

# IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

## Diocese of Prince George

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**27<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time—October 08, 2023**



### OUR PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We are a Catholic community nourished through the Word and the Sacraments.  
 Striving to follow Christ,  
 we reach out and welcome all,  
 witnessing through loving actions  
 in service, education, and celebration.

OFFICE HOURS:	Monday to Friday	9:30AM – 3:00PM
MASS TIMES:	Daily	Monday – Friday 9:00AM
	Sunday	9:00AM, 11:00AM & 7:00PM
SACRAMENTS:	Baptism	Contact Parish Office
	Reconciliation	Before Mass, or by appointment
	Marriage	Contact Parish Office at least six months in advance

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### PASTORAL MINISTRIES CONTACTS

FINANCE COUNCIL CHAIR:	Jennifer Wilczek	HOME VISITS:	Contact Parish Office
PARISH COUNCIL CHAIR:	Daniel Burri	CHILDREN'S MINISTRY:	TBA
HOSPITALITY/COFFEE SUNDAY:	Daniel Burri	CHURCH ENVIRONMENT:	Phyllis Sarrazin
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS	Fern Cote	SOCIAL ACTION & SOUP KITCHEN:	Sr. Michaela
GRAND KNIGHT:		VOCATIONS:	Fr. Terry Brock
K of C Meetings	2 <sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month		

**The land owner will lease the vineyard to other tenants.**

Matthew 21.33-43



Sun	Oct 8	9AM	For the People of IC
		11AM	For the intentions of the Pilon family
		7PM	
Mon	Oct 9	9AM	
Tues	Oct 10	9AM	RIP of Kevin Harper
Wed	Oct 11	9AM	RIP of Peter Morris
Thu	Oct 12	9AM	
Fri	Oct 13	9AM	For the Holy souls in purgatory

Mass intentions may be requested for various reasons (eg. a deceased loved one, someone who is ill, a birthday or anniversary, etc.) A Mass offering may be given for the intention but is not required. If you have a Mass intention, please call the parish office by Wednesday of each week so that the intention can be published in the bulletin.

### CATECHESIS FOR CHILDREN

Children who are not registered in a Catholic School and wish to receive the sacraments of First Communion, Reconciliation and Confirmation, are asked to email the parish office at [icparish@pgdiocese.bc.ca](mailto:icparish@pgdiocese.bc.ca)

### SICK AND HOMEBOUND

If you know of anyone who is unable to come to Mass and would appreciate a home visit, please call or email the parish office.

### VISITING THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND

Thank you to those parishioners who have responded with interest in visiting the sick and the homebound. Your generosity in serving in this capacity will be greatly appreciated by those members of our faith family unable to join us at I.C.

There will be a workshop/training session for all new AND all current Ministers of Care on Monday October 16, 2023 at 7.00pm.

If you are unable to attend, please call Beth Hodgson (250 564 9798) and we make sure to connect with you.

### PARISHIONER INFORMATION UPDATE

Are you new to our parish? If so, **welcome!** Registration forms are in the foyer OR check out our webpage at [www.icparish.ca](http://www.icparish.ca) for a fillable form. Please submit via email [icparish@pgdiocese.bc.ca](mailto:icparish@pgdiocese.bc.ca) or drop off at the parish office.

Has your contact information changed? Please contact the parish office at 250 964 4898 or send an email with your changes.

### RCIA – RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Are you, or anyone you know interested in the Catholic Faith? The RCIA is a journey of faith for unbaptised Adults, Baptised Adults from another Christian Faiths, and Baptised Adults from the Roman Catholic Faith who have not received First Holy Communion and/or Confirmation. If you are interested in RCIA please contact Martha 250-964-4898 or email the parish office at [icparish@pgdiocese.bc.ca](mailto:icparish@pgdiocese.bc.ca)

Our next **session on Thursday, October 19, at 7:00PM to 8:30PM in the Meeting Room at IC.** This is a collaborative program with St. Mary's Parish.



• **SVDP Thanksgiving Food Drive -- Items will be picked up on October 10, 2023**

• **Monthly Adoration at Domano Chapel – Tuesday, October 10, 2023, 8:00 AM – 8:00 PM**

• **K of C Monthly Meeting – Next meeting will be Thursday, October 12, 2023 –every 2nd Thursday of the month @ 7:00PM**

• **Canada Needs Our Lady: Public Rosary Oct 14 at 12 noon at Highway 16 and Ferry Ave.**

• **K of C Pancake Breakfast –October 15 after the 9AM and 11AM Mass**

• **RCIA Thursday, October 19, 2023 at 7PM in the Church Meeting Room**

### ATTENTION ALL BAKERS



The third Tuesday of every month, a group of 12 to 15 parishioners make soup and sandwiches which are distributed from the St. Vincent de Paul facility on 2nd Avenue.

There is a need for donations of baked goods which will also be served. Please bring cookies, squares, dessert loaves etc. (bagged for individual distribution) to the Church on the Sunday prior. (October 15, November 12, December 17)

Any monetary donations which will help to defray the cost of the sandwiches will be gratefully appreciated. Place donations in an envelope marked "SOUP KITCHEN" and place the envelope in the collection basket. Thank you.

