

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Diocese of Prince George

October 23, 2022-30th Sunday of Ordinary Time

World Mission Sunday

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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

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PASTORAL MINISTRIES CONTACTS

FINANCE COUNCIL CHAIR: Matt Brown

HOME VISITS: Contact Parish Office

PARISH COUNCIL CHAIR: Eva Gillis

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY: TBA

HOSPITALITY/COFFEE SUNDAY: Dan Burri

CHURCH ENVIRONMENT: Sr. Michaela

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: Dennis Fedyk

SOCIAL ACTION: Sr. Michaela

GRAND KNIGHT:

Soup Kitchen

K of C Meetings: 2nd Thursday of the month

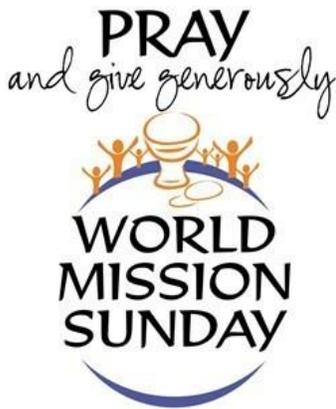
VOCATIONS: Fr. Terry Brock

“God, be merciful to me, a sinner!”

Luke 18.13

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

Catholics throughout the world are invited to pray for and give to the missions. The collection this Sunday is organized by the Pontifical Missions Society. Funds collected assist approximately 1,250 Mission dioceses under the responsibility of the Congregation for the Evangelization of the Peoples.



“How I long to find the right words to stir up enthusiasm for a new chapter of evangelization full of fervour, joy, generosity, courage, boundless love and attraction! . . . I once more invoke the Holy Spirit. I implore the Spirit to come and renew the Church, to stir and impel her to go forth boldly to evangelize all peoples.”

POPE FRANCIS, *Evangelii Gaudium*, 261



Sun	Oct 23	9AM	RIP of Mary Thanh Nguyen
		11AM	RIP of Myrna Mucha
		7PM	For the people of IC
Mon	Oct 24	9AM	Intentions of Karl Zobl on his BD
Tue	Oct 25	9AM	RIP of Doris Boyd
Wed	Oct 26	9AM	RIP of Tom Anderson
Thu	Oct 27	9AM	RIP of Joan Benoit
Fri	Oct 28	9AM	

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.

PARISHIONERS WITH PYXES

In order to offer ministry to those who are shut-in and homebound it is important to know the parishioners who are bringing Holy Communion to someone with the use of a pyx. A few new parishioners have signed up for this ministry and we want to be able to coordinate all of those who provide (and want to provide) this important ministry. Please either email or call the parish office to inform us if you have a pyx and are bringing Holy Communion to someone. Thank you!

UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS:

- **RCIA** 7:00PM
October 27, 2022
- **Crib and Scrabble Night** 7:00PM
Every 2nd Tuesday- next evening is November 1, 2022
- **K of C Pancake Breakfast --the next one is scheduled for November 20 and every 3rd Sunday after the 9 & 11AM Mass**
- **Feast of the Immaculate Conception**
5:00PM Mass, followed with a parish potluck.
December 8, 2022 – it’s early, but please mark your calendar.

THE COMMEMORATION OF THE ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED (ALL SOULS)



All Souls

You are invited to write the names of your deceased loved ones in the

book of remembrance located on the table in the foyer. At each of our Masses throughout the month of November, we will be praying for our deceased friends and family that are named in the book. May they rest in peace.

RCIA – RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Our RCIA program began Thursday, September 29 at Immaculate Conception. Our next session is on Thursday, October 27, 2022 at 7PM.

If you know anyone interested in the Catholic Faith? The RCIA is a journey of faith for unbaptised Adults, Baptised Adults from another Christian Faith, and Baptised Adults from the Roman Catholic Faith who have not received First Holy Communion and/or Confirmation. If you are interested in RCIA please contact Martha 250-964-4898 or email the parish office at icparish@pgdiocese.bc.ca

We are working together with St. Mary’s Parish.

