



ST. JOHN VIANNEY

CATHOLIC CHURCH

A Christian Community in the Roman Catholic Tradition

April 21st, 2024

4th Sunday of Easter-Good Shepperd Sunday

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: Tue, Thurs and Friday 9:00 am to 2:00pm

Address: 2826 Bank Road, V2B 8E5

Weekday Masses: Tuesday to Friday 8:00am

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Sacrament of Reconciliation: Sundays before Mass

Website: stjohnvianneykamloops.ca

LECTORS FOR THE COMING SUNDAYS

April 21st Brian Selzler and Lesley Boettger

April 28th Katherine Watson and Trevor Bentz

BRUNCH SUNDAY APRIL 21st

This Sunday after Mass - Annual Walk for **Alzheimer's fund-raising brunch** put on by the Knights of Columbus. Come out and enjoy **pulled pork and salad brunch**, socialize with fellow parishioners and support the Marilyn Memories Team. For more info phone Casey 250-682-1096

<http://www.alzgiving.ca/goto/CaseyandMarilyn2024>

AED TRAINING APRIL 27th-Friendship Room

On April 27 at 10:00am there will be a training session on how to use our new Automated External Defibrillator(AED) in the event that someone has heart issues while in our Parish. Jessica Strayer, a paramedic will be our instructor for the day. It should only take half an hour to an hour. Everyone is invited and encourage to attend. There will be a signing list at the entrance of the Church to write your name down if you are interested in attending, but you do not need to sign up to attend. Hopefully we will get lots of participants, it is a great resource to have.

VOCATION SUNDAY COLLECTION GOOD SHEPHERD Sunday-April 21

As we will gather on Good Shepherd Sunday, we unite our hearts in prayer and support for the important work of building a vibrant vocation culture within our diocese. By supporting this work, you play an integral role in ensuring that our diocese continues to be blessed with dedicated and faithful servants who will shepherd God's people with love and compassion. Your prayers and financial contributions through the second collection for vocations are much appreciated.

Day	Reading	Gospel
Monday	Acts 11.1-18 Ps. 42.1-2,43.3,4 (R.42.2A)	John 10.1-10
Tuesday	Acts 11.19-26 Ps 87.1-3,4-5,6-7 (R.117.1a)	John 10.22-30
Wednesday	Acts 12.24-13.5a Ps 67.1-2,3a+4,5+7 (R. see3a)	John 12.44-50
Thursday	1 Peter 5.5b-14 Ps 89.1-2,5-6,15-16 (R.2a)	Mark 16.15-20
Friday	Acts 13.26-33 Ps 2.6-7,8-9,10-11 (R. 7)	John 14.1-6
Saturday	Acts 13.44-52 Ps 98.1,2-3ab,3cd-4 (R.3)	John 14.7-141

JOB POSTING

St John Vianney parish is looking for a **Secretary/Bookkeeper**. The successful candidate will be responsible for administrative and bookkeeping duties for both the St John Vianney and Our Lady of Lourdes parishes. This is a part time position 16hrs a week, Tuesday to Friday from 9:00am to 1:00pm. Experience in the administrative or bookkeeping field is ideal, however, the right applicant can be trained. If you would like to apply for this position, please send your resume to stjohnvianney@rcdk.org with subject line "parish secretary" or drop it off at the SJV parish office. If you would like more detailed information about this position, please contact St John Vianney office either by phone 250-579-8711 or via email.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL POOR BOX COLLECTION APRIL 28TH

If you would like a receipt for income Tax, and you are donating cash to St Vincent de Paul poor box, please enclose your cash donation in an ENVELOPE CLEARLY MARKED on the outside with your name and address. We will send you a tax receipt at the end of the year.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER, CYCLE B

The fourth Sunday of Easter is also called Good Shepherd Sunday. In each of the three lectionary cycles, our Gospel is taken from the 10th chapter of the Gospel of John. In Cycle B, we hear the middle verses of this chapter. Unless we consider this chapter in the greater context of John's Gospel, we will miss the radical nature of the statement Jesus makes when he declares himself to be the Good Shepherd.

This chapter of John's Gospel follows Jesus' healing of the man born blind and the rejection of this miracle by the Jewish leaders who question Jesus' authority to heal. Jesus responds to this challenge by calling himself the Good Shepherd. He is criticizing the leadership of the Pharisees and the other Jewish leaders. The Pharisees and other Jewish leaders are so angry that they attempt to stone and arrest Jesus (see John 10:31,39). This controversy with the religious leaders continues until Jesus' death.

