

# IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

## Diocese of Prince George

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### March 24, 2024



### 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,  
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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  
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Marriage Contact Parish Office at least six months in advance

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SOUP KITCHEN: Sr. Michaela

K of C Meetings 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month

VOCATIONS: Fr. Terry Brock

*Christ became obedient for us to death, even death on a Cross.  
Therefore God exalted him and gave him the name above every name.*

Philippians 2:8-9

  
**MASS INTENTIONS**  
OF THE WEEK

Sun	Mar 24	9AM	For the people of IC
		11AM	Intentions of Allan Sproat
		7PM	RIP of Fr. Tom Magnuson
		Fr. J	Intentions of Sr. Maria Paz
Mon	Mar 25	9AM	RIP of Frank Zenk
Tue	Mar 26	9AM	RIP of Maureen Ford
Wed	Mar 27	9AM	RIP of Ed Kaliciak
Thu	Mar 28	7PM	HOLY THURSDAY For the people of IC
Fri	Mar 29	3PM	Good Friday- Veneration of the Cross

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 request, please call the parish office by Wednesday of each week so that the intention can be published in the bulletin.

**Good Friday Collection for the Holy Land**

The first collection was taken at Pope Paul VI's request fifty years ago. This is a yearly request by the Holy See to dioceses and parishioners throughout the world to assist the Church in the Holy Land. The monies collected support its pastoral, educational, and social works and help to maintain the Holy Places so important for the faith of Christians everywhere.

For the sake of our brothers and sisters enduring hardships, please give generously during Good Friday celebrations on March 29, 2024.

If you are unable to attend the service, it is possible to contribute by Interact e-transfer to [teresainte@bellnet.ca](mailto:teresainte@bellnet.ca) or online at [Commissariat.ca](http://Commissariat.ca) – receipts will be issued.

**Triduum 2024** March 28-31, 2024

at Immaculate Conception Parish



**Holy Thursday**  
7:00 PM  
(NO 9:00AM Mass)



**Good Friday**  
Veneration of the Cross 3:00 PM



**Easter Vigil**  
Saturday  
8:00 PM



**Easter Sunday**  
9:00 & 11:00AM  
(NO 7:00PM Mass)



- **Reconciliation--March 25, 26, 27 6:00 to 7:00 PM** at Sacred Heart- beginning with a spiritual reflection.
- **Blessing of Easter Food Baskets – March 30, 2024, Holy Saturday at 11:30AM**
- **RCIA Thursday, April 4, 2024 at 7:00PM** at Immaculate Conception
- **Invitation to Youth Camp – April 5-7, 2024** for more information go to [Youth Camp forms link](http://Youth Camp forms link) at our website <https://www.icparish.ca/bulletin>
- **Monthly Adoration at Domano Chapel – Tuesday, April 9, 2024, 8:00 AM – 8:00 PM**
- **K of C Monthly Meeting (every 2nd Thursday of the month @ 7:00PM)** – Next meeting will be **Thursday, April 11, 2024**
- **K of C Pancake Breakfast –April 21, 2024, after the 9:00AM and 11:00AM Masses**
- **Women's Silent Retreat April 26-28, 2024- More details to follow.**
- **First Communion --Saturday, May 4, 2024 at 2:00PM** at Immaculate Conception
- **Confirmation--Sunday, May 19, 2024, 2:00PM** at Sacred Heart. This will be a celebration for all parishes, city-wide.

**All about Holy Week**

- All About Holy Week by [Dynamic Catholic](http://Dynamic Catholic)
- Bishop Barron Holy Week – [Click here](#)
- Holy Week in Three Minutes – [Click here](#)
- What's Holy Week – For Children – [Click here](#)
- The CCCB ends their "Journey through Lent" video series with Bishop Hagemoen reflecting on the Passion of Christ. View the entire series here: <https://www.cccb.ca/lent/>

A reminder that we are called to prayer and fasting on Good Friday. Particularly abstinence from meat, as this reminds that Jesus sacrificed his flesh for us.

