

Wednesday Weekly

December 4, 2019

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2019
SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT



Matthew 3.1-12

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:

- Advent Reconciliation Poster for the City of Prince George
- 2019-12-04 Called Together: Giving, Sharing, Serving Weekly Update
- St. George's Ukrainian Church Divine Liturgy and prayer service
- December Summit Poster
- 6th Annual Rise Up Advent Coffeehouse -poster

WANT TO SHARE YOUR NEWS IN THE WEDNESDAY WEEKLY? – Email your news to Martha Primus @ mprimus@pgdiocese.bc.ca by NOON on Tuesday. Please use Word format.

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. ***ADVENT PENITENTIAL SERVICES FOR CITY PARISHES:**

Please print attached poster for display on your bulletin boards

Christ Our Savior	Dec. 10 at 6:30 PM
Sacred Heart Cathedral	Dec. 13 at 7:00 PM
St. Mary's PG	Dec. 15 at 2:30 PM
Immaculate Conception	Dec. 20 at 7:00 PM

2. **FINANCE/PAYROLL OFFICE REQUEST** – Timesheets for the pay period December 7 – 20, 2019 must be submitted by **noon on Wednesday, December 18, 2019**. Payroll must be submitted to Payworks on Friday, December 20 to ensure employees are paid on December 27, 2019. Please estimate your hours on the timesheet. If changes are needed, send a revised timesheet, and it will be completed for the next pay period. Contact Catherine or Lynn if you have any questions.

3. **MAKE THE MOST OF ADVENT:** Eucharistic Exposition will be offered at St. Mary's Parish from 6:30-7:30 AM Monday-Friday throughout the season of Advent. This is a perfect opportunity to encounter the Word Made Flesh every day in preparation for celebrating His birth at Christmas.

Please use the 1125 Freeman Street entrance.

4. ****CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES:** Thank you to all who have submitted their Mass times for the Christmas Octave of 2019. For the seven parishes who are still missing, please send via email to Martha at mprimus@pgdiocese.bc.ca **ASAP**. Thank you. They will be posted on our diocesan website.
5. ****2019-2020 CALLED TOGETHER: GIVING, SHARING** See attached report
6. **MONTHLY DAY OF EUCHARISTIC EXPOSITION AND ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:** Emmanuel Hermitage invites you to a Personal Date with Jesus on **Tuesday, December 10, 2019** 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. **THROUGH THE EYES OF ST. JOSEPH -ADVENT NOON-HOUR SERIES** *Monday, December 9th and 16th*
Noon to 1:30 PM– St. Mary’s Parish
 Sisters Irene and Dorothy, sisters of St. Joseph, will be hosting an Advent Noon Hour Reflection. The series will focus on the weekly themes of Advent from the perspective of St. Joseph. Journey through Advent together with us on Mondays in the St. Eugene Room. Coffee and light refreshments will be provided.
8. **ST. GEORGE’S UKRAINIAN CHURCH HOSTS DIVINE LITURGY AND PRAYER SERVICE** December 14, 2019 at 10:00 AM. See attached poster for full details.
9. **THE ST. VINCENT DEPAUL CHRISTMAS WRAP**
 All youth, grades 7 and up, are invited to volunteer at the annual St. Vincent de Paul Christmas Gift wrap on Saturday, December 14 from 9:00AM to 2:30PM at the Diocesan Centre in the Conference Wing. There will be a free pizza and pop lunch for all volunteers!
10. **SIMBANG GABI (FILIPINO “NIGHT MASS”)** A novena of Masses in preparation for Christmas, traditional in Filipino culture.

The Filipino-Canadian Community is sponsoring the novena at Sacred Heart Cathedral from December 15 to 23, 6:30 PM. Bishop Jensen will be the main celebrant on Sunday, December 22, 6:00PM, followed by a dinner in the lower church hall. All are welcome!

