

Kootenay Contact



February 5, 2020



Jesuit Christians had been active in Japan in the 16th century. But the ruling Shogun eventually banned all missionary activity fearing that the growth of the Christian Church would prepare the way for an invasion by Europeans. In 1593 a group of Franciscans arrived who openly flaunted the decree against missionary activity. In 1597, 26 Christians were crucified near Nagasaki. In 1962, a monument was built to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the canonization of the martyrs.

Prayer for the Martyrs of Japan (Memorial)

God of righteousness and mercy,
who grafted your holy martyrs of Japan
on to the Tree of Life,
grant us courage to honour their example,
that when we are called to bear you witness ,
we may not be ashamed of your gospel,
nor fail in the assurance of your promises;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

- *Thriving Places - Wise Elders Ministry Forum* at St. Saviour's, Penticton with Jason Byassee from VST. **Saturday, March 7** from 9 am – 3pm and worship **Sunday, March 8** at 10 am. Click [here](#) for more information.

Bishop's Schedule

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| February 6 | BARDS Zoom meeting |
| February 8 | Diocesan Council Zoom meeting |
| February 9 | St. George's, West Kelowna |
| February 15 | Quiet Day, Summerland |
| February 16 | BCYAYM at Sorrento Centre |
| February 17-22 | Anglican-United Dialogue, Toronto |



Registration for Camp Owaissi is now open, with the first 100 to register getting \$20 off when they use the code **Owaissi70**

Visit campoac.com to register today! Camp Owaissi is also accepting applications for all staff and volunteer positions. Visit campoac.com for more information or email oc.director@gmail.com
Happy camping!

New News

- The next Diocesan Council meeting will be a ZOOM videoconference on **Saturday, February 8, 2020**.
- *Know Thyself:* Diocesan Youth Ministry retreat **February 14-17** at Sorrento Centre with speaker Jessi Taylor. Click [here](#) for info and [here](#) for poster.
- The Diocesan Centre will be closed on **Monday, February 17** for the Family Day holiday.
- The next Administration Committee meeting will be a teleconference on **Wednesday, March 4, 2020**.
- The next Kootenay Contact will be distributed on **February 19, 2020**. Submission deadline is **February 18, 2020**.



Armatus: Learn to Protect

The **Armatus: Learn to Protect** system has now been adopted as the method for Safe Church training in the Diocese of Kootenay.

By **February 15, 2020**, you should receive an email from **Armatus** (check your junk mail) inviting you to log in to the website and begin completing your course modules. There is more information on the Diocese of Kootenay website [here](#)

Older News

- **Quiet Day Saturday, February 15, 2020** at St. Stephen's, Summerland 9 am to 3 pm. Bishop Lynne McNaughton will lead a study on Julian of Norwich. Click [here](#) to see details.
- **Capilano University Singers** at St. Saviour's, Penticton on **Saturday, February 15, 2020** at 4:00 pm. Click [here](#) for poster and details.
- On **Saturday, March 7, 2020** the Spiritual Development Committee will be offering an online (Zoom) **Quiet Morning** from 9:00 to 12:00 noon (Pacific) Topic: An introduction to creating a **Personal Rule of Life** Leaders: Bishop Lynne and The Rev. Leon Rogers. Click [here](#) for information.
- The Bishop of Kootenay invites applications for the position of full-time incumbent of **St. Stephen, Summerland and St. Barbara, Okanagan Falls**. Click [here](#) for more information. Application deadline is **February 21, 2020**.
- **Criminal Record Checks for Volunteers** – the government has revised the system for obtaining these checks. Click [here](#) to read more.
- **Spiritual Companions wanted!** Bishop Lynne wants to encourage people in the diocese, especially leaders, to have regular contact with a Spiritual Guide or Spiritual Director. For more details, click [here](#)

Handy Websites

- **Book of Alternative Services** online. Click [here](#)
- **Common Praise** online. Click [here](#)
- **Employee Assistance Program LifeWorks** Click [here](#) to see the monthly newsletter.
- **Manulife** Online Claims Register [here](#)
To make an online claim, click [here](#)
- **Nitro Reader** free software allows you to turn pdf forms into online "fillable" forms [here](#)
- **Oremus Hymnal** – hymn suggestions for the lectionary year A. Click [here](#)
- **Prayer Cycle** Jan. 1-Mar. 31, 2020 click [here](#)

Me in heaven:
God: You're about to get your wings.
Me: Lemon pepper or bbq?
God: Get out!

