

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

Diocese of Prince George

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October 13, 2024--28th 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

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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 Daniel Burri

CHURCH

SUNDAY:

ENVIRONMENT: Phyllis Sarrazin

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS Eugenio Calisto

SOCIAL ACTION &

GRAND KNIGHT: (250)-640-4533

SOUP KITCHEN: Sr. Michaela

K of C Meetings 2nd Thursday of the month

VOCATIONS: Fr. Terry Brock

“ . . . for God all things are possible ”

Mark 10.17-30



MASS INTENTIONS

Sun	Oct 13	9AM	For the intentions of Kof C Council #8313 and their families
		11AM	Intentions of Ron Kelly on his BD
		7PM	For the People of IC
Mon	Oct 14	9AM	RIP of Lillian Fowlie
Tues	Oct 15	9AM	RIP of Don and Wilfred Relland
Wed	Oct 16	9AM	RIP of Karen Foster on the 1 st on the 1st anniversary of death
Thu	Oct 17	9AM	RIP of Zbigniew Najsznerski on the 31 st anniversary of death
Fri	Oct 18	9AM	RIP of Lindsay Santos

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. Our first session will be Thursday, October 10, 2024 at 7PM pending the number of people registered, the sessions will be determined.**

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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- **RCIA commencement – Dates to be announced**
- **Children’s Liturgy of the Word –Today, Sunday, October 13 & 27 at the 11AM Mass ONLY. And every 2nd and the 4th Sunday of the month. Please see Eunice Joyce for more information.**
- **Review of Liturgical Ministries for current ministers— Tuesday, October 15, 2024 @ 7:00PM**
- **Monthly Adoration at Domano Chapel-- the next date is October 16, 2024, 8:00 AM – 8:00 PM PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE of WEEK for the month of October ONLY due to the Priests’ Convocation. Will return to the 2nd Wednesday of the month in November.**
- **K of C Pancake Breakfast –Sunday, October 20 after the 9AM and 11AM Mass – every third Sunday of the month.**
- **K of C Monthly Meeting – Next meeting will be Thursday, November 14, 2024 –every 2nd Thursday of the month @ 7:00PM**

ADVERTISE YOUR BUSINESS IN OUR BULLETIN

Would you like to advertise in our bulletin? If so, please contact the parish office via email for more information on how to advertise your business.

PARISH MINISTRIES FORMATION & TRAINING

Thank you to those who signed up to serve in the Liturgical Ministries. If you missed the sign-up, it’s not to late, if you are interested, please email the parish office at icparish@pgdiocese.bc.ca or call 250-964-4898 or sign up on line at www.icparish.ca. This is a great opportunity to serve our community. We encourage all, including our young people, to consider the invitation to serve.

There will be a review for existing EMHC and Lectors is on October 15, 2024 at 7:00PM.

A reminder that if we are to introduce the distribution of the chalice for Advent, we need more people to sign-up for EMHCs.

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 for a fillable form. Please submit via email icparish@pgdiocese.bc.ca or drop off at the parish office.

If your information has changed, please contact the parish office at 250 964 4898 or send an email with your changes.

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 OCTOBER will be PEANUT BUTTER, HAND SOAP and DISH SOAP, but ALL non-perishable food items will continue to be accepted.

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ST. VINCENT DE PAUL JOB OPPORTUNITY

The PG Society of St Vincent de Paul is looking for Christian people to make a difference in the lives of the needy. While we are always looking for volunteers, we are currently looking to fill 2 vacant job positions: Thrift Store Assistant Manager and Drop-In Center Assistant Coordinator - both 40 hours per week, Monday to Friday. Please send resumes, contact information and references to jecreegan@gmail.com. Details will be sent upon request.

SHEPHERD'S CORNER

Located on 2nd Ave. Prince George, Shepherd's Corner is a diocesan outreach that ministers to street people. 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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[Diocesan Wednesday Weekly
for the week of October 9, 2024](#)

40 DAYS FOR LIFE/LIFE CHAIN

The Right to Life Society of Prince George invites you to the **40 Days for Life Fall Campaign**. This year's campaign began Wednesday, September 25, and ends Sunday, November 3.

Each day, people gather peacefully, and prayerfully at the intersection of Ferry Avenue and Hwy 16 W from 2:00-3:00 PM. **Sunday, October 6**, there will be a Life Chain at the same time and in the same location. Both Life Chain and 40 Days for Life focus on the right to life of the unborn, whose lives are to be respected and protected.

Please join us. Your presence will be a visible witness and will help to save lives.



Our Parish Goal:	\$ 25,357
Our Project Goal:	\$ 6,000
Total Parish goal	\$34,357
Total Pledges Received to date:	\$ 10,000

Giving, Sharing, Serving is more than just another collection. Christian stewards recognize God as the source of all our many gifts. We are grateful for these abundant gifts and are eager to give back in appreciation to demonstrate our love for Christ and for one another, and to assist those who need our support. Many people in our smaller parishes, missions and ministries rely on funding from the appeal to help support their work. All of us share as Christ's disciples in the mission of the Church. Many thanks to all who completed a pledge form and have moved us closer to our goal as a parish family.

If you did not receive an envelope, please check the foyer for a blank envelope package.

RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREATS

For emotional and spiritual healing, Rachel's Vineyard weekend retreats offer a supportive, non-judgmental environment where women and men can express, release and reconcile painful post-abortive emotions to begin the process of restoration, renewal and healing. Confidentiality assured.

Kelowna retreat: (Fri-Sun) October 18-20, 2024. Contact Vicki at 250-762-2273, www.rachelsvineyardkelowna.com, or Facebook - Rachel's Vineyard Kelowna.

Merrit Retreat: (Tues-Thurs) October 22-24, 2024. Contact Nancy at 250-267-5081, call or text. Email: rvkamloops@yahoo.ca.

Prince George retreats: STARTING IN 2025. For more information, contact Fr. Michael at Christ Our Saviour (mebomuche@pgdiocese.ca) or Adele at St. Mary's (rachelsvineyardpg@proton.me)



We thank you for this day, for the companionship we share and the bountiful goodness of the bread we break together. God of all goodness, we pray in thanks for your presence among us as we gather together, and your promise to be with us now and always.

AMEN.



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