

# Wednesday Weekly

## September 27, 2017

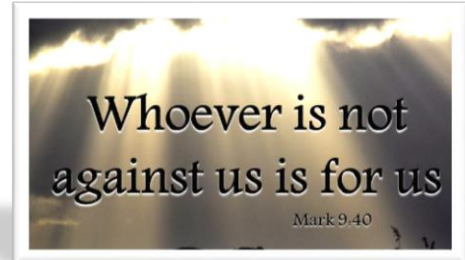
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2017

TWENTY SIXTH 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**



### ATTACHMENTS:

- **Called Together – Giving, Sharing, Serving**
  - Commitment weekend Parish Info
  - Commitment Weekend Instructions for Distribution
  - Weekly Update for Sept. 27, 2017
  - Blank Pledge Form
- **RCIA Schedule**
- **D & P Fall Campaign Poster in PDF and Word format**

1. **2017-18 CALLED TOGETHER –GIVING, SHARING, SERVING COMMITMENT WEEKEND – SEPTEMBER 30- OCTOBER 1, 2017**– Prior to Commitment Sunday please mail out ALL Called Together envelopes not picked up by your parishioners. Forward receipt for postage to Armand in the Appeal Office for reimbursement.

**PLEASE SEE ATTACHMENTS**

### 2. NEWS FROM THE DIOCESAN FINANCE OFFICE:

- a. **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION TRUST (RET) FUND:** The RET Fund supports and encourages initiatives for religious education in the Diocese of Prince George “In order that the community members be able to exercise the ministry that is proper to them they need to be—and have the right to be—properly educated.”
  - i. Adult religious education and faith formation
  - ii. Initiatives for youth
  - iii. Native catechesis and spirituality
  - iv. Liturgical Formation

Please submit your RET application on or before October 6, 2017. All applications must be signed by the pastor prior to submission.

You will find the application on the diocesan website at <http://www.pgdiocese.bc.ca/wp-content/uploads/2016/10/RET-Application-Sep-14.pdf>

- b. **MINIMUM WAGE INCREASE:** For your information; the minimum hourly wage paid to employees in BC increased to \$11.35/hour from \$10.85/hour on September 15, 2017.

4. **\*PRINCE GEORGE 40 DAYS FOR LIFE:** The campaign began **September 27** and runs through to **November 5, 2017**.

Participants will be standing in a prayerful peaceful vigil on a daily basis from **7:00 am - 7:00 pm** on 15th Avenue in front of the University Hospital of Northern British Columbia.

Since **40 Days For Life** started in 2007, 13,305 lives have been saved that we know of - (2 of them in Prince George) and 89 abortion facilities have closed their doors - (one of them in Fredericton, NB).

We invite you to join us along with the 750,000 other participants across the world as we witness to the **dignity and sanctity** of human life and **pray for an end to abortion**.

If you are able to give an hour or more of your time over the next 40 days we have signup sheets in the foyers of each of our city churches or you can contact the PG organizers:

- 1) via email at [40dayspgbc@gmail.com](mailto:40dayspgbc@gmail.com)
- 2) Sign up on [40 days for Life Sign Up Log 2017.xlsx](#)
- 3) Phone either
  1. Angelica @ 250-301-8135 or
  2. Lucy @ 250-962-7454

- 4) **\*DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE – CARITAS CANADA--JOIN A MINI-WORKSHOP ON OUR NEW “MAY PEACE BE WITH HER” CAMPAIGN!**

Development and Peace is celebrating 50 years of solidarity! We are also close to kicking off our Fall education and action campaign “**May Peace be With Her**”. People power can change the world and when you are an active member of Development and Peace you are a part of that change!

Join us for a two-hour mini-workshop and informal gathering on Saturday, October 14, 2017 to be held in a quiet room at the Twisted Cork Restaurant in Prince George (1157-5th Avenue) at 11:30 AM-1:30 PM. For more information, contact Catherine Nolin Hanlon at [nolin@unbc.ca](mailto:nolin@unbc.ca) and/or Dick Mynen at [dick.mynen@tdb.ca](mailto:dick.mynen@tdb.ca)

We really encourage YOUTH to join us to learn about Development and Peace and how youth are critical to caring for our common home and being at the heart of the action!

5. **\*RCIA:** The city-wide Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults will begin on Tuesday, October 10, 2017 from 7:30 PM -9:00 PM at St. Mary’s in the parish office (Gillett St). If you or someone you know is interested in becoming Catholic, or if you would like to volunteer with the RCIA program please contact Claudia at Sacred Heart Cathedral 250-564-5225 or St. Mary's 250-564-4097 or email [cloudy1@hotmail.com](mailto:cloudy1@hotmail.com)
6. **\*\*YOU’RE INVITED TO TWO EVENINGS AT THE DIOCESAN PASTORAL CENTRE BOARD ROOM**
- a. **“Our Call to Stewardship”** –Scott Bader-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.
  - b. **“Euthanasia and Assisted Suicide in Canada: Ethical and Pastoral Reflections”** by Dr. Christopher De Bono, PhD, MDiv.  
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.

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

#### 7. EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES:

- **THERE ARE STILL A COUPLE OF TEACHING POSITIONS WITH CISPG go to:**  
<http://cispg.ca/employment-opportunities/>

## Evangelization and Formation

### YOUNG ADULTS

1. **FAITH STUDIES:** We will be starting our faith study groups again for all young adults ages 18-30. These small group faith studies explore the basics of the Catholic Christian faith. Regardless of your faith background or where you are at, we invite you to join us. Bring your questions! These six-week studies meet for just one hour each week at a location and time that works for you. **This is the last week to register** so be sure to sign up asap! Head to [www.ccofaithstudies.ca](http://www.ccofaithstudies.ca) or email [youth@pgdiocese.bc.ca](mailto:youth@pgdiocese.bc.ca).
2. **UNBC CAMPUS MASS:** Campus masses are starting up again and will regularly be held Thursdays at 12:15 PM in the Interfaith Chaplaincy.
3. Make sure you are connected to the young adult group on Facebook “**Catholic Young Adults – Diocese of PG**”

### YOUTH

4. **IGNITE BC REUNION: MARK YOUR CALENDARS! ! We will be LIVE streaming Face2face’s United Conference November 18-19 in Prince George.** Location & details to come! Last year was the first year we tried this live stream and it worked tremendously well. This is open to all those who have attended IGNITE BC in the last 3 years as well as any newcomers ages 14-19. For more details about the conference: <https://f2f.ca/united/>
5. **DATE FOR DYC 2018 April 20-22, 2018** in Prince George, BC. Details to come over the next several months but for now, mark those calendars!