

# Wednesday Weekly

February 19, 2025

7<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time February 23, 2025

"I say this to you who are listening: Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who treat you badly."

-Luke 6:27-38

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
- EWINTV

#### **Attachments**

- 2024-25 Appeal Update Feb 19, 2025
- Jubilee 2025 Events at St. Mary's Poster
- IRF Press Release

#### Called Together Appeal Update

Please find this week's Appeal update attached.

## Message by the Most Rev. William T. McGrattan, Bishop of Calgary and CCCB President, praying for the health and recovery of Pope Francis

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As President of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB), I wish to assure the faithful of Canada that I am united with my brother Bishops in praying for the full recovery of the Holy Father, Pope Francis, as he continues to lead the Church with courage and a generosity of spirit.

I invite individuals, families, parishes, and all Catholic movements and associations in Canada to join their local Bishops in lifting up Pope Francis in their prayers and intentions.

May the Lord, through our Lady's powerful intercession, grant him renewed strength, health, and energy in his vocation to serve the Church as the Successor of Peter and the Vicar of Christ on earth.

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#### Rest in Peace – Mrs. Sammanasu Mary

It is with regret that we announce the passing of Mrs. Sammanasu Mary, the mother of Fr. Aruldhas Lucas, who has passed away in India at the age of 88. Please keep her and Fr. Aruldhas' family in your prayers.

Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

#### Sacred Fire Stories from the Indigenous Reconciliation Fund

The Indigenous Reconciliation Fund (IRF) was created to fulfil the \$30 million financial commitment to promote Indigenous-led healing across the land. Over \$18.9 million in funds has been raised since March 2022, and the fund is now open to applications from local Indigenous groups or Initiatives via the local participating diocese.

The IRF has shared a press release linking to a short film featuring projects that bring healing, preserve languages, support education, and celebrate culture in Indigenous communities. The press release can be read here: <a href="https://www.pgdiocese.bc.ca/wp-content/uploads/2025/02/IRF-Press-Release.pdf">https://www.pgdiocese.bc.ca/wp-content/uploads/2025/02/IRF-Press-Release.pdf</a>

#### Monthly Day of Adoration – March 12, 2025

Emmanuel Hermitage invites you to a Personal Date with Jesus on **Wednesday March 12th, 2025** 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.

### Diocesan Men's Lenten Gathering: Friday March 14<sup>th</sup> to Saturday March 15<sup>th</sup> – "The Father's Sacrifice"

This Lenten gathering is an opportunity for Catholic men to ponder the mystery of God's Fatherhood in the sacrifice of his Son and what this means for the identity and mission of every Catholic man.

The weekend will include Mass with Bishop Jensen, Adoration, opportunities for Confession, and reflections from our guest speaker, Kevin Philip, from Boats on Fire Ministries.

Venue: Domano Renewal Centre (6500 Southridge Ave. PG).

Arrival and check-in will take place from 5:30-6:30 pm on Friday the 14th. The conference will conclude midafternoon on Saturday the 15th.

Cost: \$100.00 per person (\$50.00 per additional person for fathers who bring their sons); Friday evening snack and breakfast and lunch on Saturday are included.

Overnight accommodation at the Domano Renewal Centre is an additional \$50.00 per person.

Registration can be found at the following link: <a href="https://forms.office.com/r/7JL08GDUEg">https://forms.office.com/r/7JL08GDUEg</a>

Contact Fr. Ken Anderson for more information at kanderson@pgdiocese.ca

#### **Grief to Grace Retreat**



Through a 5-day 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 program in Canada is **May 20- 25 in Kelowna**. For more information please email

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

#### Want to share news in the Wednesday Weekly?

Email <u>reception@pgdiocese.bc.ca</u> by **NOON** on Tuesday.

Late entries will be published in the following week's edition. Please send in Word format.

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