

Wednesday Weekly

December 10, 2014

1. Prince George Pro Life Society- Empty Manger

Please put the following notice in parish bulletins in the Central Region:

On Sunday, December 14th and December 21st from 4:00-5:00 pm, the Prince George Pro Life Society will be hosting an “Empty Manger” caroling event. As we begin the third Sunday of Advent awaiting the coming of our Lord’s birth, it is a good time to reflect on the connection between our Blessed Mother and her perfect love for her Son and our own imperfections as mothers and fathers. We can easily show people the beauty of life and hope through song. Singing Christmas carols outside the hospital with an “empty manger” to represent the coming of our Lord and all those babies yet to be born is a beautiful connection to choosing life. For further information about this event, contact Tony Donovan at 778-349-4412 or tdonovan@gmail.com or see the website: <http://prolifeaction.org/hotline/2014/caroling2014/comment-page-1/#comment-1315116>

2. New CCCB publication, The Missionary Dynamic of the Parish Today

Please find attached the PDF version of a new resource by the CCCB Episcopal Commission for Doctrine, titled **The Missionary Dynamic of the Parish Today**. While intended primarily for pastors and all those who work in parishes, the Commission also hopes it may serve as an additional resource in the ongoing renewal of parishes across the country. The text notes our current Canadian context, including the various challenges faced by parishes across the country, and proposes that the response to which all our parishes are called is a new effort in evangelization, characterized by renewed missionary, catechetical, and pastoral activity. Please note the PDF format is to be used for consultation only. Any additional printed copies are to be ordered from CCCB Publications.

3. The Vocation And Mission Of The Family In The Church And Contemporary World

In preparation for the General Synod of Bishops on the Family, scheduled for October 4th to 25th, 2015, the General Secretariat of the Office for the Synod released the publication of its preparatory document, known by its Latin name, the ‘Lineamenta’. It is available on the Vatican website at: http://www.vatican.va/roman_curia/synod/documents/rc_synod_doc_20141209_lineamenta-xiv-assembly_en.html#.

4. Annual Diocesan Appeal Update (see next page)



2014-2015 Annual Diocesan Appeal

Building Together in Faith

As of December 10th, 2014

DIOCESAN GOAL - \$400,000

Parish	Households	Appeal Goal	Total Pledged	Total % of Goal	# of Pledges	Pledges Received
Annunciation, Prince Rupert	268	26,034	12,826	49.3%	48	9,036
Christ Our Saviour, Prince George	177	20,033	20,701	103.3%	59	16,168
Christ the King, Kitimat	558	44,475	30,390	68.3%	123	24,670
Resurrection, Fort St. John	381	38,531	21,355	55.4%	81	16,760
Holy Cross, Tumbler Ridge	24	3,778	1,375	36.4%	7	925
Immaculata, Burns Lake	78	14,751	8,587	58.2%	20	7,648
Immaculate Conception, Prince George	200	30,654	27,741	90.5%	93	23,085
Notre Dame, Dawson Creek	241	27,612	26,256	95.1%	121	22,131
Our Lady of Peace, Chetwynd	51	12,027	3,205	26.6%	10	3,205
Our Lady of Snows, Fort St. James	88	7,600	1,340	17.6%	8	1,015
Sacred Heart, Prince George	605	47,323	26,579	56.2%	123	21,895
Sacred Heart, Terrace	472	52,537	52,498	99.9%	181	43,749
St. Andrew's, Fraser Lake	72	13,128	13,368	101.8%	46	10,698
St. Anthony's, Houston	45	5,191	3,545	68.3%	19	3,525
St. Joseph's, Vanderhoof	82	11,374	12,845	112.9%	26	11,975
St. Joseph's, Smithers	150	21,666	19,135	88.3%	80	19,115
St. Mary's, Prince George	577	44,315	28,190	63.6%	113	25,193
St. Mary's, New Hazelton	31	5,088	3,580	70.4%	13	2,685
St. Patrick's, McBride	60	3,511	4,655	132.6%	19	4,635
St. Peter's, Mackenzie	44	10,372	6,200	59.8%	23	5,810
Unaffiliated Donors			1,926		5	1,926
Totals	4,204	400,000	326,297	81.6%	1,218	275,849