Wednesday Weekly January 16, 2019

Prayer for Christian Unity January 18-25, 2019



SUNDAY, JANUARY 20, 2018 SECOND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES

Jesus did the first of his signs in Cana of Galilee.

John 2.1-12

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:

- Statistical Information Parish Form
- National Special Collections Schedule for 2020-2021 -National Collections Descriptions
- Poster for DRC upcoming course
- RISE UP story update

TO RECEIVE ALL DIOCESAN NEWS DIRECTLY IN YOUR INBOX OR ON YOUR PHONE: Email Teresa at <u>reception@pgdiocese.bc.ca</u> **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. **SACRAMENTAL RECORDS FOR 2018:** Please "Download" and submit all of your sacramental records from Parish Friendly for the 2018 Year via email to Teresa at <u>reception@pgdiocese.bc.ca</u> ASAP.

If you do not have parish Friendly – please send a hard copy of your parish registers to Teresa via fax, scan or postal mail.

Make sure you do not open the file before sending- it cannot be uploaded if opened.

SOME PARISHES ARE A FEW YEARS BEHIND IN SUBMITTING THEIR RECORDS! If you are not sure if you are up to date, please contact Teresa at 250-964-4424 or email reception@pgdiocese.bc.ca and find out if you are up to date.

2. **STATISTICAL INFORMATION:** In order to submit the Annual Rome Report for 2018, statistical information is needed from each parish. Parishes are asked to complete the attached form and return it **by February 2, 2019** Martha Primus by email (<u>mprimus@pgdiocese.bc.ca</u>), fax (250-964-2101) or regular mail. Thank you.

3. NATIONAL COLLECTIONS SCHEDULE FOR 2020 AND 2021 – please see attached



4. **WORLD DAY OF CONSECRATED LIFE: Mass will be celebrated on Saturday
February 2, 2019 at 10:00 AM PM at Sacred Heart Cathedral followed by a luncheon in the Lower Church Hall.

In 1997, Pope Saint John Paul II instituted a day of prayer for women and men in consecrated life. This celebration is attached to the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord on the 2nd of February. This Feast is also known as Candlemas Day; the day on which candles are blessed symbolizing Christ who is the light of the world. So too, those in consecrated life are called to reflect the light of Jesus Christ to all peoples.

The following religious congregations of men and women are presently residing and/or serving in the diocese.

RELIGIOUS WOMEN

- Congregation of the Religious of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- Domano Sisters of Mary Immaculate (Lay Community)
- Emmanuel Hermitage
- Religious of the Sacred Heart
- Sisters of St. Joseph in Canada
- Sisters of St. Joseph (Toronto)

RELIGIOUS MEN

- Congregation of the Missionaries of St. Francis of Assisi
- Oblates of Mary Immaculate
- Order of St. Augustine
- Society of the Catholic Apostolate (Pallottine Fathers)



5. HOW CAN YOU SUPPORT VOCATIONS?--BY DONATING AIRMILES/AREOPLAN POINTS!

This coming February, three young men will travel to the Seminary and experience what life is like in the seminary. One is from Moberly Lake, BC one from Prince Rupert and the other from Prince George.

If you would like to donate Airmiles or Aeroplan miles to the Vocation Advisory Committee, please contact Fr. Terry Brock, Vocation Director at

<u>Vocations.pgdiocese@gmail.com</u> or <u>tbrock@pgdiocese.ca</u> or call 250-624-3035.

The Vocation Advisory Committee Policy is as follows:

The air miles will be used to:

- send prospective seminarians to the Live-In at Mission, BC, i.e. Seminary of Christ the King
- transport seminarians in the theology program to and from the PG Diocese to Vancouver
- fly the Vocation Director to Seminary to meet with the seminarians
- 6. Called Together –Giving, Sharing, Serving—Next report update will be published January 24, 2019. Thank you for





7. ****ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP**

runs from January 1 to December 31. Please help support the Prince George Hospice Society by becoming a member.

Membership allows us to stay viable as a society, and gives an opportunity to its members to ensure that Hospice provides specialized care as per the philosophy of Hospice.

Hospice care neither prolongs nor hastens death, but allows a person dignity and care in dying.

