

Fifth Sunday of LENT

March 22, 2026

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SACRED HEART PARISH BULLETIN

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Fr. Manoj: Wed to Fri 10am – 12pm
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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

War rages, and we must pick a side: Do we live according to the flesh? Or do we live according to the Spirit? But how does one proclaim for one or the other? Saint Paul says that if "by the Spirit you mortify the deeds of the flesh you shall live. (Romans 8:13). There are two aspects of this we need to understand. First, is "by the Spirit", and the second is "mortify the deeds of the flesh".

"By the Spirit" is a call for us to recognize that it isn't us who does anything or accomplishes anything; for Jesus says: "You can accomplish nothing on your own". What a joy it is to realize that it is God in us that accomplishes all things. Contemplate this intimate reliance upon the Holy Spirit and consider how close God is to us in all things. Humility draws God's help to us, so we need to accept the reality of our helplessness and rely upon Him and implore God's assistance. This way we grow close to, and take joy in, the love of God through His constant company.

By "mortify" we learn to place the priorities of the Spirit, of eternal life, ahead of the demands of our lower nature, the "flesh". Caring for the needs of our bodies is one thing. Being led around by the nose by our lower nature is another. Temperance is needed, as is the willingness to be "uncomfortable" in some fashion. Cultivate these things to aid in the process of "living according to the Spirit".

MASS INTENTIONS: March 21 - 27, 2026

Saturday 21	4pm 7 pm	St. Anthony Sacred Heart	† Alina Manarin Req. Mirella Manarin
Sunday 22	9 am 12 pm	Sacred Heart St. Joseph	Missa Pro Populo
Monday 23			No Mass
Tuesday 24	9 am 7 pm	Sacred Heart	No Mass Lenten Reconciliation Service
Wednesday 25	9 am	Sacred Heart	Solemnity-The Annunciation of the Lord
Thursday 26	9 am	Sacred Heart	† Simone and Erik Erickson Req. Cecil and Heather Morrisette
Friday 27	9 am 3pm 5pm	Sacred Heart	† Simone and Erik Erickson Req. Cecil and Heather Morrisette Divine Mercy Chaplet, Rosary Stations of the Cross for Parish

COMMUNITY INFORMATION:

- **PANCAKE BREAKFAST:** This Sunday, March 22nd, 10:00am (after Mass). Enjoy pancakes, ham, scrambled eggs, coffee & tea. By donation (\$10 per adult \$25 per family suggested) Hosted by K of C
- This Sunday is **DEVELOPMENT & PEACE SUNDAY** and the blue collection envelopes can be put into the collection at Offertory.
- The ***Luck o' the Irish blessings were upon us! What a spectacular St. Patrick's Spring Tea!*** We could not have done it without **YOU!** A "thousand thanks" to all who helped with cleaning, set up, decorating, food preparations, greeting, serving, parking, clean up, BAKING and best of all... those who came to the tea! It was wonderful to see our church community come together with welcoming smiles!
- ***Congratulations to our lucky winners;*** – *Luxury Appies Basket* – Judy Dwyer, *Champagne Glasses Basket* – Derek Rhude, *Pewter Tea Set Basket* – Maureen King, Door Prize – Margot Evans.
- Our **LENTEN RECONCILIATION SERVICE** will be held on **Tuesday, March 24, at 7:00 PM.**
- **Welcome to our new RCIA candidates:** Jennifer Hiebner, Stephanie Malik, Dan and Russel. We wish you the best in your faith journey to discover the fullness of the truth.

Looking Ahead:

- March 22 Development & Peace - Lenten collection
- March 24 Parish Lenten Reconciliation 7:00pm
- March 25 Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord
- March 29 Passion Palm Sunday
- April 07 Garden View Mass 10 am

Pope Leo's Intention for March:

For disarmament and peace. He calls on the faithful to pray that nations move toward effective, particularly nuclear, disarmament, and that world leaders choose the path of dialogue and diplomacy over violence and conflict.

RCIA News – February 2026

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:

- ◆ *Bishop Bittman for full recovery*
- ◆ *Recovery and healing of Paul Kerr*
- ◆ *Prayers in the prayer basket*

FRIDAY LENTEN HOLY ADORATION

2:30pm

Adoration, Divine Mercy Chaplet, Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary, Reconciliation and Stations of the Cross.

Come and spend time with the Lord!

Sacred Heart Financial

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Catholic Catechesis:

The hope of the resurrection!

In God's economy we each have our "day" whether it be short or long. While time is limited, there is enough for us to accomplish what God intends. God gives each of us our allotted portion in life. We can either waste it or use it to the utmost for God's glory. Jesus did not let circumstances or pressure dictate what he would do. Nor did he permit others to dictate his actions or timetable. He took action of his own initiative and in his good time. Don't we often try to get God to do things in our way and on our timetable?

While the light of Christ is with us, we must live and walk in the truth and grace of his light. There's a right time to make peace with God, and that time is now. When darkness comes, then judgment follows for those who refuse God and spurn his love.

