



The Roman Catholic
**DIOCESE OF
PRINCE GEORGE**

Wednesday Weekly

October 30, 2024

Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 3, 2024

Jesus answered, "The first is, 'Hear, O Israel: the Lord our God, the Lord is one; you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.' The second is this, 'You shall love your neighbour as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these."

-Mark 12.28-34

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](#)

Attachments

- 2024-25 Appeal Update – October 30, 2024
- 2024-25 Appeal Poster 11x17
- Appeal Pledge Forms 2024-25
- Called Together Brochure – 2024-25
- Men's Ignatian Silent Retreat Poster
- End of Life Seminar Poster

Called Together Diocesan Appeal Update

A big thanks to everyone who has been participating in this year's appeal. We are almost at 55% of our diocesan goal, but still have some way to go to hit our total combined goal for our parishes.

We've been getting caught up and don't have too much to report this week. St. Patrick's is the first parish to not only meet but exceed both its share of the diocesan goal and its total combined goal, sitting at 107%. St. Mary's (PG) is only 2% away from its portion of the diocesan goal, St. Joseph's in Vanderhoof jumped 55% to 75% of its diocesan goal, while St. Joseph's in Smithers leapt to almost 82%. Sacred Heart Cathedral is up nearly 15% to 73%. A number of other parishes also made good progress toward their share of the diocesan goal.

I really want to thank everyone for their continued support of the appeal. With the increased demands on our smaller parishes and missions, we have been directing more funds to them -- much as we did during the pandemic. These parishes and missions truly rely on this support. If you haven't yet financially supported the appeal, we would ask you to consider helping. If you have already contributed, please make sure that you remember the needs of the entire diocese in your prayers. We need both financial and spiritual support.

If you have any questions, please email us at appeal@pgdiocese.bc.ca and we will do our best to get you an answer!

Spiritual Exercises for Men – Ignatian Silent Retreat, November 1-3, 2024

Following the Ignatian Spiritual Exercise, this retreat for men will provide an opportunity to discover the path God has for you moving forward in your spiritual life.

Registration is \$220 including all meals and is on a first-come, first-served basis. There are limited accommodations reserved for out-of-town retreatants, with an additional cost of \$100 for the 2 nights.

The registration desk opens at 5 pm on Friday, November 1, 2024 and the retreat ends on Sunday, November 3, 2024 at 1:30 PM.

To register, please email or text below the number or address below and include the following information: Name, address, mobile number, emergency contact number, and need for accommodations along with any food allergies/requirements.

Registration: Norm Hebert at norman.hebert@protonmail.com or 778-890-0540.

Women's Events at Christ Our Saviour

Sponsored by Christ Our Saviour Council of the Catholic Women's League of Canada, these activities are open to all ladies 16 and over.

**Sponsored by Christ Our Saviour Council of the Catholic Women's League of Canada
at 4514 Austin Rd. W. Prince George – these activities are open to all ladies 16 and over**

Still Knitting Us Together

**Do you like to knit or crochet?
Or would you like to learn?**

There are some very talented ladies ready to
share their craft with you

every Monday from 10 am to 12 noon

Christ Our Saviour Church Hall

4514 Austin Road West in Prince George

Knitting needles, crochet hooks, yarn provided

Socks, mittens, slippers, baby blankets, toys

All knitted items go to those in need

Hospice, Hope for Women, the Homeless

This is a drop in event – just come when you're
in the mood to knit or just to socialize

Women's Wednesday

A variety of topics, prayers & activities
open to all ladies 16 & over
every Wednesday from 6:30 to 8:00 pm
at Christ Our Saviour Church
4514 Austin Road West in Prince George

Upcoming Wednesdays:

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| Nov. 6 | Jubilee of Mercy – Finding
Freedom from Spiritual Bondage |
| Nov. 13 | Teatime Prayer |
| Nov. 20 | Operation Christmas Child |
| Nov. 27 | Faith - Advent |

Monthly Day of Eucharistic Adoration

Emmanuel Hermitage invites you to a Personal Date with Jesus on **WEDNESDAY November 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. Please mark your calendar on the **SECOND WEDNESDAY** of each month for Personal Date with Jesus days.

End of Life Seminar at Immaculate Conception – Nov 23, 2024

Have you made your end-of-life plans?

Do you have:

- A will?
- A representation agreement?
- A funeral plan?
- A financial legacy?

Join us at **Immaculate Conception Parish on Saturday, November 23, from 9:30 am until noon**, for an informative seminar on preparing for the end of your life on this earth.

Chelsea Dunk, a **lawyer** with Marcotte Law, will speak about the legal aspects of preparing for death: wills, representation agreements, and powers of attorney.

Fr Matthew Bellerive, **assistant priest** at Immaculate Conception, will discuss why planning your funeral is a good idea, and things to consider when doing so.

Michele Santos, an **investment expert** and advisor to the Diocese of Prince George, will address how to leave a financial legacy behind.

The facilitators will be available to answer any questions you may have about the various legal, spiritual, and financial aspects of end-of-life plans.

Please register by [clicking here](#), scanning the QR code, or entering this URL in your web browser: <https://forms.office.com/r/neRQ05iRf7>.



Job Opportunities

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.

To receive all diocesan news directly in your inbox or on your phone

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.