

Wednesday Weekly

March 7, 2018

SUNDAY, MARCH 11, 2018
THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

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 - update**
- **Share Lent 2018 Poster**
- **DYC Poster**

****TO RECEIVE ALL DIOCESAN NEWS DIRECTLY IN YOUR INBOX OR ON YOUR PHONE:** Email Teresa at reception@pgdiocese.bc.ca OR TEXT “pgd” TO 514-900-0130 to join **Flocknote** – it is an email and text messaging tool created for churches, ministries, teams and other community organizations. It helps to communicate with the people by sending a simple text message. Please join us in keeping up with all the diocesan news.



1. **DIOCESE OF PRINCE GEORGE DIRECTORY-** The directory is available on the diocesan website at <http://www.pgdiocese.bc.ca/directory/> and is updated as changes occur. Just a reminder that the directory is **NO LONGER** being printed and distributed throughout the diocese.

Please check your information for accuracy. If there are changes required, please email those changes to mprimus@pgdiocese.bc.ca.

If you would like a hard copy and you do not have the means to print it, please contact Teresa at reception@pgdiocese.bc.ca.

2. **CALLED TOGETHER –GIVING, SHARING, SERVING: –** Please see our update for March 7, 2018 of **Called Together, Giving Sharing, Serving**. Thank you for your generous and continued support.



Note to all priests: ****Please return the thumb drive that contains the *Called Together* video that was provided for your parish. Give it to the receptionist at the Pastor Centre upon your arrival to the Council of Priests' meeting.**



3. **SHARE LENT 2018**—The Solidarity Sunday collection will take place throughout Canadian parishes on March 18, 2018. We will appeal to your generosity in support of our sisters and brothers in the Global South who fight every day for peace, human dignity, and social justice. Please see attached poster.

4. **CHRISM MASS 2018:** The Mass of Chrism will be celebrated at 7:00 PM on Tuesday, March 20, 2018 at Sacred Heart Cathedral.

In this diocesan celebration, the Holy Oils and Chrism used in the Sacraments are blessed and consecrated. The priests will renew their commitment to serve the Church.

A reception will follow. Those attending are requested to bring a plate of snacks to share. Please put on the table in the lower hall before Mass. Thank you.

TO HELP IN THE PLANNING FOR MASS WE NEED TO PREPARE THE FOLLOWING:

Chrism Mass oil sets

All parishes and missions are asked to look over the list concerning the sets of oils for their parish for this year sent out last week. Please email Jasmin at jsadiwa@pgdiocese.bc.ca or call 250-964-5644 by **Tuesday, March 13, 2018**, to confirm, or indicate required changes.

Music Practices for the Chrism Mass

All who are interested in joining the “Grand Choir” for the Chrism Mass are invited to attend practices at Sacred Heart Cathedral: Friday, March 9 and Friday March 16. Practices will at 5:30 PM.

5. **MARRIAGE PREPARATION:** The Diocese of Prince George will be hosting a Marriage Preparation weekend for couples to be held **May 4—6, 2018**. It will begin on Friday evening and conclude on Sunday early afternoon.

Final details and registration will be available next week.

For more information: call (250) 964-4424 (ext. 2203), or email jgarden@pgdiocese.bc.ca

6. **ANNUAL VOCATION DISCERNMENT RETREAT FOR YOUNG PEOPLE**—will be held on May 18-20, 2018 at Camp Morice, Fort St. James. More details to follow. Mark your calendars.

7. **ST. MARY’S PARISH GOSPEL REFLECTIONS FOR LENT—NOON-HOUR SERIES:**

DATES: Mondays, March 12, and 26, 2018

TIME: 12 noon to 1:30 PM

PLACE: St. Mary’s Parish 1088 Gillett Street in the St. Eugene Room

As we journey with Jesus from the desert to the empty tomb, Sisters Irene Baker and Dorothy Ryan will facilitate reflection, discussion, and prayer on the Lenten gospels.

Light refreshments will be served. See Poster

PLEASE REGISTER at St. Mary's Parish office by emailing stmarys.pariah@shawcable.com or call 250-564-4097.

