#### **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!



#### ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

- MONDAYS, WEDNESDAYS, THURSDAYS, FRIDAYS: 7:30AM
- SATURDAYS: 8:00AM
- FIRST SUNDAYS OF THE MONTH: 10:00AM

#### SHORT TALK ON

# Communion + Adoration

OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

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

PLEASE JOIN US FOR AN INTERESTING AND INFORMATIVE EVENT.

# 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)

**Hey Young Adult!** Do you want to have an epic New Years? Check out Rise Up 2024. Rise Up is the largest catholic young adult conference in



Canada. It exists to facilitate a personal encounter with Jesus, provide leadership skills, and commission young people to proclaim the Gospel in their mission field back home. At this conference, participants will attend dynamic sessions and workshops given by amazing speakers, and praise and worship leaders. Rise Up is open to young adults ages 18-35 and will take place in Calgary at the Hyatt Regency Calgary from Dec. 29, 2024 - Jan 1, 2025. Rise Up is hosted by Catholic Christian Outreach™ (CCO™) for more information and to register visit cco.ca/riseup or email riseup@cco.ca.

#### 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

58

TOTAL PLEDGED \$23,094

CASH RECEIVED

\$22,474

#### 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

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 <a href="mailto:ssvpkamloops@gmail.com">ssvpkamloops@gmail.com</a>, 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 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:

Sherlcok Holmes and the Whitechapel Murders May 14-16, 2025

#### **DECEMBER IST: IST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**



## Diocese of Kamloops BISHOP'S OFFICE

# Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe November 24, 2024

## Pastoral Letter on the Jubilee 2025

Dear Clergy, Religious and Faithful of the Diocese of Kamloops,

As we approach the Holy Year 2025, themed "Pilgrims of Hope," the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops has graciously provided a guide on Plenary Indulgences for the Jubilee Year. I warmly encourage you to reflect on this valuable resource, which is enclosed <a href="here">here</a> and also available on our diocesan website, and to embrace the spiritual treasures it offers.

In the Diocese of Kamloops, we will commence the Holy Year on the feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph on December 29, 2024 with a special liturgy at 1:30 PM followed by Holy Mass at Sacred Heart Cathedral. The Jubilee Year will conclude with another special liturgy on December 28, 2025. This sacred time offers a profound opportunity to deepen our faith through two central elements of the Jubilee: pilgrimage and the Holy Door. These spiritual practices invite us to draw closer to God, renewing our hearts in His grace.

# Pilgrimage

A pilgrimage is far more than a physical journey—it is a spiritual endeavor, reminding us of our ultimate journey toward God. Jesus Himself teaches us, "I am the way and the truth and the life" (John 14:6). From the footsteps of Abraham and Moses to the Magi and countless pilgrims throughout history, a pilgrimage offers us a profound encounter with God. Whether undertaken in solitude or with others, it is the intention of the heart that transforms the journey into an act of faith.

#### **DECEMBER 1ST: 1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

## The Holy Door

The Holy Door symbolizes Christ as "the door" (John 10:9), representing the passage from sin to grace and from separation to communion with God. Passing through the Holy Door is a powerful expression of faith, signifying our openness to God's mercy and our desire to live in His love.

To bring the blessings of this Jubilee Year closer to you, I have designated three churches in our diocese as pilgrimage sites, each with its own Holy Door through which the faithful may pass and receive the graces of a plenary indulgence:

- Sacred Heart Cathedral, Kamloops
- St. James, Vernon
- Sacred Heart, Williams Lake

I invite you to prayerfully visit these holy sites during the Jubilee Year and experience the richness of God's grace. This is a time for renewal, healing, and growth as disciples of Christ. Let us respond to this sacred invitation, seeking God's mercy, strengthening our faith, and journeying together as a pilgrim Church.

May this Holy Year be a time of abundant grace, profound hope, and renewed unity for all of us.

With prayerful hope in Christ,

♣Joseph Phuong Nguyen

Bishop of Kamloops

#### **OUR LADY OF THE MOUNTAINS IS PLANNING A PILGRIMAGE** TRIP TO ROME FOR THE JUBILEE YEAR, 2025!

APRIL 30-MAY 8, 2025

#### Highlights of the trip include

Rome, Basilica of St John Lateran and the Holy Stairs, St Mary Major Basilica, St Paul outside the Walls, Catacombs, Papal Blessing at St Peter's Square, Assisi and Basilica of St Francis, Vatican City, Sistine Chapel, St Peter's Basilica & Holy Door

> Pricing Double occupancy \$3,649per person Single \$4,449 Triple occupancy. \$3,619

Included in price, Hotel transfers, arrival and departure Not included: Cancellation waiver and insurance of \$599 per person and round-trip Air ticket

Please contact the parish office (olomwhistler@rcdk.org) for more details.

Looking forward to making this jubilee tradition with our parish community!



### ARE YOU AN ALUMNI OF ST. ANN'S ACADEMY? WE WOULD LIKE TO HEAR FROM YOU.

Register on our website and follow us on our LinkedIn and Instagram pages and receive information on community points of pride, networking opportunities and events like the next Homecoming!







saa.alumni

STAY CONNECTED & STAY CRUSADERS!