

# 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

## ALL SOULS DAY (November 2, 2025)

“May the souls of the all the faithful, through the mercy on God, rest in peace!”

**Father Rex Mediente Velmonte**

**ST. MARY'S CHURCH**

45 – 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue South, Cranbrook, BC

**CHRIST THE SERVANT PARISH**

1100 -14<sup>th</sup> Avenue South, Cranbrook, BC V1C 2Y3

**Parish Office:** 1100 – 14th Avenue South

**Phone:** 250-426-4266

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

**Website:** <https://stmcts.wixsite.com/stmcts>

**Secretary:** Emily Grieve

**Office Hours:** 9 am – 3 pm (Tuesday & Wednesday); 9:30 am – 3:30 pm (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](mailto: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  
[fletchergrm48@gmail.com](mailto:fletchergrm48@gmail.com)

#### **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  
[catechism.cranbrook@nelsondiocese.org](mailto:catechism.cranbrook@nelsondiocese.org)

#### **Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)**

Brian & Gerri Fletcher @ 778-517-1319 or email  
[fletchergrm48@gmail.com](mailto:fletchergrm48@gmail.com)

#### **For emergencies:**

Call 250-426-4266 or email  
[cranbrook@nelsondiocese.org](mailto: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.

### 32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

(November 8 & 9)

#### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

5pm – Diane Baher

9am – Scott Blissett & Doug Mitchell

11am – Mark Paron

#### LECTORS/READERS:

5pm – Michael Murphy & Benedict Makali

9am – Ann Akabogu & Nicole Juneau

11am – Filomena Pocha & Norma Blissett

#### ALTAR SERVERS:

5pm – Philip Meeks

9am – Ryan Stambulic, Somto & Chikamso Akabogu

11am – Gisele Frenette

#### USHERS:

5pm – Ron Thom & Ed Frenette

9am – Paul & Clem Vanderhorst

11am – Andrew Luxton & Dan Oicle

#### GREETERS:

5pm – Sharlyn Sorge

9am – Orest & Yvonne Federko

11am – Allan & Alice Ewankow

### 52 Reasons to Talk About the CWL!

#### CHANGE

Are you ready to transform your spiritual life,  
serve others and act on social justice issues?

This change is possible when you join the  
Catholic Women's League. It has all these  
values at the heart of its mission.

### --- SUNDAY COLLECTION ---

October 26, 2025

	ACTUAL	BUDGET	VARIANCE
SUNDAY COLLECTION	\$4,527	\$4,201	\$326
YEAR-TO- DATE	\$191,394	\$180,643	\$10,751

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

### COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Please add to the Book of  
Remembrance the names of  
deceased family members you  
want to be remembered during  
November. The book is located in  
front of the sanctuary.

Our prayers and condolences:

--- to Jim & Jessel de los Reyes for the  
passing away of her mother, Leonor  
Rivera Benguet, who died in the  
Philippines on Tuesday, October 21<sup>st</sup>.  
--- to Penelope & Pam Brunisholz for  
the passing away of their brother,  
Jonathan G. Lariosa, in the Philippines  
on the same day.

May they rest in peace!

If you happen to be driving either to  
Kelowna or the South Okanagan Valley,  
and would not mind bringing something  
over, please call Fr. Rex at 250-485-8036. It  
will be very much appreciated. God bless!

### WEEKLY MASS

Monday	Nov 3	9 AM	STM	Rep. Jonathan G. Lariosa
Tuesday	Nov 4	9 AM	STM	Rep. Delphine Kennelly
		10:30 AM	Joseph Creek Care Home	Int. Tiffany Velmonte Arcaya
Wednesday	Nov 5	9 AM	STM	Rep. Roger Pighin
Thursday	Nov 6	9 AM	CTS	Int. Helen Hammond
Friday	Nov 7	9 AM	CTS	Rep. Ernst Schandl
Saturday	Nov 8	5 PM	CTS	Rep. Rollande & Fred Beach
Sunday	Nov 9	9 AM	CTS	PRO POPULO
		11 AM	STM	Rep. Armando Roman



## OUR PILGRIMAGE OF FAITH APPEAL '25

**Diocesan Goal: \$21,300**

**Amount raised: \$20,756 Variance: -\$544**

**Parish Goal: \$10,000**

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

So far, we have about 73 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.

**Note: Due to the mail strike, please donate via e-transfer to: [etransfer.pof@nelsondiocese.org](mailto:etransfer.pof@nelsondiocese.org)**  
**Scan the QR code for credit card donations, or you can address cheques to St. Mary's/Christ the Servant Parish.**



Thank you for your  
generosity!