8. **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES:**

- a) Please print and post the RECRUITMENT POSTER attached for CIS in your parishes and schools and advertise in your bulletins. Thank you
- PLEASE CHECK <http://cispg.ca/cispg/careers/> FOR POSITIONS STILL AVAILABLE WITH CISPG.

Evangelization and Formation

DOMANO RENEWAL CENTRE UPDATE

1. **MEN'S MORNING OF RECOLLECTION ON MARCH 24, 2018:** *"I Have Plans for Your Healing..."*: the Restoration of the Human Person, with Rev. Basil Burns. We live in a world of fragile dreams and broken promises. Let's come together and discuss God's plan to be fully restored as sons of Christ. There will be two sessions, time to share, coffee break and lunch. Holy Mass (optional) will be offered at 7:30 a.m. in the Domano Chapel.

Date: March 24, 2018

Time: 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. (Registration and light refreshments at 8:30 a.m.)

Location: Domano Renewal Centre (Emmaus House)

Registration: Please register online at <http://www.pgdiocese.bc.ca/retreats-and-programs/> or call Teresa at 250-964-4424, to register.

Registration deadline is March 21 12:00 NOON

Cost: \$30 for session

Child care is \$5 per child if required— please pack snacks, amusements, and lunch for the children.

2. **NEW LIFE IN THE SPIRIT: Acts of the Apostles Scripture Study** with Rev. Basil Burns
The next sessions of will be:

- Wednesday, March 14 at 10:30 AM at Christ Our Saviour Parish
- Thursday, March 15 at 6:30 PM at Domano Renewal Centre (Emmaus House)

You are invited to attend the session that best suits your schedule. Light refreshments are provided. A suggested donation of \$5 per session is requested to help cover costs. For those of you who feel called to greater community and a deeper faith life, please come! Newcomers are welcome to attend.

Previous sessions of New Life in the Spirit are all available online at <http://www.pgdiocese.bc.ca/evanandform/>

Message from Eunice Joyce, Youth and Young Adults Ministry Coordinator

Dear friends,

Serving the youth and young adults of our diocese and seeing young people transformed by the love of Jesus Christ these past 4.5 years has been a great privilege! As of March 5, I will be transitioning to a maternity leave until September 2019. Lisa Vaughan-Farrell will coordinate the ministry, including the Diocesan Youth Conference. You can contact her at lvfarrell@pgdiocese.bc.ca or at youth@pgdiocese.bc.ca.

In the Spring, the diocese will advertise for my maternity leave replacement.

Many blessings,
Eunice Joyce

YOUNG ADULTS

1. **MONTHLY ST. VINCENT DE PAUL BREAKFAST:** You are invited to come help serve breakfast. Join us monthly! This month, we will be serving Saturday, March 17, 2018 from 8:00 – 11 AM. Email youth@pgdiocese.bc.ca to sign up and for more info.

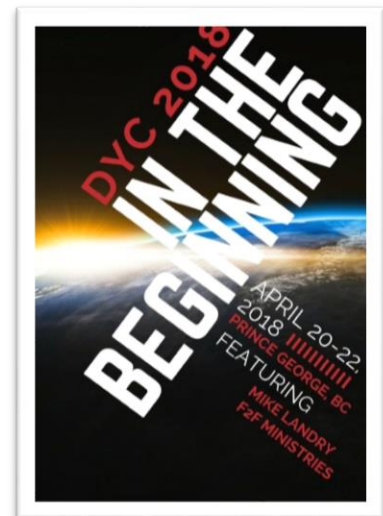
YOUTH

1. **DYC 2018: IN THE BEGINNING IS COMING APRIL 20-22**
REGISTRATION IS NOW LIVE!! We are excited that Face to Face Ministries will be back once again to our Diocese! Mike Landry is our keynote speaker.

Head to <http://www.pgdiocese.bc.ca/youth/registration-2018-dyc/> for more info and to REGISTER TODAY!

Parishes, please print attached poster for your bulletins and bulletin boards.

This event is open to all in grades 7-12.



2. **YOUTH ALPHA FOR TEENS IN 2018:** There are 4 parishes in our Diocese currently offering YOUTH ALPHA. If you are interested in joining an existing group or beginning your own, please email youth@pgdiocese.bc.ca for more details.