



ST. JOHN VIANNEY

CATHOLIC CHURCH

A Christian Community in the Roman Catholic Tradition

December 31st, 2023

Holy Family, Year B

OUR LADY OF LOURDES

Sunday Mass 8:30am
573 Tod Mtn. Rd

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Mass Schedule: Sundays 10:30 am

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Lectors for the coming Sundays and Holydays

December 31st Carol McGill and Lloyd Babcock

January 1st Lesley Boettger and Sherry Makarra

January 7th Tom Jurista and Katherine Watson

HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL OF YOU!

May God continue to bless you this year and throughout all your days.

How to grow in the faith during year 2024.

Thinking of some new year's resolutions, commitments, deepening your prayer life and learning more about Catholic faith?

Here is a list of great resources:

- **Formed.org** – You can get it for free if you sign up through your Parish. Here are the steps:

Step 1: Google formed.org

Step 2: Sign in (as a parishioner, NOT as an individual). You belong to Sacred Heart Cathedral 255 Nicola Street. If you sign up as an individual, you will need to pay.

Step 3: Then it will ask for your name and email, address, then you are on Formed.org.

- **Hallow app**

- **Amen App**

- **Bible in a year with Fr. Mike Schmitz**

- **Catechism in a Year with Fr. Mike Schmitz**

- **Our upcoming Bible Study, details to come soon.**

Video Recommendation from Formed.org

Grieving with Great Hope is a grief support program and a healing ministry. If you know someone or you are going through a grieving process, please watch/share this series of episodes on Formed. Org. Here is the link: <https://watch.formed.org/grieving-with-great-hope>

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

	SJV	OLL
Assessment	\$21,765	\$1,768
Project estimated	20,000	
Total Pledged	30,262	2,625
Number of Pledges	49	9

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

We have reached our Diocesan assessment, all money donated from now on will come back to the church to get our Parking lot restored. Thanks to everyone who has contributed so far!

Faith in Action Project

The SJV Finance committee agreed to **restore the parking lot** for this year's FIA campaign. It was also agreed to shorten the length of the project from 3 years to one year. This will realize a 30% savings. Questions can be directed to the Office so that one of the members of the committee will contact you to discuss your concerns.

Please Consider supporting this project, any contribution is welcome and appreciated.

Holy Family , Cycle B

Today the Church celebrates the Feast of the Holy Family. This celebration is assigned to the Sunday within the octave of Christmas. The Gospel for today is taken from the Gospel according to Luke and is part of Luke's Infancy Narrative.

Today's Gospel describes the presentation of the child Jesus in the Temple and shows Joseph and Mary as devout Jews, following the prescriptions of the Law of Moses. The Gospel alludes to several aspects of the Law of Moses: circumcision, the dedication of the firstborn son to the Lord, and the purification of a woman after childbirth.

According to the Law of Moses as presented in the Book of Leviticus, a woman was considered ritually unclean during her menstrual period and for a prescribed period of time following the birth of a child. After the birth of a son, a woman was considered ritually unclean for 40 days. After the birth of a daughter, a woman was considered unclean for 80 days. In order to be restored to ritual purity, a Jewish woman performed the appropriate rites of purification and made the prescribed ritual offering.

Today's Gospel notes that Jesus was circumcised on the eighth day after his birth, in accordance with the Mosaic Law. At that time, he was called Jesus, the name he was given by the angel Gabriel. On the 40th day after Jesus' birth, Mary performed the appropriate purification rites and made her offering at the Temple. Although the Law of Moses required an offering of a lamb, those who could not afford a lamb could substitute two turtledoves or two pigeons. In this scene, Luke identifies Joseph and Mary as being poor, and indeed throughout Luke's Gospel, Jesus will show special concern for the poor.

Another Jewish rite referenced in this Gospel is the dedication of the firstborn son to the Lord. In remembrance of the feast of Passover, when the firstborn children of the Israelites in Egypt were saved from death, the Law of Moses prescribed that all firstborn males of Israel should be consecrated to the Lord. In this tradition, Mary and Joseph present the infant Jesus in the Temple in Jerusalem.

In Jerusalem, Luke reports that Mary and Joseph encounter two devout Jews, Simeon and Anna, who recognize the infant Jesus as the fulfillment of Israel's hope for redemption. In Simeon's words we find a prediction of Mary's witnessing of Jesus' death on the cross. The Canticle of Simeon, also called by its Latin name, *Nunc Dimittis*, is prayed at night prayer, or compline, during the Liturgy of the Hours.

and are able respond with obedience.

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Holy Mother of God Mass times

St John Vianney

Sunday Mass December 31st 10:30 am

Holy Mother of God January 1st 10:30 am

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Our Lady of Lourdes

Sunday Mass December 31st 8:30 OLL

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CONGRATULATIONS TO BRENDA AND POLO!!

*Who celebrated the sacrament of Holy Matrimony on
December 27th.*

*God Bless you and your beautiful family always!
Please Keep this family's Intentions in your prayers.*

THANKS TO ALL THE VOLUNTEER DRIVERS!!

Thanks so much to everyone who has been driving Fr. Paschal for the last few months, so he was able to celebrate Mass at both parishes. He has a vehicle now, and he will be able to drive himself from now on.

Prayers have been requested for the repose of the soul of José Guadalupe Villalpando. He is a relative of one of our Parish families. Pray also for his family to find consolation in the Lord's Mercy.

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 sjvcwilkamloops@gmail.com

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.

Prayer for the New Year

"God, thank you for a new year. May everyone in our family be willing to begin anew with a clean slate. We know that you are always ready to forgive us. Help us to be willing to forgive ourselves and to forgive one another.

As we begin a new year, remind us of our truest values and our deepest desires. Help us to live in the goodness that comes from doing what you want us to do. Help us to put aside anxiety about the future and the past, so that we might live in peace with you now, one day at a time."

<https://www.loyolapress.com/catholic-resources/family/holiday>

2024 Donation Envelopes

Your box of envelopes for donations for Year 2024 are ready to be picked up. If you did not see a box with your name on it, and would like some, please contact the office. Thanks!!