



The Roman Catholic  
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PRINCE GEORGE**

# Wednesday Weekly

December 1, 2021

**Second Sunday of Advent**  
**December 5, 2021**

*"All flesh shall see the salvation of God."*

-Luke 3.6



**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.

**Online Broadcast of the Daily / Sunday Masses:**

- [Sacred Heart Cathedral, PG Facebook](#)
- [Annunciation Parish Prince Rupert Facebook](#)
- [St. Joseph's Parish, Smithers Facebook](#)
- [Church of the Resurrection, Facebook](#)

**Attachments**

- [Appeal 2021-22 Update](#)

**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](#)

**Year of St. Joseph - Webpage**



## Pastoral Centre Christmas Schedule

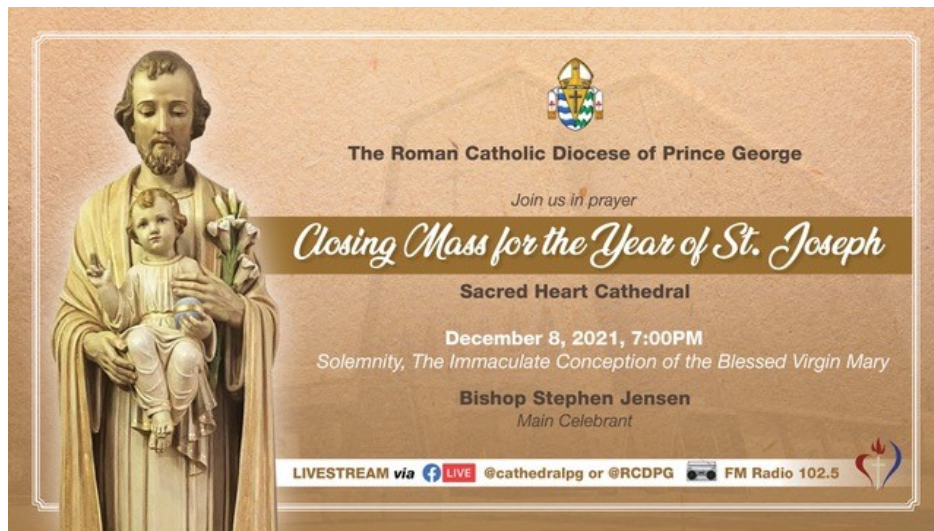
The Pastoral Centre will close at noon on December 24th and will reopen on January 3rd at 9:00 a.m.

In case of an urgent need during that time, please use the automated telephone system to leave a voice mail or you can send an email. We will do our best to get back to you as soon as we can. Non-urgent messages will receive a response upon our return.

## Closing Mass for the Year of St. Joseph

Join Bishop Stephen Jensen and Catholics throughout the Diocese at this Mass\* to close the Year of Saint Joseph. The Mass takes place on the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Wednesday, December 8, 7:00 PM at Sacred Heart Cathedral.

\*Due to the current restrictions only those who are directly assisting in the Liturgy will be permitted inside the Cathedral i.e. altar servers, readers, choir. All others are welcome to join in praying the Mass inside their vehicles at the parking lot via Facebook Live or FM Radio broadcast 102.5. Holy Communion will be distributed. Covid-19 safety protocols will be strictly observed.



## Called Together and Healing and Reconciliation Update

We continue to be very grateful to all those who are supporting our Called Together Diocesan Appeal and our Healing and Reconciliation Appeal through prayer and financial contributions. Your ongoing help makes a big difference to so many of our smaller parishes, missions and ministries throughout the diocese.

The week we have only edged a little closer to our diocesan goal, reaching nearly 89% pledged. However, many of our parishes have increased their potential rebates, with over \$8,000 more going to parish projects.

Christ the King in Kitimat has met their parish goal, as has St. Anthony's in Houston. Sacred Heart Cathedral, St. Mary's in Prince George and St. Joseph's in Vanderhoof have all added significantly to their totals, and St. Patrick's in McBride has almost reached 325% of their goal. Well done, everyone!

Our Healing and Reconciliation Appeal has also added over \$2,500 to reach \$62,369 in pledges. Thank you for your continued support of this important work.

## Thank you to Arlene Zobl

After twenty years of service, Arlene Zobl will complete her last term on the Diocesan Finance Council at the end of December.

Arlene has been an important part of the council and has drawn from her many years of experience in the banking world to provide reliable advice and guidance to the Finance Office and the Bishop.

We cannot thank her enough for her devotion and commitment to the diocese. Thank you Arlene!

## December 12, 2021 – National Day of Prayer in Solidarity with Indigenous Peoples

On December 12, 2021—the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe—the Church in Canada also marks the National Day of Prayer in Solidarity with Indigenous Peoples. This year, the reflection by the Canadian Catholic Indigenous Council focuses on the theme: *We are called to Healing, Forgiveness, Reconciliation.*

You can read the full message and reflection [here](#).

## Horizons of Hope: A Toolkit for Catholic Parishes on Palliative Care

There is now a Toolkit of free resources available on the CCCB website regarding Palliative Care. Horizons of Hope is an educational resource which provides formation and education on suffering and end of life issues in 4 modules:

- Module 1: Understanding the Experience of Death and Dying
- Module 2: Discerning and Making Decisions at the end of life
- Module 3: Accompanying at the end of life
- Module 4: Supporting and integrating inside the wider community

It is designed for a wide audience, including anyone seeking to understand Catholic teaching on end of life, loved ones accompanying someone who is terminally ill, caregivers, those who have been recently diagnosed with a terminal illness, and communities and parishes seeking to better serve their communities. The resources available are completely free and also available for download and distribution at no charge.

The toolkit can be found [here](#).

### Want to share news in the Wednesday Weekly?

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Late entries will be published in the following week's edition.  
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