Wednesday Weekly September 19, 2018

SEPTEMBER 23, 2018 25th Sunday of Ordinary Time

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

The Son of Man will be betrayed. Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all.

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS TO THE WEDNESDAY WEEKLY NEWS IS NOON ON TUESDAY. UNTIL OCTOBER 2ND (INCLUSIVE), PLEASE EMAIL YOUR SUBMISSIONS TO: jgarden@pgdiocese.bc.ca

ATTACHMENTS

- WEEK#3 PROMOTIONAL INSTRUCTIONS
- 2018-19 CALLED TOGETHER WEEKLY UPDATE
- DIOCESAN FORMATION DAYS POSTER
- DIOCESAN FORMATION DAYS INSERT

TO RECEIVE ALL DIOCESAN NEWS DIRECTLY IN YOUR INBOX OR ON YOUR PHONE: Email Teresa at reception@pgdiocese.bc.ca OR TEXT "pgd" TO 514-900-0130 to join Flocknote – it is an email and text messaging tool created for churches, ministries,

teams and other community organizations. It helps to communicate with the people by sending a simple text message. Please join us in keeping up with all the diocesan news.



Mark 9, 30-37

1. Prayers of Condolence and of Gratitude:

The Diocese wishes to recognize the passing of two Oblate priests who served within our diocesan community:

Rev. James Anthony Jordan, O.M.I. (1945 – 2018): Fr. Jim died on July 13, 2018 at the Vancouver Hospice Society, Vancouver BC. Fr. Jordan was born September 9, 1945 in Edmonton, AB. He was ordained to the Priesthood in the Congregation of the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate, October 14, 1972 in Edmonton, AB. Fr. Jim served in this diocese from 1979-1997 in a number of roles. He was pastor of Sacred Heart Parish, Terrace, B.C., and St. Joseph's Parish and Stoney Creek Mission, Vanderhoof, B.C. Over the years, he was also active in the other missions including Stewart, Fraser Lake and Nautley (Nadleh). A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on Thursday, July 19, 2018, at St. Augustine's Parish, and interment occurred at the Oblate Cemetery in Mission, B.C.

Rev. Louis Hoffart, O.M.I. (1932-2018): Fr. Louis died on Sept. 8, 2018, the 63rd anniversary of his First Vows as an Oblate. Fr. Louis served from 1988-1994 as pastor of Annunciation Parish in Prince Rupert BC. He came to the Diocese of Prince George after serving as pastor in churches in Alberta and missionary work in Peru. Fr. Louis was known for his kind and gentle manner and his devotion to Mass. Vigil Prayers and the Mass of Christian Burial were celebrated on Wednesday, September 12th and Thursday, September 13th, at St. Francis Xavier Parish, Saskatoon.

"Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them."

2. CALLED TOGETHER 2018-2019 - GIVING, SHARING, SERVING:

PROMOTIONAL WEEKEND WILL BE OCCURRING ON SEPTEMBER 22-23, 2018

Additional Instructions: Please mail out addressed envelopes to the parishioners that have not picked up their Appeal packages. Submit your receipts for the purchase of stamps to the Finance Office and your parish will be reimbursed.

Called ogether

GIVING
SHARING-SERVING
DIOCESE OF PRINCE GEORGE
ANNUAL APPEAL

Between now and then please continue to pray for **Called Together** by including the Universal Prayers that are provided in the attached appeal instructions.

Each **Called Together** poster has a percentage ruler on it. Please use the information on the attached weekly update to fill in your parish percentage.

To date, 14 parishes have already submitted the pledges they received from parishioners. Our Lady of Peace Parish (Chetwynd), Immaculate Conception Parish (Prince George), Christ Our Saviour Parish (Prince George) and St. Patrick's Parish (McBride) have now reached 30% of their parish goals. Thank you for promoting **Called Together** in your respective parishes.

3. CELEBRATION OF THE FEAST OF SAN LORENZO RUIZ. The Filipino-Canadian community in the City of Prince George will celebrate the Feast of St. Lawrence Ruiz on Sunday, September 30, 2018 at Sacred Heart Cathedral. Mass will be celebrated in Tagalog at 5:30 PM followed by a potluck supper. All are invited to attend. St. Lawrence Ruiz is one of the two Filipino saints. He was canonized by Pope John Paul II on October 18, 1987. Together with his martyr companions, their Feast Day is 29th September.

4. KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MOVIE DAY – OCTOBER 13, 2018:

The Sacred Heart Cathedral Council of the Knights of Columbus is hosting a movie day on Saturday, October 13 @ 1:00 pm in the cathedral basement. This month's movie, called 'Romero', portrays the life and ministry of Saint Oscar Romero, martyred Bishop of San Salvador. Bishop/Saint Romero stood up for justice and religious freedom, and was murdered for his beliefs. Pizza, popcorn and drinks will be served. Cost is by donation. Although somewhat disturbing, this movie is suitable for all family members. Everyone is welcome. For further information please contact Joe Pereira @ 250-962-6626.

