Wednesday Weekly September 26, 2018



SEPTEMBER 30, 2018 26TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Needs of the Church in Canada

Every year, the Bishops of Canada appeal for financial assistance. This collection helps each diocese make its annual contribution to the national Episcopal conference and to the respective regional episcopal assembly.

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

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

- DIOCESAN FORMATION DAYS POSTER AND BULLETIN INSERT
- RCIA SCHEDULE CITY OF PRINCE GEORGE
- Diocesan Calendar 2018-2019
- DIOCESAN APPEAL MATERIALS:
 - **❖ WEEK 4 COMMITMENT SUNDAY INFORMATION**
 - ❖ WEEK 4 PLEDGE FORMS DISTRIBUTION INSTRUCTIONS
 - ❖ WEEK 4 PLEDGE FORMS
 - ❖ CALLED TOGETHER WEEKLY REPORT

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.

1. 2018-19 CALLED TOGETHER - GIVING, SHARING, SERVING - COMMITMENT WEEKEND, SEPTEMBER 29-30, 2018

Prior to Commitment Sunday please mail out ALL **Called Together** envelopes not picked up by your parishioners. Forward receipt for postage to Armand in the Appeal Office for reimbursement. Please see attachments.

2. 40 Days for Life Campaign:

a) The 4th Annual Prince George **40 Days for Life Campaign** starts <u>today</u>, **September 26th!** We will be standing in peaceful vigil from 7am to 7pm until November 4th. To sign up please visit

www.40daysforlife.com/princegeorge or contact Angelica at 250-301-8135 OR 40dayspgbc@gmail.com

- b) The Prince George Pro Life Society invites you to join them for the annual **Life Chain Vigil** this Sunday, **September 30th** from 2 pm 3:30 pm in front of the University Hospital of Northern British Columbia. More participants are greatly needed! Come join in this national vigil to pray and witness within our city for the dignity and sanctity of all human life!
- **3. NOTICE FROM THE DIOCESAN FINANCE OFFICE:** a reminder that Friday, **September 28, 2018**, is the last day of the pay period. Please send Lynn and Catherine your timesheet Friday afternoon or before you are gone for the week if you do not work on Friday. Thank you for your assistance with this matter.

4. 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. While pre-registration is preferred (i.e. please see the attached poster for the registration link), registration can also be completed at the door.

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)

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

The story of a papal document that shocked the world. The documentary focuses on three main messages: addressing the broken ideals of "free love" that were promised in the Sexual Revolution; examining the consequences of the "free love" movement in light of *Humanae Vitae*; and outlining the historical development of the birth control pill and Natural Family Planning.

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.

6. DIOCESAN CALENDAR:

A Diocesan Calendar has been prepared by the Bishop's Office and may be found on the diocesan website. Please see the attachment for the present calendar. If you wish to add any items to the calendar, please follow the instructions at the bottom of the calendar.

7. RCIA PROCESS OFFERED AT ST. MARY'S PARISH:

The RCIA process will begin its first session on **Thursday, October 11th** from 7pm-8:30pm at St. Mary's Parish in the St. Eugene Room (Freeman St. Entrance). If you or someone you know is interested in discovering the beauty and truth of our Catholic Christian Faith and would like to receive the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist), please contact your local parish priest for information about the RCIA process and how to become a full and active member of the Catholic Church. **Please see the attached schedule.**

8. CATHOLIC INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS – PRINCE GEORGE:

Catholic Independent Schools Prince George Diocese Annual General Meeting will be held on Thursday **October 11**th at 4:00pm. The meeting will take place at the Pastoral Centre Board Room in Prince George. Anyone wishing to attend may join the meeting by arriving prior to 4:00pm. If you are in the region and wish to attend by connecting to the meeting via video conference, please contact Laurie Hooker – CISPG Executive Assistant by email at cis@cispg.ca or by phone at 250-964-5642 to obtain connection information. The CISPG AGM is open to all interested members of the public.

Please place this message in all church bulletins for the weekends of September 30 and October 7.

9. 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.

10. 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.

11. 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/

12. VEHICLE FOR SALE: Sacred Heart Cathedral has a red Subaru Outback for sale

• Year: 2011

• Model: four-door station wagon

• Mileage: 89,050.

• Asking price: \$15,000

For further details or to view please call Sacred Heart Cathedral at 250-564-5225.

Evangelization and Formation

YOUTH: 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 26**th 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

