

CANADIAN MARTYRS PARISH

January 11, 2026

Baptism of the Lord



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

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

Visit our website: www.canadianmartyrs.ca

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat. January 10 Parishioners Intentions
Sun. January 11 Mariette Williamson R/S (CMC)
Sun. January 11 Francis & Lesley Avenido S/I (SJC)
Mon. January 12 **NO MASS**
Tue. January 13 **NO MASS**
Wed. January 14 **NO MASS**
Thur. January 15 Garry Shroeder R/S
Fri. January 16 Janice Stainthorpe S/I

MINISTERS SCHEDULE

January 10 & 11

Eucharistic Ministers: Janice, Milt, Andy

Lectors: Nicole, Anthony, Judy, Jazel, Harold, Diane

Ushers: Sheila, Frank, Sonia, Bob, Owen, Carla

Counters— January 13: Klara, Norma, Zdenka, Janice

PILGRIMAGE OF FAITH

TOTAL COLLECTED FOR 2025

\$21,982.00

CANADIAN MARTYRS PARISH ACCEPTS ELECTRONIC DONATIONS!

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Donations can be sent to:

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.

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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.



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2026 OFFERING ENVELOPES

Offering **ENVELOPES FOR 2026** are ready to be **picked up** at the entrance to the church.

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.

Email: invermere@nelsondiocese.org or
call 250-342-6167

LIVING WITH CHRIST SUNDAY MISSAL 2025-2026

2025-2026 Living with Christ **Sunday Missal** will be available to purchase beginning the first weekend in November.

Cost \$5.00

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

Monday, January 12, 6:30pm

Location: Canadian Martyrs Church

PARISH COUNCIL COMMITTEE

Wednesday, January 14, 5:00pm

Location: Canadian Martyrs Church

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 & ST. JOSEPH CHAIRPERSONS AND COODINATORS

Parish Council Chair, Paul Carriere - Finance Committee Chair, Walter Romaniuk - Liturgical Committee Chair, Lorraine Keess - Religious Education Coordinator, TBA - Pancake Breakfast, Bruce & Joyce Little - Coffee Fellowship, Judy Cowan - Safe Environment Coordinator, Paul Carriere - St. Joseph's Church Coordinator, Andy Broda - Parish Centre Hall Coordinator, Colin Lawson

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.

THE POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR JANUARY 2026

For Prayer with the Word of God: Let us pray that praying with the Word of God be nourishment for our lives and a source of hope in our communities, helping us to build a more fraternal and missionary Church.

BAPTISM OF THE LORD

Gospel: Matthew 3.13-17

The baptism of Jesus is attested to in the Gospels of Matthew, Mark, and Luke. The account that appears in Matthew is the only one to include the dialogue between Jesus and John, however. Another difference in Matthew's presentation of this event is the announcement made by the voice from heaven, which says, "This is my beloved son . . ." In Mark and Luke, this voice addresses itself to Jesus: "You are my beloved son . . ."

The baptisms that John performs prefigure Christian Baptism. John baptizes for repentance from sin. In accepting this baptism, Jesus unites himself with all sinners even though he is sinless. In Matthew's Gospel, John the Baptist distinguishes his practice of baptism from the Baptism that the Messiah brings: "I am baptizing you with water . . . He will baptize you with the holy Spirit and fire" (Matthew 3:11).

The baptism of Jesus is another manifestation of Christ, another epiphany. Christ's baptism inaugurates his mission. In an analogous way, our Baptism inaugurates our mission as Christians.



This Sunday marks a transition from the Christmas season to Ordinary Time. In a way, today's feast is the high point of the Christmas season. Before Jesus' birth, angels announced to Mary and to Joseph who Jesus would be. At his birth, the shepherds and the Magi recognize Jesus as the Messiah. At his baptism, Jesus accepts that he is God's son and inaugurates that mission.

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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 re-view the document by visiting the parish website at www.canadianmartyrs.ca and clicking on the link on the home page.

Input should be emailed to the parish office at invermere@nelsondiocese.org prior to the next parish council meeting, which will be held on January 14, 2026

VOLUNTEER POSITIONS

Many volunteer positions are available within our Parish. If you feel called to volunteer for any of the following positions please contact the Parish Office at 250-342-6167 or email at invermere@nelsondiocese.org

- Altar Servers:** training will be provided
- Ushers and Lectors:** Both these positions are needed for the smooth functioning of the Mass.
- Cash Counters:** This position meets Tuesday mornings at 9:30 am. It takes approximately one hour.
- Cantors, Musicians and Singers:** willing to lead or strengthen the singing or music during either Saturday or Sunday Masses.



GIFTS FOR THE WEEK THANK YOU!

Budgeted weekly average expenses	\$3,510.00
Christmas 2025 Collection	\$3790.00
Pilgrimage of Faith	\$2459.00
Sunday Collection—December 28	\$9943.00
Stations of the Cross—Radium	\$2988.00
Building Fund	\$63.00
New Years Collection 2026	\$1548.00
Sunday Collection—January 4	\$2115.00
Radium Gift Shop	\$131.80



This program helps those who have endured neglect, physical, emotional, sexual, and/or spiritual abuse in their family of origin, their community, from spouses/partners, and/or coworkers or supervisors, find healing and journey to wholeness through a retreat.

This retreat program is facilitated by mental health professionals and centered on Jesus Christ.

The next retreat in Canada is **March 2026 in Kelowna, British Columbia.**

For more information please email griegtograckelowna@gmail.com or make a confidential call to 250-808-6403.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION INFORMATION

If your child/children are ready for First Reconciliation, First Communion, and/or Confirmation in 2026 please register at the office.

First Reconciliation and First Communion: Children aged 7 and up are invited to register.

Confirmation: Youth aged 12 and up are invited to register.

All classes will be online using Catholic Online School.

To start the online course please email the office at invermere@nelsondiocese.org or call 250-342-6167. All youth must be registered before beginning the online course.



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