

# IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

## Diocese of Prince George

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### October 20, 2024—29<sup>th</sup> 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 SUNDAY: Daniel Burri

CHURCH

ENVIRONMENT: Phyllis Sarrazin

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS Eugenio Calisto

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GRAND KNIGHT: (250)-640-4533

SOUP KITCHEN: Sr. Michaela

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

VOCATIONS: Fr. Terry Brock

**For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, . . .**

Mark 10.35-45



Sun	Oct 20	9AM	For the people of IC
		11AM	RIP of Hubert Zobl
		7PM	RIP of Aurdrey Tobin and Jenny Erickson
Mon	Oct 21	9AM	RIP of James Lynch
Tues	Oct 22	9AM	RIP of Don and Wilfred Relland
Wed	Oct 23	9AM	RIP of Lola Whillans
Thu	Oct 24	9AM	RIP of Janis Overn
Fri	Oct 25	9AM	RIP of Timothy Boyd

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](mailto:icparish@pgdiocese.bc.ca). Our next session date is to be determined. Please call the parish office.**

### 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). Programs will be offered in the spring, but we need to know soon in order to arrange resources.

### ADVERTISE YOUR BUSINESS IN OUR BULLETIN

We have three spots available. Please drop-in, phone, or email the parish office for more information on how to include your business ad in our bulletin.

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- **RCIA - Dates to be announced**
- **K of C Pancake Breakfast** –today, Sunday, October 20 after the 9AM and 11AM Mass – every third Sunday of the month.
- **Children’s Liturgy of the Word** –Sunday, October 27 at the 11AM Mass ONLY. And every 2<sup>nd</sup> and the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month. Please see Eunice Joyce for more information.
- **Palliative Care Video Series** – October 31, November 7, 14, and 21, 2024 – see below for details.
- **Monthly Adoration at Domano Chapel**-- Will return to the 2nd Wednesday of the month in November 13, 2024 8AM to 8PM.
- **K of C Monthly Meeting** – Next meeting will be Thursday, November 14, 2024 –every 2nd Thursday of the month @ 7:00PM

### HORIZONS OF HOPE: A VIDEO SERIES ON PALLIATIVE CARE

#### Do you want to know more about palliative care?

We invite you to participate in learning sessions on Horizons of Hope: A Toolkit for Catholic Parishes on Palliative Care. Our faith in Jesus Christ has much to teach us about living well until the end of life. The program will help parishioners, caregivers, and family members facing a terminal illness to learn more about palliative care. Throughout four modules, the learning and discussion sessions address themes such as *understanding the dying process, discernment and decision-making at the end of life, accompaniment and the importance of building Compassionate Communities.*

The four-module program will take place in the parish hall

- **Module 1** October 31 from 10:00 am to noon
- **Module 2** November 7 from 10:00 am to noon
- **Module 3** November 14 from 10:00 am to noon
- **Module 4** November 21 from 10:00 am to noon

To register call the parish office or email Fr Matthew: [mbellerive@pgdiocese.bc.ca](mailto:mbellerive@pgdiocese.bc.ca)

**[Diocesan Wednesday Weekly](#)**  
**[for the week of October 16, 2024](#)**

## 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](mailto:icparish@pgdiocese.bc.ca)

## HIGHLIGHTS OF OCTOBER 9, 2024 PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL (PPC)

*Please see full minutes on foyer Bulletin Board*

### NEW and OUT-GOING PPC MEMBERS

Thank you to Norvik Navalta, Maureen Olson and Dustin Ruth have agreed to serve on the council, and to Daniel Burri and Beth Hodgson who have completed their terms and to their service to our faith community.

### SUMMER MASS SCHEDULE

The response to the one Mass at 10:00am on Sundays, during July and August, from most, was very positive. It was decided to do this again 2025.

### PARISH SURVEY RESULTS

Thank you again, to all parishioners who took time to respond to the survey. Your input is valuable. PPC will continue to review and implement suggestions.

### COFFEE SUNDAY

Thank you to Kerri Svenson who has agreed to be the coordinator for this important parish ministry.

Teams for each Sunday have been established, but if you feel you called to help, set up, or clean up after a 9am or 11am Mass, please let Kerri know.

**THANK YOU** to Daniel Burri for the years he has generously served in this area.

### FAITH FORMATION FOR PPC

Each baptised person has a responsibility for his/her faith development. With this in mind, PPC members will be reviewing a book called *Divine Renovation* by Fr. James Mallon as part of their faith formation. Future meetings will include discussion on the book's content.

### PPC for 2024/2025

**Pastoral Team:** Fr. John Garden, Fr. Matthew Bellerive, Martha Primus, & Sr. Michaela Marques

**Chairperson:** Teresa Saunders

**Secretary:** Detta Smith

**K of C Rep:** Pat Hauck; **School Rep:** Kathleen Barth

**Liaison-Coordinators:** PRAYER: Fr. John, Fr. Matthew & Martha; WORD: Norvik Navalta & Dustin Ruth; COMMUNITY: Sr. Michaela & Lisa O'Neill; SERVICE: Detta Smith & Maureen Olson.

## 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.

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

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

## URGENT APPEAL FOR SUPPORT IN LEBANON – JOINT CALL FOR HELP AND PRAYERS

Aid to the Church in Need Canada (ACN) website and phone number: <https://acn-canada.org/> , Toll-free 1-800-585-6333 ext. 228, donation page: <https://acn-canada.org/attacks-on-lebanon-affecting-everyone/?form=Lebanon>

CNEWA Canada website and phone number: <https://cnewa.org/ca/> , Toll-free: 1-866-322-4441

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Development and Peace — Caritas Canada (DPCC)

## 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](mailto:jecreegan@gmail.com). Details will be sent upon request.



**Our Parish Goal:** \$ 25,357

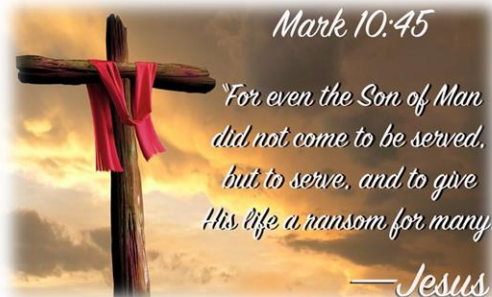
**Our Project Goal:** \$ 6,000

**Total Parish goal** \$34,357

**Total Pledges Received to date:**

\$ 11,200

Thank you to all who have contributed to the Appeal to date. Due to both staffing and technical challenges, the Pastoral Finance Office is behind schedule. Therefore included in the totals are only donations received in our Parish Office.





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