

Sunday Bulletin Dec. 15th, 2024 St. Pius X Parish Kelowna, BC



Third Sunday of Advent

Pastor's Message

Parish Christmas Confessions - Monday, December 16th at 5:30 pm

The Secret of True Joy

Rejoice Always Pray Without Ceasing

This Sunday is called Gaudate Sunday, that is, Sunday of rejoicing. We are more than half way to Christmas and we are invited to rejoice because Jesus is near.

1. True joy is a gift. It is not determined by the changing circumstances of life but is a gift from the One who does not change: my Father in heaven. I can rejoice always when I place myself beneath the gaze of my Father who loves me.
2. True joy is found in my identity. I am not defined by my sins but by the love of my Father.
3. True joy is in my worth. What is my worth? 'Your worth is not measured by what you do; you are worth the death of the Son of God.'
4. True joy is in the GIFT: I rejoice because the Father has sent His Son - His greatest gift to me: Jesus. He comes to me as a Baby: to hold. In turn this Christmas, as we exchange gifts with loved ones, what gift do I give to God? He doesn't want gold but something more precious than gold: my heart, my soul, my life, my all.

Confession is a time to:

- Give to God the gift of my soul.
- Allow Jesus to love me.
- Remember that I am defined not by my sins but by the love of God.
- Reclaim my identity as the beloved of the Father.
- Allow Jesus to heal any wounds in my heart and soul.
- Lay at his feet my struggles, weakness, inadequacies and sin.
- Begin again.
- Receive the strength to make love the way when we gather as family this Christmas.
- Receive the strength to be an intentional disciple of Jesus.

A good Confession ends with great rejoicing as the Father Himself says: 'Let us celebrate because my child is home.'

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Parish Christmas Party

This Sunday, December 15th at 4:00 pm

Come.

Seek Forgiveness.

God Loves You.

Confession

5:30 pm

Monday, December 16th @ St. Pius X



Mass Schedule - St. Pius X

Saturday 4:00 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 3:00 pm
or by appointment

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I invite you to come so we can celebrate the love and mercy of our Heavenly Father. With hearts made clean, our Church will be so beautiful on Christmas Day because we have prepared the way for Him interiorly.

Christmas Party

In the spirit of rejoicing, we are having our Parish Christmas Party this Sunday at 4:00 pm. It's a turkey dinner.

Happy Sunday.

Fr. Obi

Prayer Group

Open wide the door of your heart to the One who comes...
Our Lord, Christ Jesus!

Our prayer group will not be gathering beginning December 10th to December 31st.

We will gather once again January 7th, 2025.

Our prayers continue for one another our community and our world.

Wishing you all a blessed Advent Season and a very Merry Christmas.

For more info
please call Piera 250-215-7100

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

I would like to thank our parishioners for all the Christmas decorations we got for the bazaar. It was a success again.

I will be happy to receive any decorations you have for next year.
Thanks again

Beryl 250-717-0527

St. Pius X Christmas and New Year's Mass Schedules



Tuesday, December 24th:

Daily Mass: 9:00 am

Christmas Eve, December 24th:

4:00 pm: First Mass of Christmas

7:00 pm: Second Mass of Christmas

12 Midnight: Midnight Mass

Wednesday, December 25th:

9:00 am: Christmas Day Mass

11:00 am: Christmas Day Mass

4:00 pm: Christmas Day Mass

Thursday, December 26: 9:00 am Daily Mass

Friday, December 27th: 9:00 am Daily Mass

Feast of the Holy Family -

Saturday, December 28th: 4:00 pm

(Anticipated Mass)

Sunday, December 29th: 9:00 am, 11:00 am & 6:00 pm

Tuesday, December 31st: 9:00 am Daily Mass

Tuesday, December 31st New Year's Eve:

