



Church of the Annunciation

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April 12, 2020 – Resurrection of the Lord

Annunciation Mass Schedule & Intentions

There are daily Facebook live prayer opportunities and Sunday Mass at 10:00 am on Facebook live. Our Facebook page is entitled "Annunciation Church PR"

Mon Apr 13

Tue Apr 14

Wed Apr 15

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Thu Apr 16

Fri Apr 17

Sat Apr 18

Sun Apr 19

OUR PARISHONERS

Parish Activities

Knights of Columbus:

Catholic Women's League: Please check out our national website: cwl.ca and provincial: bcyukoncwl.com.

Confessions: Every Tues, Wed and Thurs, before Mass Sat, at 4:30pm or by appointment.

Baptism: Call the office for appt. with Fr. Terry.

Matrimony: Please contact Fr. Terry at least 6 months in advance.

First Holy Communion & Confirmation: preparation has begun.



Alleluia. Alleluia. Christ, our Paschal Lamb, has been sacrificed; let us feast with joy in the Lord. **Alleluia.**



HOLY WEEK: is the week which precedes the great Feast of the great Feast of the Resurrection on Easter Sunday: it includes the last days of Lent and the beginning of the Easter Triduum. During Holy Week, the Church celebrates the mysteries of salvation accomplished by Christ in the last days of his life on earth, beginning with his messianic entrance into Jerusalem.

RESOURCES: Now more than ever we must hold fast to the great virtue of hope.

In an effort to assist Catholics everywhere, we are opening our doors to make the FORMED platform free to everyone for 40 days. Sign up today and get immediate access to the best Catholic movies, faith formation videos, audio talks, and great children's videos. Go to: <https://formed.org/faithathome>

**FORMED
FAITH AT HOME**

MESSAGE FROM FR. MIKE RABINO VISITING THE SICK AND THE HOSPITAL: To keep patients, families and staff safe and in keeping with the Provincial Health officer's recommendation for social distancing, Northern Health is limiting the number of visitors entering the hospital effective March 17, 2020.

Until further notice, the following visitor restrictions are in place in Northern Health facilities:

- Hospital Emergency Dept. (ER) , Intensive Care Unit (ICU) Critical Care areas:
 - ONE adult caregiver/support person
- Palliative Care will accommodate patient and family needs and consult with infection prevention and control.
- No visitor with a fever, cough, runny nose, sore throat or diarrhea may visit any of the above facilities.

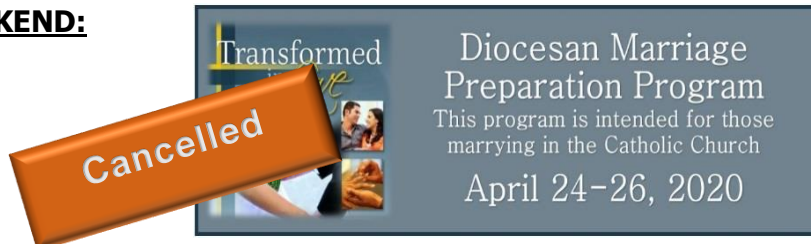
Visit to the sick, Holy Communion and Anointing of the Sick will be accommodated upon request.

CATHOLIC INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS – PRINCE GEORGE (CISPG) IS NOW HIRING FOR THE 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR: There are two Principalship positions to fill, Smithers and Prince Rupert.

CISPG is also employing full-time Classroom Teacher positions at many of our eight community schools.

If you are interested or know someone who would be interested in working in our CISPG schools, head to our website for the posting details and to complete our online application. <http://cispg.ca/careers/>

**DIOCESAN MARRIAGE
PREPARATION WEEKEND:**



SHARE LENT 2020 - DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE SHARE LENT COLLECTION – AN UPDATE ON THE SITUATION:

During these uncertain times because of the COVID-19 crisis, Development and Peace has made the decision to cancel or postpone all of its in-person meetings and events across Canada. Lent is a vital time of year for the organization, and so we invite you to participate to our virtual Share Lent campaign and act in solidarity with our partners in the Global South and the most vulnerable populations that will be all the more affected by this pandemic. This Lent, give from the heart. Donate to Development and Peace today by making a DIRECT donation:

- 1) **Online:** <https://www.devp.org>
- 2) **By phone:** 1-888 664-3387
- 3) **By mail :** 1425 Rene-Levesque Blvd W, 3rd floor, Montreal, QC, H3G 1T7

Thank you for your generosity.



ANNUAL VOCATION DISCERNMENT RETREAT: for Young People will be held on **May 8-10, 2020**, (moved from the long weekend of previous years) at Camp Morice, Fort St. James. It will be facilitated by Father Terry Brock, Vocation Director. Also present will be the Franciscan Sisters of the Eucharist FSE and Most Reverend Stephen Jensen. **The status of this event will be posted soon.**

DYC 2020:



The Gateway:

"I came that they may have life and have it abundantly."

John 10:10

ADVICE FROM THE SAINTS ON SPIRITUAL COMMUNION:

St. Teresa of Avila wrote in *The Way of Perfection*: "When you do not receive communion and you do not attend Mass, you can make a spiritual communion, which is a most beneficial practice; by it the love of God will be greatly impressed on you."

St. Jean Vianney said: " If we are deprived of Sacramental Communion, let us replace it, as far as we can, by spiritual communion, which we can make every moment; for we ought to have always a burning desire to receive the good God. Communion is to the soul like blowing a fire that is beginning to go out, but that has still plenty of hot embers; we blow, and the fire burns again."

St. Thomas Aquinas distinguished the physical and spiritual reception of the Eucharist, and described Spiritual Communion as, "an ardent desire to receive Jesus in the most holy sacrament and lovingly embrace him".

St. Leonard of Port Maurice said: "If you practice the holy exercise of spiritual Communion several times each day, within a month you will see your heart completely changed."

Benedict XVI recommended making Spiritual Communions in *Sacramentum caritatis*:

"Even in cases where it is not possible to receive sacramental communion, participation at Mass remains necessary, important, meaningful and fruitful. In such circumstances it is beneficial to cultivate a desire for full union with Christ through the practice of spiritual communion, praised by Pope John Paul II and recommended by saints who were masters of the spiritual life".