Also, as a member you are eligible to:

- Vote for the Board of Directors
- Stay informed of ongoing and special events
- Attend the Annual General Meeting
- Receive our seasonal newsletter

To become a member visit the website at <u>www.hospiceprincegeorge.ca (scroll to the bottom of the page)</u> **OR** come into our office at 1506 Ferry Ave. Prince George, BC with the application attached.

Evangelization and Formation

DRC

1. FEBRUARY COURSE OFFERING: ON FAITH HOPE AND LOVE—See attached poster

According to the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, "The theological virtues [faith, hope, and love] are the foundation of Christian moral activity; they animate it and give it its special character. They inform and give life to all the moral virtues." In short, a relationship with the Holy Trinity is based on these three virtues and is not possible without them. Pope Benedict XVI thought that the re-awakening of the theological virtues of faith, hope and love is so important for the modern church that the only official encyclicals he wrote for the entire church are on these virtues. What are faith, hope, and love? What do they look like? How do we acquire them and make them concrete in our lives? Please join us as Fr. Basil Burns, PhD, helps answer these questions, leading us deeper into the heart of the Trinity.

DATES & TIMES: Thursdays, February 14, 21, & 28, 2019 @ 11:00 AM or 7:00 PM

Morning Option: Doors open at 10:45 AM; session runs from 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM. Light refreshments will be provided.

Evening Option: Doors open at 6:30 PM for refreshments and fellowship; session runs from 7:00 - 8:30 PM

LOCATION: Domano Renewal Centre, Emmaus House

REGISTRATION: Please register online at <u>http://www.pgdiocese.bc.ca/registration-faith-hope-love/</u> or contact Vanya at 250-964-4475. Registration preferred, but not necessary-drop-ins are welcome but attendance at all sessions is strongly encouraged.

SUGGESTED OFFERING:

\$20.00/session, \$50.00 for full course (Any offering will be accepted: no one will be turned away!)

YOUNG ADULTS

- 1. PLEASE SEE ATTACHED RISEUP 2018 UPDATE
- 2. **FAITH STUDIES:** Our Prince George Young Adults will be leading CCO Faith Studies at UNBC started the week of January 13, 2019. These studies are aimed at helping young adults (18-35) to mature in their journey of faith and relationship with the Lord. If you or someone you know is interested in participating, sign up at the following link: <u>http://www.ccofaithstudies.ca/</u>
- 3. **THE JPII CATHOLIC CLUB** at UNBC will be hosting breakfast at St. Vincent de Paul's on January 19, from 8:00 AM -11:15 AM. This is a great opportunity for young adults to grow in a missionary spirit of service.
- 4. **CAMPUS MASS:** Starting Wednesday, the 16th of January, there will be Mass on the UNBC campus and every Wednesday at 12:15 PM in the InterFaith Chaplaincy! Mass will be celebrated by Fr. Jack! All are welcome!
- 5. SUMMIT: "WHAT GOD HAS PREPARED FOR THOSE WHO LOVE HIM"

Join us on Friday, January 18, 2019 at 7:00 PM in the Domano Chapel (6500 Southridge Avenue). The theme of January's Summit is taken from 1Corinthians 2:9 "What God has prepared for those who love Him"! We will be hearing a testimony from **Lisa Vaughan-Farrell**, as well as a reflection on trusting the Lord in the uncertainty and anticipation of what this new year will bring. The Praise and Worship Band will be leading songs of praise from the RiseUp Conference set list, and Fr. Ken and Bishop Jensen will be leading us in Adoration and hearing confessions.

This is a night of testimonies from young adults, an hour of Adoration with praise and worship music, confession, followed by fellowship! All are welcome!

Youth

- 1. **St. MARY'S YOUTH GROUP:** All youth in grades 7-12 are welcome to attend our next St. Mary's Youth Group on Wednesday, January 23rd from 6:30-8:30pm in the St. Mary's School Gym. Our Youth Spiritual Committee will be leading this youth group!
- 6. **DYC 2019:** May 3-5, 2019. Stay tuned for updates.

PRAYER REQUEST: The Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry is hosting a day-retreat for the grade 7 students from our three Catholic Schools in Prince George on January 25th. Please pray that our young people will be open to the gift of the Holy Spirit.