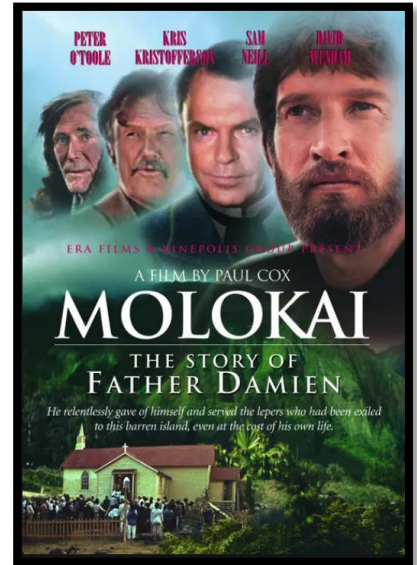
11. **LECTIO DIVINA** will be on Wednesday, December 11 with Bishop Jensen. He will lead us in reading Matthew 11:2-11, the gospel on the Third Sunday of Advent.

The evening will start with refreshments at 6:30PM, followed by Vespers at 7:00PM. The *Lectio Divina* will be from 7:15PM - 8:00PM.

12. **SACRED HEART KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL** invite you to a Movie (K)night on Wednesday, December, 18, 2019, starting at 6:00PM.

An Italian dinner will be served followed by the movie **Molokai**.

Molokai, based the true story of St. Damien, a priest from Belgium who served as a missionary at a leprosy settlement on the island of Molokai, Hawaii in the 19th century. He was s appalled by the conditions that he found the lepers living in, and worked tirelessly to aid them. Please come and join us.



Evangelization and Formation

YOUNG ADULTS

1. ADVENT SUMMIT:

'And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us'

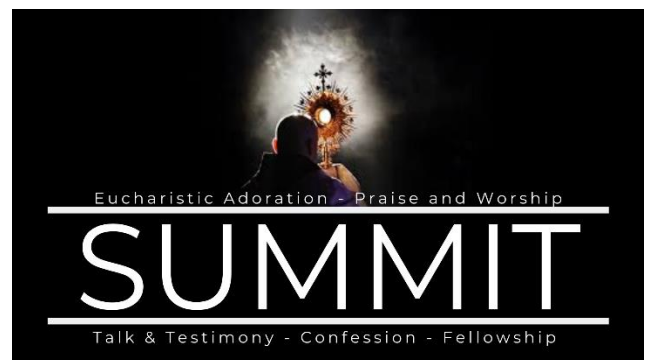
John 1:14

Please join us for a very special Summit just days before Christmas. This special Advent Summit will be held Friday, December 20th at 7:00 PM at the Domano Chapel!

Fr. John Garden will be giving a reflection on John 1:14 –

**What it truly means that God became a human being,
a little baby in the arms of a young mother.**

Summit is a night of Eucharistic Adoration, Praise and Worship, the Sacrament of Reconciliation, a talk given by one of our priests, a testimony shared by a young adult, followed by fellowship! This is a great night to grow in intimacy with Jesus in His Eucharistic presence, and to meet and grow in community with others. The Summits of this year, will focus on key verses from the Gospel of John: the many signs and wonders, and encounters people had with Christ. All are invited to come! *Please see attached poster*



THE 6TH ANNUAL RISE UP ADVENT COFFEEHOUSE

You are invited to the 6th Annual Advent Coffeehouse Fundraiser **BE PRESENT** on Sunday, the 8th of December in the Conference Wing of the Pastoral Centre! This evening will be filled with celebrating the beautiful season of Advent.

This is a fundraiser for the young adults attending Rise Up in Toronto this year!

The evening will include: local and talented performers, homemade treats from local and gifted bakers, an array of beverages, a silent auction with beautiful gifts, and testimonies from young adults who have attended Rise Up in the past. Come and bask in the beauty of the upcoming Advent season.

WHEN: December 8, 2019,
Doors open at 6:30 PM on Sunday, evening will commence at 7:00 PM

WHERE: Pastoral Centre Conference Wing (6500 Southridge Ave)

COST: Tickets will be sold at the door
\$10 per person **or** \$20 per family

Please print attached poster for your parish/school bulletin boards.

YOUTH

1. ST. MARY'S YOUTH GROUP

All youth in grades 7-12 are welcome to attend the next St. Mary's Youth Group a movie night hosted by the social committee on **Wednesday, December 4th** from 6:30 to 9:00 PM in the St. Mary's Gym.

2. ****MARK YOUR CALENDAR: DYC 2020 – MAY 1-3, 2020**

The 25th anniversary of DYC in the Diocese of Prince George:

The Gateway: "I came that they may have life and have it abundantly."

John 10:10