In the portion of the chapter that we hear proclaimed today, Jesus describes his relationship with his followers as similar to the relationship between a good shepherd and his sheep. As a good shepherd will risk and lay down his life in order to protect his sheep, Jesus willingly sacrifices himself for the sake of his sheep. Jesus contrasts the actions of the good shepherd with the actions of the hired shepherd who abandons the sheep in the face of danger. In the verses following Jesus' teaching, we learn that the Pharisees and the other religious leaders understand that Jesus is referring to them when he describes the hired shepherds.

The concern of a good shepherd for his sheep is part of the shepherd's job. Jesus says, however, that the actions of the good shepherd are based upon the relationship that develops between the shepherd and the sheep. This is at the heart of the difference between the good shepherd and the hired shepherd. The good shepherd knows the sheep and therefore acts out of love. For the Good Shepherd, this is never simply part of a job; this love-in-action is integral to his identity.

As with so much of John's Gospel, one hears in this passage John's particular focus on Christology. As the sheep are known by the Good Shepherd, the Father knows Jesus and Jesus knows the Father. There is an essential unity between the Father and the Son. The freedom with which Jesus acts when he lays down his life is rooted in the unity that he shares with his Father.

In this context, Jesus also refers to others with whom he shares a relationship. By this reference, John probably understands the eventual inclusion of the Gentiles in the Christian community. Our modern ears hear this as a reference to Christian unity. The work of ecumenism is to restore unity among all Christians so that we form one flock under one shepherd, as God desires.

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LOBSTERMANIA 2024

Saturday May 25, 2024 at OLPH Parish Centre
DANCE THE NIGHT AWAY WITH LIVE MUSIC by
'JERRY DE SOUZA and the MELODYMAKERS'

You do not want to miss this event, order your tickets soon for more information see details below

Tickets are \$80.00 each and are available from Ed Barker 250-319-3331, Anthony Muzzillo 250-851-1111, Gary Mayhew 778-471-6100 and John Giddens 250-682-4600

77th KAMLOOPS CWL DIOCESAN CONVENTION

The annual Kamloops Diocesan CWL Convention, hosted by the Kamloops Diocesan Council, will be held from Friday, May 3rd to Sunday, May 5th, 2024 at St. James Parish in Vernon (2607-27th Street). All diocesan CWL members are invited to "Come and See" what is happening with the CWL today and to share "Faith, Friendship and Fun". For more information, please email gkopp@ucalgary.ca.

Registrations forms are available at the entrance of the Church

NORTH THOMPSON PARISH SUNDAY MASSES,

New schedule effective April 6-7, will be:
Saturday, 5:00 pm—St. George, Barriere
Sunday, 9:00 am—St. James, Clearwater
Sunday, 12:30 pm—Our Lady of the Snow, Blue River
Sunday, 5:00 pm—Good Shepherd, Valemount

FEAST OF THE CORPUS CHRISTI MASS AND PROCESSION

Save the Date!

On Corpus Christi, or the Feast of the Blessed Sacrament of the Body and Blood of Christ, Catholics honor the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist. This year, Bishop Joseph Nguyen invites all to a Corpus Christi Mass followed by a Eucharistic procession on Sunday June 2, 2024, starting at Riverside Park Bandshell with the Eucharist procession after Mass to Sacred Heart Cathedral. More information to come!

CONGRATULATIONS TO MONSIGNOR JERRY DESMOND!
He will celebrate his 58th anniversary of ordination to the priesthood on April 28th. God Bless you Monsignor!!

WORDS FROM POPE VBENEDICT XVI ON THE EUCHARIST

"Jesus anticipated the act of supreme love, obedience to the Father's will: the sacrifice of the Cross. His life will be taken on the Cross, but he was already offering it himself. So it is that Christ's death is not reduced to a violent execution but was transformed by him into a free act of love, of self-giving, which passed through death itself victoriously and reaffirmed the goodness of creation that came from God's hands, that was humiliated by sin and redeemed at last. This immense gift is accessible to us in the Sacrament of the Eucharist. God gives himself to us, to open our life to him, to involve it in the mystery of love of the Cross, to make it share in the eternal mystery from which we come, and to anticipate the new condition of full life in God, of which we in live expectation.

