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Wednesday Weekly

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18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 4, 2024

"I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

-John 6.24-35

When Applicable – please ensure that the following items, especially those marked with an *, 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](#)

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Fall 2024 Pastoral Care Training Session

“God calls us to touch the lives of our aging, lonely, ill, palliative and dying sisters and brothers with accompaniment, kindness and compassion as the hands and face of Christ. In these sessions, you learn basic tools necessary to accompany those who are in need of the healing ministry of Christ.” – Most Reverend Gary Gordon, Bishop of Victoria

The valuable and free Pastoral Care Outreach Training series will be offered online again this winter. Nine sessions will be held via Zoom on Saturday mornings from 9:30 – noon, **starting on September 28 and running until November 30, 2024** (with no session on October 12 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 Smart Phone with speakers, microphone and webcam, a reliable Internet connection, and access to Zoom.

Please register through your local parish by September 13. For further information, please email moiraking@shaw.ca

“I strongly recommend this Program to all Priest and Brothers, Religious and not only to Parish Visiting Volunteers, but other parish ministries [the Knights, CWL and St. Vincent de Paul] including family members and spouse care givers. It should be recommended to all of our Catholic/Christian communities.” – A participant

Letter to the People of God – 2nd Anniversary of the Papal Visit

On the two-year anniversary of Pope Francis’ visit to Canada, the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCC) has provided an update on the steps taken to respond to Pope Francis’ calls for a future of justice, healing, and reconciliation.

Please find a copy of the letter attached to this week’s Wednesday Weekly.

Monthly Day of Eucharistic Adoration – August 13, 2024

Emmanuel Hermitage invites you to a **Personal Date with Jesus on August 13th, 2024** 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.

Tuesday Mass and Adoration at Christ Our Saviour

Every Tuesday, Christ Our Saviour has Mass at 5:30 PM, followed by Confession and Adoration from 6 to 7. All are welcome to attend.

St. Joseph’s Camp – Labour Day Weekend

Saint Joseph’s Camp is an opportunity for Catholic fathers and sons and single men to grow in faith together by sharing a fun, spirit-filled weekend. We’ll share sports, woodworking and other activities, as well as spiritual gifts like the Rosary and Mass.

The camp will take place during the Labour Day long weekend at Camp Morice on Stuart Lake, beginning at 3:00pm on Friday August 30th and concluding with a hike up Mount Pope on Monday September 2nd.

Participants aged 7 and up are welcome; all minors must be accompanied by a chaperone.

Bunkhouse accommodation is provided or you may bring your own trailer or tent. Participants bring their own food but meals may be prepared in common (more details on meals will be provided upon registration).

Registration is open until Friday, August 23rd at \$40 per person for the first two people in one family, and \$10 per person for each member of the family after that.

Payment is by cash or cheque on arrival, or e-transfer to fees@pgdiocese.bc.ca. Please include: "St. Joseph Camp 2024" in the memo for an e-transfer or your payment may not be properly applied. Cheques should be made out to RCEC.

Please register here: <https://forms.office.com/r/ceMJqn55Pp>

If you have questions, please email Fr. Ken (kanderson@pgdiocese.ca) or Bob Geddes (geddesvanderhoof@gmail.com).

The Men's Retreat 2024: Perfect Storms – Life Restoration Ministries

This year's theme is "Perfect Storms." Through inspiring talks, the Sacraments, and outdoor adventures, Jake Khym (founder of Life Restoration Ministries) and Sam Blair (retired US Navy SEAL) will guide us through a prayerful weekend, helping us receive the perfect and transforming love of Jesus amidst life's storms. Registration is open.

For more information and to register, go to www.liferestoration.ca/mens-retreat.



One Million Children Praying the Rosary – October 18, 2024

You are invited to take part in *One Million Children Praying the Rosary (OMC)* event organized by Aid to the Church in Need (ACN) Canada on Friday, October 18 2024.

You can participate in the virtual event by registering at: <https://Onemillionchildrenprayingtherosary.eventbrite.ca>.

