



WEDNESDAY WEEKLY

October 14, 2020



29th Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 18, 2020

*“Give to Caesar the things that are Caesar’s,
and to God the things that are God’s.”*

Matthew 22: 15-21

When Applicable—please ensure that the following items are in your bulletin and/or are also announced. This will ensure that the same information is being heard across the diocese. Thank you

New Items

- Diocesan Appeal Update
- Statement by religious leaders in Canada denouncing Bill C-7
- Food Donations for the Net Team

Attachments

Appeal 2020-21 Update

MAID - Religious Leaders in Canada
oppose Bill C-7

WorkSafeBC Form



Dates to Remember

- October 15 – Life Chain Event
- October 15 – Deadline to submit WCB Report

Annual Diocesan Appeal Update

This week we have managed to get over 80% of the way to our goal in pledges, and over 73% in funds received. In addition, have reached over \$35,000 in pledges that will go back to parishes as rebates for use in parish projects. We deeply appreciate everyone's generosity and support in getting us closer to our goal. However, we have to keep in mind that the Diocesan Goal is not yet met, and the last portion will require more effort. I would like to encourage those in those communities that have not yet reached their target to keep the Appeal in the forefront, as many parishes and missions need the support of the whole Diocese, and every dollar really does matter.

A number of parishes made it over their goal this week, joining St. Joseph's Vanderhoof, St. Mary's (PG), St. Patrick's, and Sacred Heart (Terrace): Annunciation Parish in Prince Rupert took a big jump at hit 149% of their goal, Christ Our Saviour hit 102%, Immaculate Conception 118%, Sacred Heart Cathedral reached 113% and St. Joseph's in Smithers reached 106%. Well done to all of you. Many of these parishes have their own higher targets for the projects they wish to get done. Just because a parish has hit its Appeal Goal doesn't mean that it has hit its own parish goal.

We would remind everyone that anonymous donations cannot be provided with a tax receipt. If someone has erroneously indicated that they want the donation to be anonymous but did not realize that they would not receive a tax receipt, please have them contact the Finance Office at appeal@pgdiocese.bc.ca or call 250-964-4424 ext. 2202.



Canadian Religious Leaders Resist Push to Promote Euthanasia

On Monday 5 October the Federal Government re-introduced Bill C-7 An Act to amend the Criminal Code (medical assistance in dying). Among other things, this Bill seeks to expand euthanasia and assisted suicide in Canada to those whose deaths are not "reasonably foreseeable."

Please see the attached Statement of Religious Leaders and communicate to your Member of Parliament your concern about this further erosion of respect for life in our country.

EPC: [Stop Bill C-7 from expanding euthanasia in Canada \(Link\)](#).

Prince George Parishioners:

Food Donations Needed for the National Evangelization Team (NET)



A team of seven young Catholics will be ministering to the eight schools and their parishes of the Diocese this year! While they are ministering in Prince George, they will be staying at the Domano Renewal Centre instead of host homes due to the pandemic. In light of this, they are in need of food donations. **If you are interested in being a part of this missionary initiative within our Diocese by helping provide for the food needs of our NET Team, here are three ways you can do so:**

1. You can choose to: prepare a meal ahead of time, a meal that can be frozen, stored, and then reheated by the NET team at the time they need it. Meals that work well prepared ahead of time, frozen, and then reheated include: lasagnas, soups, chilis, pasta sauces, meat for tacos, bread etc. These frozen meals do not have to feed all 7 of the NET Team Members - even if they just feed up to 2 people, that's great!
2. You can choose to: pick up a few extra groceries on your next grocery trip. See the attached 'List of Foods' for some ideas!
3. Or you can choose to: purchase a monetary gift-card for a grocery store or a food place for any amount - even if it's just \$10.
 - a. Here are some ideas:
 - i. Tim Hortons, Booster Juice, McDonalds, Pita Pit, Subway, Mr. Mikes, Original Joe's, Wendy's, A&W, Boston Pizza!
 - ii. Or try local pizza or sushi places, cafes, or any local restaurants - a good way to support local businesses!
 - iii. Any grocery stores in the area: Apart from Costco, as the NET Team will not have Costco cards, you can pick up a gift card for Walmart, Superstore, Save On Foods etc.!

Once you have your donation, what's next?

1. You can: Drop off your food donation at the Pastoral Centre (6500 Southridge Ave) anytime during office hours: 9:00am- 4:30pm, Monday to Friday. Pastoral Staff will meet you at the door, observe proper COVID protocols, and receive your food donation!
2. Alternatively, if you cannot drop off your donation during office hours, you can contact Lisa at the Pastoral Centre (250-964-4424 EXT. 2109 or lvfarrell@pgdiocese.bc.ca) who will then arrange to have your donation picked up.

Some COVID Protocols to take!