Yet what does starting from the Eucharist in order to reaffirm God's primacy entail for our daily life? Eucharistic communion, dear friends, wrenches us from our individualism, communicates to us the spirit of Christ dead and risen, and conforms us to him. It closely unites us with our brethren in that mystery of communion, which is the Church, where the one Bread makes many one body (1 Cor 10:17), fulfilling the prayer of the Christian community recorded in the Book of the Didaché: "As this broken bread was once scattered on the mountains and after it had been brought together became one, so may your Church be gathered together from the ends of the earth unto your kingdom" (ix, 4).

The Eucharist sustains and transforms the whole of daily life. As I recalled in my first Encyclical: "Eucharistic communion includes the reality both of being loved and of loving others in turn", therefore, "A Eucharist which does not pass over into the concrete practice of love is intrinsically fragmented" (*Deus Caritas Est*, n. 14)". Words from Pope Benedict XVI - Homily Sep 11, 2011

**Prayerful wishes to Fr. Derrick who will celebrate his birthday on April 25th.
Happy Birthday Fr. Derrick, and God Bless!**

CHARITY 2ND ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

FORE! OUR FUTURE GENERATION

CISKD Invites you on May 10th to their annual Golf Tournament in Tobiano 12:00pm Shotgun Start \$390 pair or \$780 Foursome. Price includes Gift, Lunch, Golf and Buffet Dinner

for more information or to register
please call 250-376-3351

GRIEF TO GRACE RETREAT

Through a retreat program facilitated by mental health professionals and centered on Jesus Christ, Grief to Grace helps those who have endured neglect, physical, emotional, sexual, and/or spiritual abuse in their family of origin, their community, from spouses/partners, and/or coworkers or supervisors, find healing and journey to wholeness. The next retreat in Canada is **May 14 - 18, 2024 in Kelowna.**

For more information, please email
griefftoGracekelowna@gmail.com

ARE YOU LOOKING FOR FIRST HOLY COMMUNION or CONFIRMATION GIFTS?

Your local Catholic store, St. Joseph's Christian Book, Gift and Church Supply will help you find the right gift for your young communicant or confirmand. Come browse their selection of giftware, picture frames, medals, crucifixes, rosaries, jewelry, books, bibles, prayer books, prayer cards, greeting cards, boys' white ties, and much more, for that special day.

**Store hours: TUESDAY-FRIDAY 10 am - 4 pm
(Closed 1-2 pm for lunch)**

**Extended hours: SATURDAY 20th APRIL 10 am - 4 pm
SATURDAY 4th MAY 10 AM - 4 pm**

PLEASE NOTE: St. Joseph's store will be CLOSED 26th and 27th April, re-opening 30th April

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Established in 1964 Pope Paul VI designated Good Shepherd Sunday to be World Day of Prayer for Vocations.

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Lord Jesus, as You once called the first disciples to make them fishers of men, let your sweet invitation continue to resound: Come, follow Me! Give young men and women the grace of responding quickly to Your voice. Support our bishops, priests, and consecrated people in their apostolic labor. Grant perseverance to our seminarians and to all those who are carrying out the ideal of a life totally consecrated to Your service.

Mary, Mother of the Church, the model of every vocation, help us to say "Yes" to the Lord who calls us to cooperate in the divine plan of salvation. Amen.

~Saint Pope John Paul II

FAITH IN ACTION CAMPAIGN

Please consider supporting this years Faith in Action St. John Vianny project is the most needed

RESTORATION OF THE PARKING LOT

Our Lady of Lourdes will DO SOME PLUMBING UPGRADES

Did you know that all money raised over our assessment comes back to the Church? Both parishes have reached their assessment amount

You can still make a donation by cheque, cash or via e transfer to fia@rcdk.org

RACHEL'S CORNER

"I gave All to Our Lord, and He broke the chains, and I am free now. I feel more at peace and a deep feeling of joy and hope that I can one day be with my child, my God and with Jesus. That is the hope I had one day lost and now have again." -

Testimonial

Have you lost hope that you could ever be free of the chains that have imprisoned you since your loss due to an abortion decision? Come on a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat and hand those chains to Him. Be free again. www.rachelsvineyardkamloops.org
rvkamloops@yahoo.ca 250-267-508