

DIOCESE OF PRINCE GEORGE Wednesday Weekly

February 22, 2023 Ash Wednesday

First Sunday of Lent February 26, 2023

Jesus fasted forty days and was put to the test.

-Matthew 4.1-11



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**

EWTN TV

Attachments

- About Fiat Discernment Group
- Catechists Formation Level One Course
- Lenten Mission with Bishop Gary Gordon Poster
- Heroic Men Summit Rising From Ashes Poster

Ordination of Deacon Matthew to the Priesthood – May 26, 2023

I am pleased to inform you that Deacon Matthew Bellerive has been called to ordination to the Priesthood.

Please mark your calendars for this diocesan celebration on Friday, May 26 at 7:00 pm in Sacred Heart Cathedral.

Let us continue to pray for Deacon Matthew and seminarian Paul Raine as they respond to God's call.

-Bishop Stephen Jensen





Through a retreat program facilitated by mental health professionals and centered on Jesus Christ, Grief to Grace helps those who have endured physical, emotional, sexual, and/or spiritual abuse find healing. The next retreat is May 23 – 27, 2023 in Kelowna. For more information please email grieftogracekelowna@gmail.com or make a confidential call to 250-808-6403.

Rachel's Vineyard Spring Retreats

ABORTION HEALING SPRING RETREATS

Rachel's Vineyard Retreats offers you a supportive, confidential, and non-judgmental environment where women and men can express, release and reconcile painful post-abortive emotions to begin the process of restoration, renewal & healing.

Registering now. Confidentiality assured.

Kelowna retreat Mar -10 -12

Call 250-762-2273 or email info@rachelsvineyardkelowna.com

Merritt retreat April 25 - 27

Call 250-267-5081 or email <u>rvkamloops@yahoo.ca</u>

If you or someone you know is suffering from an abortion experience, there is no need to suffer in silence. Rachel's Vineyard is here to help.

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 <u>mailto:p-ranson@shaw.ca</u> 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.

Catechist Formation Level One Course



Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Association of Canada

CATECHIST FORMATION Level 1, Part A

WHITEHORSE, YT JUNE 29-JULY 5, 2023

A retreat-like course for adults interested in the spiritual formation of 3 to 6 year olds.

cgsac.ca/courses-1

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Heroic Men Summit – Rising From Ashes

The Heroic Men Summit is hosting a free, 2-hour online event about the Eucharist on March 11, 2023 from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM PST (11:00 AM to 1:00 PM CT/CST).

The event will feature prominent Catholic leaders and speakers: Dr. Edward Sri, Bishop Andrew Cozzens, and John Michael Lucio.

See the poster for more information about Heroic Men, visit their website at <u>https://heroicmen.com/</u> or register for the event here: <u>https://www.eventbrite.com/e/heroic-men-summit-rising-from-ashes-registration-525360325877</u>

Lenten Mission with Bishop Gary Gordon at Immaculate Conception Parish

Immaculate Conception Parish in Prince George will be hosting a Lenten Mission with Bishop Gary Gordon from Monday, March 6 to Wednesday, March 8, 2023. Admission is by donation. Please see the attached poster for more details.

Fiat Discernment Group for Women



The Sisters of Our Lady Immaculate (SOLI) are inviting young women 18 years or older to join their "Fiat" Online Discernment Group. This group is intended for women are considering the possibility of a Religious vocation.

The group gathers online on the first Monday of every month from 7:30 PM to 8:00 PM EST (4:30 PM to 5:00 PM PST). Please see the attached "About Fiat" information sheet for more information.

You can also learn more about the religious community of the Sisters of Our Lady Immaculate by visiting their website at http://solisisters.ca/

Employment Opportunities

Catholic Independent Schools Diocese of Prince George (CISPG):

Catholic Independent Schools Diocese of Prince George (CISPG) is hiring for September 2023 including the Principalship of St. Joseph's School in Smithers and full-time teaching positions in Prince George, Smithers, Prince Rupert, Kitimat and Dawson Creek. Please help spread the word! Postings found at http://cispg.ca/careers

Want to share news in the Wednesday Weekly?

Email <u>reception@pgdiocese.bc.ca</u> by **NOON** on Tuesday.

Late entries will be published in the following week's edition. Please send in Word format.

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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.