5. CELEBRATION IN HONOUR OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA: The 13th of October, 1930, is significant to the devotion in honour of Our Lady of Fatima. It was the day Bishop Jose Alves Correia da Silva declared the apparition of Our Lady to three shepherd children (Lucia, Francisco, Jacinta) in the small village of Fatima Portugal as worthy of belief.

The Portuguese-Canadian Community in the City of Prince George will gather together in a Eucharistic Celebration on Sunday, October 14, 2018, 11:00 AM at Sacred Heart Cathedral. Immediately following the Mass, there will be a procession. All are invited to join in this celebration.

As we honour the Blessed Virgin Mary, let us continue to ask her to intercede for us.

6. DIOCESAN PASTORAL CENTRE – CHANGE OF HOURS OF OPERATION: Due to a shortened lunch break, the Diocesan Pastoral Centre is now open from **9:00 a.m. to Noon and 12:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.** (i.e. instead of 8:30 a.m. to Noon and 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.)

7. DIOCESAN FORMATION DAYS:

You are invited to the Diocesan Formation Days taking place on October 2-4, 2018. Evening sessions will begin at 7:00 PM in the Conference Wing of the Diocesan Pastoral Centre. The following will be part of these days:

- Tuesday, October 2 Sexual Revolution 50 Years Since Humanae Vitae (introduced by Fr. Basil Burns; see related announcement below)
- Wednesday, October 3 Stewardship presentation by Fr. Darrin Gurr (live cast)
- Thursday, October 4 Estate & Memorial Planning presentation by Peter Nobes (live cast)

Please see the attached poster.

8. SCREENING OF 'SEXUAL REVOLUTION: 50 YEARS SINCE HUMANAE VITAE':

<u>Sexual Revolution: 50 years after *Humanae Vitae*</u> documents the fallout of the free love movement. Centered on one woman's journey and supported by interviews and research, the documentary examines the problems posed by contraceptives and artificial reproduction methods. Among commentary from modern day Catholic thinkers, footage from the 60's and 70's sheds light on the real people who were working to counter society's dominant "free love" direction after the sexual revolution. The documentary is narrated by a young donor-conceived woman, Alana Newman.

The film will be shown at 7:00 pm on the following dates:

- Sept. 26 at Annunciation Parish in Prince Rupert;
- Sept. 27 at Sacred Heart Parish in Terrace;
- Sept. 28 at St. Joseph's Parish in Smithers;
- Sept. 30 at Notre Dame Parish in Dawson Creek;
- Oct. 2 at the Diocesan Pastoral Centre in Prince George.
- **9. WESTERN CONFERENCE FOR LITURGY:** 2018 Western Conference for Liturgy "<u>Training the Trainers</u>" will be held October 26 27, 2018 in the Archdiocese of St. Boniface, Manitoba. Those responsible for ministry formation will learn basic elements of theology and spirituality to pass on to those they are training, and to root the practicalities of these ministries in theology and spirituality.

For more details go to: https://wclcanada.wordpress.com/

To register go to: http://www.pgdiocese.bc.ca/wcl-2018-registration-form/

Evangelization and Formation

YOUTH & YOUNG ADULTS:

St. Mary's Youth Group



ALL YOUTH in Grades 7-12 are welcome to attend our next St. Mary's Youth Group on Wednesday, September 26th from 6:30-8:30pm in the St. Mary's School Gym. Fr. Ken will be leading another session for parents from 6:30-7:15pm in the St. Eugene Room (Freeman St. Entrance). St. Mary's Youth Group seeks to empower youth to take leadership roles in outreach projects, social gatherings, spiritual enrichment, and recreational fun! It also strives to support parents through networking.

Young Adult Fall Retreat: 'Called to be Saints'

All young adults from ages 19-35 are invited to this year's Fall Retreat, "Called to be Saints."

With the help of Pope Francis' recent apostolic exhortation, 'Gaudete et exsultat: On the Call to Holiness in <u>Today</u>'s World', we will delve into what it means to be truly holy in this day and age, what it means to be the Saint God has called you to be!

Location: the shores of Francois Lake

Travel: directions will be given at registration; carpooling will be organized from Prince George.

Car-pooling will be available.

Dates: Friday, September 28th - Sunday, September 30th.

Cost: \$50 per person

For more details, and to **REGISTER**, contact Lisa Vaughan-Farrell at: lvfarrell@pgdiocese.bc.ca

