



Dear priests, principals, teachers, youth ministers, and all who work for youth in the Diocese of Prince George,

Due to the advisories of the Canadian government such as travel discouragement/restrictions, the ban of gatherings and public events exceeding 50 attendees, and all other elements of the epidemic of COVID-19, I regret to inform you that the Diocesan Youth Conference (DYC) scheduled for May 1-3, 2020 has been officially cancelled.

We are all deeply saddened by this outbreak, and the impact it has had on the Church. But we continue to trust the Lord, and trust that He has great plans for us all, especially in a season of increasing fear and uncertainty.

I know it pales in comparison, but we hope to somewhat compensate for the lack of an annual Diocesan gathering of young people by utilizing our social media platforms as best we can, by: providing formation, opportunities to encounter the Lord in the Word, and just an exposure of the truth, beauty, and goodness of the Catholic faith. Please direct your young people to the Facebook page and the official Instagram for DYC for this exposure, as well as for updates and information on other opportunities in the next couple of months.

Facebook: Catholic Youth of the Diocese of PG

Instagram: dyc_pgofficial

All young people are held deeply in our prayers at this time - that they may see this season of disappointments and cancelled opportunities as perhaps a blessing in disguise: a chance to lean on the Lord, to truly trust in His plans, and to grow closer to Him each and every day.

God bless you all,

In the Lord, and in His Blessed Mother,

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