

The Roman Catholic

October 13, 2021

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time October 17, 2021

For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many. Mark 10:45

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

Year of St. Joseph – Webpage



Online Broadcast of the Daily / Sunday Masses:

- Sacred Heart Cathedral, PG Facebook
- <u>Annunciation Parish Prince Rupert Facebook</u>
- St. Joseph's Parish, Smithers Facebook
- <u>Church of the Resurrection, Facebook</u>

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

2021-2022 Diocesan Annual Appeal and Healing and Reconciliation Appeal Update

We are providing a partial update to Called Together 2021-22 and the Healing and Reconciliation Appeals. Due to the long weekend, we're a bit behind in updating the weekly report. Totals are calculated by totaling each individual donor's pledges, and we are busily trying to get them all entered. If your parish totals don't seem to match your calculations, this is probably the reason why. We apologize for the incomplete report and will have it up-to-date next week.

We greatly appreciate the continued support from our donors. We are approaching 50% of our Diocesan Annual Appeal goal and the Healing and Reconciliation Appeal has surpassed \$24,000. Thank you for your continued generosity. The support you provide to our smaller parishes, missions and ministries is important in helping them meet their needs. For many of these communities, the help they receive from the rest of the diocese is a large part of their operating budget – especially in these more challenging times.

Our first parish has surpassed its parish goal by a wide margin: Annunciation Parish in Prince Rupert has jumped to over 177% of its target. St. Mary's in Prince George also took a huge leap to 78% of its parish goal. Other parishes also added substantially to their totals.

Please continue to keep the needs of the entire diocese in your prayers, especially at Mass.

Statement of Apology to Indigenous People of this Land from the Catholic Bishops of Canada:

On September 24 the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops issued a statement of Apology to the indigenous Peoples of this land. The Bishops affirmed and acknowledged to the Indigenous Peoples the suffering experienced in Canada's Indian Residential Schools as well as the historical and ongoing trauma faced by Indigenous Peoples to this day. Along with those Catholic entities which were directly involved in the operation of the schools, the Catholic Bishops of Canada expressed their profound remorse and apologized unequivocally.

Together with the many pastoral initiatives already underway in dioceses across the country, the Bishops pledged to undertake fundraising nationwide to support initiatives discerned locally with Indigenous partners. They also committed to continue to the work of providing documentation or records that will assist in the memorialization of those buried in unmarked graves.

A delegation of Indigenous survivors, Elders/knowledge keepers, and youth will meet with the Holy Father in December 2021 and discern with Pope Francis how best to proceed together on the pathway of hope in the coming years.

The Bishops of Canada are committed to continue the journey of healing and reconciliation with the First Nations, Metis and Inuit Peoples of this land. For more information, please contact the diocese or visit <u>www.cccb.ca</u>

The complete statement of apology is available on the diocesan website: pgdiocese.ca and parishes are encouraged to include it on their own websites and social media pages.

National Healing and Reconcilation Financial Pledge:

The Bishops of Canada, as a tangible expression of their commitment to walk with the Indigenous Peoples of this land along the pathway of hope, are making a nation-wide collective financial commitment to support healing and reconciliation initiatives for residential school survivors, their families, and their communities.

With a target of \$30 Million over up to five years this will include initiatives in every region of the country. The commitment will be achieved at the local level, with parishes across Canada being encouraged to participate. The Diocese of Prince George is grateful for the donations that have already been made to this year's Healing and Reconciliation Appeal and any further initiatives by the Diocese will be announced in the future.

Behold Vancouver – Online Catholic Resources

Behold Vancouver is a place to ask questions, connect with others, and discover more of God. Their content, events, workshops, and tools are designed to help you engage life to its fullest, no matter where you are in your faith. Our hope is you have an opportunity to encounter Jesus and discover more of the life He has for you. Behold is an initiative by the Archdiocese of Vancouver. Find out more at: beholdvancouver.org

Into the Deep: A Reflection on Amoris Laetitia with Archbishop Michael Miller October 29 – Online Event



October 29, join Archbishop J. Michael Miller as he explores the key ideas in Pope Francis' Apostolic Exhortation, Amoris Laetitia, and reflects on the sacredness of the family in God's decisive plan for the future of the world and that of the Church (Amoris Laetitia, 31). Archbishop Miller will speak on how the joyful and sacrificial love of marriage and family reflects the depth of God's love for his people and plays a vital role in the Church's evangelizing mission of sharing the Gospel to the world.

Free registration for this online event at: <u>https://beholdvancouver.org/events/into-the-</u> <u>deep-7</u>

Fall 2021 Virtual Sacred Music Workshop October 14-16, 2021



The **Church Music Association of America** is proud to invite you to join us in our **Fall Virtual Sacred Music Workshop:** This Fall Workshop will be primarily focused on instruction in topics related to chant and the Catholic sacred music tradition, lectures and daily night prayer. During the three days, you'll be able to participate in all these sessions via your home computer using the Zoom app. At the end of each breakout session there will be a short question-and-answer session. Sessions will be recorded and made available to participants to view immediately following the sessions.

Register at: https://musicasacra.com/events/fall-virtual-sacred-music-workshop/

Parish WorkSafeBC (WCB) Reports (Deadline – October 18, 2021)

Included with the Wednesday Weekly is the WorkSafeBC (WCB) report form 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.

If applicable, please return the form to the Finance Office by **Noon of Monday, October 18th** at the latest. See the form for further details.

Please contact Catherine at (250) 964-4424 ext. 2105 if you have any questions.

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 <u>reception@pgdiocese.bc.ca</u> **ORTEXT** "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.