

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Bulletin for February 24th, 2019



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MASS SCHEDULES

SUNDAY MASSES

Our Lady of the Mountains

Saturday at 5:00 pm

Sunday at 9:00 am

St. Christopher's

Sunday at 11:00 am

St. Francis of Assisi

Sunday at 12:30 pm

WEEKDAY MASSES

(February 25th to March 1st)

Our Lady of the Mountains

Tuesday, Feb 26th at 5:45 pm

Wednesday, Feb 27th at 7:00 pm

Thursday, Feb 28th at 11:00 am

Friday, Mar 1st at 5:45 pm

St. Christopher's

NO Weekday Mass until March 21st

St. Francis of Assisi

Friday, Mar 1st at 9:00 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Before and after daily Mass
also at Our Lady of the Mountains,
Saturdays at 4:00 pm to 4:45 pm,
Sundays at 8:00 am to 8:45 am
or by appointment by calling

Fr. Dale at 604-938-6643

"Envy, my children, follows pride; whoever is envious is proud."
St. John Vianney

Scripture Reflection – 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Stop condemning and you will not be condemned." (Luke 6:37)

Jesus couldn't have been more clear – if you want to avoid condemnation, don't condemn other people.

Let's say you see a rumpled, grizzled person sleeping on a park bench. You wonder how he got there. You wonder why he isn't trying to fix his life. You begin to wish he weren't there. You feel a kind of aversion to him, and you take a wide berth around him as you walk by. Jesus says "Don't condemn him."

Or are you listening to the news when a story about a politician you don't like comes on. You feel your shoulders tighten, and you think of all the ways this person is corrupt and misguided. You recall the evil policies he or she has supported, and you feel disgust for this person. Jesus says "Don't condemn."

Or you learn of a teenager who is pregnant out of wedlock. You begin to think of how her parents must have failed in their job. Unkind labels for this young woman pop into your head, and you think of how you would never let yourself fall into such a horrible sin. Jesus says "Don't condemn her."

To the best of your ability, put aside harsh judgements and condemning thoughts. If not for the other person's sake, then for your own sake. Try to rise above the realm of judgement where everyone gets what's coming to them – because everyone in that realm will be judged harshly. Even you. Instead, step into the realm of God's mercy. Move into the realm where everyone is invited to forgiveness and treated with love, dignity and generosity. Even you. Give the gift of forgiveness and it will be given to you. Give the gift of a second change – or a third or fourth or hundredth – and it will be given to you. Give the gift of the benefit of the doubt and it will be given to you.

Even if you don't want to give, do it anyway. Jesus commands it, and he promises eternal rewards to those who do.

the WORD among us – Feb 2019

"Lord, help me to be merciful as you are merciful."

**Please remember to pick up your 2018 Tax Receipts.
Make your parish contribution go further by saving postage.
Receipts are located on the shelf outside the parish office.**

Office Hours

Monday, Wed, Thurs, Friday
9:00 am to 3:00 pm

In important matters please call
the rectory at 604-938-6643

The Diocese of Kamloops

Please Visit:

www.rcdk.org/weeklynews

Check it out:

Upcoming events,
Official Appointments,
Catechetical Corner

Chancery Office: ph 250-376-3351
visit www.rcdk.org

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES



† EMC (Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion)

Saturday: **Arlene**

Sunday: **Edita**

† Lectors

Sat, Mar 2nd: **Ralph**

Sun, Mar 3rd: **Roberta**

Coffee

Sun, Mar 3rd: **Karen**

Lenten Walk with the Lord

By doing Little Acts of Kindness, you are sharing the love you have to give with family, friends and all you meet. Check off or circle a 'footprint' for each Act of Kindness for each day on your Lenten walk with the Lord. **Pick up a calendar** from the church foyer.

WorkBC Employment Services

marlee.gordon@backinmotion.com



Rachel's Vineyard

rachelvineyard.org/emotions/stories

www.rachelvineyard.org

First Holy Communion

Saturday, May 25th at 5:00 pm

Confirmation

Saturday, June 29th at 5:00 pm

If you have a child in Grade 7 or above who has not yet been confirmed, please contact Fr. Dale or the office urgently.

Welcome to Our Lady of the Mountains Catholic Church

We are a small Parish serving a very large visitor community. The majority of people you see in the church today are visitors from around the world. We rely on everyone's generosity to help us cover our daily operating costs. We want to sincerely thank you for being with us today and sharing in the life of the Holy Trinity in the celebration of the Eucharist. Thank you also for your generous donation.

Faith in Action Campaign 28

Parish Assessment OLOM	\$8,124	St. Francis of Assisi	\$1,412
Total Received	\$47,103		\$3,344

Money received over Parish Assessment goes to Parish Project:

Church interior renovation:	\$38,979	Parking Lot Renovation	\$1,932
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Please make your cheques payable to "Faith In Action"

Countdown for Lent

Ash Wednesday is approaching! Lent begins on March 6th!

Lent is a time for penance and repentance, for almsgiving and prayer, for working to change attitudes that are not pleasing to God.

The ashes that will be used to mark the beginning of Lent come from the palms blessed and distributed last Passion Sunday.

We invite people to bring their palms to the church, on **Saturday & Sunday February 23rd & 24th** so that they may be burned and used in the Ash Wednesday Liturgy.

2018 Share Lent

On Ash Wednesday Development and Peace will launch its annual Share Lent campaign with its theme for this year - Share the Journey. Money raised through Share Lent provides vital support in more than 30 countries throughout Africa, Asia, Latin America and the Middle East. Learn more about the campaign at www.devp.org/sharelent

World Day of Prayer

The World Day of Prayer is observed annually on the first Friday in March. It is an invitation for Christians to pause and pray together ecumenically. This recalls our Christian responsibility to be sensitive to the signs of the times so that we might bring a more authentically Christian dimension to the concerns of our world, our country, our community. It is celebrated in approximately 165 countries.

Thinkfast for young Catholics

We invite youth between ages 13 and 30 to join us on **Saturday, March 9th** for the Kamloops Diocese Thinkfast! By participating in this 25-hour educational and fundraising fast you stand in solidarity with those in the Global South who need our support. Take part in fun activities to learn more about global issues, and what we as Catholics can do to create a better world.

This one-day event will be held at Our Lady of the Mountains.

Registration forms in the church foyer or contact liz_cor@telus.net.

Calendar

Mar 1st - World Day of Prayer

Mar 6th - Ash Wednesday

Mar 10th - First Sunday of Lent