

Wednesday Weekly

October 8, 2014

1. Diocesan Assembly

Thank you to all who attended the events offered during the Diocesan Assembly. Feedback was very positive and responses will be reviewed for ways to improve the next event. If anyone missed filling out the evaluation form or has further suggestions, please contact John Connelly at jconnelly@pgdiocese.bc.ca or Fr. Jack Michalchuk at frjackm@pgdiocese.bc.ca. Alive in Christ materials can be ordered from Teresa Phillippe at 250-964-4424 extension 242 or teresa@pgdiocese.bc.ca. Travel expenses for parish and schools will be cost shared. The travel expense summary form is attached. Please submit all receipts to Teresa by Friday, October 17th.

2. Our Lady of the Snows – Sr. Divinia Pedro, CSJ

Bishop Jensen is pleased to announce Sr. Divinia Pedro, CSJ has returned to the Fort St. James area. She joins Fr. Frank Salmon, OMI, Sr. Maurine Barzantni, OP and Sr. Renee Richie, OP in providing local ministry. Sr. Divinia can be reached through Our Lady of the Snows Parish office or by email at divinia_amor@hotmail.com. Welcome back, Sr. Divinia!

3. Office of Evangelization & Catechesis – Norman Hebert

We would like to introduce Norman Hebert as Project Manager for the Office of Evangelization and Catechesis. His role will be to support the Office in their continued growth and expansion of ministries, conferences, and outreaches being planned in the Diocese. Norman has previous managerial experience in the corporate world as well as being the director of a large Catholic boys camp in Alberta. Many have seen him at work during the Diocesan Assembly. Welcome to the Diocesan team, Norman!

4. Development & Peace - Humanitarian Aid, Reconstruction and Development Program in Haiti

On January 12, 2010, Haiti was struck by a devastating earthquake causing over 200,000 deaths and leaving 2.3 million displaced and homeless. In response, Development and Peace, with the full support of the Canadian bishops, launched an appeal for donations for relief efforts amongst its members, the faithful and the general public. Through this appeal, \$21.5 million was donated and an additional \$7.5 million was received in funding from the Canadian International Development Agency. A written report on Development & Peace's work in Haiti since the earthquake is now available on its website:

http://www.devp.org/sites/www.devp.org/files/IMCE/files/urgences/devpeace_haiti_4years_report.pdf

In addition, a video on its activities in the country can be viewed at:

<http://www.devp.org/en/emergencies/haiti>

5. Symposium: The Global Cry of the People: Mining Extraction and Justice

Please put the following notice in parish bulletins:

OMI Lacombe Canada's Office of Justice, Peace and the Integrity of Creation in partnership with Saint Paul University is pleased to invite parishioners to a Symposium on "The Global Cry of the People: Mining Extraction and Justice" being held November 7-8, 2014 at Saint Paul University, Ottawa, ON. The Symposium will try to create a space for Church, civil society and politicians to share information and learn first-hand about mining justice issues. It has no registration fee. For further information and register, please see the following link:
http://www.omilacombe.ca/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1414&Itemid=189&lang=en

6. Annual Diocesan Appeal Update



2014-2015 Annual Diocesan Appeal

Building Together in faith

As of: **October 8, 2014**

DIOCESAN GOAL - \$400,000

Parish	House-holds	Appeal Goal	Total Pledged	Total % of Goal	# of Pledges	Pledges Received
Annunciation, Prince Rupert	268	26,034	2,810	8.3%	12	2,030
Christ Our Saviour, Prince George	177	20,033	2,527	2.4%	13	2,470
Christ the King, Kitimat	558	44,475	14,250	5.6%	57	3,568
Resurrection, Fort St. John	381	38,531	9,555	15.6%	54	3,870
Holy Cross, Tumbler Ridge	24	3,778	425	11.2%	3	75
Immaculata, Burns Lake	78	14,751	2,050	0.9%	6	1,050
Immaculate Conception, Prince George	200	30,654	13,825	32.8%	48	10,925
Notre Dame, Dawson Creek	241	27,612	9,339	26.6%	43	6,623
Our Lady of Peace, Chetwynd	51	12,027	2,230	0.0%	9	100
Our Lady of Snows, Fort St. James	88	7,600	420	5.5%	3	345
Sacred Heart, Prince George	605	47,323	12,670	6.5%	54	9,790
Sacred Heart, Terrace	472	52,537	4,033	4.9%	27	3,579
St. Andrew's, Fraser Lake	72	13,128	6,120	65.4%	23	2,970
St. Anthony's, Houston	45	5,191	1,815	25.4%	7	1,795
St. Joseph's, Vanderhoof	82	11,374	6,095	19.7%	13	5,855
St. Joseph's, Smithers	150	21,666	13,330	14.3%	57	4,090
St. Mary's, Prince George	577	44,315	10,540	17.1%	41	8,800
St. Mary's, New Hazelton	31	5,088	1,730	34.0%	8	1,095
St. Patrick's, McBride	60	3,511	2,850	45.6%	11	2,850
St. Peter's, Mackenzie	44	10,372	1,630	10.7%	11	1,520
Unaffiliated Donors			1,176		1	1,000
Totals	4,204	400,000	119,420	29.9%	501	74,400