

12th Sunday in
Ordinary Time

June 21, 2026

SACRED HEART PARISH BULLETIN

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Sacred Heart Weekly Mass Schedule

Tues. to Fri. 9:00 am (Adoration 9:30 - 10:00 am)

Saturday – 7:00 pm Sacred Heart

Saturday - 4:00 pm St. Anthony

Sunday – 9:00 am Sacred Heart

Sunday - 12:00 pm St. Joseph

**Happy Father's Day to all our fathers! May the Lord bless you
and your families.**

Pastor's Message:

Thinking of all our fathers today. In gratitude to God for your love and care for your families and for all those entrusted to your care.

Heavenly Father, You have shown us the Father's Love through your Son Jesus. We pray for fathers today and all whom You have put into our lives to guide, protect, shepherd and to love us with the love of a father. Bless them today and always and give them the grace they need each day to live out their vocation. Renew their hearts. May they know how much they are loved by their families. For those who are struggling, give them the grace to persevere and not be discouraged. As your Son Jesus loved His bride, the Church, and poured out His life in sacrifice for them, may all fathers be empowered by your Holy Spirit to keep falling in love each day with their bride and children and to never tire of pouring out their life for their families. St. Michael the Archangel, intercede for our fathers as they battle each day to protect their families from the evil one. At the end of life, may all fathers be welcomed with their families into the eternal banquet you have prepared for us, through Christ our Lord, Amen.

MASS INTENTIONS: June 20 – June 26, 2026

Saturday 20	4 pm 7 pm	St. Anthony Sacred Heart	For the spiritual wellbeing of St. Anthony parishioners - Canal Flats For the spiritual wellbeing of Sacred Heart parishioners
Sunday 21	9 am 12 pm	Sacred Heart St. Joseph	For the spiritual wellbeing of Sacred Heart parishioners For the spiritual wellbeing of St. Joseph parishioners - Jaffrey
Monday 22			NO MASS
Tuesday 23	9 am	Sacred Heart	Intentions Maria Goncalves
Wednesday 24	9 am	Sacred Heart	Intentions Maria Goncalves
Thursday 25			NO MASS
Friday 26			NO MASS
Saturday 27		St. Anthony Sacred Heart	NO MASS NO MASS

PASTOR'S MESSAGE CONTINUED:

An Indian and Nigerian Meet in Kimberley – No longer Strangers but Friends: An Experience That Touched Me Deeply

I went to the Indian restaurant in town called The Clove. After enjoying delicious curry, I shared with the manager that our parish was planning a potluck to celebrate our parish feast which is the feast of the Sacred Heart. Since he is not a Catholic, I'm not sure he understood exactly what I meant by the Feast of the Sacred Heart, but he was kind and continued to smile. I told him that I would like to buy curry to bring to the potluck celebration, but I had only \$60. The problem is that my \$60 wouldn't stretch very far. He understood. He told me he'll give me one big container of curry that can feed up to 20 people. Wow! "Seriously?" I asked. He said, "Yes, we can do that." "What about rice?" he asked. "No worries, I can prepare the rice myself," I answered. "Oh no, we will give you a complementary rice," he replied. I was deeply touched by the kindness, love and generosity of this man. At that moment, I realized something deeper – our religion might be different, but we truly are one – one family, one human race. He travelled from India; I came from Nigeria. We both meet in Canada, in Kimberley, the best small city in British Columbia. Here, we are no longer strangers. We are friends. That day I was touched by love. Thank you, The Clove!

When I went to get the food, I got talking with the young lady who was serving. I shared with her that I was new in Kimberley, that I am the new pastor at the Catholic Church. She said, "Father I was baptized in that Church when I was 5. I'm 24 now and it has been a long time since I went to Church. I really should be going more often. I'm going to tell my mom that I met the new priest, and I'll come to Church with her." She left every other thing she was doing and helped me to carry the food to my car. It was just a wonderful day. An act of love and kindness led to a meeting between a pastor and a parishioner who will now be returning to Church. God is good!

One person at a time. Lord, lead me to that person who needs your love today. Help me to put your love in our city every day.

Parish Healing Service – postponed.

