

Wednesday Weekly

May 18, 2022

The Sixth Sunday of Easter May 22, 2022

"Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give it to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid."

-John 14.23-29



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
- Notre Dame Parish, Dawson Creek,
 Facebook
- Sacred Heart Parish, Terrace, YouTube

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

- Salt & Light
- Vision TV
- EWINTV

Attachments

- Director of Administration and Finance
- CCCB Brief to the Special Joint Committee on MAiD
- CCCB Media Release Pope Francis' Visit to Canada
- Sacred Heart K-7 Principalship Posting
- Fort George Manor Bookkeeper Job Ad

Catholic Bishops Welcome Announcement of Dates, Hub Cities for Papal Visit to Canada

On May 13, 2022, the Vatican formally announced the dates and hub cities for Pope Francis' visit to Canada. The visit will take place from July 24-29, 2022. Due to the vastness of Canada, the limited time period of the visit, and the health of the 85-year-old Pontiff, only three communities will be used as bases for his Canadian visit: Edmonton, Quebec City and Igaluit.

These locations were chosen to "limit travel for the Holy Father while still allowing an opportunity for both intimate and public encounters, drawing on participation from all regions of the country."

The President of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB), Bishop Raymond Poisson, said: "We are immensely grateful that the Holy Father has accepted our invitation to continue the journey of healing and reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples of this land. In late July, Pope Francis will have the opportunity to visit Indigenous Peoples here in their homeland, as he promised when he met them recently in Rome. We pray for the health of the Holy Father as we undertake the intensive planning for this historic visit."

For the full statement from the CCCB, please see the attached media release.

CCCB Submits Brief to the Special Joint Committee on MAiD

The CCCB has submitted a brief to the Special Joint Committee on MAiD urging them not to allow the expansion of euthanasia eligibility. They warn that euthanasia is a deterrence from improving access to viable alternatives and erodes the common good of society.

To read the CCCB's full brief, please see the attached document.

Family Love: Vocation and Path to Holiness – A CCCB Video for the 10th World Meeting of Families

The 10th World Meeting of Families will take place from 22-26 June 2022 this year. It has been organized by the Diocese of Rome and the Dicastery for the Laity, Family and Life. This year, the event itself will be celebrated in all dioceses and eparchies across the world and not just in Rome.

To help bring the theme to life for dioceses and eparchies in Canada, the CCCB Standing Committee on Family and Life has produced and released "Family Love: Vocation and Path to Holiness," a short promotional video.

View the full press release and access the video on the CCCB's website: https://www.cccb.ca/media-release/press-release-world-meeting-of-families/

Celebration in Honour of Our Lady of Fatima and Procession



The Virgin Mary appeared to three children in Fatima, Portugal in 1917. She appeared one time each month starting on May 13 and ending on October 13. The three children were named Lucia, Francisco and Jacinta. During her apparitions, Our Lady gave them messages for mankind and secrets about the future.

To honour and celebrate this special event in the life of the Church, the Portuguese-Canadian Community in the City of Prince George has requested that the Mass on the Sixth Sunday of Easter, May 22, 2022, 11:00 AM at Sacred Heart Cathedral, be a celebration that includes a special devotion to Our Lady. And so, following the 11:00 AM Mass that day, there will be a procession of the image of Our Lady within the Church and school grounds.

In preparation, we are looking for three children, ages 8-10 (one boy and two girls) to dress-up like the three shepherd children (Lucia, Francisco and Jacinta). The costumes will be provided. If your child is interested in doing this, please coordinate with Fr. Rector by contacting the parish office.

We are also in need of men to volunteer to carry the image of Our Lady during the procession. If you think you can assist in the task of carrying the image of Our Lady, please have your name on the list by contacting the parish office. **Attention to all men in the parish: please consider being part of this**.

Rose Prince Pilgrimage Postponed

Planning and preparation for this annual event unfolds over many months before the actual dates of the pilgrimage. Due to uncertainties about pandemic restrictions on gatherings and the distress in native communities over the issue of graves at some residential school sites, it has not been possible to plan a pilgrimage this year. We hope it can resume in 2023.