**Fr. John's Newsletter #3**

Click here to read the last Newsletter! Or check out <https://www.icparish.ca/bulletin> under today's bulletin.

## Society of St Vincent de Paul – Clothing Donations Needed

St Vincent's Thrift Store (1645 3rd Avenue, Prince George, 250-562-5136,) requires clothing, all types. All our proceeds go to feed and clothe the needy.

Additionally, we need volunteers to work alongside our staff, with flexible schedules—especially suitable for retirees, or young folk needing volunteer experience.

## Highlights of March 13, 2024 Parish Pastoral Council Meeting

### HOSPITALITY

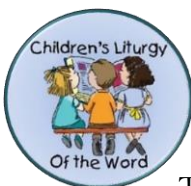
Volunteers are needed to look after coffee following 11am Sunday Masses. Hopefully enough “teams” will volunteer so that each team will look after just one Sunday a month. Please contact Daniel Burri, or Martha at the Parish Office, if you are able to help! Thank you.

### SECTION 43 OF THE CRIMINAL CODE OF CANADA

Repeal of Section 43, which addresses physical discipline of children, has passed its second reading. This is a positive step! Thank you to those parishioners who took time to write to their M.P.s.

**Please find full minutes posted on the Bulletin Board in the church foyer.**

## Children's Liturgy of the Word



Thank you to Eunice who has volunteered to lead this very valuable program for **children ages three to six**. Today, Sunday, **March 24, 2024**, at the 11AM Mass will be the next date for Children's Liturgy.

To make this an ongoing program, we need more adult volunteers. Each session requires two adults to be present at all times. If you are interested in helping, please contact Eunice at 250-612-8849 or email [eunicejacinta@gmail.com](mailto:eunicejacinta@gmail.com)

If you are a student grade five or older who would like to help, please contact the parish office.

### What is Children's Liturgy of the Word?

It is not “Sunday school” or a “catechism class”, it is **breaking open the Word of God of the Sunday Liturgy for the young**.

## Taizé Prayer at St. Mary's



St. Mary's Prince George will be having a Taizé Prayer Evening during Holy Week on Tuesday, March 26<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. Taizé is a prayerful form of music that takes the structure of a simple melody that repeats and provides a space where prayer can move from the mind to the heart. For information on the Ecumenical community of Taizé, please visit: [www.taize.fr](http://www.taize.fr).

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## Share Lent 2024- Development & Peace

# Weekly Reflection

WEEK 6

*Resilience in times  
of trial*

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**Creator God, in your hands  
you hold the depth of the earth  
and the heights of the mountains,  
for all Creation belongs to you.**

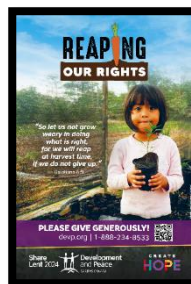
**Grant us the grace to cherish our world  
and the wisdom to nurture its resources.**

**Save us from the desire to control what is not ours  
and the impulse to possess what is there to share.**

Annabel Shilson-Thomas  
CAFOD

**Thank you** to all who donated to the Share Lent collection last Sunday.

Your generosity will help to support our sisters and brothers in Africa, Asia, Eastern Europe, Latin America and the Middle East. If you have not yet had a chance to give, you can still place your Share Lent envelope in the collection basket or donate online at



<https://devp.org/en/make-a-donation/>

Thank you for continuing to pray for all who are working to build a world of peace and justice.

## IC FINANCE UPDATES

If you do not currently have envelopes and would like to use them, please email or call the parish office.

If you would like to donate by PAD you will find the application [here](#). Or if you would like to donate by EFT, we are registered through [icparish@pgdiocese.bc.ca](mailto:icparish@pgdiocese.bc.ca) for a direct deposit. [Click here for instructions on how to e-transfer.](#)

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