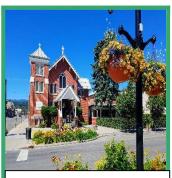
St. Mary's and Christ the Servant



St. Eugene Church – St. Mary's Reserve Est. 1897



St. Mary's Church – Cranbrook Est. 1898



St. Peter's Church – Moyie Est. 1904



Christ the Servant Church – Cranbrook Est. 1975

22nd SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (August 31, 2025)

Father Rex Mediante Velmonte

St. Mary's Church 45 – 10th Avenue South, Cranbrook, BC

Christ the Servant Church 1100-14th Ave. S. Cranbrook BC V1C 2Y3

Parish Office: 1100 - 14th Ave. S., Phone: 250-426-4266

Email: cranbrook@nelsondiocese.org

Facebook Page: St. Mary's Christ the Servant Cranbrook Catholic Church

<u>Website:</u> smpcts.wix.com/stmcts <u>Secretary</u>: Emily Grieve

Office Hours: 9 am – 3 pm (Tuesday & Wednesday); 9:30am – 3:30pm (Thursday & Friday)

ST. MARY'S SCHOOL:

Principal: Vanessa Fer **Phone:** 250-426-5017

Website: https://www.stmarysschool.ca/

ST. EUGENE MISSION:

Dorothy: dorothyalpine@gmail.com

PARISH COMMITTEES/ORGANIZATIONS:

Pastoral Council:

Finance Committee: John Zimmer 250-489-8680 EK Catholic Connection (18-39): Nero 587-586-3312

Maintenance:

St. Mary's: Edmund Frenette 250-426-1840

Christ the Servant:

Knights of Columbus: Eldon Harder 250-919-7554

Catholic Women's League (CWL): St. Mary's: Sherri Hudak 250-421-8261

Christ the Servant: Helen Hammond 250-919-0163

Outreach Ministry: Gisele 250-426-1840/Pat 250-489-8110

Prayer Group: Lynne Williams 250-489-1702

Ministry to the Sick: Doug 250-489-3623/Philip 604-787-5320

Adoration Chapel: Doug Mitchell 250-489-3623 **CND Associates:** Gerri Fletcher 778-517-1319

SACRAMENTS

Sacrament of Confession/Reconciliation:

CTS - Saturday (4:15 – 4:45 pm) STM - Tuesday (9:30 – 10 am)

Sacrament of Baptism/Marriage:

Brian & Gerri Fletcher @ 778-517-1319 or email gerrifletcher@yahoo.ca

Sacrament of the Sick:

If you or a family member is sick, hospitalized or facing death and wish to have a priest visit, please call the parish office.

Religious Education:

Kerry Stanley @ 250-919-8094 or email <u>catechism.cranbrook@nelsondiocese.org</u>

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)

Brian & Gerri Fletcher @ 778-517-1319 or email gerrifletcher@yahoo.ca

For emergencies:

Call 250-426-4266 or email cranbrook@nelsondiocese.org

WELCOME TO OUR PARISH

Our great hope is that each Mass will increase in our hearts LOVE for Jesus, His Gospel and for one another.

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time (September 6 & 7)

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

5pm - CWL Mass

10:30 am @ St. Mary's School --- Doug Mitchell, Gisele Frenette & Linda Benette

LECTORS/READERS:

5pm - CWL Mass

10:30 am @ St. Mary's School --- Michael Murphy & Allan Ewankow

ALTAR SERVERS:

5pm - CWL Mass

10:30 am @ St. Mary's School --- everyone

USHERS:

5pm - CWL Mass

10:30 am @ St. Mary's School --- Ed Frenette, Clem Vanderhorst & Roman Vopat

GREETERS:

5pm - CWL Mass

10:30 am @ St. Mary's School --- Young Adults

CATECHISM REGISTRATION

We encourage all parents whose children, Grades 1-6, are not enrolled at St. Mary's School to register their child in the Catechism Program. Catechism starts on September 16th from 6:30 - 7:30 pm. Registration forms are available in the parish office. Or call Kerry Stanley for more information. God bless!

--- SUNDAY COLLECTION ---

August 24, 2025

ACTUAL BUDGET VARIANCE
SUNDAY \$4,233.20 \$4,201 \$32.20
COLLECTION
YEAR-TO-

DATE \$149,321.61 \$138,633 \$10,688.61

God loves a cheerful giver and a generous heart...thank you!

Our annual **PARISH PICNIC** will be on Sunday, September 7th @ St. Mary's School. Mass will be in the playground at **10:30 am** (NOTE: 9 am Mass at CTS and 11 am Mass at STM will be canceled) ...followed by lunch. There will be b-b-q and hot dogs for the children. We encourage all parishioners to bring food to share, like sweets, sandwiches, finger foods, or salads. Please also bring lawn chairs and your cutlery. If you have outdoor games like bocce, badminton, bean bag game, and others, bring them with you so we can have fun. S. Mary's School is also celebrating its 60th Anniversary...what a remarkable achievement that is! See you there!

We want to wish all the best to our students as they enter another school year. Our prayers are with you. May God embrace you with His peace, hope, and joy! May he fill your heart and mind with knowledge and wisdom!

WEEKLY MASS				
Monday	Sept 1	9 AM	STM	Int. David & Kate Hansen
Tuesday	Sept 2	9 AM	STM	Rep. Joe Saitta
		10:30 AM	Joseph Creek Village	Rep. Vince Sacino
Wednesday	Sept 3	9 AM	STM	Rep. Jose Angel Rodriguez
Thursday	Sept 4	9 AM	CTS	Rep. Victorio Velmonte
Friday	Sept 5	9 AM	CTS	Rep. Roger Pighin
Saturday	Sept 6	5 PM	CTS	Rep. Maria Chilelli
Sunday	Sept 7	10:30 AM	Parish Picnic @ St. Mary's School	Pro Populo



Office of the Bishop

August 26, 2025

Dear Rev. Fathers, Deacons, Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Greetings and peace in the Lord!

