



4th Sunday in Ordinary Time January 31, 2021

"They were all amazed:
A new teaching – with authority."

Mark 1:21-28

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

Dates to Remember

- Feb 26-28 Marriage Encounter Weekend
- Feb 1 Submission due date for Statistical Information 2020
 & Sacramental Records 2020
- Feb 19 Lenten Noon hour Reflections

Attachments

Apeal 2020-21 - Update

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
- Mass Warming Faithful Hearts
- Christ Our Saviour, PG Facebook
- St. Mary's, PG Youtube Channel

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

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Thank you again for your kind generosity and commitment.

Annual Diocesan Appeal Update

We don't really have too much to update this week. We have seen a couple donations trickle in since last week, and we have been receiving a bit of money to fulfill pledges already made. Thank you for your continued support.

We are happy to report that we have started sending out cheques representing allocations to the smaller parishes and missions as well as rebates for parishes who have exceeded their parish goal.

Please continue to keep all of the many needs of the Diocese in your prayers.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

The Worldwide Marriage Encounter virtual weekend experience is coming to you!

Mark your calendar: February 26-28, 2020

If you desire to restore communication & rekindle romance, this weekend is for you; no travel required and from the comfort of your own home!

Click here for registration:

https://beholdvancouver.org/events/virtual-worldwide-marriage-encounter-5

Click here for info video:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VvQUEZ35Ufg&feature=youtu.be



A Change to the Conclusion of the Collect Prayer

Following a request from the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments which was sent to the Bishops' Conferences of all English-speaking countries, the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops agreed to adjust the English-language wording to the conclusion of the Collect (the opening prayer) in the Roman Missal as approved for use in Canada. As of Ash Wednesday, 17 February 2021, the word "one" is to be omitted from the conclusion of the Collect, and likewise of similar prayers in the liturgy (for example, the Blessing of Water at the Easter Vigil). Instead of ending "one God, for ever and ever", the Collect will now end "God, for ever and ever".

Until now, the word "one" has been used in the conclusion to the Collect in both the earlier and the current English-language translations of the Roman Missal. However, in consultation with the International Commission on English in the Liturgy, the Bishops of English-speaking countries are in the process of deciding when and how each country will implement this change. The reason for it is to avoid possible misunderstandings about the identity of the Son within the Blessed Trinity, or even the misconception that Our Lord Jesus Christ is "one God" among others.

With this change, the English will now also be consistent with the Latin text, as well as conform with translations into other European languages, including French. The new wording, which amends the English-language translations of n. 54 of the General Instruction of the Roman Missal, will be incorporated into all future editions of liturgical books approved for use in Canada.

Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops December 2020

Statistical Information for 2020

In order to submit the Annual Rome Report for 2020, statistical information is needed from each parish. Parishes are asked to complete the attached form and return it by fax (250-964-2101), regular mail (6500 Southridge Avenue, Prince George, BC, V2N 5P9), or email (jgarden@pgdiocese.bc.ca) to Fr. John Garden (Chancellor) by February 1, 2021. Thank you!

Statistical Information for 2020 due by February 1, 2021



Sacramental Records for 2020

Please download and submit all of your sacramental records from Parish Friendly for the 2020 Year via email to Fr. John Garden (Chancellor) at jgarden@pgdiocese.bc.ca by February 1, 2021.

Please ensure that you download using the "Sacraments to CSV" format. Also, please ensure that you do not open the file before sending it as it cannot be uploaded by the Chancery Office if opened beforehand.

For instructions on how to download the sacramental records, please see p. 32 of the Parish Friendly Help Manual. If you still have questions after reviewing p. 32, please contact Mrs. Martha Primus, Administrative and Pastoral Assistant, Immaculate Conception Parish, Prince George at: icparish@pgdiocese.bc.ca or (250) 964-4898.

If you do not have parish Friendly – please send a hard copy of your parish registers to Fr. John via fax, scan or postal mail by the above date.

Lenten Noon Hour Gospel Reflections Now on Zoom!

The Sisters of St. Joseph will host a Lenten Noon hour Reflections on Zoom. Sessions will be on **Fridays** from **Noon until 1:00 PM** during the season of Lent. Sessions will start 19th February after Ash Wednesday and will continue until 26th March just before Palm Sunday.

Pre-registration by e-mail is necessary for weekly links and passwords to the meeting. Please e-mail stmarys.parish@shawcable.com to register.

Come and journey with us as we walk in the steps of Jesus.

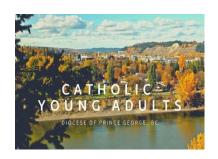


Young Adults

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



NET Food Donation Invite – Diocesan Wide

This invite is for all parishioners and community members who have one of the eight Catholic Schools (CISPG) located in your community!

The National Evangelization Team (NET) – a team of seven Catholic young adults who have given this year of their lives to spread the Gospel to young people in our Diocese – are residing at the Domano Renewal Centre, located in Prince George. They are providing ministry to the 8 Diocesan Schools: in- person ministry in Prince George by invitation, and online ministry to the other five schools located across the Diocese. We are hopeful the NET Team can begin in-person ministry to the remaining five schools, when God willing, restrictions begin to lift in the Spring.

Under "normal" circumstances, the seven-member NET Team would be billeted in homestays and have meals provided by host families. Due to COVID, they have made the Domano Renewal Centre their home-base, yet are still in need of food. Here are some different ways you can give:

- Homecooked meals: These meals, which can be frozen and then re-heated, can be any
 size, amounts can range from feeding 2 team members, or all 7 and anywhere in
 between. Meals can be lasagna, cabbage rolls, casseroles, shepherd's pie or your
 favorite family dish!)
- Groceries: Such as bread, milk, rice, frozen meat, frozen veggies, or dried/canned foods.
- Gift-cards: To grocery stores such as Walmart, Costco and Superstore, as well as fast foods restaurants such as Subway, A&W, McDonalds, Pizza places etc. These donations can be for any dollar amount.

Those located in, and those who are visiting or passing through Prince George, can drop off these donations with Lisa or Laurie at the Pastoral Centre from Monday to Friday, 9am-4:30pm.

Those from outlying areas of the Diocese can mail monetary help to the Diocesan office at the following address:

NET - c/o CISPG 6500 Southridge Ave. Prince George, BC V2N 5P9

The Diocesan Finance office will issue 2021 donation tax receipts for any monetary donations made to this cause so please be sure to include your contact information (such as name, email address, phone number, and mailing address) and the receipt, so accurate tax donation receipts can be issued. This also includes any cash or cheques that may be given. We are also accepting e-transfers: Contact Lisa at <a href="https://liver.ncbe.com/liv

Your generosity is much appreciated! And thank you so much to all those who have already given so generously. Our Diocese is blessed to have this NET Team, and they are so edified and blessed by your generosity!

Want to share news in the Wednesday Weekly?

Email <u>reception@pgdiocese.bc.ca</u> 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@padiocese.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.