



Diocese of Kamloops
BISHOP'S OFFICE

Memorial of St. Monica
August 27, 2025

Reverend and dear Fathers,

As we joyfully celebrate both the Jubilee Year "*Pilgrims of Hope*" and the 80th Anniversary of our Diocese "*Looking Back with Gratitude, Looking Forward with Hope*", we are blessed to welcome **Father Leo Patalinghug**, priest of the Voluntas Dei Institute and a well-known speaker and chef, to lead us in a series of inspiring events.

Father Leo will offer:

- **A Retreat for all teachers and staff of our Catholic schools** on the theme "*Proclaiming our faith*" reflecting on our call to move from Christendom toward Apostolic Mission, rediscovering what it means to be Missionary Disciples.
- **Diocesan and Parish Mission Talks** at 7:00 p.m. each evening at St. Ann's Academy:

Thursday, October 9, 2025: Feeding Our Hunger – A Theology of Food

Friday, October 10, 2025: Serving Others to Feed Ourselves

Saturday, October 11, 2025: Fruitfulness and Faithfulness in the Family

- **Youth Rally** on *Saturday, October 11, 2025*, at St. Ann's Academy, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., concluding with Holy Mass.

To make these events truly fruitful, I humbly ask your cooperation in encouraging parishioners, especially our young people to take part. Our CISKD Committee, working closely with the Superintendent and the Youth Office, is coordinating these initiatives and will be visiting parishes to help promote them. Your support and collaboration will be greatly appreciated.

With fraternal prayer and gratitude,

✠ Joseph Phuong Nguyen
Bishop of Kamloops