# **IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH Diocese of Prince George**

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January 12, 2025 – Baptism of the Lord



### **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

Daily

Sunday

MASS TIMES:

SACRAMENTS:

Baptism Reconciliation Marriage

9:00AM, 11:00AM & 7:00PM **Contact Parish Office** Before Mass, or by appointment

Monday - Friday 9:00AM

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 PARISH COUNCIL CHAIR:

Teresa Saunders

HOSPITALITY/COFFEE **SUNDAY COORDINATOR: KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS** 

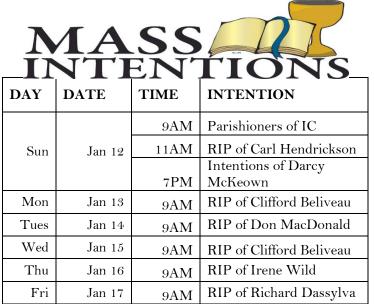
Kerri Svendsen Eugenio Calisto **GRAND KNIGHT:** (250) - 640 - 45332<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month K of C Meetings

HOME/HOSPITAL VISITS: Contact Parish Office CHILDREN'S MINISTRY: TBA CHURCH Phyllis Sarrazin **ENVIRONMENT:** 

> SOCIAL ACTION & SOUP KITCHEN: Sr. Michaela VOCATIONS: Fr. Terry Brock

"You are my Son, the Beloved; With you I am well pleased."

# January 12, 2025 - The Baptism of the Lord



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.



- Children's Liturgy of the Word –Today, January 12 and 26, 2025 at the 11AM Mass ONLY. Every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month.
- Monthly Adoration at Domano Chapel--2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month which is January 8, 2025 8AM to 8PM.
- RCIA Tuesday, January 14, 2025 7:00 PM in the meeting room.
- K of C Pancake Breakfast –Sunday, January 19, 2025 after the 9AM and 11AM Mass – every third Sunday of the month.
- National Visitation of Relics of St. Jean de Brébeuf and St. Kateri Tekakwitha- January 19, 2025 at the 11:00 AM at Sacred Heart Mass (see January 8, 2025- Click on <u>Wednesday Weekly</u> for more details.)
- K of C Rosary Thursday, January 23, 2025 at 7PM –
- K of C Monthly Meeting Next meeting will be Thursday, February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2025 – every 2nd Thursday of the month @ 7:00PM

Knights of Columbus Council #8318 of Immaculate Conception Parish will be hosting the praying of the Bosary in five 1



Rosary in five languages with those in attendance responding in their native tongue. Members of K of C councils in the city will be joining, and you are invited to come and pray, too, on <u>Thursday, January 23</u>, <u>2025, at 7PM</u>.

#### Book Study on Hope

#### What is hope?

#### Why does the Jubilee of 2025 have as its theme "Pilgrims of Hope"?

To explore answers to these questions, join Fr. Matthew as he leads a seven-week book study in the new year.



There will be an option of **two discussion sessions** each week:

• Monday evenings from 7:00 to 8:00pm Monday sessions will be on: January 13, 20, 27; February 3, 10, 24; March 3, 2025

#### OR

• Thursday mornings from 9:45 to 10:45am. Thursday sessions will be on: January 16, 23, 30; February 6, 13, 27; March 6, 2025

There will be no sessions the week of Family Day, February 17, 2025.

We will be reading and discussing writings on hope from Pope Francis and Pope Benedict.

A copy of each document will be given to study participants.

To find out more about the Year of Jubilee go to https://www.iubilaeum2025.va/en/giubileo-2025/segni-del-giubileo.html

#### St. Vincent de Paul Food Bank

The focus in JANUARY will be toothpaste, toothbrushes, dental floss, shampoo and conditioner, but ALL non-perishable food items are 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 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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#### 2025 Donation Envelopes

If you haven't yet, please pick up your parish envelopes, in the foyer, on the table to your left as you come in the church. If you do not have a package of envelopes assigned to you, and would like one, please contact the parish office.

For those who donate with pre-authorized debits (PADs) or e-transfers (EFT) there are Special Collection envelope packages available.

Other ways to make your offering:

- 1. E-transfer is also an option see our website at <u>www.icparish.ca</u> or <u>Click here for instructions on</u> <u>how to e-transfer.</u>
- 2. Pre-authorized debits you can pick up an application form from the church foyer or access the form by clicking on <u>fill in your PAD</u> application right here.

Thank you for your generosity.

#### **IC School Project**

Please see attached brochure for more information about the Accessible and Inclusive Outdoor learning Space project that they are creating.

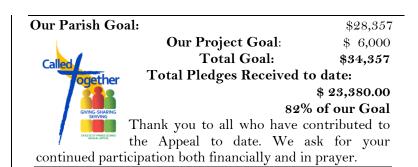
#### Diocesan Wednesday Weekly January 8, 2024

#### Grief to Grace Retreat



Through a 5-day program facilitated by mental health professionals and centered on Jesus Christ, Grief to Grace helps those who have endured neglect, physical, emotional,

sexual, and/or spiritual abuse in their family of origin, their community, from spouses/partners, and/or coworkers or supervisors, find healing and journey to wholeness. The next program in Canada is **May 20- 25 in Kelowna**. For more information please email grieftogracekelowna@gmail.com or make a confidential call to 250-808-6403.



## Pastoral Care Training Sessions February 1 – April 5, 2025



"God calls us to touch the lives of our aging, lonely, ill, palliative and dying sisters and brothers with accompaniment, kindness and compassion as the hands and face of Christ. In these sessions, you learn

basic tools necessary to accompany those who are in need of the healing ministry of Christ." – Most Reverend Gary Gordon, Bishop of Victoria

The valuable and free Pastoral Care Outreach Training series will be offered online again this winter. Nine sessions will be held via Zoom on Saturday mornings from 9:30 – noon, starting on February 1 and running until April 5, 2025 (with no session on March 8 for spring break). Participants who attend all sessions will receive a Certificate of Completion. Participants will require a phone number and email address, a computer, tablet or Smart Phone with speakers, microphone and webcam, a reliable Internet connection, and access to Zoom. Please register through your local parish by January 21, 2025. For more information, email <u>moiraking@shaw.ca</u>

"I strongly recommend this Program to all Priest and Brothers, Religious and not only to Parish Visiting Volunteers, but other parish ministries [the Knights, CWL and St. Vincent de Paul] including family members and spouse care givers. It should be recommended to all of our Catholic/Christian communities." – A participant

#### **RAINBOWS Registration Now Open**

Has your family or someone you know experienced a death, divorce, separation, or other painful transition? If so, our accredited site at St. Mary's Parish, Prince George, may have the grief support program for you.

Registration for our winter session, starting on January 16th, is now open.

Please visit <u>www.rainbowspg.com</u> for all information and registration.

