

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

Diocese of Prince George

APRIL 3, 2022—5TH SUNDAY OF LENT

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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

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SUNDAY: Anita Santos

ENVIRONMENT: Linda Boudreau

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: Dennis Fedyk

SOCIAL ACTION: Sr. Michaela

GRAND KNIGHT:

Soup Kitchen

K of C Meetings: 2nd Thursday of the month

VOCATIONS: Fr. Terry Brock

Let anyone among you who is without
sin be the first to throw a stone.

John 8.1-11



“It all depends on how you look at it.”

What I mean by that saying is that the knowledge and perspective we bring to any experience determines how we feel about that experience. For example, those old enough to remember the postwar era might recall scenes of big, modern factories belching smoke-hailed as a sign of prosperity. Now, we may look at such scenes with a sensitivity to environmental issues; our perspective is different. It all depends on how you look at it.

This Sunday’s Scriptures invite a similar change of perspective: Isaiah urges the people to forget about the Exodus-event--the passage through the Red Sea. Instead, the people are to take notice that God is doing *something new*. Paul tells the Philippians how knowing Christ has caused him to consider everything else as “rubbish.” And Jesus himself turns accusation into forgiveness with a simple phrase inviting the scribes and Pharisees to look at a sinner from the perspective of their own sinfulness.

Lent is a time to alter our way of looking at ourselves and our world. What surprises await us this week as we re-orient ourselves based on our coming to know Jesus Christ?

From Father Greg Friedman, OFM
[Listen here to the Sunday Soundbites](#)

Triduum 2022 April 14-17			
at Immaculate Conception Parish			
			
Holy Thursday 7:00 PM	Good Friday Stations of the Cross 10:00AM Veneration of the Cross 3:00 PM	Easter Vigil Saturday 7:00 PM	Easter Sunday 9:00 & 11:00AM NO 7:00PM Mass

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- **Stations of the Cross (no Mass to follow)**
 Fridays during Lent 7:00 PM
- **Reflections During Lent**
 Thursday mornings after morning Mass last session.
- **Chrism Mass – Tuesday, April 5,** 7:00 PM
 at Sacred Heart Cathedral

IC Parish Reconciliation



Thursday, April 7, 2022
 6:30 PM

Fr. Chris and Fr. Gilbert will be available

- **Good Friday Collection for Holy Land – April 15**
- **Blessing of Easter Baskets/Bread**
 Holy Saturday, April 16, 2022 11:00AM

Coffee Sunday

Spring has sprung and the restrictions are lifted. We will get back to gathering after Sunday morning Masses for coffee and conversation. This will begin Easter Sunday and the following Sundays. Are you willing to give of your time one Sunday a month to provide hospitality? If so, please contact parish office at 250-964-4898 or email [Anita santosl@telus.net](mailto:santosl@telus.net)



Monthly Day of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament – April 12, 2022

Emmanuel Hermitage invites you to adoration on **Tuesday, April 12, 2022** of Holy Week- at Domano Chapel, 6500 Southridge Ave. **Mass at 7:30 AM** and the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed from 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM for a day of silent prayer and adoration. We will pray for the universal Church and the world, and for the people and needs of our Diocese. Please mark your calendar for the second Tuesday of each month.

"Forgive, and you will be forgiven."

Diocesan Annual Appeal Receipts

If you have not received your Appeal Tax receipt from the diocese, please contact James Fowlie at jfowlie@pgdiocese.bc.ca or call our parish office. The Diocesan Finance Office is happy to send a new receipt by email or Canada Post.

Support Ukraine through CNEWA

The Catholic Near East Welfare Association (CNEWA) is a papal agency dedicated to addressing the needs of near-eastern countries and implementing solutions with and through the Church in those countries.

Donations for Ukraine can be sent to CNEWA the following ways:

- <https://cnewa.org/ca/campaigns/Ukraine/>
- Call 1-866-322-4441
- Or Send cheques to CNEWA (Catholic Near East Welfare Association) Canada, 223 Main Street, Box 80, Ottawa ON K1S 1C4

Or you can make your donation to Immaculate Conception parish. Please make cheque payable to [RCEC Immaculate Conception](#). The parish will forward the donations collected. There will be a separate basket for the donations beside the regular donation basket.

*We flee to the shelter of your mercy,
O Virgin Mother of God.
Do not reject our prayers of anguish, but free us
from tribulation, O only pure and blessed one*

The Share Hope Refugee Sponsorship Committee

is working with a city-wide

PG4Ukraine initiative.

Funds are being raised in coordination with efforts to help displaced persons and refugees fleeing from the war in the Ukraine. This includes the option to relocate to Prince George.

