



The Roman
Catholic Diocese
of
Prince George

Wednesday Weekly

May 13, 2026

Ascension of the Lord | May 17, 2026

“Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you.”

-Matthew 28.16-20

THIS WEEK ON FORMED

The 13th Day & The Day the Sun Danced

“The 13th Day” dramatizes the true story of the three young shepherds who experienced the six apparitions of Our Lady of Fatima, which culminated with the Miracle of the Sun. This film may contain realistic depictions of the life and times of the characters portrayed and it is recommended that parents preview it before watching with children.

“The Day the Sun Danced” is a 30-minute episode for children telling the inspiring true story of Lucia, Francisco, and Jacinta, whose great faith and courage brought Our Lady of Fatima’s message to the world.

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Please note: there will be no Wednesday Weekly on May 20, 2026.

New this Week!

Rachel's Vineyard Prayer Wall

Rachel's Vineyard offers healing retreats for women struggling with post-abortion trauma and pregnancy loss. Our retreat is happening on the weekend of May 22nd, and we are looking for people to lift up the participants in prayer! See the link below to sign up for a one-hour prayer slot:

<https://forms.gle/txmLcDtqptcNBV1PA>

And here is the link to the official website for the retreat:

<https://www.rachelsvineyardpg.ca/>

World Youth Day 2027 Information Session



World Youth Day 2027
Seoul, South Korea

August 2027 | For ages 19+

Prince George Diocese Info Session

June 17th

7 - 8:30 PM

- In-person in Prince George
- Online option for joining from outside Prince George

Learn more about
World Youth Day and how
you can join!



“
**Take
courage!
I have
overcome
the world.
John 16:33**
”

Please RSVP to receive the location and meeting link. Contact Jacinta Meir,
jmeir@pgdiocese.ca

For more information about WYD contact Fr. Ken Anderson,
kanderson@pgdiocese.bc.ca

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Pro-Life

Help Not Harm Campaign – Bill C218

You are invited to visit HelpNotHarmCanada.ca to quickly and respectfully contact your Member of Parliament and ask for their support of **Bill C-218 (The Right to Recover Act)**. This proposed legislation would amend the Criminal Code to ensure that Medical

Assistance in Dying (MAiD) is not extended to individuals whose sole underlying condition is mental illness.

If the law is not amended, MAiD will become available for those suffering from mental illness alone beginning in March 2027. Many of us know someone living with mental illness — a loved one, friend, neighbour, or colleague. As Catholics and Canadians, we are called to respond with compassion, accompaniment, and genuine care, safeguarding the dignity and lives of those who are vulnerable. Visit HelpNotHarmCanada.ca today and ask your MP to support Bill C-218.



Support Bill C-218

Ask your Member of Parliament
to protect those living
with mental illness

Take action at HelpNotHarmCanada.ca

Rachel's Vineyard Spring Retreat – May 22-24, 2026

Find Calm for Your Mind and Peace for Your Soul

If you have been impacted by an abortion experience, we invite you to come to our Weekend Retreat in Prince George. For more information, see our website www.rachelsvineyardpg.ca
Email Adele: rachelsvineyardpg@proton.me
Call/Text: 778-675-0152



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Family and Social Events

25th Anniversary of Priestly Ordination of Fr. Jack Michalchu

JOIN US TO CELEBRATE

Fr. Jack Michalchuk's

25th

Anniversary of Priesthood

MAY 30, 2026
St. Joseph's Church, Smithers, BC

12:00 PM MASS
Lunch reception to follow

There will be an open-mic opportunity if you wish to share a short testimony or affirmations for Fr. Jack.

Reception will be 'potluck' style, with a main meat provided by the parish. Dietary options will also be available.

We ask our local guests to please bring a double-portion of food to share with our out-of-town guests, who are not required to bring anything, but may.

PLEASE RSVP BY MAY 10th at:
<https://smitherscatholic.wufoo.com/forms/m1tceqh10lt5l20/>

Or Call 250-847-2012
Or Email: sjpsmithers@outlook.com

Camp Emile Social and Blessing of the Camp

Camp Emile Society cordially invites you to join our Camp opening events on May 16th:

- Open House tour of Camp facilities: All day
- Chaplet of Divine Mercy: 3 PM in St. Theresa's Church.
- Blessing of the Camp: 4 PM
- Parish Mass: 5 PM
- Social with refreshments in kitchen/hall: 6 PM

Location: Camp Emile 6740 Mission Road, Moberly Lake

Holy Family Camp – Registration is open!

