

# CANADIAN MARTYRS PARISH

December 14, 2025

3rd Sunday of Advent



**Canadian Martyrs Church (CMC)**  
712 - 12th Avenue, Invermere, BC



**St. Joseph's Church (SJC)**  
Hwy 93/95, Radium Hot Springs, BC

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## WEEKEND MASS TIMES

**Saturday, 5:00 pm**

Canadian Martyrs Church, Invermere, BC

**Sunday, 9:00 am**

Canadian Martyrs Church, Invermere, BC

**Sunday, 11:00am**

St. Joseph's Church, Radium, BC

## WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

**Tuesday to Thursday**

Rosary & Divine Mercy Prayer, 8:30 am  
Mass 9:00 am (CMC)

**Friday**

Adoration, 8:30am  
Mass 9:00 am (CMC)

**Confession**

1/2 hour before masses or by appointment

## MASS INTENTIONS

Sat. December 13 Gail Stevenson S/I  
Cliff Beliveau R/S (anniversary  
of death)  
Sun. December 14 Warren Placsko R/S  
Sun. December 14 Parishioners Intentions  
Mon. December 15 NO MASS  
Tue. December 16 Concordia Family S/I  
Wed. December 17 Virginia Placsko R/S  
Thurs. December 18 Willy Agaton (thanksgiving for  
gift of Life)  
Friday December 19 Euclid Dore R/S

**Marriage and Baptism:** Contact Fr. Francis dela Cruz

**Home Visits:** Contact Fr. Francis dela Cruz

**Columbia Garden & Ivy House: Mass** 10:00 am on  
the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month

**Columbia House: Holy Communion** 11:00 am on  
the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month

## MINISTERS SCHEDULE DECEMBER 13 & 14

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Janice, Milt, John  
**Lectors:** Nicole, Sylvie, Judy, Jazel, Maureen, Judy  
**Ushers:** Jeanette, Willy, Sonia, Bob, Geri, Andy  
**Counters– Dec. 16:** Janice, Harold, Zdenka, Walter

Visit our website: [www.canadianmartyrs.ca](http://www.canadianmartyrs.ca)

## CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR'S MASSES

**Wednesday, December 24, 2025**

5:00 pm (Children's Mass)

7:00 pm CMC - INVERMERE

9:00 pm SJC - RADIUM

**Thursday, December 25<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

9:00 am CMC - INVERMERE

11:00 am SJC - RADIUM

**Wednesday, December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2025**

5:00 pm CMC - INVERMERE

**Thursday, January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2026**

11:00 am SJC - RADIUM

## ADVENT PENITENTIAL SERVICE & CONFESSION

To prepare ourselves for Christmas, Penitential Services and Confession will be held throughout the East Kootenay Deanery

### Kimberley

Monday, December 15 - 7:00pm

### Creston

Tuesday, December 16 - 6:30pm

### Sparwood

Wednesday, December 17 - 6:30pm

### Invermere

Friday, December 19 - 6:30pm

## LIVING WITH CHRIST SUNDAY MISSAL 2025-2026

2025-2026 Living with Christ **Sunday Missal** are available to purchase at the entrance to the church.

**Cost \$5.00**



## FLOWERS FOR CHRISTMAS



If you would like to donate toward purchasing flowers to adorn the altar at Christmas, kindly submit your donation by e-transfer at

[etranfer.cminvermere@nelsondiocese.org](mailto:etranfer.cminvermere@nelsondiocese.org) or cash.

Please indicate that the money is for "FLOWERS".

Thank you!!

## PILGRIMAGE OF FAITH 2025

**Our Goal: \$18,000.00**

**Collected to date: \$19,052.00**

**We reached of our goal**

This annual appeal provides funding for capital project rebates, Catholic education, social and pastoral programs, and many other key services in our Diocese as well as to our parish. We hope that everyone will participate in this year's appeal.

Remember to fill out your pledge card and drop it into the collection basket. PLEASE MAKE CHEQUES PAYABLE TO THE DIOCESE OF NELSON.

Other ways to donate are via etransfer to:

[etranfer.pof@nelsondiocese.org](mailto:etranfer.pof@nelsondiocese.org) or online via Canada Helps at:

<https://www.canadahelps.org/en/dn/24360>.