Donations can be made directly to the parish mark envelope or cheque with "Share Hope Refugee Sponsorship Committee." This is separate from the basket we have out for the Ukraine.

You can also donate through **CanadaHelps** using the "Ukraine" option on the Diocese of Prince George webpage located [here](#).

The Committee is always looking for new members to join in their efforts.

For more information, contact Eva Gillis at 778-349-7001.

Peace and Development (D&P)–Share Lent

1. The collection gathered today the 5th Sunday of Lent, **Solidarity Sunday** (April 3, 2022) is an opportunity to practice almsgiving while supporting the mission of D&P to help poor around the world. Or you can donate directly online at devp.org/give
 2. Message from [Bishop Raymond's full message](#).
 3. **Sign the petition** for strong laws to control Canadian corporations' behaviour abroad at devp.org/act.
- See attached or [click here for 2022 Solidarity Calendar](#).
Print and follow the journey from Ash Wednesday to Easter Sunday.

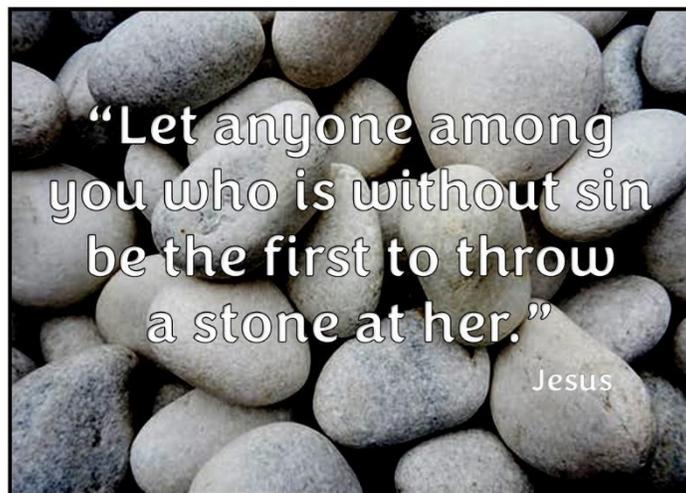
[Link for the Diocesan Wednesday Weekly for March 30, 2022](#)

Walk for Life in Prince George - May 28, 2022

Advokate Life and Education Services is holding its first, in-person Walk for Life in Prince George. Walk for Life is a pro-life fundraising initiative which supports women through pregnancy counselling and resources, after-birth care, post-abortion care, and community education.

The Prince George Walk for Life will take place on May 28, 2022 and starts at 12:30 PM at Lheidli T'enneh Memorial Park, 17th Ave, Prince George, BC, V2L 3X9.

Fundraise on your own or bring together a team to walk or run 5K or 10K and invite your friends and family to sponsor you. More details can be found on the website: <https://walkforlife.ca/>.



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April 3–May 8, 2022

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
April 3	4	5	6	7	8	9
5 th Sun of Lent Mass 9, 11 AM & 7PM	Mass 9:00AM	Mass 9:00AM Chrism Mass SHC @ 7PM	Mass 9:00AM	Mass 9:00AM •Lenten Reflection •Reconciliation 6:30 PM	Mass 9:00AM Stations of the Cross 7:00 PM	
Holy Week						
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Palm/Passion Sun Mass 9, 11 AM & 7PM	Mass 9:00AM	Mass 9:00AM Adoration at Domano Chapel	Mass 9:00AM	Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper 7PM	Good Friday -Stations of the Cross 10AM -Veneration of the Cross 3PM	Holy Saturday Blessing of Baskets 11:00AM Vigil 7PM
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Easter Sunday Mass 9 & 11 AM <u>NO 7:00 PM Mass</u>	Mass 9:00AM	Mass 9:00AM Soup Kitchen	Mass 9:00AM Soup Kitchen	Mass 9:00AM	Mass 9:00AM	1 st Communion 2PM
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
2 nd Sun of Easter Divine Mercy Mass 9, 11 AM & 7PM	Mass 9:00AM Baby bottle Campaign starts	Mass 9:00AM	Mass 9:00AM	Mass 9:00AM	Mass 9:00AM	
May 1	2	3	4	5	6	7
3 rd Sun of Easter Mass 9, 11 AM & 7PM	Mass 9:00AM	Mass 9:00AM	Mass 9:00AM	Mass 9:00AM	Mass 9:00AM	
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
4 th Sun of Easter Mass 9, 11 AM & 7PM World Day of Prayer for Vocations	Mass 9:00AM	Mass 9:00AM	Mass 9:00AM	Mass 9:00AM	Mass 9:00AM	

Happy
MOTHER'S
Day

Christ is Risen!

PLEASE NOTE

- On Holy Saturday at the Easter Vigil we will welcome our Elect and Candidates to our Church family. We will have a reception after our Vigil.