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God: 4:00 pm

New Year's Eve: Holy Hour/Benediction:
11:30 pm

Wednesday, January 1st - Solemnity of Mary

Mother of God: 9:00 am & 11:00 am

Pray for the Sick

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

Rita Fairhurst, Julie La Brie, Loretta Bouchard, Donna Kirkham, Jared Kirkham, Ellenette Panis, Loreta Batandolo, Neil Chan, Juan Francisco Lorenzo, George Levine, Bobbie Cascanette, Lina Quarenghi, Beatriz Hernandez, Helen Curran, Linda Kleintelder, Bill Kipke, Janice James, Walter Quarenghi, Gelindo Del Pino, Tessa McGibbon, June Hanushchak, Christine Zlogar, Vince Cummings, James McGlinchey, Rita Gemin, Betty Klinger, 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, Heather Duguay, Sandra Martinez, Claudia Albarran, Constance Cournane, Fionnuala Kane, Wilai Basuwan, Jennifer Roa, Rugene Valle, Grace Tumale, Beatriz Hernandez, Dalia Whissell, 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](tel: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*

2024 ADVENT CONFESSION SCHEDULES

St. Pius X Parish
Mon. Dec. 16th, 5:30 pm

St. Edwards Parish
Tues. Dec. 17th; 4:30 pm dinner, 6:00 pm confession

OLOL School
Wed. Dec. 18th
10:30 am & 12:45pm

St. Charles Garnier Parish
Wed. Dec. 18th, 5:30 pm

Immaculate Conception Parish
Thurs. Dec. 19th, 3:30 pm

Parish Christmas Dinner

Thank you for all who signed up to attend our Parish Christmas Dinner this Sunday, December 15th.

The event begins at 4:00 pm in the hall.
\$15 per person - cash accepted -
with children under 12 free.

Please bring a dessert to share. Thank you for your time and effort to contribute to this wonderful event!

Feeling strong and ready to help? We will be in need of clean up crews after the event. Please ask to see Trish!
Many hands make for light work ☺



CARE HOME MASSES

Northwood: 1st Friday @ 10:30 am

David Lloyd Jones: 2nd Tuesday @ 10:30 am

Brandt's Creek Mews: 1st Wednesday @ 10:30 am

Three Links Manor: 3rd Tuesday @ 10:30 am

Sandalwood: Date & Time to be Announced

ST. PIUS X PARISH EVENTS: Dec. 14th to Dec. 21st

POLISH MASS

Fr. Waldemar Karciarz will be visiting Immaculate Conception Church in December to celebrate mass and hear confession for our Polish Community (in Polish).

Reconciliations	Mass
Friday December 13th, 4:00 pm to 7:30 pm	Dec. 15th, 3:00 pm
Saturday December 14th, 12:30 pm to 3:30 pm	ICC Parish

