



ST. JOHN VIANNEY

CATHOLIC CHURCH

A Christian Community in the Roman Catholic Tradition

December 25th, 2024
The Nativity of the Lord

Pastor: Fr. Dale Normandeau

OUR LADY OF LOURDES

Sunday Mass 8:30am
 573 Tod Mtn. Rd

Secretary: Luz Velarde

Mass Schedule: Sundays 10:30 am

Weekday Masses: Tuesday to Friday 8:00am

Mass at the Hamlets the second Friday of the month 10:00am

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturdays 4:00pm to 5:00 pm

Office hours: Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 9am to 2pm

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LECTORS FOR THE COMING DAYS

- Dec 24th Christmas Eve, Carol McGill and Lesley Boettger
- Dec 25th Christmas Day, Lloyd Babcock and Margo Meade
- Dec 29th Maureen Carr and Lloyd Babcock
- Jan 1st Lesley Boettger and Brian Selzler

MESSAGE FROM POPE FRANCIS

"He became flesh, He is looking not for your achievements, but for your open and trusting heart.

In him, you will rediscover who you

truly are: a beloved son or daughter of God. Now you can believe it, for tonight the Lord was born to light up your life; his eyes are alight with love for you. "

Words taken from Pope Francis Homily Dec c24 2023



Day	Reading	Gospel
Monday	Malachi 3.1-4; 4.5-6 Ps 25.4bc-5ab,8-9,10+14 (R. Lk 21.28)	Luke 1.57-66
Tuesday Christmas Eve	Isaiah 9.2-4, 6-7 Titus 2.11-14 Ps.96.1-2,3-4,11-12,13	Luke 2.1-16
Wednesday Christmas Day	Isaiah 62-11-12 Ps 97.1-2, 5-6, 11-12 (R. see11)	Luke 2.15-20
Thursday	Acts 6.8-10;7.54-59 Ps 31.2cd-3ab,5+7ab,15bc-16, (R.5a)	Matthew 10.17-22
Friday	1 John 1.1-4 Ps 97.1-2, 5-6, 11-12 (R. 12a))	John 20.2-8
Saturday The Holy Innocents	1 John 1.5-33 Ps. 124.2-3, 4-5,7b-8 (R. 7ab)	Matthew 2.13-18

SUN PEAKS MASS

New Years Day January 1st at 5:00 pm.

Masses will be at the Annex

We need some help to set up and clean up (Move tables and chairs). We invite anyone who is planning to attend the Mass to come early (around 4:30) pm to help setting up.

In the new year we are hoping to have Sunday Mass once a month at Sun Peaks. Please check later for confirmed dates in the Sunday Bulletin or in our website

If you have any questions, please contact St. John Vianney Parish at 250-579-8711 or email stjohnvianney@rcdk.org

BIBLE STUDY at SJV WILL RESUME IN THE NEW YEAR ON SATURDAYS. PLEASE, CHECK THE BULLETIN FOR THE STARTING DATE.

2024 Tax receipt -Donations to St. John Vianney parish and Our Lady of Lourdes

have to be received by December 30th to be eligible for 2024 tax receipt. All donations received after December 30th will go towards the 2025 tax receipt.

We would like to welcome everyone to our parish, and wish all Merry Christmas!
MAY THE PEACE OF CHRIST FILL YOUR HEART AS WE CELEBRATE HIS BIRTH THIS HOLY SEASON.

OFFICE HOURS DURING THE HOLIDAYS

Office closed Dec 25th to Dec 27th
 December 31st Open from 9am to 2 pm
 January 1st Closed. Reopen January 2nd

CHRISTMAS MASS NEW YEARS MASS SCHEDULE

January 1st - Our Lady of Lourdes—8:30 am
 St. John Vianney—10:30 am
 Sun Peaks at the Annex —5:00 pm

THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

First Reading *Isaiah 62.11-12* Responsorial Psalm, *Ps. 97.1-2,5-6,11-12 (R.see11)*

