



The Roman Catholic
**DIOCESE OF
PRINCE GEORGE**

Wednesday Weekly

March 8, 2023

Third Sunday of Lent
March 12, 2023

"The water that I will give him will become in him a spring of water gushing up to eternal life."

-John 4.5-42



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
- Diocese of Whitehorse – Principal Job Posting
- Heroic Men Summit – Rising From Ashes Poster

Chrism Mass – March 28, 2023

The Roman Catholic Diocese of Prince George

*The Chrism Mass and
Renewal of Priestly Promises*

Sacred Heart Cathedral
Tuesday, March 28, 2023, 7:00 PM

LIVESTREAM via LIVE @RCDPG or @cathedralpg FM Radio 102.5

A reception will follow. Those attending are invited to bring a plate of snacks to share and are asked to put the snack on the designated table in the lower hall before Mass. Thank you.

*Euthanasia Prevention Coalition: Where can we go from here?

In a recent video, the president of the Euthanasia Prevention Coalition (EPC), Gordon Friesen, discusses the expanding Euthanasia situation in Canada, highlighting the differences in practice and attitude towards Euthanasia and Physician Assisted Suicide (PAS) between Canada and California. Both have similar sized populations and legalized state sanctioned death in 2016, but despite these similarities, the statistics regarding the number of deaths is vastly different. In the past 7 years, California has had only 486 deaths while Canada has had over 10,000.

To listen to the discussion, view the video here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ITpluGF7Utg>

*No Options No Choice – Access to Alternatives to MAiD Campaign

The No Options No Choice campaign:

The expansion of euthanasia is threatening the lives of Canadians who don't have access to sufficient services to live. **Your fellow Canadians need your help.** Tell your elected officials that Canadians with life-threatening conditions, disabilities, and mental illness deserve real government investment in services and supports so they can live.

Write to your provincial representative today at www.nooptionsnochoice.com

With your help, we can get Canadians the support they need to LIVE.

Campaign resources for parishes:

https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1XuurQHPZFkfgzUa9UDLqSJpmfr5vUim7?usp=share_link

Monthly Day of Eucharistic Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Emmanuel Hermitage invites you to a *Personal Date with Jesus* on **Tuesday, March 14, 2023** at the Domano Chapel, 6500 Southridge Ave. **Mass** will be celebrated at **7:30 AM** and the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed from 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM for a day of silent prayer and adoration. We will pray for the universal Church and the world, and for the people and needs of our Diocese. In particular we will pray for the protection of all human life, for all the sick, for vocations, for Peace in our world, and for the intentions of those participating in the day. Please mark your calendar on the second Tuesday of each month for *Personal Dates with Jesus* days.

Walk for Life

Walk For Life is an in-person, family friendly, outdoor event that gives walkers/runners the opportunity to participate in **peer-to-peer fundraising!** Through peer-to-peer fundraising, you have the amazing opportunity to **invite your friends and family to sponsor your walk** and **tell them about Advokate's life saving work.** Additionally, you get the opportunity to **share** with them why it's so **important to continue advocating for vulnerable women and their unborn children, and why you are passionate about this work!**

PRINCE GEORGE: 4th Annual

Date: Saturday, May 27, 2023

Location: Lheidli T'enneh Memorial Park 17th Ave. Prince George, BC V2L 3X9 (Picnic Pavillion)

Time: 12:30pm-4:00pm

How to sign up:

1. **Register.** Head to our website at walkforlife.ca and register to walk!
2. **Create a fundraising page** based on your location, Prince George or Fraser Valley.
3. **Start Fundraising!** Share your fundraising page link online and ask your friends & family to make a donation and sponsor your walk! You can collect donations through your online fundraising link, or on your pledge sheet.
4. **Email us at bethany@advokate.ca for your FREE t-shirt** to wear on event day!
5. **Join us on event day to walk** the 5k or run the 10k together! Enjoy fun, food, games and prizes!

Baby Bottle Campaign

The Baby Bottle Campaign by Advokate Life & Education Services is an annual fundraiser that will run from Mother's Day (May 14th, 2023) to Father's Day (June 18th, 2023). Their mission is to "bring hope in action to vulnerable women and low-income families facing unplanned pregnancy while promoting the inherent worth and dignity of every human being."

During the campaign, parishes which sign up will be provided with real baby bottles to distribute to their church family to fill with cash, cheques and/or completed donation forms. Virtual bottles can also be filled

online at babybottles.ca. All funds raised from the campaign go towards supporting free and confidential support to the women, children, and families Advocate serves at its Hope for Women Pregnancy Services Centres.

Parishes that would like to join the Baby Bottle Campaign can reach out to Bethany Somerville at bethany@advokate.ca and let her know how many bottles your parish will need.

Campaign promotional materials are also available to parishes here: <https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1zMB2qgQxm8ac5GuwyviceO8Fyt2dZD6A>

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@rachelvineyardkelowna.com

Merritt retreat April 25 - 27

- Call 250-267-5081 or email rvkamloops@yahoo.ca

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.

Grief to Grace Retreat



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 griegtogracekelowna@gmail.com or make a confidential call to 250-808-6403.

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 <https://heroicmen.com/> or register for the event here: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/heroic-men-summit-rising-from-ashes-registration-525360325877>

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



Catechesis of the Good Shepherd – Level 2 Formation

This 90+ hour course concretely prepares adults to develop and facilitate an atrium for children ages 6-9 at your parish.

Dates for the training are:

- Part A: March 20 - Mar. 25, 2023
- Part B: July 24 - Jul. 29, 2023
- Part C: November 10 - Nov. 12, 2023

From 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at St. Patrick's Parish, Maple Ridge. Learn more and register at beholdvancouver.org/events.

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>

The Catholic Diocese of Whitehorse

- The Catholic Diocese of Whitehorse is looking for a principal for St Francis of Assisi Catholic Secondary. Please see the attached job ad on how to apply.

Life Restoration Ministries

- **Communications Specialist:** The successful applicant will be responsible for managing the various digital communication platforms for Life Restoration Ministries (LRM). They will work with a dedicated team of internal and external collaborators and draw on their experience in writing/editing for diverse audience segments. They will use modern communication technology and apply skillful planning and execution, responding to our participants with sensitivity and integrity. For more information on the position or to apply, please see the job posting on their website: <https://www.liferestoration.ca/apply-communications>
- **Event Project Manager:** The successful applicant will be responsible for propelling forward multiple, simultaneous projects and events with a dedicated team of diverse collaborators. They

will draw on their experience in project planning, event management, and logistical execution, supporting impactful, life-changing experiences for participants. For more information or to apply, please see the job posting on their website: <https://www.liferestoration.ca/apply-projectmanager>

Want to share news in the Wednesday Weekly?

Email reception@pgdiocese.bc.ca 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.