

# St. Francis of Assisi Parish



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## Sacraments:

**Anointing of the Sick:** Anytime, for emergencies call the Priest.

**Confession:** ½ hour before Mass or by appointment.

**Baptisms:** Contact the Parish Office **3 months in advance** of desired date.

**First Communion & Confirmation:** Children must be prepared by taking the appropriate courses at the Parish; contact the Parish Office to register them for Catechism.

**Marriage:** Contact Priest at **least 6 months in advance** of desired date.

**RCIA:** Adults wishing to enter the Church should contact Father at the Office.

**Funerals:** Contact the Parish Office to speak with Father.

# Corpus Christi

## Sunday, June 07, 2026

### This Sunday's Readings:

**First Reading:** Deuteronomy 8.2-3, 14-16.

**Responsorial Psalm:** 147.

**"Praise the Lord, Jerusalem"**.

**Second Reading:** 1 Corinthians 10.16-17.

**Gospel Acclamation:** John 6.51-52.

"I am living bread that came down from heaven, says the Lord; whoever eats of this bread will live forever."

**Gospel:** John 6.51-59.

#### Parish Council members:

- Ross Bianco
- Lucia Bonano
- Mindy Brugman
- Gail Bernacki
- Agnes Kowalczuk

#### Finance Committee members:

- Joan Holzer
- Gordon Kloppenburg
- Claudette Kendel
- Gilles Lussier

#### Last week's collection

Regular: \$1,062.7

Candles: \$50.00

#### Readers:

**Jun 06:** Brenda

**Jun 13:** Gail

**Jun 07:** Vanessa

**Jun 14:** Lorne

### Weekly Mass Intentions:

Sat.	Jun	06	5:00pm	Thanksgiving Mass by Fr Shaiju for the warm welcome
Sun.	Jun	07	10:00am	Thanksgiving Mass by Fr Shaiju for the warm welcome
Wed.	Jun	10	9:00am	Intentions of the parishioners who are sick and elderly.
Thur.	Jun	11	9:00am	Intentions of the children and youth of the parish
Fri.	Jun	12	9:00am	Requiem Mass for the departed souls of the parish family
Sat.	Jun	13	5:00pm	Intentions of Fr Shaiju
Sun.	Jun	14	10:00am	Intentions of Fr Shaiju

## *In our Parish*



### **BIODATA OF**

**FR. SHAIJU PAYYAPPILLY KUNJUVAREED, CMI**

Fr Shaiju, a Religious Missionary Priest in the Congregation of the Carmelites of Mary Immaculate, hails from Kerala, India. His Baptismal name is John. He is the youngest and the only son of his Late parents. He has 4 elder sisters as siblings. After the completion of his Secondary Education, Fr Shaiju joined the CMI Congregation in May 1990. He took the First Religious Vows on March 19, 1997. He was ordained Priest on December 29, 2003. He celebrates his Birthday on March 17 and his Feast Day on December 14 (St John of the Cross as his patron saint). After his ordination, Fr Shaiju was appointed as Assistant Rector to the Seminarians (2004 - 2007). He served an ICSE School as Principal (2007 – 2013). He also served an Arts and Science College as Vice Principal and General Co-ordinator of the Programmes (2014 – 2024). Fr Shaiju has a Ph D in Educational Psychology in Personality Development of Secondary School Students. He has 3 years' teaching experience in the seminary, 6 years' teaching experience in the school and 10 years' teaching experience in the college. Fr Shaiju has published a book titled, "EDUTAINMENT: THE SHIFTING DYNAMICS OF HIGHER SECONDARY EDUCATION".

Throughout his priestly ministry, Fr Shaiju served the church and the people of God as Parish Priest of different parishes in the Mission Diocese of CMI Congregation. As a religious missionary priest, Fr Shaiju possesses the essential qualities of a good shepherd after the image of Jesus Christ. He is committed to serve God and His people relying on the Grace of God. Fr Shaiju is always ready to guide the faithful and fulfil their spiritual needs with a true sense of trust in God and sincere love for the people of God. Many of his homilies and retreats were well appreciated by the faithful.

Fr Shaiju maintains a sincere relationship with those entrusted to his pastoral care. Drawing inspiration from St Kuriakose Elias Chavara, the Funder of the CMI Congregation, Fr Shaiju approaches the interactions with the people of God with positive and creative ways. He is deeply passionate and committed to proclaiming the Catholic faith which he celebrates every moment of his life. Fr Shaiju finds happiness in the administration of the Sacraments which gives peace and joy to the faithful. He is fully convinced of his responsibilities as a pastor. He is well prepared to dedicate himself entirely to the faithful in his parish, after the example of Jesus Christ, his Hero in life. Fr Shaiju strongly believes in Jesus' proclamation: "I am the Light of the World" (John 8 :12).

Fr Shaiju joined the Diocese of Nelson on October 28, 2024, and was appointed pastor of St Edward's Parish, Lake Country. He served St Edward's Parish for 18 months. Since his arrival at Kelowna, he also served the Spanish speaking Mexican community administering sacraments in Spanish language.

## *In Our Diocese*

- **Our Pilgrimage of Faith Appeal for 2026 has begun.**
  - Our parish's diocesan share is \$14,100.00.
  - We would like to raise a total of \$20,000.00
  - The difference will be designated for future projects in the parish and deposited into our investment account with the diocese.
  - To date we have raised \$450.00.

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