What is the significance of Jesus raising Lazarus from the dead? It is more than a miraculous event. It is a "sign" of God's promise to raise up all who have died in Christ to everlasting life. That is why Jesus asked Martha if she believed in the resurrection from the dead. The Christian creed, which is the profession of our faith in God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit and in the saving power of God, culminates in the proclamation of the resurrection of the dead on the last day and in life everlasting. This is our faith and our hope.

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RECONCILIATION TIMES

Fr. Manoj is available for Reconciliation:

After the weekday Masses and during Adoration on Fridays of each month. Please let Father know if you wish to celebrate the sacrament.

Pastoral Update: Visit of the Chancellor and Diocesan Review

Last week, our parish had the privilege of welcoming Very Rev. Fr. Cerlouie Jimenez, Chancellor of the Diocese of Nelson, who came to Kimberley at the request of Bishop Gregory Bittman. His visit was part of a pastoral initiative to listen, support, and assist our community in strengthening the life and mission of our parish.

On March 16, 2026, Fr. Jimenez met separately with the Pastoral Administration Team and the CWL Executive in the Church Hall. The purpose of these meetings was to review the current functioning of parish administration, to hear the experiences and concerns of those involved, and to reflect on the relationship between the parish and the Catholic Women's League as an organization serving within the parish community. This consultation will help the diocese prepare a report for the Bishop as he continues to guide us toward unity, clarity, and healthy collaboration.

I am grateful to Fr. Rex Velmonte, who was present for the meetings, and to all who participated with openness and goodwill. Your contributions are deeply appreciated and reflect a shared commitment to the mission of the Church.

Let us continue to pray for one another and for our parish community, that we may grow together in faith, unity, and service under the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

Fr. Manoj

- **ST. JOSEPH'S TABLE:** is a traditional Catholic devotion where families prayed to Saint Joseph during times of famine and gave thanks for answered prayers by sharing food with the poor. Often observed around March 19th, the Feast of St. Joseph. *Throughout March we will be collecting nonperishable food items and personal care items in the container on the table placed in the church's narthex.* At the end of the month all items will be donated to the Kimberley Food Bank.

NEWS FROM THE DIOCESE

The annual Chrism Mass is on Monday, March 30, at 7:00 p.m. at Immaculate Conception Parish, Kelowna. All parishioners are welcome to attend this Diocesan celebration

Sacred Heart Parish Fundraising Cash Management Procedure

The following procedure aligns our cash management practices with the policies of the Diocese and is to be followed for all Parish fundraising activities.

- I. Gross funds received are to be recorded in the Parish bookkeeping system and deposited into the Parish bank account.
- II. Gross expenses are recorded separately in the Parish bookkeeping system. Any expenses for fundraising expenses along with receipts are to be submitted to the Parish office and will be reimbursed by cheque. It is not allowed to deduct expenses from gross funds recorded in item #I with only the net deposited into the Parish bank account.
- III. All receipts submitted for reimbursement must include only the items purchased specifically for the parish event. Personal items or purchases made on behalf of other organizations may not be included on the same receipt. The parish is unable to reimburse any receipts that contain personal or unrelated items, even if the total is adjusted or separated afterward.
- IV. If a Parish fundraiser is organized and conducted by a group of people, or organization (such as CWL, Knights), the advertising (e.g. in the bulletin) must state that the event is being conducted on behalf of the Parish. All proceeds are deposited in the Parish's bank account, not the organizers' accounts; all expenses must be paid from the Parish bank account, not the organizers' accounts;
- V. All fundraising activities, either conducted directly by the Parish or on behalf of the Parish by an organization, must identify the reason for the fundraising activity, for example: *"funds raised will be used to purchase a new kitchen stove, and any excess funds raised will go to the parish's operating account."*
- VI. The parish can give out donation receipts for cash gifts made during the fundraiser, only if there is no expectation of consideration. This means that the donation is of free will, not tied to an expectation of winning a door prize, raffle gift, dinner etc. Money paid for an auction item, raffle draw, or 50/50 draw and so on is not a donation.
- VII. Donation receipts cannot be given for volunteer time.

A new Event Count sheet has been developed and must be used for all Parish fundraising events:

1. All funds and approved expenses must be logged on the Event Count Sheet on a daily basis.
2. The Event Count Sheet consists of two forms: a primary count sheet and a secondary count sheet.
 - a. The totals from the primary count sheet must be copy on to the secondary count sheet.
 - b. Both forms must be witnessed by two individuals.
 - c. The primary count sheet must remain in the possession of the Event Coordinator and the Secondary count sheet must held be either the Pastor, a member of the Finance Committee or Parish Council.
3. All funds must remain in the custody of the Event Coordinator in a lock box (provided by the Parish). The requirement of the Event Coordinator to secure and retain all funds cannot be delegated.
4. The Event Coordinator must deposit all event funds into the Parish bank account within 24 hrs of the event completion.
5. A written financial report of the event, along with the Primary Event Count Sheets and proof of deposit to the Parish bank account, must be submitted to the Pastor within one week from the conclusion of the event.

Finance committee Chair.
Ken Tate.

Date: March 15,2026