



The Roman Catholic
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PRINCE GEORGE**

Wednesday Weekly

July 19, 2023

The Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly
July 23, 2023

"The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat."

-Matthew 13.24-43



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, Smitthers Facebook](#)

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

- [Salt & Light](#)
- [VisionTV](#)
- [EWTN TV](#)

Attachments

- Camp Emile Facilities Poster
- Fall 2023 Pastoral Care Training Session Poster
- Fall 2023 Pastoral Care Training Session descriptions
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- Advocate – Hope for Women Site Manager's Assistant Job Description
- Nelson – Diocesan Appeals Finance and Data Coordinator
- Appeal Update – Final as at June 30, 2023

Called Together Diocesan Appeal and Healing and Reconciliation Appeal

The 2022-23 Appeal year has concluded and the final update is included in this week's Wednesday Weekly.

We managed to reach a little over 89% of our diocesan goal for Called Together, reaching 89.35% of our \$250,000 target. In addition to this, another \$111,047 was received from parishes that met their goal. Most of those funds have already been returned to the parishes for their own projects with the remainder to be distributed before the end of the month.

I am pleased to report that we received almost \$41,000 in our Healing and Reconciliation Appeal, bringing the total collected over two years to \$113,222.50, which is dedicated to supporting projects that promote healing and reconciliation.

The 2023-24 Appeal Year has already begun, and the active phase will take place this fall. We thank everyone for their continued support, both financially and through your prayers and sacrifices. Meeting the many needs throughout the entire diocese is a difficult challenge and we are so grateful to have the support of so many.

Thanks and Farewell!

With sadness we must report that two Sisters of St. Joseph of Peterborough who served in the diocese for many years, Sr. Irene Baker and Sr. Dorothy Ryan, have returned to their community in Ontario. Sr. Irene was principal in more than one diocesan school and Sr. Dorothy served the Prince George community as a registered psychologist. They go with our gratitude and prayers!

Monthly Day of Eucharistic Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Emmanuel Hermitage invites you to a *Personal Date with Jesus* during summer on **August 8, 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 Date with Jesus* days.

World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly

The third World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly will be celebrated on Sunday, July 23, 2023. The theme Pope Francis has chosen for this year's World Day is "His mercy is from age to age" (Luke 1:50).

The CCCB has prepared promotional resources for this year's World Day, including a 30-second video of high school students visiting a retirement home. Parishes are invited to make use of these resources as the World Day approaches.

The CCCB resources can be found on their website here: <https://www.cccb.ca/faith-moral-issues/family-and-life/grandparents-and-the-elderly/>

Ready-to-Use Social Media Assets from the CCCB

The CCCB has ready-to-use social media assets for various platforms and parish bulletins made available by its Office for Evangelization and Catechesis.

Parishes which are interested in the use of these assets for their websites, social media, or bulletins can find them on the CCCB website here: <https://www.cccb.ca/evangelization-catechesis-catholic-education/ready-to-use-social-media-assets/>

Bishop Robert Barron's Film Series "The Mass" currently streaming for free

Word on Fire is currently making Bishop Robert Barron's best-selling film series "the Mass" available for free on their website in support of the National Eucharistic Revival, which is a movement dedicated to restoring understanding and devotion to the Real Presence of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist.

The series can be found on their website here: <https://videos.wordonfire.org/themassepisode1>

Camp Emile is now Open for Bookings

The facilities at Camp Emile are now available for bookings. Please see the attached poster for details.

Camp Morice Events and Bookings

Camp Morice Summer Camping: send booking questions and requests to info@campmorice.com.

Open camping is available periodically throughout the summer for \$40/cabin/night or \$20/RVsite/night.

There is one family Camp still open: Family Cana Camp August 8-11.

Couples for Christ Family Camp: July 28, 29, 30.

A website will be available soon.

Grief to Grace October Retreat



Through a retreat program facilitated by mental health professionals and centered on Jesus Christ, Grief to Grace helps those who have endured neglect, physical, emotional, sexual, and/or spiritual abuse in their family of origin, their community, from spouses/partners, and/or coworkers or supervisors, find healing and journey to wholeness. The next retreat in Canada is **October 24 – 28, 2023 in Kelowna**. For more information please email griegtograncelowna@gmail.com or make a confidential call to 250-

808-6403.

