

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

Diocese of Prince George

SEPTEMBER 12, 2021 ~ 24th Sunday of Ordinary Time

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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 – Saturday 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: Cathy Piwniuk

PARISH COUNCIL CHAIR: Eva Gillis

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY: TBA

HOSPITALITY/COFFEE Eva Gillis &
SUNDAY: Anita Santos

CHURCH Sr. Michaela
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

You are the Christ.
The Son of Man must undergo great suffering.

Mark 8.27-35

In the 1930's, a young writer in New York City was struggling to publish a novel. As World War II broke out in Europe he looked into his own heart as well as the headlines and produced a soul-searching examination of human violence and war. Unfortunately, his novel remained unpublished for years.



The author? Thomas Merton, the most prominent Catholic author of the 20th century. His wartime novel, *My Argument with the Gestapo*, was finally published years after Merton became a Trappist monk and had written many spiritual books.

Merton's insight into war and peace are echoed in today's Second Reading from the *Letter of James*. There the author explores where wars and conflicts originate. He tells us that violence starts from within the human heart. But from God comes the possibility of peace.

Jesus offers us the way to peace in the *Gospel* today, inviting us to put ourselves last--as servants. Let us "cultivate peace" in our hearts, our communities, our world.

From Father Greg Friedman, OFM
Sunday Soundbites

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. If you are interested in RCIA please contact Martha 250-964-4898 or email the parish office at icparish@pgdiocese.bc.ca

We hope to begin in late September.

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 Please note these sacraments will be celebrated with those who regularly attend Mass at Immaculate Conception.

**"Faith is like a bright ray of sunlight.
It enables us to see God in all things
as well as all things in God."**

St. Francis de Sales

Parish Ministries

There are several ways to get involved in both Immaculate Conception Parish community and the school. We ask you to consider the following parish ministries as an invitation to be stewards of your time and talent as a/an:

- Extra-Ordinary Minister of Communion
- Lector
- Children's Liturgy program leaders (11AM school age and 9AM preschool)
We are need of co-ordinators for the Children's Liturgy programs. Training and support will be provided for this important ministry.
- RCIA team member
- Hosts for Coffee Sundays – **which we will be resume at a later date.**
- Altar Linens launderer

All of these are important to the life of the church, and we urge you to take part in these and other ministries. We would like to encourage our young people to take part in ministries as well. Sign-up Sunday will be on **September 12 & 19, 2021 after each Mass**. If you are already a part of any of these ministries, please still sign-up and provide your contact information. If you are not at Mass on Sign-up Sunday please email Sr. Michaela at michaelamarques49@gmail.com or the parish office at icparish@pgdiocese.bc.ca

Share Hope – Refugee Committee needs you!

Share Hope, Refugee Sponsorship Committee works to bring and settle refugees in Prince George. It consists of the four Catholic parishes and two Anglican parishes.

Share Hope is looking for new members. If you want to make a difference for refugees, please consider joining this group. There are a variety of ways you can participate and serve.

Please call Or text Eva 778-349-7001.

Sacred Heart Senior Citizens' Society

Annual General Meetings for the following groups will be held on Sunday, September 19, 2021 at Fort George Manor (FGM) 1870 Gorse Street, Prince George, BC

- Sacred Heart Senior Citizens' Society (SHSCS) at 1:00PM
- FGM Housing Co-operative (immediately following)

For more information call Claudette Currie, SHSCS President at 963-9918, or Jack Goold, Manager Fort George Manor at 564-3416.

Parishioner information update

1. Are you new to our parish? 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 2021 envelopes, or would like envelopes- call the parish office.
4. Our parish would like to send information to parishioners using Flocknote. **Flocknote** is an email and text messaging tool created for churches and ministries. If you would like to receive your bulletin and parish information via Flocknote please **Text ICPGPARISH to 514-900-0130** or let the parish office know that your existing email can be used to send the bulletin to your phone or email.

PARISH FINANCIAL WEEKLY UPDATE

Sunday Collection weekend of: September 5, 2021	
Envelopes	2265.00
Loose Change	126.00
E-Transfers	190.00
Total Sunday Collection	2581.00
Holy Childhood	25.25
1 st of the month Pre-Auth. Debits	1567.00
Building/Grounds Collection (roof)	675.00

PRE-AUTHORIZED DEBIT

We are offering pre-authorized debit as a way 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**

Please make cheques payable to RCEC IC Parish or RCEC Immaculate Conception Church.

DIOCESAN APPEAL

Information of the Annual Appeal will be coming soon!

Monthly Adoration

Emmanuel Hermitage invites you to silent adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on **Tuesday, the 14th September at the Domano Chapel.**

Mass will be celebrated at 7:30AM and the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed from 8:00AM – 8:00PM.



Festival of Trees

Blankets have been made to help six agencies that our parish supports through **The Giving Tree**. We invite your sponsorship for the two sizes of blankets, **small (\$20.00)** and **large (\$30.00)** that will help the agencies. There will be a committee member in the hall today after 9 & 11AM Masses, they will gratefully accept your sponsorship. In addition to your sponsorship for the blankets, we appreciate monetary donations for the purchase of items for the agencies who have specific requests. If you would like to provide **sponsorship for a blanket** or **make a monetary donation** please contact Sr. Michaela. **Thank you for your support.**

The Bishop's Office is seeking someone for the position of Secretary to the Bishop.

The successful candidate will possess excellent oral and written communication skills, ability in organizing information and records, proficiency in Office 365.

Compensation will reflect the successful candidate's qualifications and experience and include a benefits plan with pension.

Those interested should submit resumes to the Business Manager at jfowlie@pgdiocese.bc.ca

Rachel's Vineyard Fall Retreats 2021

For a psychological & spiritual journey for healing.

If you or someone you know is suffering from post-abortion trauma, there is no need to suffer in silence. Rachel's Vineyard is here to help!

Kelowna Retreat:

October 29 to 31

Call/email:

250-762-2273

info@rachelvineyardkelowna.com

Cache Creek

Retreat:

October 13-15

Call/text:

250-267-5081

rvkamloops@yahoo.ca

Visit [Facebook](#) [Rachel's Vineyard Kelowna](#)

Parish Events:

- Ministry Sign-up Sunday
September 12 & 19, 2021 After all Masses
- K of C Pancake Breakfasts & Coffee Sundays
Postponed until further notice.
- Stewardship Sunday
October 3, 2021 At all Masses


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