



## Office of the Bishop

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31 January 2025

Dear Rev. Fathers, Deacons, Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Greetings and peace in the Lord!

As you may have heard, I had follow-up surgery at Vancouver General Hospital to deal with a post-operative infection that developed about a month after my initial surgeries.

I am grateful to God and I am very grateful for your prayers. I am happy to tell you that I have been discharged home on intravenous antibiotics to ensure no infection remains. I will be acting in a limited capacity while convalescing from the latest surgery. I won't be out in the parishes at this time, but know that I am keeping all of you close in my thoughts and prayers.

Again, I can't thank you enough for all of the spiritual support you have given me during these past few months and the many other ways you have helped me.

I ask that you continue to pray for me and for one another. God bless.

Sincerely yours in Christ Jesus our Lord,

✠ Gregory J Bittman  
Bishop of Nelson