Wednesday Weekly September 13, 2017

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2017 TWENTY FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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



You are the Christ.

The son of Man must undergo great suffering.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Called Together Diocesan Annual Appeal
 - o Education weekend Information
 - o Blank Pledge card
- Schedule of National Collections for 2018 and 2019

DEATH OF FATHER XAVIER ROYAPPAN, SAC

With profound sadness, we announce the death of Fr. Xavier, the Pastor of Sacred Heart Parish in Terrace.

Father suffered a stroke last Saturday and was airlifted to the Intensive Care Unit of Vancouver General Hospital, where he died in the afternoon of Tuesday, September 12, the memorial of the Most Holy Name of Mary.

Father Xavier's religious superior and another member of the Pallottine community will accompany the body back to India, where the funeral and burial will take place.

Bishop Jensen will offer Mass for Fr. Xavier in Terrace on Monday, September 18 at 7:00 pm. In your charity, please remember Fr. Xavier and his family and religious community in your prayers.

Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of Christ, rest in peace. Amen

1. 2017-18 CALLED TOGETHER --DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL EDUCATION WEEKEND – SEPTEMBER 16-17, 2017–PLEASE SEE ATTACHMENTS FOR DETAILS

2. REMINDER-- "NEEDS OF THE CANADIAN CHURCH" COLLECTION:

The Canadian Ordo indicates that the annual collection for **the Needs of the Canadian Church** in support of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops is taken on Sunday, September 24, 2017. Because the 24th of September falls in the middle of the *Called Together*, the Diocesan Annual Appeal campaign, in the Diocesa of Prince George, this second collection has been moved to **Sunday**, **November 12, 2017**. Please remind parishioners of this change and remember to update your order Sunday envelope sets for next year, the collection will be taken on **November 11, 2018**. See attached.

3. YOU'RE INVITED TO TWO EVENINGS AT THE DIOCESAN PASTORAL CENTRE BOARD ROOM

a. "Our Call to Stewardship"-- Tuesday, October 3, 2017 @ 7:00 PM Livestream address https://www.youtube.com/user/pgdiocese/live

A one hour presentation on the Stewardship way of life: its basis in Christian faith and its practical implementation in parish communities.

Scott Bader is Director of Parish Financial Services for the Archdiocese of Seattle. Before that he worked for nineteen years as Director of Parish Stewardship. He served on the International Catholic Stewardship Council Board of Directors, including as the organization's vice-president and secretary and has spoken at many stewardship conferences.

b. "Euthanasia and Assisted Suicide in Canada: Ethical and Pastoral Reflections" Thursday, October 5, 2017 @ 7:00 PM Livestream address https://www.youtube.com/user/pgdiocese/live

A one hour presentation on the situation in Canada and our Christian response to those at the end of life, including palliative care.

Dr. Christopher De Bono, PhD, MDiv., is Vice President of Mission, Ethics and Spirituality for Providence Health Care in Vancouver. He is a pastoral theologian with specialized clinical training in Spiritual Care and Clinical/Organizational ethics. He has a history of over 15 years in frontline, middle and senior management roles in acute, community and mental health care. He has also taught as adjunct faculty and a sessional lecturer at the University of Toronto.

Donna Flood, Director of the Prince George Hospice Society, will also present on the local situation in Prince George.

- 4. **A CATHOLIC HOME SCHOOL OPTION:** Did you know that we have an online Catholic school in BC? Ascend Online is a provincially-certified home school/distance learning option provided by the Catholic Independent Schools of the Diocese of Kamloops. It serves students at the elementary and secondary level throughout the province. Visit www.ascendonline.ca for more information.
- 5. **SHEPHERD'S CORNER** is gratefully accepting donations of the following items: shampoo, conditioners, soaps, hand cream, (little samples given at hotels work well too) toothbrushes, toothpaste, dental floss, razors, combs, laundry soap, and deodorants for some of the needy of our city. We also need small empty bottles with screw top lids, and plastic grocery store bags. Donations can be dropped off between 10:00 AM 2:00 PM Monday to Friday at Shepherd's Corner or left in the donation bins located in some of our city churches.

6. ICONOGRAPHY WORKSHOP IN TERRACE NOVEMBER 13-18, 2017--Write your own personal authentic Byzantine style icon, in traditional egg tempera technique, with the instruction and guidance of experienced iconographer, Mr. Frank Turner. This full time, five day workshop will take place at Sacred Heart Church in Terrace, November 13-18, 2017. Mr. Turner is an iconographer with over 25 years of experience and a founding member of the Epiphany Sacred Arts Guild, in Vancouver. Instruction, icon boards, drawings, pigments, brushes, and all materials needed for everyone to complete their own icon are included in the workshop fee.

Please contact Michael Panchuk at 250 635-3894 prior to the 10th of October for more information and to reserve your place in this unique experience. Billeting can be arranged if required.

7. ALIVE IN CHRIST RESOURCES: All parishes and schools please note that you can order all of your resources and be invoiced directly from Broughton (located in Toronto, ON). When ordering indicate that you are a part of the Diocese of Prince George to receive the prices listed in the quotes attached.

Before ordering please contact the Pastoral Centre as there is a large inventory here and we may have what you are looking for.

Contact information for Customer Service at Broughton is:

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1-800-268-4449

- 8. EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES:
 - TEACHING POSITIONS WITH CISPG go to: http://cispg.ca/employment-opportunities/

Evangelization and Formation

1. **New Life in the Spirit--A Study of the Acts of the Apostles:** Come join in twelve sessions to an experience of faith, study and fellowship at the Domano Renewal Centre with Fr. Basil Burns. The sessions will start at 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM on September 28, 2017 every other Thursday.

A daytime option will be available at Christ Our Saviour Parish beginning Wednesday, September 27, 2017 at 10:30 AM. You are invited to attend whichever session best suits your schedule.

The study is not only meant to gain information, but to also provide instruction on how to read scripture and how scriptural meditation can enrich our Catholic faith. A simple reading plan, directions on what to look for, pertinent questions, and key vocabulary words will be provided for every session. The invitation is to have an open heart and a willingness to look more deeply at the life of the early church and one's own life of faith.

Please register on or before Tuesday, September 26, by 12 NOON online at http://www.pgdiocese.bc.ca/live/ or by calling Teresa at the Diocesan Centre 250-964-4424. This is meant to be an adult event. A suggested donation of \$5 per session is requested to help defray costs. For those of you who feel called to greater community and a deeper faith life, please come!