



Immaculate Conception Parish

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SUBJECT: Summer Mass Times

Dear Parishioners,

For the past approximate six months, the members of the Pastoral Team, the Parish Pastoral Council and the Parish Finance Council have had discussions regarding our upcoming summer Sunday Masses (i.e., July and August), and the recurring difficulty of not having enough parish ministers for those summer Masses (i.e., lectors, eucharistic ministers, music ministry, altar servers, offertory families, and collection assistants).

Once the warm weather arrives in Prince George, parishioners, naturally, want to enjoy it, and a good many, understandably, take time for travel or other interests. A natural consequence of these summer plans is that fewer parishioners find themselves home and available for the ministries that they would otherwise, and so faithfully and generously, provide. And this, in turn, makes the scheduling and covering of ministries for the summer Sunday Masses very difficult.

Therefore, the Pastoral Team, the Parish Pastoral Council members, and the Parish Finance Council members have decided **to join the 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Masses into ONE 10:00 a.m. Sunday morning Mass for the eight Sundays in July and August (beginning on Sunday, July 7th, and concluding with 10:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday, August 25th).** The regular 7:00 p.m. Sunday evening Mass will continue as usual in July and August.

We understand that this might prove challenging for some parishioners, and so we ask for your understanding. It is our hope that the scheduling of one 10:00 a.m. Sunday Mass on the Sundays of July and August will provide our faithful and generous Sunday ministers with an opportunity to enjoy the summer.

Pastoral Team

PPC Members

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