



Church of the Annunciation
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February 21, 2021 1st Sunday of Lent

Annunciation Mass Schedule & Intentions

IN-PERSON MASS SUSPENDED: Via Facebook live on our page, "[Annunciation Church PR](#)", there are daily prayer opportunities and weekend Masses.

Mon Feb 22
Health of Keith Shruballs

Tue Feb 23
Peggy Davenport+

Wed Feb 24
Reynaldo Tuazon+

Thurs Feb 25

Fri Feb 26 @ 7:00 pm
Patrick Hubahib+

Sat Feb 27 @ 5:00 pm

Sun Feb 28 @ 10:00 am
OUR PARISHIONERS

Parish Activities

Exposition & International Rosary: First Friday of the month @ 7:00 pm Mass followed by Exposition and Rosary.

Rosary: Saturday @ 10:15 am.

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help: Every Wednesday evening @ 6:30 pm before Mass.

Catholic Women's League: CWL Membership Dues for 2021: Dues are \$36.00 and can be paid to Irene Zak or left in the Collection Basket in an envelope labeled "CWL".

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: see Parish website for details. <https://annunciationchurchpr.ca/news/dear-parents-of-first-reconciliation-first-holy-communion-and-confirmation>

FRIDAYS OF LENT: Each Friday evening during Lent, Fr. Terry will "Facebook" live the Mass of the day, followed by the stations of the Cross and Rosary. Virtual Mass begins at 7 pm, Stations of the Cross to follow and rosary. Please see link for our Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/stjsephpr/>

VIRTUAL RETREAT: During this time of COVID-19 we have a golden opportunity to grow closer to our Lord and Mary our Mother. Fr. Gallagher is a superb priest and retreat master and Christopher West is a renowned speaker in the Catholic Church. What an opportunity, a virtual retreat for \$10... a bargain. I highly recommend you use this Lenten opportunity to grow closer to the Lord, who loves you and your family very much. For more details and to register please see the following link: <https://www.tobpatron.com/virtual-retreat>

CATHOLIC HEALTH ASSOCIATION OF BC'S \$500 BURSARY FOR GRADUATING STUDENTS:

This year, the *Catholic Health Association of BC* (CHABC) will award a bursary valued at \$500 to a graduating student who is enrolled in a Catholic secondary school, or who is a member of a BC or Yukon parish and enrolled in a public secondary school, or who is home-schooled.



To apply for this bursary, students are asked to submit a 500-word essay that demonstrates an awareness and understanding of the significance of **Spirituality in Health Care**. Applicants are reminded that spiritual health is a much broader concept than religious beliefs which may very well form a large part of an individual's spirituality. Before submitting your essay, please ensure that you read the essay guidelines as many past applicants have missed this nuance and failed to capture the true meaning of spiritual care.

Submissions must be received on or before **April 2, 2021**. For essay and submission guidelines, please visit www.chabc.bc.ca/bursary

BISHOP BARRON'S DAILY LENTEN GOSPEL REFLECTIONS: Can be found on our Parish website www.annunciationchurchpr.ca

2020 CHARITABLE TAX DONATION RECEIPTS & 2021 DONATION ENVELOPES: are available for pick up at the Parish office. Please stop by during office hours (weekdays from 9 am—12 pm).

Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus Christ!
 Man does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God. **Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus Christ!**



Mass Schedule for Lectors and Psalmists

Date	1st & 2nd Reader, Prayers of the Faithful	Psalmist
Sat Feb 27 th @ 5:00 pm	Anu Khaira	Lorraine Zuzarte
Sun Feb 28 th @ 10:00 am	Andrea Dantas	Ed Hausner

A CHANGE TO THE CONCLUSION OF THE COLLECT PRAYER: Following a request from the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments which was sent to the Bishops' Conferences of all English-speaking countries, the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops agreed to adjust the English-language wording to the conclusion of the *Collect* (the opening prayer) in the *Roman Missal* as approved for use in Canada. **As of Ash Wednesday, 17 February 2021**, the word "one" is to be omitted from the conclusion of the Collect, and likewise of similar prayers in the liturgy (for example, the Blessing of Water at the Easter Vigil). Instead of ending "*one God, for ever and ever*", the Collect will now end "*God, for ever and ever*".

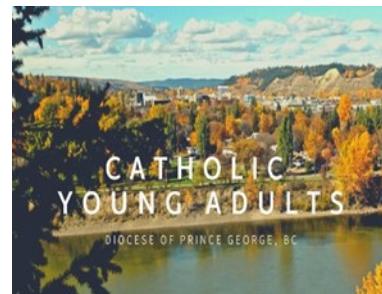
Until now, the word "one" has been used in the conclusion to the Collect in both the earlier and the current English-language translations of the Roman Missal. However, in consultation with the International Commission on English in the Liturgy, the Bishops of English-speaking countries are in the process of deciding when and how each country will implement this change. The reason for it is to avoid possible misunderstandings about the identity of the Son within the Blessed Trinity, or even the misconception that Our Lord Jesus Christ is "one God" among others.

With this change, the English will now also be consistent with the Latin text, as well as conform with translations into other European languages, including French. The new wording, which amends the English-language translations of n. 54 of the *General Instruction of the Roman Missal*, will be incorporated into all future editions of liturgical books approved for use in Canada. *Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops December 2020*

STAY CONNECTED WITH THE YOUNG ADULT COMMUNITY OF THE PG DIOCESE:

Stay connected with all things young adult across the Diocese by joining the Catholic Young Adults – Diocese of Prince George, BC Facebook Group! Click the link below to join and keep updated on all that's going on! Catholic Young Adults – Diocese of Prince George, BC:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/453972271386325>



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 always have 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 Communion 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".

The Rosary is a long chain that link heaven and earth. One end of it is in our hands and the other is in the hands of the holy Virgin.... the Rosary prayer rises like incense to the feet of the Almighty. St. Therese of Lisieux

SEMINARY OF CHRIST THE KING'S GAMBIT—ONLINE VOCATION LIVE-IN: We invite you to (Seminary of Christ the) King's Gambit, our first-ever online Vocation Live-In on **Saturday, March 6 on Zoom.**

This event is an opportunity for young men to meet other guys (age 17-35) searching for God's will. There will be an ice-breaker, a talk on vocation discernment, seminarian's vocation story, a tour of the seminary and campus, Q&A with seminarians, and a community Evening Prayer.

Register online at rebrand.ly/kingsgambit

NEW EWTN LENT 2021 WEBPAGE: We invite you to log onto the new Lent 2021 webpage at www.ewtn.com/len. On this site you will find a variety of resources including a comprehensive look at the Church's teaching about Lent, daily readings and reflections, special Lenten programming, popular devotions, video-on-demand and much more!