Holy Family Camp will be the weekend of June 26 to June 30, 2026. Registration is now open! Register by scanning the QR code on the poster or following the link here:

<https://forms.cloud.microsoft/r/8XRxmMuegN>

Registration Open! HOLY FAMILY CAMP

For families and young adults

Friday, June 26 - Tuesday, June 30th | Camp Morice, Fort St. James | Tent and trailer spots available

Pricing:

Young Adult/Single Adult - \$50
Married Couple - \$100
Family - \$120

Shared Cabin Pricing:

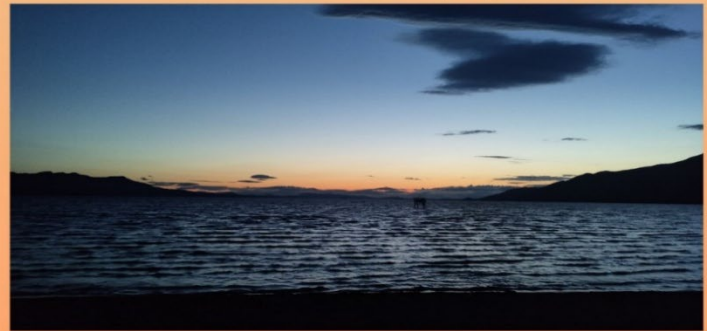
Young Adult/Single Adult - +\$50
Family/Married Couple - +\$120



Register here!



Campers provide their own meals



For more information email

Fr. Ken Anderson
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or

Therese and Ray Steiner
ray.therese1999@gmail.com

Prayer and Formation

This Week on Formed



The 13th Day

In a world torn apart by persecution, war, and oppression, three children in Fatima, Portugal, were chosen by God to offer an urgent message of hope to the world.

Based on the memoirs of the oldest seer, Lucia Santos, and many thousands of independent eye-witness accounts, The 13th

Day dramatizes the true story of three young shepherds who experienced six apparitions of Our Lady between May and October 1917, which culminated in the final prophesied Miracle of the Sun on October 13.

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Abducted from their homes, thrown into prison, and interrogated under the threat of death in the government's attempt to silence them, the children remained true to their story about the crucial messages from Mary of prayer, repentance, and conversion for the world.

Our Lady gave a secret to the children told in three parts, from a harrowing vision of hell, to prophetic warnings of future events including the advent and timing of the Second World War, the spread of Communism, and the attempted assassination of the Pope.

This movie is not rated, but was created with an adult audience in mind. It may contain violence indicative of the life and times of the saint or character portrayed. We would recommend Parental Guidance and that parents preview it before watching with children.

To watch the movie, find it here on Formed: <https://app.formed.org/app/collections/116670>

The Day the Sun Danced

In 1917, three children named Lucia, Francisco, and Jacinta experienced a great miracle. While herding a flock of sheep outside the tiny village of Fatima, Portugal, the Blessed Mother visited them, not once, but many times, telling the children great and wondrous secrets that would affect all of creation.



When the children tried to share the joyous news of Our Lady of Fatima, no one believed them, until the day the sun seemed to dance in the sky. It soon became clear that they had been chosen by the Blessed Mother to share her message.

The Day the Sun Danced is the inspiring true story of Lucia, Francisco, and Jacinta, whose great faith and courage brought the message of Our Lady of Fatima to the entire world.

To watch this content, find it here on Formed: <https://app.formed.org/app/videos/578429>

Don't have a Formed account? Follow the steps to sign up for free under your Parish here: <https://help.formed.org/support/solutions/articles/9000210892-how-do-parishioners-sign-up-for-free-under-the-parish->

Did you know? Formed has a leadership resource website for those members of a parish who lead or participate in ministry. You can find those resources here: <https://leaders.formed.org/>

Deep-Diving into the Power of Grace - Kitimat

Every Wednesday from April 22, 2026 to May 20, 2026, Fr. Dominic Apaatah will be presenting on the role of the Holy Spirit in our lives. It will take place at Christ the King in Kitimat from 6:30 PM to 7:30 PM. Please see the poster attached to this Wednesday Weekly for more details.