Fall 2023 Pastoral Care Training

The valuable and free Pastoral Care Outreach Training series will be offered online again this fall by the Diocese of Victoria Health Care Committee.

Nine sessions will be held via Zoom on Saturday mornings from 9:30 – noon, **starting on September 23 and running until November 25, 2023** (with no session on October 7 for Thanksgiving). Participants who attend all sessions will receive a Certificate of Completion. Participants will require a phone number and email address, a computer, tablet or smartphone with speakers, microphone and webcam, a reliable Internet connection and access to Zoom.

Whether you are a member of your parish Pastoral Care Team, an Extraordinary Minister of Communion, a member of the Knights of Columbus, CWL or St. Vincent de Paul, clergy or religious, caring for a family member, or someone attending as a personal undertaking, this training program is important. It will show why those who visit the sick are unique and how they can offer more than a friendly visit – they can be the hands and face of Christ to others. Bishop Gary Gordon of the Diocese of Victoria feels “it is important to have parishioners trained at the ready to provide a caring and compassionate experience to those who are most in need.”

Please register through your local parish by September 12. For further information, please email moiraking@shaw.ca

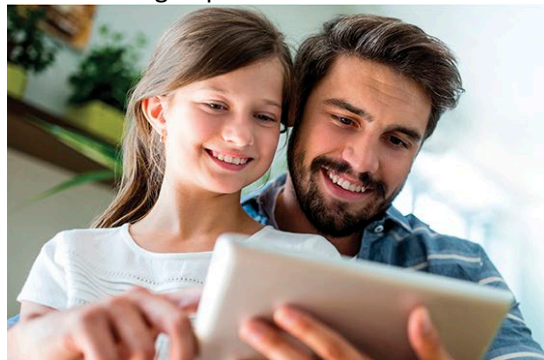
One Million Children Praying the Rosary for World Peace – Save the Date: October 18, 2023

Aid to the Church in Need (ACN) Canada will be holding this year’s One Million Children Praying the Rosary on Wednesday, October 18, 2023. In addition to children and their families, CAN invites pastoral workers in parishes and schools to contact Valérie Vulcain, the campaign coordinator, to be included on the mailing list for campaign materials which will be sent in August.

For more information about the campaign, please see the ACN press release here: <https://acn-canada.org/one-million-children-praying-the-rosary-for-world-peace/>

Formed

Formed, a website full of Catholic content including talk-shows, documentaries, kids entertainment, and educational series on various topics of the faith, is now available for anyone within the Prince George diocese to sign up for free.



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1. Visit formed.org/signup
2. Enter our parish zip or name
3. Enter your name and email
4. Enjoy and share with others in our local community!

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Employment Opportunities

Catholic Independent Schools Diocese of Prince George (CISPG)

- Catholic Independent Schools Diocese of Prince George (CISPG) is hiring for September 2023 for 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>

Diocese of Prince George

- **Parish Secretary:** Christ Our Saviour Parish will be hiring a new secretary to start in August. 8-10 hours a week, time is flexible. Duties include preparing documents for receiving Sacraments, preparing the weekly bulletin, answering calls and emails, filing documents, ordering supplies, taking and preparing minutes at meetings, etc. For more information, or to drop off your resume, please call or email Fr. Michael (meboumche@pgdiocese.ca) or Teresa (cos.pg@outlook.com).

Diocese of Nelson

- The Nelson Diocesan Office, situated in Kelowna, BC is seeking a part time **Diocesan Appeals, Financial and Data Records Coordinator** to provide support to their Financial Services team. Reporting to the Financial Administrator, the **Diocesan Appeals, Financial and Data Records Coordinator** is responsible for Diocesan Appeals and Diocesan donor database including associated financial record keeping. Interested applicants are invited to submit a cover letter, resume and 3 reference letters, including a pastor reference, to <mailto:info@nelsondiocese.org> by July 31, 2023. Electronic submissions only please. Please find the full job description attached to this week's Wednesday Weekly.

Advocate Life and Education Services

- **Prince George:** Do you long for a career that makes a difference? Hope for Women Pregnancy Services is seeking a Site Manager's Assistant to help support their ministry to women and children in the Prince George area. The ideal candidate has some experience in counseling, strong administrative abilities, and is enthusiastic about our cause. Please see the attached job description for information on how to apply.

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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email reception@pgdiocese.bc.ca OR TEXT "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.