Wednesday Weekly January 18, 2017

WHEN APPLICABLE—PLEASE ENSURE THAT THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE IN YOUR BULLETIN AND/OR ARE ALSO ANNOUNCED.

*FOR THE CITY ** FOR ALL PARISHES IN THE DIOCESE

This will ensure that the same information is being heard across the diocese.

THANK YOU

ATTACHMENTS:

Statistical information Form

- Appeal Update
- Marriage Prep poster and registration form
- 1. NATIONAL COLLECTIONS SCHEDULE FOR 2017 2018 please see attached.
- 2. ***WORLD DAY FOR CONSECRATED LIFE**: On Thursday, **February 2, 2017**, 7:00 PM, on the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, Bishop Stephen Jensen will celebrate a Solemn Mass at Sacred Heart Cathedral with the religious men and women of the Diocese. Everyone is welcome to attend and show appreciation to those who have chosen to live the consecrated life and who serve in our diocese. Please bring goodies to share for the reception which will take place in the lower church hall.
- **3.** CHRISM MASS 2017 will be on Monday of Holy Week April 10, 2017 at Sacred Heart Cathedral at 7:00 PM.
- 4. STATISTICAL INFORMATION: REMINDER In order to finish the Annual Rome Report for 2015, statistical information is needed from each parish. Parishes are asked to please complete the attached form and return it by February 3, 2017 Martha Primus by email (mprimus@pgdiocese.bc.ca), fax (250-964-2101) or regular mail. Thank you.
- 5. REACHING OUT IN MERCY: We have received pledges of \$405,798 to date. Nine parishes have surpassed their goals and they will receive pledge rebates totaling \$25,319. This leaves \$380,479 or 95.1% for the diocesan goal of \$400,000.

Our latest parish to reach its goal this week is **Sacred Heart Cathedral**, under the leadership of **Fr. Melvin Pinto**, with the Parish Leadership Team and Appeal Coordinators. To date they have reached **106.5% of their goal.** Congratulations and thank for your effort and generosity.

We still have a number of parishes that have not met their goal. We want to remind these parishes that your contributions will make it possible to reach our diocesan goal.

- 6. SENDING PACKAGES TO STAFF AT THE PASTORAL CENTRE Please remember to address ALL packages to the Diocese of Prince George and add ATTENTION: PERSON'S NAME This makes mail pick up much it easier. Thank you.
- 7. EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES- NOTRE DAME SCHOOL: There are two primary teaching positions beginning April 3, 2017 please see <u>http://cispg.ca/employment-opportunities/</u> website for more details.



Office of Evangelization and Catechesis



1. HEARTS TRANSFORMED – JANUARY 18, 2017 UPDATE

The next meeting in Prince George will be held on **January 26, 2016** from 6:30 PM to 9:00 PM at the Diocesan Pastoral Centre on the Conference Room (old library).

Everyone else will have their meetings from February 6-12, as the flexibility of the program allows in their respective communities.

We look forward to journeying with you. If you have other questions contact Angelo at <u>asabbadin@pgdiocese.bc.ca</u> or (250) 964-4424 ext 230

2. MARRIAGE PREPARATION WEEKEND:

Living a Joy-Filled Marriage

Date: April 1-2, 2017

Cost: \$250 per couple

Includes: Workbooks, Lunches, Coffee and Snacks.

Please contact Angelo in the Office of Evangelization and Catechesis for registration and more detailed information phone (250) 964-4424 (ext. 230) or email <u>asabbadin@pgdiocese.bc.ca</u>

YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULTS NEWS:

YOUTH:

1. Annual Diocesan Youth Conference -- April 21-23, 2017--Please save the date! More details to come shortly, stay tuned!

YOUNG ADULTS:

1. 3rd Annual Young Adults Ski Retreat: The annual retreat will take place in Smithers, BC February 3-5, 2017.

Skiing and retreating, what more could you ask for? Join us on the beautiful slopes of Hudson's Bay Mountain for a time away from the busyness of daily life. Ages 18 and up are invited. This retreat will fill up quickly. Registration is now open! If you're interested in attending, please email Eunice at <u>ehii@pgdiocese.bc.ca</u>.

2. Faith Study Groups:

Small group faith studies are being offered at a time that fits your schedule and works for you. Fill out the online scheduler at <u>www.ccofaithstudies.ca</u> and a time/place will be determined for your study group. These six-week, one hour studies focus on the core of what we believe as Catholics in a fresh, new way like you've never heard before.

Come find out and experience what it truly means to be a Catholic, and how to live this out in the world today.