

4th Sunday of Advent

December 22nd, 2024

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Office Hours: Mon **830 - 230**, Wed **9 - 12**. Please leave a message on the office phone at 250-546-8215 ext #2 and your call will be returned as quickly as possible.

Mass Times

	<u>St Joseph's:</u>	<u>St Ann's:</u>	<u>Carmel of St Joseph:</u>	<u>St John's, Falkland:</u>
Sunday Mass:	9:00 am	11:00 am	7:30 am	cancelled
Daily Mass:	8:30 am	Mon 10:00 am Fri 10:00 am	7:15 am	

St Joseph's Catholic Church

Civic address: 3335 Patterson Street, Armstrong
Mailing address: PO Box 331, Armstrong, BC V4Y 0H1

E-transfer: givingstjosepharmstrong@rcdk.org

Credit card donation: <https://tithe.ly/add-church-info>

Reconciliation: Saturdays following 8:30am Mass & by request

Baptism: Please contact Father Tony or leave message on office phone

CWL: Wednesday, Jan. 8th at 12 pm, St. Joseph's Hall

Knights of Columbus: 2nd Monday, 7:00pm St Joseph's Hall

Faith Formation for Children: Please call the office for books

Adoration: First Fridays 9:00am-4:00pm, all others 9:00am-10:00am

Holy Days of Obligation in Canada: All Sundays, Christmas Day and New Year's Day

St Ann's Catholic Church

Civic address: 1406 George Street (Highway 97A), Enderby
Mailing address: c/o PO Box 331, Armstrong, BC V0E 1B0

E-transfer: givingstannsenderby@rcdk.org

Credit card donation: <https://tithe.ly/add-church-info>

Reconciliation: Fridays at 9:30am, prior to Mass

Parish General Meeting: To be announced

CWL: To be announced

Knights of Columbus: 2nd Monday, 7:00pm, St Joseph's Hall

Faith Formation for Children: Please call the office for books

Adoration: Wednesdays 1:00pm - 2:00pm

Mass Intentions

December 23rd – December 29th

Mon: Int. of Ted .B, req. by Brandy Turner

St Ann's: Int. of Frank Knorr, req. by The Knorr Family

Tues: Morning: Sisters of the Carmel Monastery, req. by Ron & Carol Stephens

Evening: Edward Ronald+, Evelyn Ronald+ & Eileen Quiring+, req. by June Quiring

Wed:

Thu: Int. of John & Elizabeth Scott, req. by Ron & Carol Stephens

Fri: Monte Feazel+, req. by Pat Feazel

St Ann's: Int. of Frank & Phyllis Knorr, req. by donor

Sat: Int. of Marie April, req. by Her Secret Prayer Sister

Sun: Int. of Karl Langer & Family, req. by Connie & Dieter Langer

† The Month of December is dedicated to
Divine Infancy

† Words from our secondary Patron, St John Vianney:

"To do things well, one must do them as God wishes."

Holy Father's Intentions for December:

For Pilgrims of Hope

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

Parish Report

St. Joseph's: Budget \$2,087.35 Donations last week \$1,646.00

St. Ann's: Budget \$1,399.56 Donations last week \$3,625.75

St Joseph's Catholic Church

Parish Renovation Debt: Balance owing on August 31th - \$41,756.53

St Joseph's Parish Council: Father Tony, Adrien Lemaire.

Choir Practice: Immediately following Sunday Mass.

Help needed – Sacristan: Please see Father Tony if you are interested

Clothing for Less Fortunate: Please leave gently used cold weather clothing and footwear in the box at the back of the Church.

Thank you to everyone that baked and purchased baking. We raised \$572.00 for the Sisters.

CWL Memberships are now due

Please put them in the collection to go to the office or give them directly to Louise Kay

Holiday Office Hours:

Dec. 23rd - 9 to 12

Dec. 24th - 9 to 12

Dec. 31st - 9 to 12

Jan. 2nd - 9 to 12

2024 Christmas and New Year's Mass Times

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.

When to attend Mass:

Christmas (holy day of obligation)

Anticipatory Mass on Dec. 24 after 4 pm

OR Mass on Dec. 25

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God (holy day of obligation)

Anticipatory Mass on Dec. 31 after 4 pm

OR Mass on Jan. 1

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>

St. Joseph's CWL Corner

The ABC's of CWL: Week 45: Spirituality

We are called to live in relationship with God, others and creation. Spirituality nourishes us on our faith journey enriching us as we grow. The CWL calls us to be witnesses to the love of God through ministry and service. Connect and grow with us.

St Ann's Catholic Church

RCIA

Seminars every Monday evening at 6:45 pm at St. Joseph's Church in Armstrong; everyone is welcome. Every Monday up to and including December 16; after that we will take a Christmas Break and then start again on January 6.

Christmas Mass Times

Dec. 24th

Carmel Monastery – 5:00 pm

St. Ann's - 7:00 pm

St. Joseph's – 9:00 pm

Dec. 25th

Carmel Monastery – 7:30 am

St. Joseph's – 9:00 am

St. Ann's – 11:00 am

Jan. 1st

Carmel Monastery – 7:30 am

St. Joseph's – 9:00 am

St. Ann's – 11:00 am

Serra Club of Kamloops Diocese

Prayer is a moving force in vocational 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).

100. We have rediscovered that the ability to celebrate His sacrifice...loses its profundity and human richness if adoration is lacking, adoration as the act that follows receiving Communion. (Pope Benedict XVI)

Rachel's Corner

"If we can share our story with someone who responds with empathy and understanding, shame can't survive." Brene Brown

Sometimes there is so much pain, mixed with guilt and shame inside, we wish we could have a safe place where we are understood, not judged or condemned, where we can tell someone confidentially how much it hurts. You have found us! Join us on a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat.

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