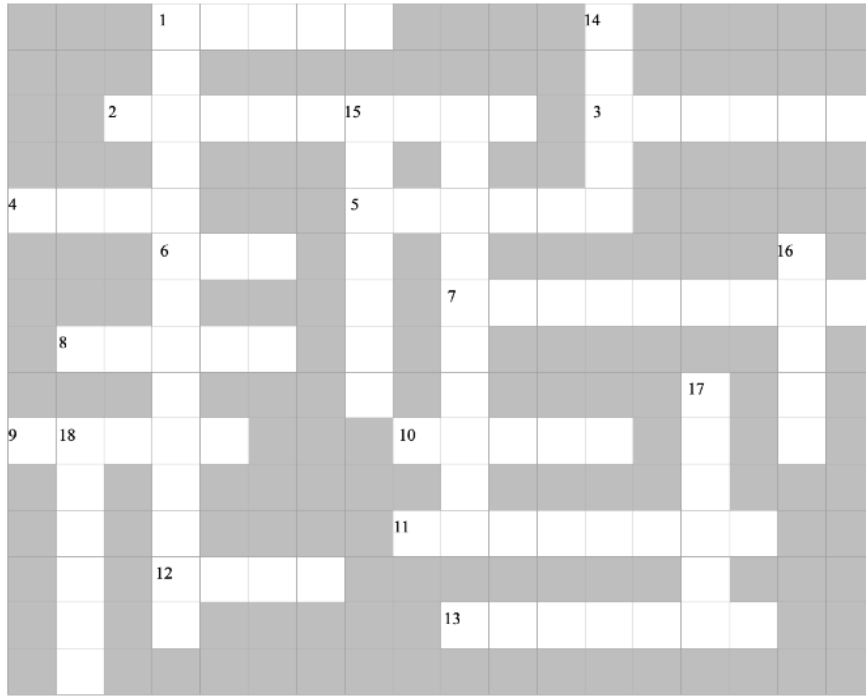
St. Pius X Catholic Women's League News

***Molly Boucher Bursary:** The Nelson Diocese CWL offers a \$2000 bursary. The applicant must be a practising Catholic and an active member of the Catholic Women's League of Canada for a minimum of two (2) years. Applications must be received no later than April 30th. For more information, please go to <https://bcyukoncwl.com/resources/molly-boucher-bursary/>

At the General CWL meeting someone went home with a blue coat. Please contact the CWL if you have it.

Saturday, Dec. 14th	4:00 pm	Holy Mass
Sunday, Dec. 15th	9:00 am	Holy Mass
	11:00 am	Holy Mass
	6:00 pm	Holy Mass
Sunday, Dec. 15th	4:30 pm	Alpha Youth
Monday, Dec. 16th	6:00 pm	ESL (English Class) —Parish Hall
Tuesday, Dec. 17th	8:30 am	Rosary
- Friday, Dec. 20th	9:00 am	Holy Mass
Tuesday, Dec. 17th	10:30 am	Korean LEGIO Group — Fr. Martin Room
Wednesday, Dec. 18th	10:00 am	Quilter's Day
Thursday, Dec. 19th	ON BREAK	NO Catechism
Friday, Dec. 20th	9:35 am	Adoration
Saturday, Dec. 21st	4:00 pm	Holy Mass

St. Pius X Word Puzzle - December 15th, 2024



*Answers in the Dec. 22nd Bulletin

ACROSS

- 1) The "reason for the season"
- 2) On the third Sunday of Advent we light the pink candle on the Advent Wreath, which is also known as the _____ Candle.
- 3) Christmas Song: "_____ we have heard on high."
- 4) An item given to someone.
- 5) One of the four authentic accounts of the life, death and resurrection of Jesus.
- 6) What Jesus was laid upon in the manger.
- 7) This day of the week is consecrated by the Church for the devotion to St. Joseph.
- 8) A type of monastery. In BC, one is located in Abbotsford.
- 9) The opposite of sad.
- 10) A shepherd guides these.
- 11) A small table beside the altar where items are placed until offertory of mass.
- 12) Forgiven during the sacrament of reconciliation.
- 13) There are five on a rosary.

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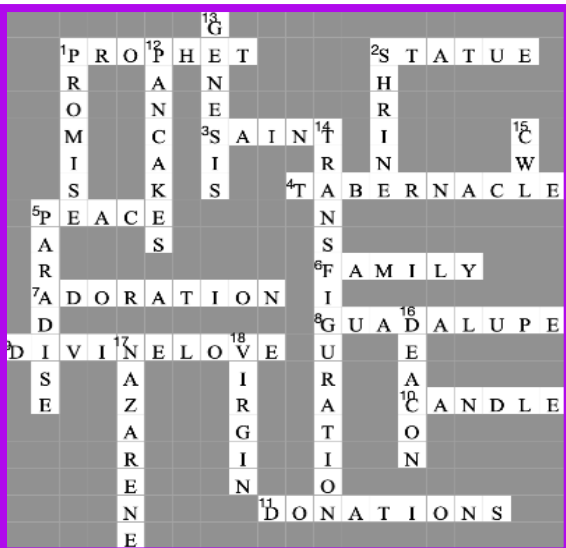
- 1) Jesus' cousin who baptized people with water but told them another was coming and, "He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire.
- 14) A dense, smooth and shiny white item that is considered a gem.
- 15) This language is taught in the church hall every Monday evening at 6:00 pm
- 16) Belief, trust and loyalty to God.
- 17) A Nativity scene where figures are arranged to represent the birth of Jesus Christ
- 18) This liturgical season ends on the evening of December 24th.



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Answer to Dec. 8th Word Puzzle



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