PG4Ukraine – Share Hope Refugee Sponsorship

The Share Hope Refugee Sponsorship Committee has been very active since the invasion of Ukraine began. To date we are helping numerous families make their way to Prince George and our northern region of BC to seek refuge and resettle either temporarily or permanently. This support is carried out by our committee members who help with all manner of logistics from travel, housing, language, job searchers, education and health, wellness and more. We also support the families and individuals through a supportive network of socializing and making them feel both welcome and at home in our region. If you would like to get involved, please reach out to Eva Gillis at Immaculate Conception or Dick Mynen at St Mary's with our new email address pg.sharehope@gmail.com.

Share Hope is also raising funds to help resettle and financially support those arriving to our region. We have already received requests from multiple families and have begun to distribute funds. If you would like to help with our fundraising efforts, you can donate directly to your Parish and mark it "in support of the Share Hope Refugee Sponsorship Committee." You can also donate through CanadaHelps using the "Ukraine" option the for the Diocese on page of Prince George here: https://www.canadahelps.org/en/dn/70838. If you have a fundraising idea or initiative you would like to promote, contact pg.sharehope@gmail.com

Support Ukraine through CNEWA

The Catholic Near East Welfare Association (CNEWA) is a papal agency dedicated to addressing the needs of near-eastern countries and implementing solutions with and through the Church in those countries.

Donations for Ukraine can be sent to CNEWA the following ways:

- Visit https://cnewa.org/ca/campaigns/ukraine/
- > Call 1-866-322-4441
- Send cheques to CNEWA Canada, 223 Main Street, Box 80, Ottawa ON K1S 1C4

Hope for Women Staff Care Team Volunteers

Advokate Life and Education Services is looking for volunteers to join its new Staff Care Team for its Hope for Women pregnancy centres:

"The staff at our pregnancy centres share in the emotional journeys of our clients and some weeks are harder than others. We're looking for volunteers from Abbotsford, Prince George, Langley and their surrounding areas, that want to join our HFW (Hope for Women) Staff Care Teams. These teams will be organized through Advokate's head office and will come alongside our staff when there are particularly challenging weeks. This will mean providing them support and care by making them a dinner to take home, bringing in homemade cookies and coffee, bringing in a bouquet of flowers from your garden, and other creative ways to encourage and lift them up.

If YOU have a caring heart and enjoy showing appreciation through acts of service, we would love to have you on our HFW Staff Care Teams! Contact us at 604-852-4623 ext. 24 or email marie@advokate.ca for more information, or to express your interest in joining."

Walk for Life in Prince George – May 28, 2022

Advokate Life and Education Services is holding its first, in-person Walk for Life in Prince George. Walk for Life is a pro-life fundraising initiative which supports women through pregnancy counselling and resources, after-birth care, post-abortion care, and community education.

The Prince George Walk for Life will take place on May 28, 2022 and starts at 12:30 PM at Lheidli T'enneh Memorial Park, 17th Ave, Prince George, BC, V2L 3X9.

Fundraise on your own or bring together a team to walk or run 5K or 10K and invite your friends and family to sponsor you. More details can be found on the website: https://walkforlife.ca/.

Prince George Pro-Life Society

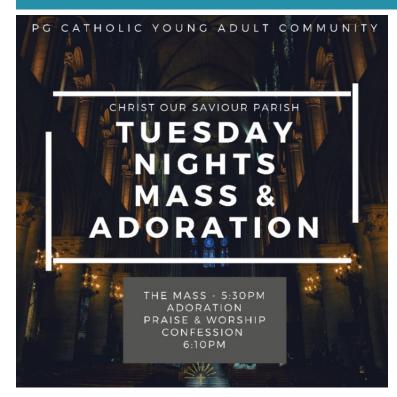
These past two years, the Prince George Pro Life Society has kept a low profile, waiting for the end of COVID and restrictions, never expecting the pandemic to last this long. It is now time to take steps towards becoming more active, in whatever way possible. Our goal is to return to some, or all, of the events of past years, such as: Life Chain, Day of Infamy, 40 Days for Life, and our booth at the exhibition. Eventually, we hope to add on new events such as a pro-life movie and dessert evening.

