

Wednesday Weekly

June 24, 2015

1. We received word that Fr. Venerando Sabacan's father suffered a stroke last week in the Philippines. Fr. Vener is visiting his family this month and asks for our prayers for his father and his family.

2. Fr. Richard Farewell

A reminder that the RSVP deadline for Father Richard Beaudette, OMI's farewell is Friday, June 26, 2015. Phone: (250)964-4424 or email: lisa@pgdiocese.bc.ca if you plan on attending. Thank you.

3. Pastoral Centre

Please note the following changes to office hours at the Diocese of Prince George Pastoral Centre:

Canada Day: The Pastoral Centre will be closed on Wednesday, July 1st for the Canada Day Holiday.

Summer closure: Access to the Pastoral Centre will be limited during their summer closure. Friday, July 10th is the last working day before the closure; the office will reopen at 8:30 a.m. on Monday, August 10th. The Finance Office will remain open with adjusted hours during this time.

4. Wednesday Weekly

Due to the Canada Day Statutory Holiday, the Wednesday Weekly will be sent on Tuesday, June 30th next week. Please ensure any submissions for this week are submitted to the Diocese by the end of the day, Monday, June 29th. Thank you.

5. Development and Peace

Please post the attached Development and Peace "At A Glance" and place the following information in parish bulletins (now and again in the fall):

Pope Francis' new environmental encyclical "Laudato Si" was released on June 18th. Celebrating the beauty of the natural world, it calls to all who inhabit the world to preserve its beauty and gifts so that it will live on for all peoples for generations to come. In response to this call, Development and Peace will launch a "*Create a Climate of Change*" campaign this fall. With guidance from the Papal letter, they will be asking Canadians to make lifestyle changes that are environmentally responsible and calling for greater political action. The Prince George Diocesan Development and Peace will hold fall meetings from Friday October 2nd to Saturday, October 3rd to start building a local campaign. Please mark this date on your calendars and watch for further details - it is hoped that all parishes in the Diocese will be represented.

6. Youth News

IGNITE 2015 information packages have been distributed to parishes. Parishes are encouraged to share this information with parents, families and youth and to consider sponsoring youth to attend. Please place the following notices in bulletins until August:

Youth

IGNITE 2015 BC is happening! This year, IGNITE is being offered in BC for the first time at Camp Morice. IGNITE is a week-long camp geared towards inspiring high school youth to become saints. Come for an amazing week filled with new friends, the sacraments, dynamic talks, music, fun, and more! To register, sign up at www.f2f.ca or email youth@pgdiocese.bc.ca for more info.

Young Adults

- IGNITE BC is searching for young adult leaders. To apply head on over to www.f2f.ca.
- WORLD YOUTH DAY 2016 is taking place in Krakow, Poland in July 2016. The Diocese of Prince George will be taking a diocesan-wide group and joining with the Archdiocese of Vancouver to attend this amazing event. Information sessions will take place in September, but if you are interested in learning more or in registering, email youth@pgdiocese.bc.ca today!

7. Monthly Day of Adoration - July

Please put the following notice in Central Region parish bulletins:

Emmanuel Hermitage invites you to a Personal Date with Jesus on July 14th in the Domano Chapel, 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 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.

8. Appeal Update (see next page)

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2014-2015 Annual Diocesan Appeal

Building Together in Faith

As of: June 22, 2015

DIOCESAN GOAL - \$400,000

Parish	Households	Appeal Goal	Total Pledged	Total % of Goal	# of Pledges	Pledges Received
Annunciation, Prince Rupert	268	26,034	16,316	62.7%	60	15,796
Christ Our Saviour, Prince George	177	20,033	21,205	105.9%	64	19,112
Christ the King, Kitimat	558	44,475	34,260	77.0%	134	32,570
Resurrection, Fort St. John	381	38,531	26,410	68.5%	92	25,035
Holy Cross, Tumbler Ridge	24	3,778	1,375	36.4%	7	1,375
Immaculata, Burns Lake	78	14,751	9,937	67.4%	25	10,048
Immaculate Conception, Prince George	200	30,654	30,901	100.8%	99	29,140
Notre Dame, Dawson Creek	241	27,612	27,856	100.9%	125	26,327
Our Lady of Peace, Chetwynd	51	12,027	3,905	32.5%	12	3,905
Our Lady of Snows, Fort St. James	88	7,600	1,980	26.1%	12	1,830
Sacred Heart, Prince George	605	47,323	30,429	64.3%	132	29,955
Sacred Heart, Terrace	472	52,537	56,072	106.7%	186	53,497
St. Andrew's, Fraser Lake	72	13,128	14,368	109.4%	49	12,838
St. Anthony's, Houston	45	5,191	3,645	70.2%	20	3,625
St. Joseph's, Vanderhoof	82	11,374	15,975	104.5%	30	15,705
St. Joseph's, Smithers	150	21,666	19,785	91.3%	82	20,065
St. Mary's, Prince George	577	44,315	39,098	88.2%	137	38,920
St. Mary's, New Hazelton	31	5,088	3,680	72.3%	14	3,400
St. Patrick's, McBride	60	3,511	4,655	132.6%	19	4,655
St. Peter's, Mackenzie	44	10,372	6,375	61.5%	24	6,355
Unaffiliated Donors			2,286		6	2,286
Totals	4,204	440,000	370,513	92.6%	1,329	356,439

Parish Rebates	<u>6,435</u>
Diocesan Appeal Total to Date	<u><u>350,004</u></u>