Wednesday Weekly July 13, 2016

WHEN APPLICABLE—PLEASE ENSURE THAT THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE IN YOUR BULLETIN AND/OR ARE ALSO ANNOUNCED.

*FOR THE CITY

** FOR ALL PARISHES IN THE DIOCESE This will ensure that the same information is being heard across the diocese.

THANK YOU

ATTACHMENTS:

• Brochure for CHABC Conference and Annual Meeting

Please note this will be the last Wednesday Weekly until August 17, 2016

1. **THANK YOU:** My last day of work is Friday, July 29, 2016. I am grateful for the nearly 25 years I have been able to serve as an employee of the Diocese of Prince George. God is good and I have been blessed in so many ways. Thank you for your generous collaboration over the years and for the good wishes so many have expressed upon hearing of my retirement. What next? Frank will retire at the end of August and we will celebrate the beginning of this new chapter of our lives with a month-long trip to Britain and the Netherlands.

Gratefully in our Lord, Mary-Anne Lewis Jamin Chancellor

- 2. **FINANCE DEPARTMENT HOURS DURING OFFICE CLOSURE**: the Finance Department will be open Monday thru Friday 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM. If you are coming to the Pastoral Centre, please ring the doorbell.
- 3. CHABC CONFERENCE AND ANNUAL MEETING --Thursday, September 15, 2016, Executive Plaza Hotel, Coquitlam: Due to the looming postal strike which may delay the ability to send out the brochures for the CHABC conference to each of the parishes. Attached is the brochure for parish distribution. Once the postal situation is resolved, copies will be mailed to parishes. For those who may wish to attend providing the brochure will provide enough notice to mark their calendars.

4. SAVE THE DATE: Blessing and Dedication of Vianney House

This year, on the Memorial of Saint John Vianney, August 4, 2016, Vianney House will be blessed and dedicated by Bishop Stephen Jensen.

Fr. Rectorino Tolentino, Jr. invites you to save the date for an early evening celebration beginning at 5:00 PM with Vespers. Invitation with times and details will follow.

Vianney House is located at 6700 Southridge Avenue, Prince George. It will be a place of discernment for men considering the vocation to priesthood and/or religious life. It is also the residence of the Vicar General of the Diocese, and a place of hospitality for priests.

5. CELEBRATION OF THE FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION: You are invited to celebrate with us on Saturday, August 13, 2016 the Feast of the Assumption, in the Rosary procession at 7:00 PM at Camp Morice. Fr. Frank Salmon, OMI, Pastor of Our Lady of the Snows will celebrate Holy Mass at Priests' Point after the procession. Light refreshments will be served. All are welcome.

Office of Evangelization and Catechesis

OEC

1. DIOCESAN ASSEMBLY – Embraced by Our Father's Mercy

Who:	Adults 18+
When:	September 21-23, 2016
Where:	Diocesan Pastoral Centre 6500 Southridge Ave, Prince George
Fee:	\$60

Office of Evangelization and Our keynote speakers, Jake and Heather Khym, are the founders of Life-Restoration, a Catholic counselling and ministry centre in Vancouver

Participants can look forward to:

- A time of spiritual growth, learning and networking.
- An opportunity for fellowship and discussion; keynote addresses, practical workshops and a shared meal.
- An essential place of connection for all principals, clergy, teachers, and others working in schools, parishes, and ministry in the diocese.

Please register online at www.pgdiocese.bc.ca/oec/da

Posters for the event have been mailed to every parish and school.

For more information, please contact Angelo at (250) 964-4424 (ext. 230) or <u>asabbadin@pgdicoese.bc.ca</u>

2. **DIOCESAN FORMATION PROGRAM: Hearts Transformed (HT)



- Do you have a desire to go deeper in your personal life of faith?
- Do you long for transformation in your life, family, parish, school and world?

• Do you wish to become the 'Missionary Disciple' that Pope Francis is talking about?

HEARTS TRANSFORMED is a new nine month personal and parish formation program beginning this October 2016 in the diocese of Prince George.

This program focuses on developing a Christ-like heart by: *LIVING the Eucharist as a way of life. INTEGRATING the treasures of our faith. DEEPENING our life of prayer and discernment. ACTIVATING our gifts as Missionary Disciples*

HT is an interactive opportunity for personal renewal and spiritual growth, which fosters stronger faith communities in union with local pastors and parishes. It is rooted in Scripture, the teaching of the Church and the wisdom of the Saints. **HT** uses a methodology currently bearing fruit in many faith communities throughout the world.

Practically, HT consists of:

- An opening Saturday retreat (either in PG, Terrace, or Dawson Creek)
- 12 learning modules (that are viewed and reflected on in your own parish community/group, daily personal study and prayer guides to internalize the material more deeply)
- A closing Saturday retreat in Prince George for graduation.

For detailed information please check our diocesan website <u>www.pgdiocese.bc.ca/oec</u>, click the icon **HEARTS TRANSFORMED**.

Please, prayerfully consider joining us as we all seek hearts transformed!

Youth & Young Adults

- 1. WORLD YOUTH DAY IN KRAKOW: From July 19 August 3, 20 young people from our diocese will travel to World Youth Day in Krakow, Poland. Please keep our pilgrim group in your prayers as they journey with millions of other young people and meet with Pope Francis. There will be a pilgrim send-off Mass on Sunday, July 17 at 9:30 AM at Christ Our Saviour in the Hart. You are invited to come and meet our pilgrims and join them in prayer.
- 2. IGNITE BC: All are invited to the IGNITE BC Camp right here in our diocese! What is IGNITE BC you ask? Ignite is a week-long summer camp for teens (grade 9 through to graduating grade 12) serious about growing in holiness. It is an incredible week with excellent talks, amazing people, daily Mass, epic large group activities, Reconciliation, Adoration, praise and worship, and much more! You will grow in knowledge of Christ and the Church, and be empowered to go forward striving to be a modern saint. Register today at <u>www.f2f.ca/ignite</u> DYC16 participants get \$25 off registration for this year's camp. After August 9, price goes up to \$390