

Wednesday Weekly

September 18, 2019

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2019

TWENTY-FIFTH 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**

“No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other.

You cannot serve God and wealth.”

Luke 16.10-13

ATTACHMENTS:

- 2019-2020 Called Together Appeal—
 - Week 3 Promotional Week information
- Lectio Divinia Poster
- 2019 Diocesan Convocation
 - Schedule
 - Accommodations
 - Retirement Planning Session Poster (Diocesan Employees)
- 2019 Western Conference for Liturgy poster
 - Session Information
 - Schedule for Oct 25 to 26, 2019
- MIRACLES for MALIK – Celebrating successes of our Refugee family invitation poster
- Life in the Spirit- Burns Lake – Information Booklet
- Young Adult Fall Retreat Poster

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. **2019-2020 CALLED TOGETHER: GIVING, SHARING**
Please see attachment for details

Schedule:

Promotional Sunday	September 21-22, 2019
Commitment Sunday	September 28-29, 2019



2. ***40 DAYS FOR LIFE FALL CAMPAIGN** is taking place from September 25th to November 3rd, 2019. Those participating will be standing in peaceful prayer in front of the University Hospital of Northern British Columbia (UHNBC) from 7:00 am to 7:00 pm. To sign up go to 40daysforlife.com and select Prince George. For more information contact Angelica LeFebvre at 250-301-8135 or 40dayspgbc@gmail.com



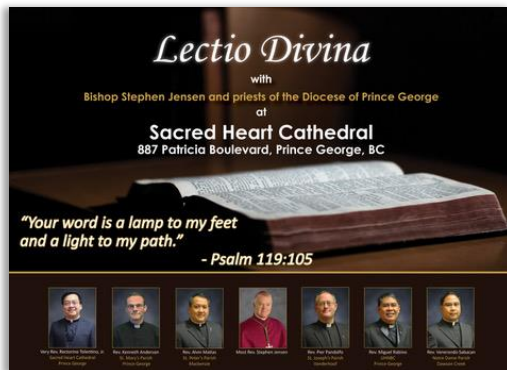
3. ***ANNUAL LIFE CHAIN:** It's more important than ever to pray for an end to abortion. On Sunday, October 6, 2019 from 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM there will be a pro-life prayer chain on 15th Avenue in front of the UHNBC. Signs will be provided and those who cannot stand for the whole hour are welcome to bring a folding chair. All people of faith are welcome! Help make this a powerful time of prayer by joining us. For more information contact Angelica at 250-301-8135 or 40dayspgbc@gmail.com

4. ***SACRED HEART SCHOOL WILL BE CELEBRATING ITS 70TH ANNIVERSARY THIS YEAR!** The school opened in the Fall of 1949. It has had the privilege of educating thousands of students in the city of Prince George over these 70 years.



You are invited to a barbeque on September 26, from 5:30 PM – 7:30 PM to recognize the significance of this anniversary, as well as taking the opportunity to celebrate the revitalization of the new playground. Over the past eighteen months the school has been fortunate to be a recipient of many donations from a variety of Prince George businesses which have helped to upgrade the playground. Sacred Heart School will be grateful for your presence at this event as they recognize the past, and look forward to the future!

See attached for additional information.



5. ***LECTIO DIVINA:** Beginning next month, on the third Wednesday of the month, Bishop Jensen and priests of the diocese will take turns leading *Lectio Divina* at Sacred Heart Cathedral.

The first *Lectio Divina* is on **Wednesday, September 18, 2019.**

See attached poster for details.

6. ***ALPHA IN THE HART:** Christ our Saviour Parish is hosting the ALPHA program which began Sunday September 8, 2019, but welcome those who would like to join them every Sunday at 5:00 PM. ALPHA is a wonderful way to invite people to explore the Christian faith. The weekly event will go through to November. There is no cost or no commitment. All are welcome to attend and to bring a friend, meal is provided. For More Information email: cbomecor@gmail.com

7. ***DIOCESAN CONVOCATION** to be held October 3 - 4, 2019 at the Diocesan Pastoral Centre. Founder of Catholic Christian Outreach Andre Regniér, will be the presenter. All members of the diocese are invited and welcome to attend.

To register go to: <https://www.pgdiocese.bc.ca/2019-diocesan-convocation/>

See attached schedule and accommodation information.



REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS: Monday, September 23, 2019

8. **TO ALL DIOCESAN EMPLOYEES (CIS, PARISHES, AND PASTORAL CENTRE):** Planning for your retirement? You will want to attend this. **Please see poster for more details**
9. ****WESTERN CONFERENCE FOR LITURGY: “When I in Awesome Wonder”:** Encountering Christ in Symbol, Ritual and Movement in Mass. The keynote speaker is Christina Ronzio, Director of the CCCB English-language office for liturgy and the sacraments of the National Office (NLO) 2019 Western Conference for Liturgy will be held October 25- 26, 2019 in the Diocese of Nelson our Lady of Lourdes Parish West Kelowna, BC V4T 0A2.
For registration and more details go to:
<https://www.pgdiocese.bc.ca/western-liturgical-conf-oct-25-26-2019/>
10. ****2019 ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP CONFERENCE OCTOBER 6-9, 2019** in Chicago, IL
Pastors are encouraged to invite parishioners to attend this Stewardship Conference.
Partial funding is available through Religious Education Trust Fund (check out [RET](#))

Go to <http://catholicstewardship.com/events/icsc-annual-conference/> for conference details.
11. **RACHEL’S VINEYARD RETREAT:** Next Kelowna retreat – October 18 – 20, 2019
For further information and/or to register [please call or email](#)

Rachel’s Vineyard Retreats offers a supportive, confidential and non-judgmental environment where women and men can express, release and reconcile painful post-abortive emotions to begin the process of restoration, renewal and healing.
[Find out more about our weekend retreats here ...](#)
12. ***MIRACLES FOR MALIK: A FAMILY CELEBRATION:** To be held Sunday September 29, 2019
2:00 - 6:30 pm. St Mary’s Catholic Church 1087 Freeman St. **See Poster for details.**
13. ****LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR:** Theme: Guided by the Holy Spirit November 1-3, 2019 at Immaculata Church 248 - 3rd Avenue, Burns Lake, BC **See attached for details.**
14. ****28TH WESTERN CONFERENCE FOR THE CATECHUMENATE (WCC) 2019** will be held at St. Anthony’s Parish in Calgary November 22- 23, 2019. Visit our [WCC Blog](#) to register.
The executive is excited to collaborate with the Diocese of Calgary in hosting the conference!

Mary Birmingham and Nick Wagner of Team RCIA will be delivering 2 full days of Catechist School. It will help participants to understand the principles of the RCIA journey and practice proven adult learning models. Questions? Email wcc.cochair@yahoo.com

Evangelization and Formation

YOUNG ADULTS

****THEOLOGY OF THE BODY YOUNG ADULT
FALL RETREAT
with Guest Speaker, Fr. Derrick Cameron**

All Young Adults ages 18-35 are invited to attend the THEOLOGY OF THE BODY YOUNG ADULT FALL RETREAT!

Guest speaker Fr. Derrick Cameron (Diocese of Kamloops) will provide a deeper insight into St. John Paul II's integrated vision of the human person.

To start and close each day, the retreat will be guided by a monastic way: Praying the hours of the Divine Office, Holy Mass, and Eucharistic Adoration.

WHO: Adults ages 18-35

WHEN: Friday, September 27th
(start at 6:00PM) to
Sunday, September 29th
(end at 1:00PM)

WHERE: The Domano Renewal Centre

COST: The cost of the retreat is \$50/person
This includes accommodation and meals!
Space is limited, therefore only the first 20 registrants will receive accommodation.

Payment can be made at the registration table upon arriving.

REGISTRATION:

Email Lisa at lvfarrell@pgdiocese.bc.ca to request a registration form!

For further questions, please email Lisa! More in-depth information will be given upon online registration.

YOUTH

ST. MARY'S YOUTH GROUP: All youth in grades 7-12 are welcome to join.

The meetings for 2019-20 Year will start on Wednesday, September 25th from 6:30-8:30PM in the St. Mary's School Gym.

The group seeks to empower young people to live as disciples of Christ by sharing leadership roles in outreach projects, social gatherings, spiritual enrichment, and recreational fun.

Further meeting dates will be announced as dates are determined.



FAITH FORMATION

1. *FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

This is a program for children in Kindergarten to Grade 7 who attend public school. This is intended to help form the foundations of our faith. The program also fosters preparation for the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Holy Eucharist and Confirmation. It will take place twice a month on Sundays from 2:30 to 4:00 PM in St. Mary's Gym.

Registration and the first session will be on Sunday September 22, 2019 at 2:30 PM.

For more information, contact Claudia 250-564-4097.

2. *RCIA (RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS)

Do you know anyone who is interested in the Catholic Faith?

RCIA is a journey of faith for unbaptised adults, baptised adults from another Christian Faith, and baptised adult Catholics who have not received the other sacraments (Penance, Confirmation and the Holy Eucharist). St. Mary's will be hosting RCIA sessions on Thursday evenings from 7:00 to 8:30 PM starting on **October 10, 2019**.

For more information contact Claudia 250-564-4097.