For more information on how to give, contact the Pilgrimage of Faith office at the Pastoral Centre at 250 -448-2725 ext.240 or email:

[appeals@nelsondiocese.org](mailto:appeals@nelsondiocese.org) or logon to the Nelson Diocese website

<https://www.nelsondiocese.org/> and click on the 'Donate Now' button.

**When we exceed our goal the extra money raised will be returned to our Parish account.**



## NEW PARISHIONERS

Thank you for joining us! We warmly welcome all new parishioners and visitors to our parish. If you are new to our parish community, please fill out a registration form available in the narthex, by calling the Parish Office at 250-342-6167 or by sending us an email at [invermere@nelsondiocese.org](mailto:invermere@nelsondiocese.org)

## THE POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR DECEMBER 2025

*For Christians in areas of conflict:* Let us pray that Christians living in areas of war or conflict, especially in the Middle East, might be seeds of peace, reconciliation and hope.

[www.livingwithchrist.ca](http://www.livingwithchrist.ca)

## COFFEE TIME!!

**Sunday, December 14**  
**Canadian Martyrs Church, Invermere**

Please join us this Sunday after the 9am mass for a coffee and a visit with your fellow parishioners.



## INVERMERE CHRISTMAS SET UP

A work bee is planned for Wednesday, December 17 beginning at 10:00am. You are all invited to help, and to bring any others you would like to invite.

- Setting up the outdoor nativity scene and figures, and plugging in and activating the outdoor Christmas lights
- Setting up the indoor nativity scene/figures and lights in the foyer
- Setting up the Christmas tree at the side of the altar, and decorating the interior of the church

There will be coffee and donuts for everyone in the hall at 10:00am, and we will get started around 10:30am.

## 2026 OFFERING ENVELOPES

You can now pick up your **ENVELOPES FOR 2026** at the entrance to the church. The boxes are labelled with your family name.

Please check your address on the label to make sure it is correct. If it is not correct let the office know. It is very important that we have your correct address.

You can email at [invermere@nelsondiocese.org](mailto:invermere@nelsondiocese.org) or call **250-342-6167**.

## GIFTS FOR THE WEEK THANK YOU!

Budgeted weekly average expenses	\$3,510.00
Sunday Collection—December 7	\$4429.00
POF	\$60.00
Radium Gift Shop	\$12.00
Flowers for Christmas	\$60.00

## FILIPINO MASS “SIMBANG GABI”

There will be a Filipino Mass “Simbang Gabi” on **Wednesday, December 17, at 7:00 pm** and **Tuesday, December 23 at 7:00 pm** at Canadian Martyrs Church in Invermere.

Please bring some finger food to share after the mass.

**Everyone is welcome!**



## ST. JOSEPH’S GIFT SHOP

St. Joseph’s Gift Shop in Radium is open on Sundays following the 11:00 am mass. This is our Parish’s location to obtain any faith related items.

## CANADIAN MARTYRS PARISH ACCEPTS ELECTRONIC DONATIONS!

### ♦ INTERAC / E-TRANSFER

Donations can be sent to:

[etransfer.cminvermere@nelsondiocese.org](mailto:etransfer.cminvermere@nelsondiocese.org)

Please include your donor information (name and address) in the message box or provide your envelop number. If you wish to direct your donation to a specific purpose (“General” or “Shrine”, as examples), mention that as well.

### ♦ QR CODE

Click the QR code below using the camera on your phone. It will take you to the “**Canada Helps**” website, a secure donation partner. There, you can enter your donor information and immediately receive your emailed receipt. **Canada Helps** charges the Parish a small fee for this service.





## WE REACHED OUR GOAL!!!

We would like to extend our deepest gratitude for your generosity toward the Diocesan Pilgrimage of Faith Fundraiser. Your commitment to helping bring this year's goal to a close is appreciated.

We are so blessed to have such a giving community.



## PARISH COUNCIL CONSTITUTION REVISIONS

The Canadian Martyrs Parish Council is currently working on updating their Constitution.

According to the guidelines in the document, proposed changes can be made after three readings, which take place at the regular meetings of the Parish Council.

Parishioners wishing to provide input into these proposed changes are invited to review the document by visiting the parish website at [www.canadianmartyrs.ca](http://www.canadianmartyrs.ca) and clicking on the link on the home page. Input should be emailed to the office at [invermere@nelsondiocese.org](mailto:invermere@nelsondiocese.org) prior to January 14. Thank you!

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