



ST. JOHN VIANNEY

CATHOLIC CHURCH

A Christian Community in the Roman Catholic Tradition

March 19th, 2023
4th Sunday of Lent

OUR LADY OF LOURDES

Sunday Mass 8:30am
573 Tod Mtn. Rd

Pastor: Jesus Christ

Assistant Pastor: Father Praveen Jaison Tellis OCD

Mass Schedule: Saturday mass 4pm
Sundays 10:30 am

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CHANGE FOR THIS WEEK

The office will be closed on **Wednesday March 22nd**

LENTEN RECONCILIATION

Friday March 24th - 9:00am to 12pm and 4pm to 7:00pm

Holy Week Celebrations

	SJV	OLL
Holy Thursday	7:30 pm	
Good Friday	3:00 pm	5:30pm
Easter Vigil Liturgy	8:00 pm	
Easter Sunday	10:30 am	8:30 am

ROSARY PRAYER

"The Rosary is the best therapy for these distraught, unhappy, fearful, and frustrated souls, precisely because it involves the simultaneous use of three powers: the physical, the vocal, and the spiritual..." - Archbishop

Fulton J. Sheen

Every Sunday before mass in the chapel please come and join to pray the Holy Rosary with other parishioners.

Stations of the Cross

During lent there will be stations of the cross

Fridays at 7:00pm

March 24th (KC) March 31st. (TBA)

The stations of the cross Guide us from the Cross to the Resurrection.

Day	Reading	Gospel
Monday	2 Samuel 7.4-5a, 12-14a, 16 Ps 89.1-2,3-4,26+28 (R. 36)	Mathew 1.16, 18-21, 24a
Tuesday	Ezekiel 47.1-9, 12 Ps 46.1-2, 4-5, 7-8 (R. 7)	John 5.1-16
Wednesday	Isaiah 49.8-15 Ps 145.8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18 (R. 8a)	John 5.16-30
Thursday	Exodus 32.7-14 Ps 106.19-20, 21-22, 23 (R. 4a)	John 5.18, 31-47++
Friday	Wisdom 2.1a, 12-22 Ps 34.16-17, 18-19, 20+22 (R. 18a)	John 7.1-2, 10, 25-30
Saturday	Isaiah 7.10-14; 8.10d Ps 40.6, 7-8, 9, 10 (R. 7-8)	Luke 1.26-38

CWL Bursaries

1) Provincial Molly Boucher for CWL members

2) Diocesan Bursary for a student proceeding to university, college, technological school or vocational program.

Application **deadline** for both is **March 31st**

Contact Carole at 250-554-3245 for more information and application forms.

FIA CAMPAIGN	SJV	OLL
Assessment	\$ 22,012	\$ 1,934
Parish project	2,500	-
Total	24,512	1,934
Pledged	44,015	2,800
Pledges	56	9

Remainder

Thanks! to those who have donated to this years Faith in Action Campaign!! We have reached our assessment amount, but take note that **Any money above the assessment will all come back to our parish** for church improvements.

St Vincent de Paul-Poor Box

The Society of St Vincent de Paul will be asking parishioners to contribute to the poor box the third Sunday of every month, **next one will be this Sunday March 19th**. Your donations are greatly appreciated, and are used to help the poor in this community.

Fourth Sunday of Lent, Cycle A

As we did last week, we are reading today from the Gospel of John. In today's Gospel, the healing of the man born blind invites us to focus on the physical and spiritual aspects of sight and light. In the first part of today's Gospel, we hear Jesus' response to a prevalent belief of his time: that misfortune and disability were the result of sin. That belief is why Jesus is asked the question of whose sin caused the man's blindness—his own or his parents'. Jesus does not answer directly, but instead gives the question an entirely different dimension—through this man's disability, God's power will be made manifest. Jesus then heals the man.

The healing is controversial because Jesus heals on the Sabbath. The Pharisees, the religious authorities of Jesus' time, understood that the law of Moses forbade work (including healing) on the Sabbath. They also have trouble believing that Jesus performed a miracle. To determine whether the man was really born blind, the Pharisees question him and his parents. The man challenges the leaders of the synagogue about their assessment of the good that Jesus has done. In turn, they expel the man for questioning their judgment.

The final revelation and moment of enlightenment comes when the man born blind encounters Jesus again. Having heard the news of his expulsion, Jesus seeks out the man born blind and reveals himself to him as the Son of Man. In this moment, the man born blind shows himself to be a man of faith and worships Jesus. Jesus replies by identifying the irony of the experience of many who encounter Jesus: Those who are blind will now see, and those who think they now see will be found to be blind.

As in last week's Gospel about Jesus' encounter with the Samaritan woman, today's reading has many allusions to Baptism. The washing of the man in the pool of Siloam is a prototype for Christian Baptism. Through the man's encounter with Jesus, the man born blind is healed, his sight is restored, and his conversion to discipleship begins. The man born blind gradually comes to a greater understanding about who Jesus is and what it means to be his disciple, while the Pharisees (those who should see) are the ones who remain blind.

Loyolapress.com/Sunday Connection 2023

World Wide Marriage Encounter is hosting a weekend retreat April 14-16, 2023 in Kamloops!

Come join us to live your best life in love, renew your marriage and rekindle romance.

For more information and to register visit: **Behold Vancouver website:** <https://beholdvancouver.org/events/virtual-worldwide-marriage-encounter-8#overview>

Registration closes Mar 28, 2023

check out the WWME video on Youtube: <https://youtu.be/VvQUEZ35Ufg>

'THE ONE' Women Retreat

It's finally happening. The Women's Retreat will be **held at Rockridge Canyon May 5-7, 2023!**

We are excited to announce that **registration opens next weekend, Saturday, March 18 at 8am PST**. Space is limited and we will sell out quickly, so I would like to encourage you to prepare by talking to any friends you would like to share a room with and being ready to register when the date and time arrive.

Grief to Grace

Through a retreat program facilitated by mental health professionals and centered on Jesus Christ, Grief to Grace helps those who have endured physical, emotional, sexual, and/or spiritual abuse find healing. The next retreat is May 23 – 27, 2023 in Kelowna. For more information, please email griegtograncelowna@gmail.com or make a confidential call to 250-808-6403.

Hopewell Clinic and Pregnancy Centre continues to be a central location, in the diocese, for women to seek hope and healing when experiencing an unexpected pregnancy. Hopewell is now launching their **annual Baby Bottle Campaign**. The campaign runs **throughout Lent and wraps up on Easter Sunday**.. You can also donate to support women in need in 4 ways: Online (www.hopewellkamloops.ca), E-transfer (donate@hopewellkamloops.ca), mailing in a cheque (429 Tranquille Rd. Kamloops, BC V2B 3G9),

St Ann's Academy-Change of date

The high school students invite you to **the production "Fawltly Towers"**. The new dates are **Thursday, April 20th and Friday April 21st. at 7:30pm in the St. Ann's Academy gym** (doors open at 7:00pm)

Tickets at the door (suggested donation of \$10)

The incredible cast of students and the very talented director (Mr. Kevin Beliveau) are looking forward to seeing you! Please call St. Ann's Academy at 250-372-5452 for more information.