Grief to Grace Retreat



Grief to Grace is a program rooted in our Catholic faith. Designed to express the healing ministry of Jesus Christ, it is an integrated healing process of the body, mind, and spirit using the principles of trauma-informed care. It helps those who have endured abuse to find healing for neglect, abandonment, physical, emotional, sexual, clerical, and spiritual abuse, whether in childhood, adolescence, or as an

adult. The next retreat in Canada is **September 22 - 27, 2026 in Kelowna**. For more information please email griegtogracebookelowna@gmail.com or make a confidential call to 250-808-6403. The deadline for the intake process is June 15.

Education

Catholic Educators in BC Scholarship

Are you a Catholic Educator in the Diocese of Prince George? Would you like to deepen your knowledge of the faith? Consider studying virtually at St. Mark's College from the comfort of your own home, one evening a week. Apply now and begin taking courses in September 2026. The scholarship pays tuition for three graduate courses at St. Mark's College. Questions? Reach out to faculty@stmarkscollege.ca.

Bishop Thomas J. Lobsinger, OMI, Memorial Bursary Programs

The 2026 bursary year for the Knights of Columbus Bishop Thomas J. Lobsinger, OMI, memorial bursaries began on January 1, 2026. Graduating students who will be attending a post-secondary institution in the fall are eligible to apply.

A request for an application package must be made no later than June 1, 2026 and applications must be submitted by June 30, 2026.

Please see the Bursary Terms of Reference attached to this week's Wednesday Weekly for more details and information.

Free Webinars from Franciscan University's Catechetical Institute

Franciscan University's Catechetical Institute is continuing our FREE and fantastic webinar series in 2026 to support catechists, teachers, and leaders!

The full list of available webinars for this year and their registration links can be found here:

<https://franciscanathome.com/guild-webinar-series>

Also, our extensive collection of webinars done in the past five years are also posted for free [here](https://franciscanathome.com/resources/webinars): <https://franciscanathome.com/resources/webinars>

Employment Opportunities

Catholic Independent Schools of Prince George

Our 8 vibrant Catholic Schools in the communities of Dawson Creek, Prince George, Smithers, Terrace, Kitimat and Prince Rupert enrol 1621 students. Our enrolment is growing and we have full-time teaching vacancies.

Do you know of a Catholic Educator who may consider applying to work with CISPG? Please, can you spread the word by sharing our [Catholic School Teacher Postings](#) with them. Applications are completed online.

We also have a vacancy for the position [Principal of Learning Services](#) which begins August 2026. The [Principalship at St. Joseph's K – 7 School in Smithers](#) has also become an opportunity for consideration.

As parishioners, we invite you to pray for dynamic catholic teachers to apply and come be the witnesses our children need for their faith journey.

Advokate Life and Education Services - Hope for Women Prince George – Client Services Assistant

Looking for work that truly matters? The Hope for Women Pregnancy Centre in Prince George, an initiative of Advokate Life & Education Services Society, is seeking a compassionate and organized **Client Services Assistant**. This flexible, in-person role supports women facing unplanned pregnancies, assists volunteers, and helps keep the centre running smoothly. If you have a heart for women and children and strong administrative skills, we'd love to hear from you.

Apply: Email your resume and cover letter to **Janoah Fisher** at janoah@hopeforwomen.ca.

Roman Catholic Diocese of Victoria – Assistant Director of Faith Formation and Evangelization

The Diocese of Victoria is seeking an Assistant Director of Faith Formation and Evangelization. The Assistant Director will report directly to the Director of Faith Formation and Evangelization and will aid in carrying out the primary mission of the Diocesan Ministry of Faith Formation and Evangelization and as agents of the Bishop of Victoria, serve the People of God to know, celebrate, contemplate, and live the Christian faith in the One Triune God. The salary range is \$62,000-\$67,000 FTE per annum. Please see the attached job posting for more details or visit <https://www.rcdvictoria.org/employment>

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