## UPCOMING EVENTS!

### **Saturday & Sunday, November 1 & 2**

- Birthday & Wedding Anniversary Blessings

### **Monday, November 3**

- RCIA Meeting (7 pm in CTS Hall)

### **Tuesday, November 4**

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

- Catechism Class (6 - 7 pm)

### **Wednesday, November 5**

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

- Prayer Group (7 pm)

### **Thursday, November 6**

- Rosary & Chaplet of Divine Mercy

Sponsored by K of C at CTS Sanctuary 7 pm

### **Friday, November 7**

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

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

### **Saturday, November 8**

- CTS CWL Christmas Tea, Bake Sale & Raffle (12noon - 2pm @ CTS Hall)

### **Saturday, November 15**

- St. Mary's School 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner & Dance @ Colombo Lodge (6 pm)

*St. Mary's 60<sup>th</sup>  
Anniversary Celebration*



NOVEMBER 15, 2025  
5:00 PM Till Midnight  
COLOMBO LODGE  
~ A BLACK TIE AFFAIR ~

TO BUY TICKETS PLEASE CALL ST. MARY'S SCHOOL AT 250-426-5017 OR  
CHRIST THE SERVANT PARISH AT 250-426-4266

Tickets available at the Parish Office and St.  
Mary's School Office.

Cash/Cheque or e-transfer to  
[etransfer.smc@cisnd.ca](mailto:etransfer.smc@cisnd.ca)

**Tickets are \$60**

Includes one drink ticket, dinner, dance  
and photo booth  
Available from St. Mary's School Office

16 years & over please



**ALL SAINTS DAY,** (November 1st) also called **All Hallows' Day**, is a day on which we commemorate all the saints of the church, known and unknown, who have attained heaven. It is celebrated on November 1st in the Western churches. The feast is usually a holy day of obligation.

(**Note:** We encourage parents to have their children dress up like their favourite saints during Halloween (if they are going trick or treating) to honour its real meaning which is *All Hallows Eve*)

**ALL SOULS DAY** (November 2nd) is a holy day for honouring the dead. It is a day for commemoration of all the faithful departed, those baptized Christians who are believed to be in purgatory because they died with the guilt of lesser sins on their souls. Roman Catholic doctrine holds that the prayers of the faithful on earth will help cleanse these souls to fit them for the vision of God in heaven, and the day is dedicated to prayer and remembrance. Its common observances are attending Requiem Mass, praying for the faithful departed, lighting candles, visiting the graves of loved ones and having special meals.

A word of thanks to Ed Frenette for cutting and making a wooden frame for our stained-glass windows in CTS...well done!  
May God bless you abundantly!

**HALLOWEEN- THE CATHOLIC WAY**

**What is HALLOWEEN?**  
"ALL HALLOWS' EVE" is where the name of halloween comes from. A hallowed person is another name for a saint. We call October 31 - All Hallows' Eve because it is the eve of All Saints Day which is on November 1st. The mass that the Catholic Church celebrated on Nov. 1 was called "Allhallowmas". This meant mass of all the hallowed (saintly people). It was commonly called "All Hallows' Day".

The night before Nov. 1 became known as *Allhallowe'en*, which was short for "evening before All Hallows' Day." It was then shortened to what we now know as Halloween.

**Why do we celebrate All Saints' Day and All Souls' Day?**

**1 All Saints' Day**  
November 1 is a special day called the feast of All Saints. It is the day the Church celebrates with all the people who have died and are now with God in heaven. Everyone who has lived and died in Jesus' love is a saint. We do not know the names of all the saints. Some of these people were so much like Jesus that after they died, the Church said they were definitely in heaven.

**2 All Souls' Day**  
November 2 is a special day called the feast of All Souls. It is celebrated in honor and remembrance of the souls of our dearly departed loved ones, and to pray for other souls that still need our prayers. The Church honors this day as a solemn day for all souls in purgatory who are being cleansed before entering Heaven.

**How can we celebrate Halloween?**

**1. Dress up like "Little Saints"**  
Let's do our best to remind everyone that this day is the eve of the feast of All Saints. We honor the saints by dressing up like them instead of dressing up as anything that glorifies sin, horror or rebellion from God. By our good example, people will be curious to learn more about "All Hallows' Eve" and may even study the lives of the saints.

**2. Visit the graves of our dearly departed**  
On Nov. 1 and Nov. 2, let's go to the cemeteries to pray at the graves of our dear departed. We can also adorn it with flowers and lighted candles.

**3. Go to Mass**  
On Nov. 1 and Nov. 2, the most important thing we can do is to attend the Holy Mass and offer it for all the Holy Saints, and our dearly departed loved ones. By doing this, we give honor to them.

**4. We say a prayer**  
While we celebrate Halloween, we pray to and honor our saints and pray for our dearly departed. We can say the rosary or other prayers at home or upon visiting the grave of our departed loved ones.

## PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Lou McDonald, Jerry Andrews, Marilyn Oliver, Laurie Sharp, 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.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

- ☐ Please send the bulletin by email  
☐ New Parishioner  
☐ Envelope Needed

## WAYS YOU CAN CONTRIBUTE FINANCIALLY TO OUR PARISH:

### --- PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING PLAN

Fill out the form that is available at Christ the Servant office. Please bring with you a VOID cheque.

### --- E-TRANSFER

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

No password is required. In the message, include your parish envelope # (if you're using one) and how the donation is to be directed.

### --- QR Code

Scan the QR Code to support our parish. It will take you to our Canada Helps page, a secure donation partner. A receipt will be issued immediately.



Thank you for your continued generosity to the financial needs of our parish. God bless!