



ST. JOHN VIANNEY

CATHOLIC CHURCH

A Christian Community in the Roman Catholic Tradition

December 10th, 2023
2nd Sunday of Advent, Year B

Parish Administrator: Fr. Derrick Cameron

Assistant Priest: Fr. Paschal Sopuruchi

OUR LADY OF LOURDES

Sunday Mass 8:30am
573 Tod Mtn. Rd

Mass Schedule: Sundays 10:30 am

Office hours: Tuesday to Friday 9:00 am to 1:00pm

Address: 2826 Bank Road, V2B 8E5

Weekday Masses: Tuesday to Thursday 8:00am in the Chapel

Phone: **250 579 8711**

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Sundays before mass

Email: stjohnvianney@rcdk.org

Holy Hour: Cancelled until further notice

Website: stjohnvianneykamloops.ca

Lectors for This Sunday and Next Sunday

Sunday December 10th Students from OLPH

Sunday December 17th Maureen Carr and Brian Sezler

Still looking for a volunteer or two willing to organize a **Christmas Luncheon** for the senior parish members of St John Vianney and Our Lady of Lourdes. Anyone interested, please contact the office.

2024 Donation Envelopes

Your box of envelopes for donations for Year 2024 are already for you to pick up at the entrance of the church. Please do not use them until January 2024. If you did not see a box with your name on it and would like some, please contact the office. Thanks!!

Christmas Carols at the Hamlets

If you have friends or family in residence at The Hamlets, St. John Vianney Choir would like you to know that we will be singing there on **December 10 at 3:00pm**. Please come, and bring your loved ones down to the Grand Hall or let them know about the Concert/Caroling.

Gently Used Coats Needed

The CWL is collecting clean and gently used coats for **St Vincent de Paul**. We are also looking for warm mittens (not gloves) and socks. Please bring your items and place them in the **SSVP box** that is at the back of the church. Thank for your support!

SSVP POOR BOX COLLECTION will be Sunday
December 17th

Christmas Amalgamated 2023

There are still some donation items needed: mixed candies, canned vegetables, soups, oranges and apples towards the family's Christmas dinner and some gifts. For more info, please enquire after mass or contact the office.

Volunteer drivers needed

We have a sign-up sheet at the entrance of the church to drive Fr. Paschal from the Cathedral to Our Lady of Lourdes and from there to St John Vianney so he is able to come to celebrate Sunday Mass.

Thanks so much to every one who has been helping out!

Faith In Action Campaign 33" Be a Doer of Faith"

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Assessment	\$21,765	\$1,768
Project estimated	10,000	
Total Pledged	16,790	2,350
Number of Pledges	37	7

This year money raised over our assessment will be used to do some needed maintenance to the parking lot.

You can also do an e-transfer to fia@rcdk.org

2nd Sunday of Advent, Cycle B

Today we celebrate the feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. This feast celebrates God's choice of Mary to be the mother of Jesus. God preserved Mary from the stain of original sin from the moment of her conception. Thus, Mary was the first to receive the benefit of the redemption that her Son would merit for all.

To reflect upon this mystery, the Gospel reading for today presents to us the story of the Annunciation. It is through her exchange with the angel Gabriel that Luke, the Evangelist, introduces the person of Mary. The Annunciation begins in the context of Luke's account of the birth of John the Baptist. "In the sixth month," referring to Elizabeth's pregnancy, the angel Gabriel appears to a virgin of Nazareth—Mary. Indeed, there are many parallels in Luke's accounts of the births of John the Baptist and Jesus.

In this passage, Luke tells us much about Mary and the child she is to bear. We learn that Mary is a virgin from Nazareth who is betrothed to a man named Joseph, who was of the house of David. The angel greets Mary in the most glowing of terms, acknowledging the favor she has found with God. The son Mary is to conceive is described in messianic terms. He will be called "Son of the Most High" and the "Son of God."

Mary is bold in her exchange with the angel. She is troubled by his greeting and questions the message, asking "How am I to bear a son if I have no relations with a man?" Mary is told that she will conceive through the power of the Holy Spirit and is offered a sign in the miraculous pregnancy of her elder cousin Elizabeth.

Mary's affirmative response to this seemingly impossible message gives evidence to the grace we know that she possesses from God. Only one who is "full of grace" can be so receptive to and cooperative with the will of God. Because of this, Mary is the model of discipleship for all Christians.

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Sunday December 10th at St John Vianney

On **Sunday December 10th** the **Mass** will be **celebrated by Bishop Joseph Nguyen**; and the Rising Stars Choir from the Kamloops Catholic Schools will be singing at the Mass.

The **Knights of Columbus** will **host a delicious breakfast** after the mass. Hopefully everyone can join!

CWL SOCIAL

All ladies of the parish are invited to attend our **Christmas Social** on Tuesday **December 12th at 6:00pm.**

Please bring an appetizer to share and a toonie for the 50/50 draw. Beverages will be provided. Hope you can come!

CWL Membership DUES

Membership Dues. you can place your envelope with the payment of your CWL dues on the collection Basket or you can pay by **e-transfer to sjvcwlkamloops@gmail.com**

Tax receipt 2023 -donations for Faith in Action must be received by Friday, December 29 (before the banks close/or parish office closes). This includes **E-transfer donations as well.**

Christmas and Holy Mother of God Mass times *Our Lady of Lourdes*

Sunday December 24th 8:30 am OLL
Christmas Day December 25th 8:30 am OLL
Sunday Mass December 31st 8:30 OLL
Holy Mother of God January 1st 8:30 am OLL

Knights of Columbus (BC) Charity Foundation **Deadline** **Fast Approaching**

62nd Annual Charity Appeal

Buy a ticket for a chance to win a **2023 Toyota Rav4** plus \$45,000 in other Prizes

Buy online at www.kofcdraw.net/C9508 Grand Prize
Deadline December 16, 3:00 pm.

If you don't do online, contact Casey 250-682-1096 or email at Casey@tricitycanada.ca

Children's Liturgy

*We have been blessed at St John Vianney to have many children in our parish. There are resources for Children's Liturgy to be done during Mass on Sundays, but **we need people in order to facilitate this rewarding ministry.** If this is something you would be interested in co-ordinating and/or teaching, please contact the office.*

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