- Those who will be preparing food to donate:
 - repeatedly wash hands throughout preparation, ensuring that the prepared food is handled with clean hands and clean utensils at all times. When you drop off a frozen prepared dish, wrap it in aluminum foil or in a secure container and label it with your name and contact information. Maintain social distance and wear a mask when dropping food off at the Pastoral Centre. The container will be returned to you!
- Those who will be buying food/gift-cards:
 - When at the grocery store, maintain social distance from others, wear a mask, and when handling food, be sure to only touch what you're buying. When dropping off groceries or gift-cards, make sure they are securely packaged and wiped with a sanitization cloth. Once at the Pastoral Centre, we can also provide sanitization cloths to wipe the packaging.

List of Whole & Preserved Foods for Parishioners Who Wish to Purchase Groceries

Whole Foods

1. Fruits such as apples, oranges, bananas, berries, peaches // Vegetables such as cucumber, carrots, peppers, potatoes, avocados // Bread for sandwiches // Items for salads (Leafy greens such as spinach or lettuce) // Nuts, eggs // Rice, quinoa

Preserved Foods:

1. Canned or dried soup // Cans of Tuna or Salmon // Canned Beans // Peanut Butter, coffee grounds, tea, sugar // Frozen waffles, pancake mix, syrup, jam // Pasta, cereal, granola bars, dried fruit, crackers // Drinks such as pop, juice boxes, water bottles etc.

The NET Team will need these food donations from the PG community starting this week until December 5th, and then once again in March and April. Thank you so much for your generosity, and for being a part of this missionary initiative in our Diocese.

Contact Lisa with any questions or concerns at:
P: 250-964-4424 (EXT 2109)
E: lvfarrell@pgdiocese.bc.ca

Reminder!

Parish WorkSafeBC (WCB) Reports

Please find attached to the Wednesday Weekly the WorkSafeBC (WCB) report for July 1st to September 30th. All payments that have been made to individuals or contractors who are NOT registered with WorkSafeBC must be reported. Please have the form returned to the Finance Office by **October 15th**. See the form for further details.

Rachel's Vineyard Fall Retreats

2020 – For a psychological & spiritual journey for healing after abortion.

If you or someone you know is suffering from post-abortion trauma, there is no need to suffer in silence. Rachel's Vineyard is here to help!

Kelowna Retreat: October 16th to 18th

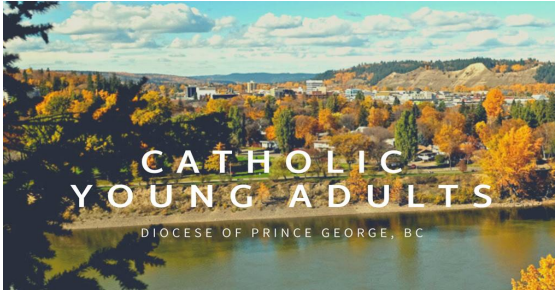
Call/email: 250-762-2273 info@rachelsvineyardkelowna.com

Cache Creek Retreat: October 21st to 23rd

Call/text: 250-267-5081 rvkamloops@yahoo.ca

Visit Facebook Rachel's Vineyard Kelowna

Young Adults



Stay Connected with the Young Adult

Community of the PG Diocese! Stay connected with all

things young adult across the Diocese by joining the Catholic

Young Adults – Diocese of Prince George, BC Facebook Group!

Click the link below to join and keep updated on all that's going

on! Catholic Young Adults – Diocese of Prince George, BC:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/453972271386325>

Tuesday Night Mass & Adoration

Every Tuesday, at Christ our Saviour Parish, the Mass is celebrated at 5:30pm, followed by one hour of Adoration with praise and worship, time for silent prayer, and the opportunity for Confession!

All young adults are welcome to come, to grow in deeper community with other young Catholics, and to encounter and grow in deeper relationship with Jesus in His presence in the Blessed Sacrament.

5:30pm – Mass

6:00pm – One hour of Adoration

7:00pm – Fellowship Afterwards

Online and TV Opportunities for the Daily and Sunday Mass:

- [Sacred Heart Cathedral, PG Facebook](#)
- [Annunciation Parish Prince Rupert Facebook](#)
- [Sacred Heart, Terrace YouTube Channel](#)
- [Daily Mass with Bishop Robert Barron](#)
- [Daily TV Mass – Warming Faithful Hearts](#)

For those with cable or optic TV please check with your provider for the following or go directly to:

- [Salt & Light](#)
- [Vision TV](#)
- [EWTN TV](#)

Want to share news in the Wednesday Weekly?

Email reception@pgdiocese.bc.ca by **NOON** on Tuesday.

Late entries will be published in the following week's edition. Please send in Word format.

To receive all diocesan news directly in your inbox or on your phone

email reception@pgdiocese.bc.ca OR TEXT "pgd" TO 514-900-0130 to join **Flocknote**. This 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.