Second Reading, *Titus 3.4-7* Gospel Reading *Luke 2.15-20*

There are four Masses that are celebrated for the feast of Christmas, and each is given its own set of readings to help us contemplate Christ's birth. The Gospel for the Vigil Mass on Christmas Eve is taken from the beginning of the Gospel of Matthew, the genealogy of Jesus and the angel's announcement of the birth to Joseph. The Mass at midnight proclaims the birth of Jesus through the angels' announcement to the shepherds in the Gospel of Luke. Luke 2:15-20 is the reading for the mass at dawn on Christmas morning. It continues the story of the birth of Jesus as found in Luke's Gospel with the shepherds' visit to the infant Jesus. Finally, the Gospel for Christmas Mass during the day is taken from the beginning of John's Gospel. It is not an Infancy Narrative like those found in the Gospels of Matthew and Luke. Instead, John's Gospel starts at the very beginning of time and presents Creation as the framework for announcing the Incarnation. John's opening words echo the first verse in the Book of Genesis, "In the beginning was the Word."

The story of Jesus' birth, which begins with a reference to Caesar Augustus, concludes with the shepherds, people looked down on by most of society, visiting the infant. As the angels return to heaven, the shepherds decide to go see "this thing" that has happened in Bethlehem. Their visit confirms everything the angels had told them about the birth of the Savior and Messiah. They then spoke publicly about all they had seen, to the great astonishment of all who heard. Mary ponders all this in her heart, and the shepherds return to their fields praising God. What had been told to them really happened. This account does not tell us very much about the infant Jesus because Luke's concern is that God's action of sending a savior be publicly proclaimed. As Paul says before King Agrippa in [Acts of the Apostles 26:26](#), "None of this was done in a corner." The picture is simple, two parents and an infant in a stable. But the reality is great, God's salvation offered to all.

<https://www.loyolapress.com/catholic-resources/liturgical-year/sunday-connection/>

Jubilee Mass

On Sunday Dec 29, the Diocese will celebrate the Jubilee Year opening Mass, which will be held at Sacred Heart Cathedral at 1:30 pm. There will be a reception to follow, so those who attend are invited to bring a small amount of food to share, as a light luncheon will be held after Mass. (appetizers, cheese and crackers, veggies, fruit etc.) If you have any inquiries, please e-mail cathedralpa@rcdk.org

THE ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY is looking for a few good people! If you have time to contribute weekly, we are looking for someone to order kitchen supplies, someone to help sort, clean and display kitchen items and someone to help fold and display linens. We are also looking for store volunteers for Friday and Saturday. All volunteers must have a criminal record check.

For further information, please contact svpkamloops@gmail.com, call 250 554 0098 or come by 168 Briar and talk to Chris between 10 and 3 Thursday to Saturday.

ARE YOU NEW TO THE PARISH? We would like to welcome you! If you would like to receive the bulletin via email, and any other notifications from the parish, please contact stjohnvianney@rcdk.org with your name and contact information. Thanks!

DONATIONS ENVELOPES BOXES 2025

are ready to be Picked up. if you did not receive a donation box, and would like to have one, please contact the office via email stjohnvianney@rcdk.org with your name and address. Thanks!



FAITH IN ACTION CAMPAIGN 34

THANK YOU!! to everyone from *St. John Vianney and Our lady of Lourdes Parish* who has contributed to Faith in Action Campaign 34, Both parishes **HAVE REACHED THEIR DIOCESAN ASSESSMENTS.**

We welcome further contributions as now **ALL MONEY** received **ABOVE THE ASSESSMENT** will return 100% to both parishes for our most needed parish projects. Check mounts received so far at the bottom of the page.

If you not have a form pledge, but would like to donate, you can pick up a form at the entrance for the Church. You can contribute via cash, cheque. E-Transfers. Simply send your e-transfer contribution to fia@rcdk.org, just specify the church you want to support.

Tax Receipt 2024. Faith in Action donations must be received by **Monday, December 23rd**. This includes E-Transfer donations as well.

This Year's Projects

The St. John Vianney's Parish Project is twofold. We are going to pay down what is left of the parking lot repairs that were completed earlier and to improve the parking lot lighting.

The Our Lady of Lourdes's project is to upgrade the wheelchair ramp to code.

Assessment and pledged amounts to date are as follow:

	<u>Pledges</u>	<u>Assessment</u>	<u>Pledged</u>	<u>(Over)</u>
SJV	49	\$21,074	\$ 26,710	(5,036)
OLOL	11	\$ 1,663	\$ 3,100	(1,437)

