



The Roman Catholic
**DIOCESE OF
PRINCE GEORGE**

Wednesday Weekly

December 15, 2021

The Fourth Sunday of Advent
December 19, 2021

*"Blessed are you who believed
that what was spoken to you by
the Lord would be fulfilled."*

-Luke 1.45



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.

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](#)
- [Notre Dame Parish, Dawson Creek, Facebook](#)

**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](#)

Attachments

- [Appeal 2021-22 Update](#)

Dispensation of the Obligation to Attend Sunday Mass

During the time of restrictions imposed by the Northern Health Authority on in-person attendance at religious services, the dispensation from the Sunday obligation will continue.

We look forward to the day when we will be in the situation of the rest of the province, which allows everyone access to the church building.

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.

Called Together Diocesan and Healing and Reconciliation Appeals Update

Thanks to the support of our generous donors, we have managed to reach nearly 91% of our diocesan goal and are only \$18,508 away from the total.

Notre Dame Parish in Dawson Creek took a big leap forward this week, hitting almost 70% of the parish goal. Annunciation Parish in Prince Rupert jumped to 236%. There are so many parishes that aren't far from meeting their goals, and just need a bit more support to reach their targets. After that, every dollar collected goes back to the parish for projects and ministries there. More than \$83,000 is to be sent to parishes once pledges are collected.

I am also pleased to announce that the Healing and Reconciliation Appeal has surpassed \$64,000.

We thank you for your continued support of both appeals. Without your prayers and financial support, many of the needs of our smaller parishes, missions and ministries throughout the diocese would be unmet. Please continue to keep these needs in your prayers.

Christ Our Saviour Alpha: Meet New People and Explore Faith Together

Alpha is a series of sessions that freely explore the big questions of life. It's an opportunity to meet new people, discover more about the Christian faith, and share your thoughts in a friendly environment.

Connect with new people—Watch an episode on a topic of faith—Ask questions and share your thoughts

Start 2022 with hope by signing up to join *Alpha* with Christ Our Saviour Parish in Prince George on Sunday nights by Zoom @ 7pm, starting Sunday January 9th. If you are interested, please email - dugdalealpha@gmail.com or phone: Michelle Dugdale at 250-967-4423.

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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