

Wednesday Weekly

January 25, 2023

The Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time January 29, 2023

Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven.

-Matthew 5.1-12



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
- St. Joseph's Parish, Smithers Facebook

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

- 2022 Parish Statistics for Rome Fillable Form
- How to download Sacrament Data from Parish Friendly

Prince George Pro-Life Prayer Vigil – February 5th, 2023

The PG Pro-Life Society will be holding a Prayer Vigil on February 5th at 2:00 PM at the corner of HWY97A and HWY16W.

Parish Statistical Information for 2022

In order to submit the Annual Rome Report for 2022, statistical information is needed from each parish. Parishes are asked to complete the attached form and return it by fax (250-964-2101), mail (6500 Southridge Avenue, Prince George, BC, V2N 5P9) or email (jgarden@pgdiocese.bc.ca) to Fr. John Garden (Chancellor) by February 3, 2023. Thank you!

Parish Sacramental Records for 2022

Please download and submit all of your sacramental records from Parish Friendly for the 2022 Year via email to Fr. John Garden (Chancellor) at jgarden@pgdiocese.bc.ca by **February 3, 2023.** 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 the attached help guide. If you still have questions, please contact Mrs. Marth Primus, Administrative and Pastoral Assistant, Immaculate Concept 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 February 3, 2023.

Shepherd's Corner Needs Volunteers

Shepherd's Corner is a ministry and outreach of the Diocese. Our purpose is to be a Christ-like presence in the downtown amongst homeless and street people. Because of the onslaught of Covid 19, we have been unable to invite people inside. This situation continues due to ongoing uncertainty, even though many restrictions in respect of Covid 19 have been relaxed. However, we are still able to provide (at our front door) services of drinks, snacks, clothing (when available) along with the warmth and presence of Jesus. We are open Monday to Friday from 10:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M.

We are very thinly staffed and are in dire need of volunteers.

As Catholics, Shepherd's Corner allows us an opportunity to do as Jesus asked us in Matthew 25: 35 - 40. One does not need to be an expert in matters of homeless people. What is important is that volunteers try to see that those people who come to our door are children of God. From a safety perspective, as noted above, we do not let people in, but serve them at the door, and we have strict procedures in place to ensure cleanliness and high standards of hygiene. In addition, all volunteers are required to arrange for a criminal record check, which can be arranged for on the website of the Diocese. Thus, steps are taken to try to help volunteers feel safe.

If you feel called to serve in any way, please contact Peter Ranson at mailto:p-ranson@shaw.ca or (250) 552-8980. Please also call us if you are uncertain about volunteering, or if you just wish to learn more about Shepherd's Corner.

National Association of Catholic Nurses Canada (NACN-Canada)

Our goal is to align professional practice with faith through prayer, fellowship, mentoring, access to resources regarding ethical issues and participation in public discourse. On First Fridays at 3:00 p.m., pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy with us using the link on our website. Join us for announcements regarding other events, both virtual and in-person.

CONTACT: NACN-Canada PO Box 19525, Manulife PO, 55 Bloor St. W., Toronto ON M4W 3T9.

EMAIL: mailto:nacncanada.boardcontact@gmail.com WEB: https://catholicnurses.ca/

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"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.