



# ST. JOHN VIANNEY

## CATHOLIC CHURCH

A Christian Community in the Roman Catholic Tradition

**January 07th, 2024**

**The Epiphany, Year B**

### OUR LADY OF LOURDES

Sunday Mass 8:30am  
573 Tod Mtn. Rd

Parish Administrator: Fr. Derrick Cameron

Assistant Priest: Fr. Paschal Sopuruchi

**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 Friday 8:00am in the Chapel

Phone: **250 579 8711** Email: [stjohnvianney@rcdk.org](mailto:stjohnvianney@rcdk.org)

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Sundays before Mass

Website: [stjohnvianneykamloops.ca](http://stjohnvianneykamloops.ca)

#### Lectors for the coming Sundays

January 7<sup>th</sup> Tom Jurista and Katherine Watson

January 14<sup>th</sup> Maureen Carr and Sally Nastrom

#### Mass at the Hamlets month of January 2024

**Mass at the Hamlets will be on January 12<sup>th</sup> at 10:00am.**

**There will NOT be mass at 8:00 am in the Chapel.**

*"So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith."*

Galatians 6, 10

**Thank you, words, from the Vaca Family:** Our family, Polo, Brenda, Santiago and Mateo have experienced the great love, generosity and the unity of the St. John Vianney Parish Community. Our family has found help and support when we have needed the most. God has showed his mercy through all the help received by all of you, whom moved by the Holy Spirit have not hesitated to show your support and generosity. Our hearts rejoice in thankfulness and glory to God, because we have experienced His grace in His Church live and real.

There are not enough words to express how much we appreciate and thank all of you, your words also, have encouraged us to not give up and to look forward.

We do not know what God has in the future for the Vaca family, but whatever it is, we will never forget this parish community, we would like to ask God blessings for all and each of you the way the Lord spoke to Moses:

*"The Lord bless you and keep you; The Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you; The Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace"*  
numbers 6,24-26

#### 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	32,562	2,625
Number of Pledges	50	9

You can also do an e- transfer to [fia@rcdk.org](mailto: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.**

## The Epiphany of the Lord , Cycle B

The visit of the Magi occurs directly before the story of the Holy Family's flight into Egypt. Matthew's Gospel tells a version of Jesus' birth that is different than the one in Luke. Of the actual birth of Jesus, Matthew tells us little more than, "When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, in the days of King Herod . . ." The story of the census is found only in Luke's Gospel, but we hear about the visit of the Magi only in Matthew's Gospel.

We know little about the Magi. They come from the East and journey to Bethlehem, following an astrological sign, so we believe them to be astrologers. We assume that there were three Magi based upon the naming of their three gifts. The Gospel does not say how many Magi paid homage to Jesus. In Matthew's Gospel, they represent the Gentiles' search for a savior. Because the Magi represent the entire world, they also represent our search for Jesus.

We have come to consider the gifts they bring as a foreshadowing of Jesus' role in salvation. We believe the meaning of the gifts to be Christological. Gold is presented as representative of Jesus' kingship. Frankincense is a symbol of his divinity because priests burned the substance in the Temple. Myrrh, which was used to prepare the dead for burial, is offered in anticipation of Jesus' death.

The word Epiphany means "manifestation" or "showing forth." Historically several moments in Christ's early life and ministry have been celebrated as "epiphanies," including his birth in Bethlehem, the visit of the Magi, his baptism by John, and his first miracle at Cana.

Loyola Press, Sunday Connection 2023

### *You're Invited to Alpha Marriage Course!*

Whether you've been married for six months or forty years, whether you're in a good place or struggling, The Marriage Course offers practical support to strengthen your relationship.

The Marriage Course helps couples to:

- \*Communicate more effectively
- \*Understand each others needs
- \*Resolve Conflict
- \*Recognize how upbringing affects your relationship
- \*Develop greater sexual intimacy
- \*And much, much more...

Where: The Marriage Course is being offered virtually!

When: February 1 – March 14, every Thursday,  
7:30pm - 9:30pm

Cost: Free!

Please contact Johanna and Bryan Strahl at [bryan.strahl@gmail.com](mailto:bryan.strahl@gmail.com) to register. A link will be sent prior to the first session on February 1st.

### **Weekly collection from Dec 24,25 and,31st**

	<b>SJV</b>	<b>OLL</b>
Envelopes	\$6,480.00	\$ 1,345.00
Loose	748.95	205.00

**Thanks for your continuous support!**

**You can also donate through e- transfer to**

**[givingstjohnvianney@rcdk.org](mailto:givingstjohnvianney@rcdk.org)**

**With sadness, we would like to inform that Vince Wells passed away. The funeral Mass will be held at OLPH Parish on Tuesday, January 9th at 11:00 am.  
May his soul rest in Peace!**

**Pope Francis Prayer Intention for January:** For The Gift Of Diversity In The Church. "Let us pray that the Holy Spirit helps us recognize the gift of different charism within the Christian community, and to discover the richness of different ritual traditions in the heart of the Catholic Church."

### **Updating families Information**

*If you are new to our parish or your address information has changed, please let the parish office know, so we can update our records. You can do it via email [stjohnvianney@rcdk.org](mailto:stjohnvianney@rcdk.org)  
Thanks so much!*

### **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](mailto: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.

### **St Vincent de Paul Society**

The Society of St Vincent de Paul (SSVP) is an organization that supports individuals and families in need, regardless of their religion or faith, colour and disability. Our work is grounded in love.

For more info, please visit <https://ssvp.ca>

**How to get help -If you need help or know anyone who needs help, please reach out to Tammy Farrer by phone 250-318- 6674 or email [ssvpkamloops@gmail.com](mailto:ssvpkamloops@gmail.com).**

### **Poor box SSVP**

This month the Poor Box collection will be January 21st,  
Thanks for supporting a worthy cause

### **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!!