## CALLED TOGETHER, GIVING, SHARING, SERVING



We have made some progress over the past week, reaching more than 18% of the diocesan goal with almost \$50,000 pledged and over \$43,000 already received. In addition, the Healing and Reconciliation appeal has reached over \$4,000.

We are grateful to all those who have already contributed, both financially and in prayer. We know that things are more challenging for many parishioners this year due to inflation and we appreciate your generosity even more because of this greater sacrifice.

If you have not yet contributed to our appeals, we ask that you prayerfully consider doing so. There are many people throughout the diocese who depend on the funds raised through the appeal and who are confronting the difficulties of increasing costs as well. Your support is so very important to meeting those needs.

As always, please continue to pray for the many needs throughout the diocese.

<b>OUR PARISH GOAL:</b>	\$ 25,623
<b>OUR PROJECT GOAL:</b>	\$ 7,500
<b>TOTAL PARISH GOAL</b>	<b>\$ 33,123</b>
<b>TOTAL PLEDGES RECEIVED TO DATE: \$ 6,135.00</b>	
<b>OR 18.52% OF OUR GOAL</b>	

### HOW CAN YOU SHARE YOUR 'TREASURE'?

As a follow-up to our Stewardship Sunday presentation here are some of the ways you can share your treasure:

- 1. Envelopes:** If you don't have an envelope and would like one, contact the parish office. A reminder to make all cheques payable to RCEC Immaculate Conception Parish or RCEC-IC
- 2. Pre-Authorized Debit (PAD):** Consider having your offering come directly from your account to ours. This option is available on a bi-weekly or monthly basis. If you are interested, please pick up an application form from the church foyer or access it on our webpage at <https://www.icparish.ca/> and [fill in your PAD application.](#)
- 3. E-transfer:** This is at your fingertips you can make the offering online. Registered through [icparish@pgdiocese.bc.ca](mailto:icparish@pgdiocese.bc.ca) for a direct deposit.

**A TAX RECEIPT WILL BE ISSUED FOR ALL DONATIONS.  
THIS IS A GREAT WAY TO GET A TAX BREAK  
AND TO SHARE YOUR TREASURE.**

**THANK YOU for sharing your  
TIME, TALENT, and TREASURE**

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## Diocesan Wednesday Weekly will be October 4, 2023

### RETURN TO SPIRIT RECONCILIATION SERIES – DATES AND REGISTRATION

A “Roots of Reconciliation” workshop, the first session of a Return to Spirit series focusing on reconciliation between Indigenous and Non-Indigenous peoples, will take place at UNBC from October 10th to 13th. The workshops will then be followed up with another, “Advancing Reconciliation,” between October 23-26 which will bring the Indigenous and Non-Indigenous participants together for restorative, face-to-face conversations.

Location: UNBC 3333 University Way Prince George, BC  
Fee: \$600 per person. Fees can be paid by cheque on the first day of the workshop, payable to Nadleh Whut'en Indian Band.

For More Info/To Register:

Terry Luggi, Indian Residential School  
Project Manager

(250) 690 - 7211 extension 105

(236) 331 - 5836 cell

Email [tluggi@nadleh.ca](mailto:tluggi@nadleh.ca)



### DIOCESAN MEN'S CONFERENCE – “TAKE COURAGE AND BE A MAN” (1 KINGS 2:2)

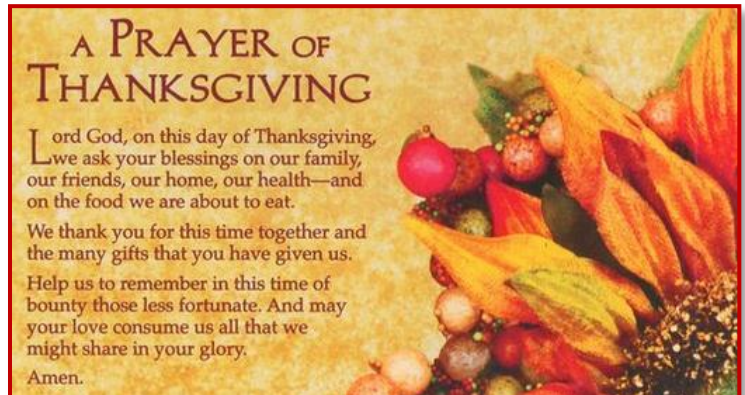
What does it mean to be a man of strong faith in the Church and society today?

Where: Diocesan Pastoral Centre (6500 Southridge Ave., PG).  
When: Friday, October 27<sup>th</sup> and will be followed by Mass at 7:00 pm. The conference will conclude midafternoon on Saturday, October 28<sup>th</sup>.

Facilitated by Fr. Troy Nguyen,  
Diocese of Calgary.

Registration is open! Please sign up by scanning the QR code, visiting [www.pgdiocese.bc.ca](http://www.pgdiocese.bc.ca), or using the link here: <https://forms.office.com/r/7JL08GDUEg>

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