



ST. JOHN VIANNEY

CATHOLIC CHURCH

OUR LADY OF LOURDES

A Christian Community in the Roman Catholic Tradition

Sunday Mass 8:30am
573 Tod Mtn. Rd

September 19th, 2021
25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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The faithful in the Diocese of Kamloops remain dispensed from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass. Please check our website for available online masses: www.rcdk.org/pages/covid-19-streaming-masses

The month of September is dedicated to **Our Lady of Sorrows**.

The Holy Father's Intentions for the month of September 2021 "**An Environmentally Sustainable Lifestyle**"

We pray that we all will make courageous changes for a simple and environmentally sustainable lifestyle, rejoicing in our youth people who are resolutely committed to this.

Words from our secondary patron, St John Vianney:

"The reward is so great for such a little effort. What have we to bear? Some humiliations, losses, sickness, sharp words?... but they will not kill us! The martyrs suffered much more than that... or temptations? But, by confidence in God and distrust of ourselves, we can overcome them."

Day	Reading	Gospel
Monday	Ezra 1.1-6 Ps 126.1-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6 (R. 3a)	Luke 8.16-18
Tuesday	Ephesians 4.1-7, 11-13 Ps 19.1-2, 3-4ab (R. 4a)	Matthew 9.9-13
Wednesday	Ezra 9.5-9 Tobit 13.2, 3-4, 6abcd, 6ef (R. 1)	Luke 9.1-6
Thursday	Haggai 1.1-8 Ps 149.1-2, 3-4, 5-6a+9b (R. 4a)	Luke 9.7-9
Friday	Haggai 2.1-9 Ps 43.1, 2, 3, 4 (R. see 5bc)	Luke 9.18-22
Saturday	Zechariah 2.1-5, 10-11 Jeremiah 31.10, 11-12ab, 13 (R. see 10d)	Luke 9.43b-45

**AND HE SAT DOWN AND CALLED THE TWELVE.
AND HE SAID TO THEM, IF ANONE
would be first,
HE MUST BE LAST OF ALL AND SERVANT OF ALL.
MARK 9:35**

This weekend we saw a video explaining the Diocesan Objectives for **Faith in Action Campaign 31** along with hearing about our local parish project chosen to be connected with the campaign.

It is important for all of us to be open to the needs of the Diocese, the local church, and **our own parish community**.

Next week, we will hear a personal message on the importance of supporting Faith in Action.

Please note Our email address has changed! Please update your records to this email: stjohnvianney@rcdk.org

2021 Choose Life Kamloops 40 Day Vigil

Wednesday, September 22 – Sunday October 31, 2021

Daily Prayer Vigil (9:30-10:30 am)

- inside Sacred Heart Cathedral in Kamloops (255 Nicola St.)
- outside on Third Ave from Nicola to Columbia St.

Everyone is welcome! How will you support this important Life Ministry?

A fun **Fall “Best Ball” Golf** event for Catholics and guests is booked for **Saturday, September 25th** at Club Shuswap (5751 Trans Canada Hwy NE Salmon Arm). Green fees are \$18 (9 holes) or \$33 (18 holes), plus a \$15 tournament fee to cover prizes. Seniors’ discounts & power carts are available from the Pro-shop.

Mini-golf event (for families with small children)

18 holes = \$24/Family plus \$2 Tournament Fee. The entry deadline is September 22, 2021. Please call Kyla for details or to register at: **1 867 445 8007**

See attached poster for more details!

Looking for a full list of **Employment Opportunities** within the Diocese? Catholic Independent School Kamloops Diocese job postings can be found at **www.CISKD.ca** under the CAREERS tab: <https://ciskd.ca/current-postings/>

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time (year B)

Readings: *Wisdom 2:12,17-20; Psalm 54:3-4,5,6 & 8; James 3:16—4:3*

Gospel Reading:

Mark 9:30-37

Jesus teaches his disciples that the greatest are those who serve all.

In today’s Gospel, we hear Jesus again predict his passion, death, and Resurrection to his disciples. The setting here is important. Jesus and his disciples are preparing to journey through Galilee, a Jewish territory in which Jesus has already encountered problems with the Pharisees. Perhaps this is why Mark indicates that Jesus was trying to journey in secret. In predicting his passion, Jesus is acknowledging the danger they will face and is trying to preparing his disciples for it. Yet Mark tells us that the disciples did not understand what Jesus was saying and were afraid to ask what he meant. Such hesitation on the part of the disciples is not characteristic behavior. Peter had no fear about rebuking Jesus in last week’s Gospel. Perhaps this is an indication that the disciples were aware that a new situation was emerging.

Mark paints a vivid picture in today’s Gospel. Having arrived at Capernaum, Jesus and his disciples enter a house. In this private place, Jesus asks his disciples about the argument they had while they were journeying. Again, the disciples are uncharacteristically silent and afraid to answer. They have been found out. Jesus then summons the Twelve, whom Mark identified earlier in his Gospel as those chosen by Jesus to preach and to drive out demons. To this select group of disciples, Jesus teaches that those who would be first in God’s kingdom must be servants of all.

Jesus then calls forward a child and teaches the Twelve that to receive a child in Jesus’ name is to receive both Jesus and the One who sent him. We might easily fail to understand the significance of this action. In first-century Palestine, children were without status or power, possessing no legal rights. In this action, Jesus is teaching his disciples and us that when we serve the least ones among us, we serve Jesus himself. Who are the people without power or status in our society that Jesus is calling us to serve? Do we do so willingly? Jesus teaches that God’s judgment of us will be based on this criterion alone.