Earlier we had scheduled to have a healing service on Saturday, June 20 at 7pm. This has been postponed until further notice. We want to provide a little more time to prepare and to give an opportunity for more participation.

Please Note – Fr. will be away for a few days (June 25 to 27)

I will be away from June 25 to 27. **No 9am Masses** on June 25 and 26. **No 7pm Mass on Saturday, June 27. No 4pm Mass in Canal Flats, June 27.** We will have a combined weekend Mass on Sunday, June 28. For those who come to Saturday evening Mass, I am very sorry. I had an earlier planned wedding of one of our young adults. This had been planned since last year. I hope you do not mind attending the 9am Mass on Sunday, June 28.

Holy Hour Adoration

Holy Hour will continue every Friday (9:30am to 10am). First Friday Eucharistic Adoration (9:30am to 4pm).

Confessions

- Saturday at 6.30pm starting July 4.
- Every Friday during Holy Hour
- By appointment

Happy Sunday. Please pray for me; I am praying for you. I can't wait to see you at the weekend Masses. Have a blessed weekend.

Your brother,
Fr. Obi

Pro Life collection will take place this Sunday, June 21st.

Looking Ahead:

June 25-27 Father Obi is away- No Masses

July Rosary/Movie night TBD
August BBQ for Parish and Neighborhood TBD
September Parish Picnic and Mass in the park TBD

Pope Leo's Intention for JUNE:

Pope Leo XIV's monthly prayer intention is dedicated to "the values of sports!"

He asks Catholics and people worldwide to pray that sports act as an instrument of peace, dialogue among cultures, and promote core values like respect, solidarity, and personal growth.

RCIA News –

We welcome anyone who is interested in inquiring about the Catholic faith to please speak to Father or Ben, or to any member of our RCIA team!

All are welcome!

This Week We Pray For:

- ◆ *For the prayers in the prayer basket*
- ◆ *Erica Lehr and Wilma Croisdale for recovery and healing*

Mass Intentions

If you wish to request a Mass be said for an intention or loved one, contact the office or you may use the e-transfer as well; indicate the intention for the Mass in the notes. Recommended Mass stipends in the Nelson Diocese are \$10 per Mass.

Sacred Heart Financial

E transfer for Sacred Heart Parish:
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Catholic Catechesis:

Fear not – you are worth more than many sparrows!

What does fear have to do with the kingdom of God? Fear is a powerful force. It can lead us to panic and flight or it can spur us to faith and action.

The fear of God is the antidote to the fear of losing one's life.

What is godly fear? It is reverence for the One who made us in love and who sustains us in mercy and kindness. The greatest injury or loss which we can experience is not physical but spiritual - the loss of one's heart, mind, and soul to the power of hell. A healthy fear of God leads to spiritual maturity, wisdom and right judgment and it frees us from the tyranny of cowardly fear and sinful pride that refuses to do what is right, good, and just - especially in the face of opposition and evil.

Don't you see that God views your fear with more concern than the lives of many sparrows? He already knows the secrets of your heart. Hence Jesus adds, 'Do not fear.' For even if that which you dread prevails, it prevails only over your body, which nature will surely take in due time and bring to an end."

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RECONCILIATION TIMES

Saturday at 6.30pm starting July 4.

Every Friday during Holy Hour (9:30- 10am)

By appointment

NEWS FROM THE DIOCESE

- **Employment Opportunity:**

Immaculata Regional High School (Kelowna, BC) invites applications, at this time, for:

French and Spanish Teacher for grades 8-12 for the 2026-27 school year.

Closing date: June 26th, 2026

For more detailed information check the Parish notice board or the Diocesan website.

- **30TH ANNIVERSARY OF PRIESTLY ORDINATION BISHOP GREGORY J. BITTMAN**

Join us in celebrating the 30th Anniversary of Priestly Ordination of the Most Reverend Gregory J. Bittman, Bishop of Nelson. Monday, August 17, 2026 | Immaculate Conception Church, Kelowna Mass at 5:00 pm | Dinner at 6:30 pm (Parish Hall) Tickets are \$20/person. Purchase online or visit the parish office for assistance, or pick up hard copy tickets at Loaves & Fishes.