To accomplish this, one of our first goals is to rebuild our membership to pre-pandemic levels. For those who are interested in joining us in our work for the respect and protection of all human life, please consider becoming a member of the Pro-Life Society. Membership is \$24 (adult/family) and \$12 (student/senior) per year. Our mailing address is P.O. Box 2333 Stn A, Prince George, BC, V2N 2J8. If you have any questions, please contact Laura at 250-563-3874 or at jafowlie@telus.net.

The Young Adults of the Diocese of Prince George Telegram Group Chat!

For all young adults in the Diocese of Prince George! Scan the QR code to join our Telegram group chat! Keep up to date on all the events and gatherings for young adults!





Tuesday Nights at Christ Our Saviour

All youth and young adults are invited to Christ our Saviour Parish, each Tuesday night, to spend an evening with Jesus, alongside a community of other young people! Fr. Michael celebrates Mass at 5:30PM, followed by leading us through Eucharistic Adoration. Throughout Adoration, we have praise and worship led by some of the young adult community, have time for silence, and there's the opportunity to go to the Sacrament of Reconciliation. All are welcome to make this night a consistent part of their week.



JP2 Catholic Club Instagram

For all young adults, students at CNC or UNBC, young professionals, or young families — follow us on our Insta: @jp2catholicclub! We post everything from inspirational content for your prayer life, to events that are happening in the area! Our Instagram is the place to go for updates and changes made on our week-to-week events and gatherings.

Employment Opportunities

Camp Morice Society:

We are looking for 2 people who are Catholic, outgoing, energetic, and love running youth programs to fill our "Year Long Program Director" and our "Summer Assistant Program Director" positions! If either of these interest you, please go to our website for the full job description www.campmorice.ca or contact president@campmorice.com for more info!

Catholic Independent Schools Diocese of Prince George (CISPG):

- ➤ **Teachers:** Catholic Independent Schools Diocese of Prince George (CISPG) is hiring for September 2022, full-time teaching positions in Terrace, Kitimat and Dawson Creek. Please help spread the word! Postings found at http://cispg.ca/careers/
- ➤ **Principal for Sacred Heart School, PG:** Catholic Independent Schools is looking for a principal for Sacred Heart Catholic School in Prince George. Please see the attached job posting for details.

St. Mary's Parish Secretary

St. Mary's Parish in Prince George is looking for a full-time secretary. Hours are 6.5 hours per day, 5 days per week. Benefits included. For more information or to apply, send your resume to hr@stmaryspg.ca

CNEWA Canada National Director:

CNEWA Canada, a papal agency that helps provide humanitarian and pastoral support to peoples and churches in the East, is currently looking for a dedicated, hardworking and passionate National Director to lead the Canadian bureau. The job posting can be found at https://cnewa.org/ca/national-director-cnewa-canada-job/ and more information about the CNEWA can be found on their website: https://cnewa.org/ca/

Director of Administration and Finance – Diocese of Saskatoon:

The Diocese of Saskatoon is looking for a Director of Administration and Finance for their Diocesan Pastoral Centre. The Director is responsible for providing overall strategic leadership, with support from their team members, for the administrative and financial service portfolio, including financial services, human resources, communications, migration services, safeguarding, information technology, and building and maintenance. Please see the attached job posting or visit the Diocese of Saskatoon's employment page at https://rcdos.ca/employment. For more information or to apply, contact https://rcdos.ca/employment. For more information

Fort George Manor:

➤ Fort George Manor is looking for a part-time bookkeeper — a great opportunity for someone retired but not tired! Please see the attachment for details.

Catholic Independent Schools of the Diocese of Victoria (CISDV):

➤ The Catholic Independent Schools of the Diocese of Victoria are looking for a principal for St. Andrew's Regional High School in Victoria, BC. Please see the job posting for further details: 2022-04-04-Principal-SARHS.pdf (cisdv.bc.ca)

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