



Welcome to HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC CHURCH

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A WARM WELCOME TO GUESTS, AND VISITORS!

WHETHER YOU ARE VISITING, LOOKING FOR A NEW HOME PARISH, OR RETURNING TO YOUR FAITH, WE ARE HAPPY YOU ARE HERE!

The month of December is dedicated to THE DIVINE INFANCY.

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ADORATION

M/W/Th/F (not last Fridays): 7:30am Saturdays: 8:00am First Sundays of the month: 10:00am

RECONCILIATION

Saturdays: 8:30am-8:50am, or by appointment

MASS TIMES

Sundays: 10:30am M/W/Th/F: 8:00am Tuesdays: 6:30pm Last Fridays of the Month: 5:30pm Saturdays: 9:00am

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

Christmas Eve, December 24th: 8:00pm Christmas Day, December 25th: 10:30am New Year's Day, January 1st: 10:30am

ADORATION on NEW YEAR'S EVE

December 31st: 7-8pm (after 6:30pm Mass)

MASS INTENTIONS

Table with 3 columns: Day, Date, Mass Time. Rows for Monday to Sunday.

COMING UP

- Immaculate Conception of Mary 7:00pm 'The Search' program, Our Lady of Loreto St. Damasus I Our Lady of Guadalupe 6:00pm Children's Catechesis, St. Lucy 10:00am Talk on Communion + Adoration CWL Christmas Social Christmas Pageant Practice after Mass, CWL Bake Sale

THE HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER 2024: FOR PILGRIMS OF HOPE

We pray that this Jubilee Year strengthens our faith, helping us to recognize the Risen Christ in our daily lives and that it may transform us into pilgrims of Christian hope.

Christmas Pageant CASTING CALL

REHEARSAL IS TODAY AFTER MASS! It's not too late to sign up for this years Christmas Pageant! We're looking for speaking and non-speaking parts, and a children's choir. The pageant will be performed at 10:00am on Christmas Day. See sign-up forms in the foyer. Practices will be held after all December Sunday Masses.

THE SEARCH

BROUGHT TO YOU FROM FORMED



Every Tuesday (7 weeks) Ends: December 17th

6:30pm Mass followed by light refreshments and program.

Week 6 Topic: Am I Saved?

What Jesus did for us through his life, death and resurrection was the greatest act of love in history. He saved us. He did this for each one of us. Personally. But some might feel unworthy of this gift of love. We may feel we have too much baggage. We may feel unlovable. But God didn't come to reveal himself to us on a pedestal, he came to enter into our messy human condition. To fix us from within. To transform us from the inside out. Some might be surprised by how generous the love of God really is. We don't deserve God's love, but that's the amazing reality of God's mercy. This relationship with God isn't all about our love for Him. It's about His love for us that changes our lives forever.

SHORT TALK ON

Communion + Adoration OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

WHEN: SATURDAY, DEC. 14TH AT 10:00AM

PLEASE JOIN US FOR AN INTERESTING AND INFORMATIVE EVENT.

# DECEMBER 8TH: 2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT



## CWL CORNER

CWL Christmas Social, Saturday, Dec. 14th, after Father's talk on Adoration, in the lobby. Come for a special Christmas visit with all your CWL sisters, enjoy some goodies, and help prepare for some of our Christmas gift giving.



## CWL WILL BE HOSTING THE ANNUAL CHRISTMAS BAKE SALE ON SUNDAY, DEC.15TH AFTER MASS!



### CHRISTMAS HAMPERS FOR FAMILIES IN NEED

During this Advent season of the liturgical year, as we all look forward to celebrating the birth of our Lord, we are also thinking about gift giving. As a parish, we have adopted five families in need this year. Our coordinators, Robyn & Maurice Gravelle, are unavailable to be with us this weekend. However, Jane Dupuis will be in the hall after Mass to take names of any people willing to help support these five families. We are hoping that you can return your donations next week at Sunday Mass if not the week following at the very latest.

### ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

- MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY, FRIDAY: 7:30AM
- SATURDAY: 8:00AM
- FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH: 10:00AM
- DEC 31: 7PM-8PM



Prayerful wishes to Fr. Emmanuel Onumadu who will celebrate his 21st Anniversary of Priestly Ordination on December 21st , to Fr. Thomas Arackal who will celebrate his 42nd Anniversary of Priestly Ordination on December 26th and to Fr. Ajin George who will celebrate his 17th Anniversary of Priestly Ordination on December 27th !

Christmas Day, the Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord, and New Year's Day, the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God are Holy Days of Obligation in Canada. Christmas and New Year's Mass times throughout the Diocese can be found on the diocesan website at: <https://www.rcdk.org/post/2024-christmas-and-new-year-s-mass-times>

### Holy Hour – for Vocations

#### Serra Club of Kamloops Diocese

Prayer is a moving force in vocation development. Few are called to priesthood or religious life, but all are called to pray for vocations. Jesus said, "Pray, therefore, the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest" (Mt. 9:38).

**Holy Family:** 8am - 9am Saturday before 9am Mass

**OLPH:** 8:00am - 8:45am Wednesday following 7:30am Mass

**Sacred Heart:** 7:50am - 8:50 am Mon, Tues, Thurs. Fri. before 9 am Mass., Wed. 9:30 am - 9 pm and Fri. 7-8 pm following 6:30 pm

By being faithful to our Holy Hour, and letting nothing interfere with it, we use it as the sign and symbol of our victimhood with Christ. (Archbishop Fulton Sheen)

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



The annual Knights of Columbus Charity Appeal is now underway! To purchase tickets or get more information, please visit their website at <https://kofccharity.ca/c09697>. When making a purchase, please select Kamloops - 9697 Holy Family under "My Organizations" to support our local council. Thank you for your generosity!

### PARISH ASSESSMENT

\$27,068

### NUMBER OF PLEDGES

64

### TOTAL PLEDGED

\$25,694

### CASH RECEIVED

\$25,194

### Faith in Action Campaign 34.

If anyone still needs a pledge form, you can find it in the foyer by the bulletin board. Thank you to everyone who has responded.

Your generosity and support makes a meaningful difference.

Faith in Action also accepts Interac E-Transfers. Simply send your e-transfer contribution to [fia@rcdk.org](mailto:fia@rcdk.org)

Faith In Action Campaign 34 Video <https://youtu.be/XM8HXoRFvQ8>

### Tax Receipt 2024 reminder for parishioners

Faith in Action donations must be received at the Chancery by Monday, December 23rd. This includes E-Transfer donations as well. Due to the ongoing postal strike, donations must be delivered (either by hand or courier) directly to the Chancery office (Attn: Faith in Action) to be eligible for the 2024 tax receipt. All donations received after December 23rd will go towards the 2025 tax receipt.

### THE SOCIETY OF ST.VINCENT DE PAUL

The Society of St Vincent de Paul makes 200 necessity bags for the poor at Christmas that includes a Toque, Mitts, Scarf, Socks and toiletries ( shampoo, toothbrush, toothpaste, deodorant) and a greeting for Christmas. We are looking for contributions of these items. They can be dropped off at 168 Briar Avenue Thursday to Saturday between 10 and 3. Thanks for your help!

SSVP 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 which is done without charge. For further information, please contact [ssvpkamloops@gmail.com](mailto:ssvpkamloops@gmail.com), call 250 554 0098 or come by 168 Briar and talk to Chris between 10 and 3 Thursday to Saturday.

### CATHOLIC INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS OF KAMLOOPS



Current Job Postings can be found at [www.ciskd.ca](http://www.ciskd.ca) under the CAREERS tab: <https://www.makeafuture.ca/bc-schools-and-districts/catholic-independent-schools-kamloops-diocese/>



### SAVE THE DATE: THE AMAZING SAA PLAYERS PRESENT:

Sherlock Holmes and the Whitechapel Murders

May 14-16, 2025