Wednesday Weekly

April 23, 2014

1. Diocesan Centre Updates

Please note the following:

- Lynn Monteith, Accountant will be working limited hours for the next few weeks. If you need to reach her during this time, please email her at <u>lynn-monteith@pgdiocese.bc.ca</u> and she will respond as soon as she is able. Thank you!
- The Diocesan Annual Retreat and Administration Workshop for parish and school secretaries/bookkeepers will take place on May 1st and May 2nd at the Domano Renewal Centre. In order to facilitate bulletin preparations in our parishes, the Wednesday Weekly will go out on TUESDAY next week. Please ensure any announcements are submitted to Lisa Weber (lisa@pgdiocese.bc.ca) before Tuesday, April 29th at noon.

2. Pews

College Heights Baptist Church in Prince George is in the process of removing their oak pews with seating for approximately 250 and replacing them with chairs. They are willing to donate the pews to another church (shipping not included). If any parish would like to know more, please contact Chris Bowler at (250) 649-6474.

3. 40 Days for Life Closing Celebration – May 3rd

Please place the following notice in bulletins in Prince George:

There will be a short program on **May 3rd** beginning at 1pm in the Sacred Heart School Gym. Please accept our Thank You to everyone for your Prayers, Fasting and Commitment to this campaign. TWO babies lives were saved in Prince George (that we know of) during this 40 Days & many hearts touched. Our campaign was part of an international campaign with over 20 countries & 253 cities participating - globally over 631 babies lives were saved! Come celebrate this amazing achievement with us! Everyone Welcome! Contact: Tony Donovan at tdonovan@gmail.com or (778) 349-4412 for more information.

4. Employment Opportunities – CIS

Attached is a list of employment postings for CIS (Note to Wednesday readers– all the postings will be on the website by Thursday, April 24). Please post and put the following notice in parish bulletins:

Our Catholic Schools continue to thrive and grow. Catholic Independent Schools of Prince George has a number of teaching positions available for the 2014-15 school year. Postings can be found on their website at <u>www.cispg.ca/employment-opportunities</u>. Closing date for all positions listed is May 7, 2014 at noon.

5. Monthly Day of Adoration

Please put the following notice in Central Region parish bulletins:

Emmanuel Hermitage invites you to a Personal Date with Jesus on May 13th in the Domano Chapel (at the Domano Renewal Centre, 6500 Southridge Ave.). Mass will be celebrated at 7:30 a.m. and the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. for a day of silent prayer and adoration. We will pray especially for the people and needs of our Diocese, the universal Church, and the world. In particular we will pray for the protection of all human life, for vocations, and for the intentions of those participating in the day. Please mark your calendar on the second Tuesday of each month for Personal Dates with Jesus days.

6. Special Presentation by Bishop Emeritus Gerald Wiesner, OMI

Please put the following notice in parish bulletins:

The Domano Renewal Centre is pleased to welcome Bishop Gerry back to Prince George. Everyone is invited to attend a special open presentation by him. The evening's topic is entitled "The New Evangelization for the Transmission of the Faith is Addressed to All" taken from the exhortation of Pope Francis entitled "The Joy of the Gospel." This event will be held at the Diocesan Library on Thursday, June 12, 2014 at 7:00 pm. Fee by donation. Please contact the Domano Renewal Centre (250) 964-4475 to register.

7. May at a Glance

Please see the attached May's At a Glance newsletter with details of upcoming programs at the Domano Renewal Centre. This month we offer a variety of workshops and retreats; why not try one? If you have any questions regarding our programs or to register, please contact us at <u>drc@pgdiocese.bc.ca</u> or by calling 250-964-4475.

8. May 8th – National March for Life

Please make available to parishioners the attached message from the Catholic Organization for Life and Family (COLF) for the annual National March for Life, to be held in Ottawa on May 8, 2014. The message invites us to reflect on the fact that for decades, abortion "rights" proponents have fed Canadians the lie that access to abortion is good for women. The message is also found on the COLF website at <u>http://www.colf.ca</u> and the diocese website.

9. Human life: a precious gift from God

Please make the attached COLF statement available to your parishioners: Do we want a country where physical, psychological, social and spiritual pain and suffering are relieved through a system of national palliative care or where some citizens are licensed to kill the most vulnerable, the sick, the suffering, the "burdensome"? The Catholic Organization for Life and Family (COLF) encourages parishioners throughout Canada to make their voices heard. Do we support Conservative MP Steven Fletcher's two private member's bills which would modify the Criminal Code of Canada to exempt "physician-assisted death" from prosecution or do we speak out in support of NDP MP Charles Angus' Motion 456, which proposes the development of a "Pan-Canadian Palliative and End-of-life Care Strategy"?

10. Camp Morice 2014

Please post the attached summer employment opportunity and put the following notice in parish bulletins:

Come experience the most beautiful and amazing place in northern BC! Camp Morice offers a variety of camps for both family and young people alike. You will find friendship and enjoy lots of games and other outdoor activities such as swimming and campfire. There is an adventure waiting for everyone! Come for an amazing week of faith filled fun that will last a lifetime. Are you ready for your great adventure?

- July 6th -9th: Leadership Training (for those 15 and up)
- July 13th -18th: Teen Camp (completed gr. 7 to completed gr. 12)
- July 20st -25th: Tween Camp #1 (completed gr.4 to completed gr.6)
- July 27th August 1st: Cana Camp #1 (For all families)
- August 3rd -8th: Cana Camp #2 (For all families)
- August 10th -August 15th: Kids Camp (completed gr.1 to completed gr.3)
- August 17th -22nd: Tween Camp #2 (completed gr.4 to completed gr.6)
- August 22nd -24th: Young Adults' Retreat (for those 19 and up)
- August 24th -29th: Teen Camp (completed gr. 7 to completed gr. 12)

For more information and to register, please visit www.campmorice.com