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CATECHESIS FOR CHILDREN

Children who are not registered in a Catholic School and wish to receive the sacraments of First Communion and Confirmation, are asked to email the parish office at icparish@pgdiocese.bc.ca

RECEPTION OF HOLY COMMUNION AT IC PARISH

Dear Parishioners,

In the Church document of March 25, 2004, **Redemptionis Sacramentum** (Sacrament of Redemption) issued by the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments, certain matters related to the Eucharist (Holy Mass) are explained.

[Paragraphs 90-92](#) of the document provide explanations, and approvals, about:

1. one's posture for receiving the Body of Christ: standing or kneeling are approved; and
2. how one can receive the Body of Christ: in the hand or on the tongue are approved.

It has been brought to my attention that some Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (EMHC) are hesitant to distribute the Body of Christ on the tongue due to the contagious illnesses that have made their way through our parish, and that continue to affect the health of our parishioners.

Therefore, for the foreseeable future, and as a means of providing for the various needs of our parishioners, I would invite those who wish to receive the Body of Christ on the tongue to receive in my line during the distribution of Holy Communion. In turn, I would invite those who wish to receive in the hand to receive in my line **OR** in the line of the EMHC.

Most of all, I ask that we remember St. Paul's words that we, although made up of "many parts", form "**one body**" (1 Corinthians 12:12). And let us remember Christ's own prayer to our Heavenly Father: that we Christians "**may all be one**" (John 17:21).

Peace+,

Fr. John

LITURGY OF THE WORD FOR CHILDREN

We would like to begin the ministry of Liturgy of the Word for Children at the 11:00 AM Mass. The Sunday Gospel and readings are proclaimed at a level the children can understand to experience God's love for them. The Liturgy of the Word is enriched with discussion, activities, prayers, and songs. Training, resources, and support are provided for those who provide this ministry. We had one adult sign up to help with this ministry and in order to begin, we need at least four adults to help. Please contact the Parish Office: 250-964-4898 or email 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. Are you missing your 2022 envelopes, or would like envelopes- call the parish office.

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

DEATH OF TOM ANDERSON

It is with great sadness that we announce the death of Tom Anderson, the father of Fr. Ken Anderson, who died in an accident on Saturday, October 15, 2022.

There will be prayers for Tom Anderson on Sunday night, October 23, at 7 PM at St. Andrew's Parish in Fraser Lake.

The funeral Mass will take place on Monday at 10:30 AM at St. Joseph's Parish in Vanderhoof.

We offer our condolences and prayers to the Anderson family and ask all the faithful to keep Tom, his family and friends, and his community in their prayers.

Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

CAMP MORICE SOCIETY AGM

CAMP MORICE SOCIETY - AGM. The AGM for the Society has been set for Monday, November 7 at 7pm via ZOOM. The link for the ZOOM will be available upon request with an email to info@campmorice.com

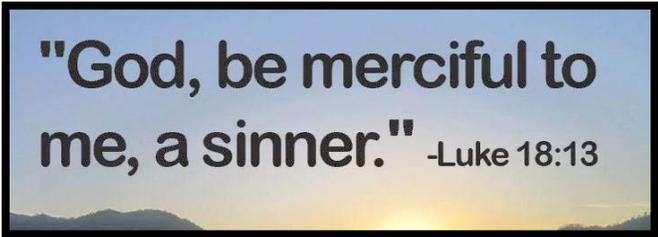
SHARE HOPE

Currently there are 68 people which are expected to arrive over the next 6 weeks. We are actively helping everyone to find housing, jobs and especially day care since many families are coming as moms and kids.

If you can help out in any way, please email pg.sharehope@gmail.com

Donations made payable to RCEC-Share Hope will receive a charitable tax receipt and can be dropped off at any office of a Catholic Parish in Prince George or mailed to the Diocesan Pastoral Centre.

[Link for the Diocesan Wednesday Weekly for October 19, 2022](#)



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