You can also schedule a time to pray the Rosary in your parish, school, religious community, home, with family or friends, etc. Make your intentions known to Ms. Valérie Vulcain, annual campaign coordinator, at vv@acn-canada.org or by calling 1800-585-6333, ext. 227, who will be happy to provide you with materials, such as a poster and flyer, to help organize your activity.

Rachel's Vineyard Retreats – Coming Soon to Our Diocese

We are now seeking persons interested in helping in this healing ministry. For those not familiar with this program, the Rachel's Vineyard weekend retreats provide an opportunity for peace, hope and healing for those who are struggling after an abortion or for those whose lives have been affected by a friend or loved one's abortion. The retreat is a peace filled, compassionate and spiritual experience of God's love and mercy.

If you feel a calling to this type of ministry work, please send your email address to either Adele at St. Mary's, adelemamay@gmail.com, or Fr. Michael Ebomuche at Christ Our Saviour, mebomuche@pgdiocese.ca.

For more information, please see the attached "Rachel's Vineyard – What is it?" or visit the website: <https://www.rachelsvineyard.org/>

2025 Call for Candidates for the Catholic Women's Leadership Program

The Catholic Women's Leadership Program is now accepting applications for the 2025 cohort, scheduled to begin in June 2025.

The program is open to all Canadian Catholic women, from all walks of life who have a genuine interest in making a difference in their communities and places of work.

A candidate must be a Catholic woman, at least 21 years of age, demonstrate oral and written English language competencies, have a genuine desire to cultivate her gifts of leadership, and have made a previous contribution to her community in some capacity.

The Program is an 11-month Certificate program with ongoing mentorship once the course work is completed. Throughout the Program, participants will be guided by professional facilitators from Saint Paul University. The Program is specifically designed to integrate faith and life, personal and professional leadership development. Spirituality and a Catholic faith perspective are the foundation of all activities; prayer and reflective practice are core elements integrated throughout the program.

At present the plan for 2025 of the Program will have an introductory get-to-know-you online module in June 2025; and a five-day intensive component in June 2025. This is scheduled to be through ZOOM, and

you will be expected to be present. All other modules are online and consist of videos, readings, personal reflections, and discussion forums. The final face-to-face residency component is scheduled for June 2026 in Ottawa.

Details of the content of the different components and timelines can be found on the website at www.cwlfcanada.ca.

If you are or know of a Catholic woman who wishes to be a transformative and impactful leader, the Catholic Women's Leadership program invites you to complete the application process by December 15th, 2024, which can be found at www.cwlfcanada.ca/participate.

Grief to Grace Retreat – September 2024



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. Through a retreat program facilitated by mental health professionals and centered on Jesus Christ. The next retreat in Canada is **September 2024 in Kelowna**. For more information please email griegtograncelowna@gmail.com or make a confidential call to 250-808-6403.

CISPG Seeking Substitute Teacher and Teacher on Call Applicants

CISPG Catholic schools are seeking applicants to apply at the local school level to be a substitute teacher/teacher on call, early childhood educators, childcare facilitators or an education assistant.

Consider employment with CISPG, enjoy time with our wonderful students and staff. Apply today <http://cispg.ca/careers/support-staff-application-form/>

Applicants need to be 19+, available weekdays September through June each year and be ready to work with a number of students in an engaging and exciting school environment.

Experience working with children (parenting, coaching, volunteering, etc.) is considered an asset.

Job Postings

Advokate Life and Education Services

- **Hope for Women, Langley Assistant Site Manager:** The Hope for Women site in Langley, BC is looking for a full-time assistant site manager. Please see the attached job ad for details.

St. Vincent de Paul

- The PG Society of St Vincent de Paul is looking for Christian people to make a difference in the lives of the needy. While we are always looking for volunteers, we are currently looking to fill 2 vacant job positions: **Thrift Store Assistant Manager** and **Drop-In Center Assistant Coordinator** - both 40 hours per week, Monday to Friday. Please send resumes, contact information and references to jecreegan@gmail.com. Details will be sent upon request.

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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