon Catholic Women's League Literary Contest

### The topic is:

"What are the joys and rewards of being a  
Catholic Women's League member"

- 1) A 300-500 word essay, poem, or song due January 1, 2025.  
(No late entries.)
- 2) Three award certificates will be given for:
  - a) Most humorous,
  - b) Most creative
  - c) Best written
- 3) You must include your full name, address and parish council.
- 4) Please send your submissions to [president@bcyukoncwl.com](mailto:president@bcyukoncwl.com)



Winning certificates will be awarded at the provincial convention held in Kelowna. June 19-21, 2025

# **Our Lady of the Mountains is planning a pilgrimage trip to Rome for the Jubilee year, 2025!**

**April 30-May 8, 2025**



## **Highlights of the trip include**

Rome, Basilica of St John Lateran and the Holy Stairs, St Mary Major Basilica, St Paul outside the Walls, Catacombs, Papal Blessing at St Peter's Square, Assisi and Basilica of St Francis, Vatican City, Sistine Chapel, St Peter's Basilica & Holy Door

## **Pricing**

Double occupancy \$3,649 per person

Single \$4,449

Triple occupancy. \$3,619

Included in price, Hotel transfers, arrival and departure

Not included: Cancellation waiver and insurance of \$599 per person and round-trip Air ticket

We would like to get an indication of interest and numbers by November 5. Please contact the parish office ([olomwhistler@rcdk.org](mailto:olomwhistler@rcdk.org)) for more details.

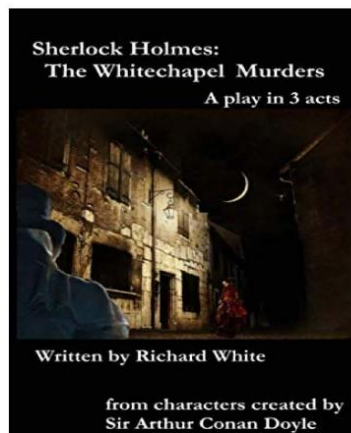
Looking forward to making this jubilee tradition with our parish community!

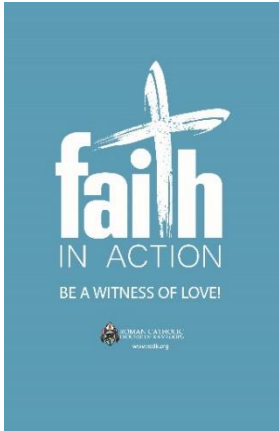


# Save the Date

The Amazing SAA Players Present  
Sherlock Holmes and the Whitechapel Murders

May 14-16, 2025





**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)

**Tax Receipt 2024 reminder for parishioners.**

Faith in Action donations must be received by Monday, December 23<sup>rd</sup>. **This includes E-Transfer donations as well. Due to the ongoing postal strike, donations must be delivered (either by hand or courier) directly to the**

**Chancery office (Attn: Faith in Action) to be eligible for the 2024 tax receipt. All donations received after December 23<sup>rd</sup> will go towards the 2025 tax receipt.**

Faith In Action Campaign 34 Video <https://youtu.be/XM8HXoRFvQ8>

**63<sup>rd</sup> ANNUAL CHARITY APPEAL**

Click here [KofcCharity.ca](http://KofcCharity.ca)

WIN \$100,000 in prizes including a 2024 Ford Escape Hybrid Grand Prize

TICKETS  
1 for \$5  
10 for \$25  
50 for \$50

**PRIZES**

1 <sup>st</sup> Prize	2024 Ford Escape Hybrid	4 <sup>th</sup> Prize	\$ 5,000
2 <sup>nd</sup> Prize	\$25,000	5 <sup>th</sup> to 14 <sup>th</sup>	\$ 1,000 each! --> Early Bird Draws
3 <sup>rd</sup> Prize	\$10,000		

**Bonus 50/50 Draw  
December 14th**

**BUY TODAY**

Sales Oct 1, 2024 to Dec 14, 2024, 8pm  
Early Bird Draws .....  
Oct 7 (2x\$1000), Oct 21 (2x\$1000), Nov 4 (2x\$1000)  
Nov 18 (2x\$1000), Dec 2 (2x\$1000)  
Main Draw Saturday December 14, 2024, 8:01pm

An annual charity appeal of the Knights of Columbus (BC) Charity Foundation  
WORKING TOGETHER TO MAKE OUR COMMUNITIES BETTER  
Thank you for your Support!

For general inquiries call 604-216-7272 Raffle Event License #: 153945 50/50 Event License # 153944  
Chances are 1 in 410,000 (total tickets for sale) to win a grand prize. Actual odds depend on number of tickets sold. 19+ to play.  
Problem Gambling Help Line 1-888-795-6111 www.bcresponsiblegambling.ca Know your limit. Play within it.  
Winners are responsible for cost associated with delivery/claiming of prizes.





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## CURRENT JOB POSTINGS IN THE DIOCESE OF KAMLOOPS



### Catholic Independent Schools of Kamloops

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/>