

Wednesday Weekly

January 14, 2015

1. Building a Joy-filled Marriage – Marriage Preparation Weekend

Please post the attached poster and place the following information in parish bulletins:

Engaged couples are invited to participate in a marriage preparation weekend to be held Saturday, March 21 and Sunday, March 22, 2015, 9:00 am to 5 pm daily at the Diocesan Pastoral Centre, Prince George. *The weekend will be an interactive experience which explores the role of faith, communication, and intimacy, equipping couples with the tools needed to build a joy-filled marriage. The program will meet the requirements of marriage preparation in our diocese.* Cost is \$135 per couple which includes the seminar workbook and materials, two lunches, and refreshments. To register and for further information: email Norman Hebert at nhebert@pgdiocese.bc.ca or phone Norman Hebert or Teresa Phillippe at 250-964-4424 in the Office of Evangelization & Catechesis. A program information package will be sent to couples following registration.

2. CCCB Ritual Lectionary

Please find attached a brochure which the English Sector Commission for Liturgy and the Sacraments has asked to be shared with parishes. It provides information on the content and necessity of the Lectionary: Ritual Masses, Masses for Various Needs and Occasions, Votive Masses, Masses for the Dead, as well as on its importance for every church and chapel. Specifically, parishes are reminded of the following canonical, liturgical and copyright norms:

- As indicated in the Decree published in the *Lectionary: Ritual Masses, Masses for Various Needs and Occasions, Votive Masses, Masses for the Dead*, this is the only Lectionary now authorized for use in Canada for these celebrations.
- Readings at Mass are not to be from photocopies or missalettes, but from the *Book of Gospels* and the Lectionary, “which are intended for the proclamation of the Word of God and hence receive special veneration, are to be in a liturgical action truly signs and symbols of higher realities and hence should be truly worthy, dignified, and beautiful” (General Instruction of the Roman Missal, n. 349).
- It is a breach of copyright law and of the CCCB copyright agreement to make unauthorized copies of any part of the Lectionary or the booklet *Sacred Scripture Readings for a Funeral Liturgy*, unless the necessary permissions have been arranged with CCCB Publications. Requests for such permissions are to be emailed to the Copyright Office at permissions@ccb.ca.

If parishes wish to order additional copies of the ritual Lectionary or the Sacred Scripture Readings, please contact the Teresa Phillippe, Office of Evangelization and Catechesis at (250)964-4424 extension 242 or teresa@pgdiocese.bc.ca.

3. Developing a Safe Parish & Community Policy Deadline

This is a reminder to all parishes that the deadline to submit the annual Screening Requirements Report (Form 5) to the Chancery is January 15, 2015. All current employees and volunteers of the parish must be listed on this report; a signed Pledge or a Criminal Record Check and a signed Pledge must be either

on file in the Chancery for each person listed or attached to the form. Form 5 is found on the Developing a Safe Parish & Community Policy page of the Diocesan Website www.pgdiocese.bc.ca. Please refer to pages 6, 7 and 8 of the Policy to determine the level of risk for each ministry. If you have any questions please contact Mary-Anne Lewis Jamin at 250-964-4424 ext. 234. Thank you to those who have already submitted their reports.

4. WCCRE Conference 2015 – Save the Date!

Schools and parishes are asked to post the attached poster and share the information with catechists and religious educators. The Western Conference of Catholic Religious Educators seeks to ensure the opportunity of ongoing catechesis for all. This forum is designed to facilitate personal growth in faith and knowledge through the exchange of ideas and resources. The Conference will be held November 5-7, 2015 in Winnipeg, Manitoba. For further information and to register, visit the WCCRE website at: <http://www.wccre.org>.

5. Appeal Update

Follows on next page.



2014-2015 Annual Diocesan Appeal

Building Together in Faith

As of: January 13th, 2014

DIOCESAN GOAL - \$400,000

Parish	Households	Appeal Goal	Total Pledged	Total % of Goal	Possible Rebate to the Parish	# of Pledges	Pledges Received
Annunciation, Prince Rupert	268	26,034	15,756	60.5%		54	13,316
Christ Our Saviour, Prince George	177	20,033	20,438	102.0%		60	17,075
Christ the King, Kitimat	558	44,475	32,260	72.5%		129	27,690
Resurrection, Fort St. John	381	38,531	24,710	64.1%		93	18,020
Holy Cross, Tumbler Ridge	24	3,778	1,375	36.4%		7	1,075
Immaculata, Burns Lake	78	14,751	8,887	60.2%		21	7,998
Immaculate Conception, Prince George	200	30,654	30,291	98.8%		97	25,595
Notre Dame, Dawson Creek	241	27,612	27,356	99.1%		123	23,709
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	1,640	21.6%		10	1,340
Sacred Heart, Prince George	605	47,323	29,429	62.2%		129	27,125
Sacred Heart, Terrace	472	52,537	55,232	105.1%		186	47,782
St. Andrew's, Fraser Lake	72	13,128	13,868	105.6%		47	11,368
St. Anthony's, Houston	45	5,191	3,645	70.2%		20	3,625
St. Joseph's, Vanderhoof	82	11,374	15,905	139.8%		29	15,175
St. Joseph's, Smithers	150	21,666	19,235	88.8%		81	19,415
St. Mary's, Prince George	577	44,315	35,090	79.2%		121	32,760
St. Mary's, New Hazelton	31	5,088	3,680	72.3%		14	2,760
St. Patrick's, McBride	60	3,511	4,655	132.6%		19	4,535
St. Peter's, Mackenzie	44	10,372	6,225	60.0%		24	6,145
Unaffiliated Donors			2,026			6	2,026
Totals	4,204	400,000	354,908	88.7%		1,280	311,739

Parish Rebates

4,825

Diocesan Appeal Total to Date

306,914