I will be travelling to Vancouver on September 1st for another surgery on Tuesday, September 2nd. The surgery is for the same condition I was treated for in December of 2024.

Our Vicar General Fr. Sebastian will be leading my Advisory Team in addressing the needs of the diocese while I am away. It is my hope that the surgeons will be able to stop a reoccurrence of this condition and that I will be returning to my duties in a very short time.

I ask that you continue to pray for me for a complete recovery. I will continue to hold all of you in prayer and ask God's blessing on you for your love and goodness. I pray for whatever good that will come from this for all of you and our diocese. God bless.

Sincerely yours in Christ Jesus our Lord,

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♣ Gregory J Bittman
Bishop of Nelson

Prayer for Bishop Gregory

Lord Jesus Christ you bore our sufferings and carried our sorrows in order to show us clearly the value of human weakness and patience; graciously hear our prayer for the sick especially for your servant and our Bishop Gregory. Touch his mind and heart and fill him with the strength of the Holy Spirit. Free him from anxiety, guilt and distress. Help him to understand that he is united with you in your sufferings that he may turn to you in faith and love and receive your peace, healing and joy for you are Lord, forever and ever. Amen.

Our Father... Hail Mary... and Glory be...

Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, Have Mercy on us.

Immaculate Heart of Mary, Pray for us.

Our Lady Help of the sick, Pray for us.

Saint Joseph, Pray for us.

Saint Gregory the great, Pray for us.

Let us Pray:

God of compassion, our human weakness lays claim to your strength. We pray that through the skills of surgeons and nurses your healing gifts may be granted to your servant and our Bishop Gregory. May your servant and our Bishop respond to your healing will, expel all afflictions of mind and body; mercifully restore him to full health and enable him to resume his duties and be reunited with us at your altar of praise. Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ your Son who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever. Amen.

UPCOMING EVENTS!

Tuesday, September 2

- Mass @ Joseph Creek Village (10:30 am)

Wednesday, September 3

- Devotion to Our Mother of Perpetual Help after 9 am Mass in St. Mary's Church

Thursday, September 4

- Rosary & Chaplet of Divine Mercy Sponsored by K of C at CTS Sanctuary 7 pm

Friday, September 5

First Friday Adoration & Confession (after 9 am Mass until 10:30 am)

Can you not keep awake one hour? (Mark 14:37)

Saturday, September 6

- Memorial Mass: Ernst Schandl, 11 am @ STM

Saturday & Sunday, September 6 & 7

- Birthday & Wedding Anniversary Blessings

Sunday, September 7

- ANNUAL PARISH PICNIC @ ST. MARY'S SCHOOL. Mark it on your calendar!

OUR PILGRIMAGE OF FAITH APPEAL '25

Diocesan Goal: \$21,300

Amount raised: \$9,700 Variance: -\$11,600 Parish Goal: \$10,000

We must fulfill our Diocesan goal before funds can be raised for our Parish goal.

If we do not meet our Diocesan goal, we must pay the Diocese the variance.

So far, we have 37 families/households participating. This year, we will use our parish's portion from the Appeal to put a sign in front of Christ the Servant to make it more accessible, especially to our visitors who add to the vibrancy and life of our parish family.

Please make cheques payable to:
The Roman Catholic Bishop of Nelson,
donate via e-transfer to:
etransfer.pof@nelsondiocese.org
or scan the QR code for credit card donations



Thank you for your generosity!

Let's warmly welcome James Michael Vriend, son of Richelle Cochet and Darren Vriend, to our parish family. May God keep him always in His love and make the lives of his parents shining examples of faith to this child.

Our prayers and condolences to the Schandl family for the passing away of Ernst last Monday, August 25th. There will be a Funeral Mass for him on Saturday, September 6th, at 11 am in St. Mary's Church. May he rest in the peace, hope, and love of Christ!

Let's warmly welcome our seminarians Brylle Bueneventura & Jeff Loma, who are studying for the priesthood, and Rome Medrano, who is studying for the Permanent Diaconate Program, in our Diocese of Nelson. Pray that they may persevere in their calling to become shepherds after God's own heart.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Lou McDonald, Jerry Andrews, Marilyn

Oliver, Mary McCann, Flo Tomicki, Steve Higgins, Gerry Parker, Fr Jim Ratcliffe, Kayla Killoran, Wayne Thomas, Eric Thomas, Shania Thomas, Marilyn McClinchey, Michael Ortynski, Ed Maurier, Elizabeth Lafaut, Patricia Fitzgerald, Wendy Killoran, Xavier Reyes, Gloria Carriere, Margaret Kennedy, Brian Smith, Olivia P, Tiffany Velmonte Arcaya, Maria Ammaturo, Flo Reid Please pray for those who are sick in our community and in our parish family, especially those who live with chronic illnesses. May God's infinite love heal and strengthen them.

New to the Parish? Change of Address?

Please fill in the form to register or change your address. Place in the collection or return to the Parish Office.

Parish Office.
Name:
Address:
City:
Phone:
Email:
☐ Please send the bulletin by email
New Parishioner
Envelope Needed

St. Mary's Catholic School Registration is Open!



Discover a place where creativity grows and every student is empowered to succeed. At St. Mary's Catholic School, we offer a supportive community, faith-based learning, and passionate teachers who prepare students for a bright future. Enroll today—because every great journey begins with a great education.

Please visit https://www.stmarysschool.ca/

Registration packages are available in the Parish foyers and online.

Email: smcprincipal@cisnd.ca

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