A letter from the pastor **ARISE Parish Team Members** RENEW For more information, or to see how you can be involved, call one of the ARISE Parish Team members.





By gathering us in small Christian communities and leading us to share upon our lives, the ARISE Together in Christ experience can help us to both grow in our spiritual lives and to reach out to many who hunger for love and meaning in their lives. May the Holy Spirit guide our ARISE experience, fanning the flame of faith and unity across our Archdiocese.



Archbishop Albert LeGatt
Archdicoese of Saint Boniface

"When was the last time you had a truly faith-filled encounter with Christ? Work schedules, family commitments, even sports and leisure time all too often clutter up our lives. It's easy to get side-tracked, to the point where, in spite of our good intentions and all the good we do, something is . . . missing.

A small faith-sharing group can help us reconnect with ourselves, each other and with Jesus. Through *ARISE*, Christ invites us to come to know Him in a meaningful way. Say YES to a new peace of soul, and to the Good News of Jesus Christ."

Daniel Bahuaud Coordinator of Evangelization and Pastoral Renewal Archdiocese of Saint Boniface

An Invitation ...

With three simple words, "Come and see ..." Jesus invited the Apostles to get to know him, and each other, as they traveled togther in faith. This group of acquaintances, soon to be friends, accepted Jesus' invitation and formed a small community.

ARISE is about building the same kind of small faith-sharing communities.

An Opportunity ...

Gathering together to learn from their Teacher, the Apostles also nourished each other by sharing their stories. They supported each other, laughed and cried together, ate and prayed together, and in the process their faith grew and their lives were enriched.

ARISE is created for people like you nourishing and supporting each other as you face the challenges of life..



A Journey

With Christ as their center, the Apostles began a journey of faith which spanned their lifetimes and which bears fruit even today. As their spiritual lives grew so did their commitment to serving the poor and the needy. Using their unique God-given gifts, they sought to transform the causes of injustice in their world.

ARISE is about spiritual journey which leads us to live the Gospel in our daily lives.



"Come and See ..."

Listen to your heart and accept the invitation! Come and learn more about *ARISE*, a process of spiritual renewal and evangelization that enables people to develop a closer relationship with Christ, grow in community, and reach out in service to others.

"We are excited about *ARISE* Together In Christ. The process provides principles to guide the implementation of our Synod's goal of developing leadership in our parishes: effective leadership formation, excellent resources, and ongoing pastoral support. Having RENEW International lead and inspire us is a blessing and a grace. The Diocese of Stockton is grateful!"

Rev. Msgr. Robert Silva