

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

Diocese of Prince George

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September 1, 2024 – 22nd Sunday of Ordinary Time

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

BISHOP -DIOCESE OF PRINCE GEORGE	Most Rev. Stephen Jensen	Email: sjensen@pgdiocese.bc.ca
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PASTORAL MINISTRIES CONTACTS

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

“Every generous act of giving with every perfect gift, is from above. . .”

James 1.17-1821-22



Sun	Sep 1	9AM	For the intentions of Wendy Harris
		11AM	Intentions of the Burkholder/James Family
		7PM	For the People of IC
Mon	Sep 2	9AM	For a special intention
Tues	Sep 3	9AM	Rip of Bill Barnes
Wed	Sep 4	9AM	Intentions of Dick Neville
Thu	Sep 5	9AM	RIP of Don Kueber
Fri	Sep 6	9AM	RIP of Hugh Kroetsch

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.

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. **To inquire about or register for RCIA please contact Martha 250-964-4898 or email the parish office at icparish@pgdiocese.bc.ca on or before September 26, 2024. Sessions will begin Thursday, October 3., 2024 at 7PM.**

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 or call 250-964-4898. Programs will be offered in the spring, but we need to know soon in order to arrange resources.

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[Diocesan Wednesday Weekly
 will be August 28, 2024](#)

COFFEE SUNDAY

Begins next week after 9 and 11 Masses.



- **First full day of School at IC Wednesday, September 4, 2024**
- **Monthly Adoration at Domano Chapel**
PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE OF DAY
 2nd Wednesday of every month, beginning September 11, 2024, **8:00 AM – 8:00 PM**
- **K of C Monthly Meeting** – Next meeting will be **Thursday, September 12, 2024** –every **2nd Thursday of the month @ 7:00PM**
- **Opening School Mass for 2024-24 year; September 13, 2024 at 9AM**
- **Children’s Liturgy of the Word – Starting on the Sunday, September 22nd at the 11AM Mass only. And every 2nd and the 4th Sunday of the month.**
- **K of C Pancake Breakfast - Sunday, September 15 after the 9AM and 11AM Mass**
- **Ministry Sign-up Sundays -September 15 & 22**
- **Giving Tree:** Blanket sponsorship; **small (\$30.00)** and **large (\$40.00)**. There will be a committee member in the hall after Mass on Sunday, September 15 & 22 at 9 & 11AM.
- St. Mary's is hosting **Alpha Youth Series** starting on Wednesday, September 18th from 6:30-8:30pm for all youth in grades 7-12 in the School Gym
- **Stewardship Sunday – September 22nd at all Masses**
- **Commissioning of IC School Teachers September 29 @ 11AM Mass**
- **Ministry Workshop for NEW Liturgical Ministers Tuesday, October 8, 2024 @ 7:00PM**
- **Review of Liturgical Ministries for current ministers— Tuesday, October 15, 2024 @ 7:00PM**
- **RCIA commencement – TBA**



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION SCHOOL

Welcome to the 2024-25 school year. There are accessible parking stalls for the parents of students of our school community with accessibility needs. Please keep those available Monday to Friday during school hours.

A reminder that the speed zone for schools is in effect!



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with every perfect gift, is from above,
coming down from the Father of lights”

JAMES 1:17

PARISH MINISTRIES

There are many ways to share your time and talents at Immaculate Conception, both in the parish and school. We invite you to consider the following as an opportunity to serve. Please see attachment for descriptions of the ministries.

- Altar Linen Care
- Altar Server (grade 4 and up)
- Church Environment and Art
- Children’s Liturgy **seeking helpers for the team**
- Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion
- Grounds and Building Maintenance Assistance
- Hospitality
- Host for Sunday Coffee
- Lector
- Music ministry
- RCIA Team, and Faith Formation
- Visiting the Sick and Homebound

All of these are important to the life of the church and school community. Be assured that **formation, training and support will be offered.**

We encourage all, including our young people, to consider this invitation.

Sign-up Sunday will be **on September 15 & 22, 2024** after each Mass. If you are already a part of any of these ministries and would like to continue, please sign-up and provide your contact information. If you are not at Mass on Sign-up Sunday please contact the parish office at icparish@pgdiocese.bc.ca

PARISHIONER INFORMATION UPDATE

1. Are you new to our parish? If so, **welcome!** Please take a registration form from the foyer OR check out our webpage at www.icparish.ca for a fillable form. Please submit via email icparish@pgdiocese.bc.ca or drop off at the parish office.
2. Has your contact information changed? Please contact the parish office at 250 964 4898 or send an email with your changes.
3. Would you like to make your donation by envelope, please email or call the parish office.

A reminder to make all cheques payable to RCEC Immaculate Conception Parish or RCEC-IC

PRE-AUTHORIZED DEBIT

Pre-authorized debit helps to simplify your contributions on a bi-weekly or monthly basis. If you are interested, please go to our website at <https://www.icparish.ca/> or pick up a pre-authorized form from the church foyer and hand it in to the parish office with a **void cheque** icparish@pgdiocese.bc.ca

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL FOOD BANK

The focus in SEPTEMBER will be PAPER PRODUCTS (*paper towel, Kleenex, toilet tissue, serviettes*) and SCHOOL SNACKS (*granola bars, juice boxes etc.*), but ALL non-perishable food items will continue to be accepted.

THERE IS A BOX IN THE FOYER FOR YOUR DONATIONS.

SHEPHERD’S CORNER

Located on 2nd Ave. Prince George, *Shepherd’s Corner* is a diocesan outreach that ministers to the unhoused. We are supporting the work of this outreach by collecting hygiene items. *Suggestions include (small sizes): toothbrushes, combs, toothpaste, dental floss, hand soap, shampoo, deodorant, nail clippers, lip balm, hand sanitizers, Kleenex pouches, hand lotion, feminine hygiene products, disposable razors. . .*

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HOSPITALIZATION AND VISITING THE SICK

Just a reminder to our parishioners, if you or one of your loved ones are hospitalized, and you would like a visit from either Fr. John or Fr. Matthew or a minister who visits the sick, please call or email the parish office to let us know. Also, when being admitted to the hospital let the registration clerk know that you wish to be visited.

There are also wallet-sized cards available in the foyer for requesting a priest in case of an emergency.

PASTORAL CARE TRAINING PROGRAM



This very valuable and free **Pastoral Care Outreach Training online series** is being offered by the Diocese of Victoria will begin this fall. The nine sessions will be held via Zoom on Saturday mornings from

9:30 – noon, starting on September 28, 2024, except for Thanksgiving (October 12) to conclude November 30. Participants will require a phone number and email address, a computer, tablet or smartphone with speakers, microphone and webcam, and a reliable Internet connection. Please register through your local parish by September 15, 2024. For further see our parish bulletin board for a hard copy of descriptions.



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