

Decree

Establishing of Deaneries

After hearing the views of the Priests' Council and the recommendations of the College of Consultors that the boundaries of the parish groupings in the mid-Western and Western Regions of the Diocese of Prince George be realigned to facilitate the coordination of pastoral activities, by this decree St. Mary's Parish, New Hazelton and St. Joseph's Parish, Smithers are moved to the mid-Western parish and missions grouping.

By virtue of canon 374 §2, I further decree on this same date that the hitherto Four Pastoral Regions of parish groupings in the Diocese of Prince George become the four canonical Deaneries of the Diocese of Prince George.

The following are the Four Deaneries:

Central Deanery: Sacred Heart Cathedral, Prince George; St. Mary's Parish, Prince George; Immaculate Conception Parish; Prince George; Christ Our Saviour Parish, Prince George; St. Peter's Parish, Mackenzie; St. Patrick's Parish, McBride;

Northern Deanery: Church of the Resurrection Parish, Fort St. John; Notre Dame Parish, Dawson Creek; Our Lady of Peace Parish, Chetwynd;

Mid-Western Deanery: St. Joseph's Parish, Vanderhoof; Our Lady of the Snows, Fort St. James; Andrew's Parish, Fraser Lake; Immaculata Parish, Burns Lake; St. Joseph's Parish, Smithers; St. Mary's Parish, New Hazelton, St. Theresa's Missions (Fort Babine, Fort Ware, Tsay Keh Dene, Takla Landing);

Western Deanery: Sacred Heart Parish, Terrace; Christ the King Parish, Kitimat; Annunciation Parish, Prince Rupert.

Given at Prince George, British Columbia on the thirtieth day of September, 2014.

Most Reverend Stephen Jensen Bishop of Prince George Reverend Louis Kwena

Chancellor