

Wednesday Weekly

October 19, 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:

- NONE

- 1. REACHING OUT IN MERCY-DIOCESAN APPEAL 2016-17 – THE UPDATED REPORT FOR THE APPEAL WILL BE SENT TOMORROW, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2016.**

Just a reminder to those who are sending in the remittance forms via email or fax for your parish; please remember to include the remittance form with the donations when you send them to the Appeal Office.

- 2. LITURGY AND SACRED MUSIC WORKSHOP- REGISTRATION IS STILL OPEN UNTIL WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2016**

ATTENTION ALL:

Pastors, pastoral life directors, musicians, choir members,
parish liturgy committee members and parish members.

Please note that all pastors are requested to attend this important workshop.

Presenters: Fr. Rector Tolentino and Miss Elizabeth Black (from the Liturgical Institute)

When: October 28 7:00 PM – October 29, 2016--9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Location: Pastoral Centre--6500 Southridge Ave

Register at: <http://www.pgdiocese.bc.ca/liturgy-2/>

Your presence at the workshop is of utmost importance, but for those who are unable to attend the workshop in Prince George, we have an alternative way to attend. A link will be provided for a live streamcast.

- 3. CLOSING OF THE JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY IN THE DIOCESE OF PRINCE GEORGE:** November 20, 2016 the Door of Mercy in Rome will close, concluding the Year.

Closing of the Door(s) of Mercy in the Diocese of Prince George will take place on November 13, 2016, the Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time. We gather together with Bishop Stephen Jensen, priests, religious, and lay people for Mass of thanksgiving at Sacred Heart Cathedral on the 13th of November, 3:00 PM. Reception will follow.

All parishioners in the city and in nearby parishes are invited to join in this celebration.

The Jubilee Doors at Annunciation Parish, Prince Rupert and Church of Resurrection, Ft. St. John will also be closed on the same day. For those from those parishes check out their bulletins.

Each city parish is asked to invite two of their altar servers to serve at this celebration. Please forward the names of the altar servers to Fr. Rector at vicargeneral@pgdiocese.bc.ca
The practice for the servers will take place on Saturday, November 12, @ 3:00 PM.

Music practice times will be announced next week.

Everyone is invited to come and join this special celebration!

- 4. 200 YEARS OF OBLATES IN CANADA – DECEMBER 8, 2016** - The missionary adventure of the Oblates of Mary Immaculate began with Saint Eugene de Mazenod who, on 25 January 1816, gathered in the former Carmelite convent of Aix a group of priests to evangelize Provence. Today, Oblates count nearly 3800 men and are present in sixty-five countries.

Prince George Diocese is one of the many dioceses that the Oblates continue to serve. **To celebrate the Oblate bicentennial in our diocese there will be Mass on December 8, 2016 on the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception at 7:00 PM at Sacred Heart Cathedral.** Bishop Jensen will be the main celebrant along with Oblate priests and other clergy in the diocese.

City parishes are asked not to schedule an evening Mass on that day, but invite parishioners to come to the celebration at the cathedral. A reception will follow the Mass.

For more information on the Oblate Celebration go to <http://www.centremazenod.org/jubilee-of-the-oblates?lang=en>

5. UPCOMING EVENT: CCO MISSION- IN THE PRINCE GEORGE DIOCESE

MARK YOUR CALENDAR: Mission Dates: June 16, 2017 – July 10, 2017

Application Deadline: Jan. 25, 2017

The Catholic Christian Outreach will be sending a team of missionaries to Northern British Columbia for 3 weeks. The team will arrive in Prince George, and will begin by working with some of the young people of the Diocese, providing training in outreach and evangelization. After our time in Prince George we will head to nearby Fraser Lake. We will also be serving and participating in the annual Rose Prince pilgrimage. Rose Prince is a local native woman whose body was found to be incorrupt, and her cause for canonization is currently being put forward. While in Fraser Lake we will spend time with members of the First Nations community, sharing our evangelistic materials like the Discovery study, and the Ultimate Relationship booklet as well as teaching them how to use them. And of course, while we're there we'll have opportunities to experience some of the natural beauty the area has to offer! <https://cco.ca/missions/view/northern-bc-2017/>

Office of Evangelization and Catechesis



HEARTS TRANSFORMED UPDATE

There were 74 people at the Prince George retreat, over 70 for the Terrace retreat!

Dawson Creek retreat took place at Notre Dame Parish on Saturday October 22, 2016 with anticipated number of 35 people. We are overwhelmed by the response and look forward to this journey will all of these people.

Prince George Group:

Reminder: **Learning Module Two** meeting will be on **Thursday, October 27 at the Diocesan Pastoral Centre.**

Fellowship at **6:30 PM with a 7:00 PM start time.**

"Jesus, make my heart like yours, or rather transform it into your own heart."

-St Faustina.

We look forward to journeying with you. If you have other questions contact Angelo at asabbadin@pgdiocese.bc.ca or (250) 964-4424 ext 230

YOUNG ADULTS:

1. **RISE UP VANCOUVER** –All young adults 18-35 are invited to join this fantastic opportunity! RISE UP is an annual national conference hosted by Catholic Christian Outreach (CCO). It is the largest young adult gathering for Catholics in Canada. This year it is being held in Vancouver at the stunning Westin Bayshore hotel from December 28 – January 1, 2017. It is the largest young adult gathering for Catholics in Canada.

We are privileged to receive funding from the provincial Knights of Columbus towards the charter bus leaving from Prince George.

Head to www.cco.ca/riseup for all information or email ehii@pgdiocese.bc.ca to secure your seat on the bus! Availability is limited. Don't miss this amazing opportunity.

2. **SMALL GROUP FAITH STUDIES** – Our small group faith studies have launched. Please keep all the young adults at UNBC in your prayers!
For more information contact Eunice at ehii@pgdiocese.bc.ca
3. **ON CAMPUS MASS** –Once again has started up UNBC Campus with Fr. Jack Michalchuk. Campus Mass will be Wednesdays at 12:30 PM in the top floor of the library in the ERC room.