

Wednesday Weekly

January 4, 2017



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:

- Appeal Update
- ** An Evening of Reflection on Christian Funerals and Burials

1. NEWS AND REQUESTS FROM THE FINANCE AND PAYROLL DEPARTMENT:

IMPORTANT

- 2016 T-4s
T-4s will be produced electronically and made available through the Payworks login. An email will be sent to employees when they are available.
- WCB
2016 Annual Report of all payments made directly to individuals or to contractors who are NOT registered with WorkSafeBC is due. Please send the list of names and the amounts paid to each person in the 2016 calendar year to Payroll Services by January 11.
- T4-As
We must issue a T4-A to an individual if the total of all payments made directly to the individual (not through payroll) in the calendar year was more than \$500. This includes anyone who considers themselves self-employed and has the payment made to them in their personal name. Payments include, but are not limited to lump-sum payments, retiring allowances, fees or other amounts for service. For the diocese, the most common payments would be; honorariums for presenters, moving costs for new employees, and payments for services such as: cleaning, snow removal, gardening, organist, and other miscellaneous tasks. Please provide Payroll Services with the name, address, social insurance number and the total amount paid to each person in the 2016 calendar year so that a T4-A can be generated. This information must be provided by January 24, 2017, as T4-As must be sent out by February 28.

If you have any questions please call Lynn Monteith at 250 964-5646 or e-mail at lynn-monteith@pgdiocese.bc.ca.

2. **2016 DONATION TAX RECEIPTS:** Donations eligible for a 2016 donation tax receipt must be received by the parish on or before December 31, 2016 and dated for 2016. The cheques do not have to be deposited in the bank in December.

Appeal Donations received by the Parish - Please contact Armand Sadiwa by Friday, January 6, 2016 at 250-964-4424 ext 225 or email asadiwa@pgdiocese.bc.ca to let him know if you have received any 2016 donations for the Appeal during the Octave of Christmas. He also needs to know if there were **no** donations during that period of time. Please send 2016 Appeal donations as soon as possible. Donations will be processed and tax receipts printed as soon as we have received all of the donations from the parishes.

Appeal Tax Receipts – **Please note the change in information** from previous WW. Tax receipts will be sent in the mail directly to all donors, not to parishes.

3. **REACHING OUT IN MERCY: DIOCESAN APPEAL 2016-17-JANUARY 4, 2017 UPDATE.** We have reached **96.4 %** or **\$385,741** of its total in pledges, coming from **1433** donors across our Diocese. Thank you. Please see attached report for further details.

The Appeal Office is very happy to announce that **Christ Our Saviour Parish**, under the leadership of **Fr. Jack Michalchuk**, with the Parish Leadership Team and Appeal Coordinators have surpassed their parish goal. To date they have reached **107.7% of their goal**. Congratulations and thank for your effort and generosity.

The Appeal Committee is very happy with the progress to date, and ask all parishes that have not met their goal, to make an extra effort to encourage parishioners to give generously to the Appeal.

4. **DOMANO RENEWAL CENTRE APPOINTMENT:** Bishop Jensen announces that Fr. Basil Burns has been appointed Spiritual Director of the Domano Renewal Centre.

Watch the Wednesday Weekly for announcements about events to be offered in the coming months.

5. **AN EVENING OF REFLECTION ON CHRISTIAN FUNERALS AND BURIALS** with Very Rev. Rectorino Tolentino, Jr. at the Diocesan Pastoral Center Wednesday, January 18, 2017 at 7:00 PM

This evening is intended for:

- funeral directors and anyone involved with arranging funerals, burials, and burial of the ashes in cases of cremation
- those whose funeral plans are included in their Last Will and Testament
- anyone interested in this topic

Important information will be shared based on the recently published instructions given by the Congregation of the Doctrine of Faith and guidelines given by the Bishops of British Columbia and Yukon. The session will be available Live Stream, more details to follow.

Very Rev. Rectorino Tolentino, Jr. is the Vicar General and Chairman of the Liturgy Commission for the Diocese of Prince George.

To register: email Jasmin Sadiwa at jsadiwa@pgdiocese.bc.ca or
Go to our website at: <http://www.pgdiocese.bc.ca/liturgy-2/>
Fee: by donation for materials

6. **MONTHLY DAY OF EUCHARISTIC EXPOSITION AND ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**
Emmanuel Hermitage invites you to a Personal Date with Jesus on Tuesday, January 10, 2017 in the Domano Chapel, 6500 Southridge Ave. Mass will be celebrated at 7:30 AM and the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed from 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM for a day of silent prayer and adoration. We will pray for the universal Church and the world, and the people and needs of our Diocese. 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.
7. **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY- NOTRE DAME SCHOOL:** Please attached poster for details. Position begins April 3, 2017.
8. **FATIMA AND LOURDES PILGRIMAGE--**May 30 to June 10, 2017. The cost of the pilgrimage which includes the flight from Vancouver is \$4193.00 per person. The tour includes most meals and is fully guided.

Bernadette Parrott, Owner of Quesnel Escapes Travel Services, will be acting as the tour coordinator and Father Peter from St. Ann's Quesnel will be our spiritual leader. Please see poster for detailed information or contact Bernadette at www.quesnelescapes.com or call (778) 414-2260.

Office of Evangelization and Catechesis



HEARTS TRANSFORMED UPDATE: Please remember that Hearts Transformed will start back up the second week of January!

The next meeting in Prince George will be held on January 12, 2016 from 6:30 PM to 9:00 PM at the Diocesan Pastoral Centre on the Conference Room (old library).

Everyone else will have their meetings from January 9-13, as the flexibility of the program allows in their respective communities.

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

YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULTS NEWS:

YOUTH:

1. **Annual Diocesan Youth Conference** -- April 21-23, 2017--Please save the date!
More details to come shortly, stay tuned!

YOUNG ADULTS:

1. **RISE UP: Now What?**

Over the Christmas break, twenty-seven young adults from our diocese travelled to Vancouver for Catholic Christian Outreach's **RISE UP Conference**. As a follow-up to **RISE UP**, as well as an opportunity for those who could not go, there will be a day-long retreat **Saturday, January 14, 2017, 10-4 PM**. Location to be announced.

A staff member from CCO will be in Prince George and will facilitate workshops in leadership and how we can be missionaries right here in this diocese!

Young Adults 18-35 years of age interested in growing in faith personally, and in their community, as well as developing skills to share their faith are welcome! If you are interested in **joining us**, **RSVP** by emailing youth@pgdiocese.bc.ca.

2. **3rd Annual Young Adults Ski Retreat:** The annual retreat will take place in Smithers, BC **February 3-5, 2017**.

Skiing and retreating, what more could you ask for? Join us on the beautiful slopes of Hudson's Bay Mountain for a time away from the busyness of daily life. Ages 18 and up are invited. This retreat will fill up quickly. Registration will be available shortly, for now, **SAVE THE DATE!** If you have any questions, email youth@pgdiocese.bc.ca.