IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

Diocese of Prince George

NOVEMBER 21, 2021—FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING

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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

BISHOP ~ DIOCESE OF PRINCE GEORGE PASTOR~IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH **ADMINISTRATIVE AND PASTORAL ASSISTANT** PRINCIPAL~IMMACULATE CONCEPTION SCHOOL

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PASTORAL MINISTRIES CONTACTS

FINANCE COUNCIL CHAIR:	Matt Brown
PARISH COUNCIL CHAIR:	Eva Gillis
Hospitality/Coffee Sunday:	Eva Gillis & Anita Santos
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS GRAND KNIGHT:	Dennis Fedyk
K of C Meetings	2 nd Thursday

HOME VISITS: Cathy Piwniuk CHILDREN'S MINISTRY: TBA CHURCH Sr. Michaela ENVIRONMENT: Linda Boudreau SOCIAL ACTION: Sr. Michaela Soup Kitchen VOCATIONS: Fr. Terry Brock



You say that I am King.

of the month

John 18.33b-37

FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING

The classic religious rock opera Jesus Christ Superstar, continues to be performed



on stages around the country. During Holy Week many of us find ourselves putting on the album or humming some of the music. What has always struck me is the portrayal of Pontius Pilate. The actor who created the original album role went on to portray Pilate on Broadway and on film.

Pilate is interested--for his own reasons--in the accusation that Jesus claims to be King of the Jews. There is a peculiar intimacy in the scene--captured well, I think, in the musical. Pilate can relate to the concept of kingship. He's a politician and understands power and position. He presses his questions even as he misunderstands Jesus' true kingship. For a brief instant Pilate even seems interested in "truth." But in the end he falls back into his own limited notions of earthly power, and does what is expected of him as a functionary in the Roman system of government.

With dramatic irony however, the scene in John's Gospel highlights a very different kind of kingship. Jesus stands before the world testifying to the truth. He has come to reveal the truth about God and invites us into his reign, which is not of this world. Rather it is a relationship--one in which we receive the very life of God.

> From Father Greg Friedman, OFM Listen here to the Sunday Soundbites

The Season of Advent begins next Sunday. November 28, 2021

> "Advent is a time of waiting for our Lord, who will visit us all in our own hearts. The Lord is coming! Let us wait for him!"

POPE FRANCIS

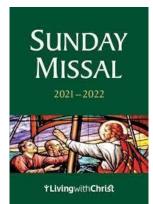
Covid UPDATE November 19, 2021

Northern Health is maintaining current regional public health orders in response to sustained rates of COVID-19 activity and the impact on health care resources. The Northern region still has some of the lowest vaccination rates in BC. There are ongoing vaccine clinic opportunities throughout the region; find a clinic near you.

We will continue with livestream Mass on Sunday at 10AM and Monday to Friday at 9:00AM. With drive through Communion.

Please note there is no expiry on this current order.

Sunday Missals 2021-22



These are available and for sale for \$5.00 each. Please call the parish office to pick-up. They will also be available during the drive through communion on Sunday.



How can you share your 'treasure'?

Our parish continues to do what it can to meet the needs of its parishioners with the current restrictions. We also must meet the financial needs of the parish. We are grateful for those who contribute faithfully.

If you are wanting to make financial contributions to the parish:

- 1. If you have envelopes, they can be dropped off:
 - a. At the church during office hours Monday to Friday from 10:00AM to 3:00PM
 - b. In the mail slot located on the Parish office anytime of day.
 - c. At 3288 Cathedral (Fr. Chris's house) anytime of day.
- 2. E-transfer: Funds can be directly deposited through your financial institute using icparish@pgdiocese.bc.ca
- Pre-Authorized Debit: Consider having your offering come directly from your account to ours. This option is available on a bi-weekly or monthly basis. If you are interested, access the application on our webpage at <u>https://www.icparish.ca/</u> This can be emailed or dropped off at the church.

A TAX RECEIPT WILL BE ISSUED FOR ALL DONATIONS. THIS IS A GREAT WAY TO GET A BIT OF A TAX BREAK AND TO SHARE YOUR TREASURE.

Indigenous Representatives to meet with Pope Francis in December

From December 17-20, 2021, Pope Francis will meet with a delegation of 25-30 First Nations, Inuit, and Métis Elders, knowledge keepers, residential school survivors, and youth. The delegation will be accompanied by a small group of Canadian Bishops.

The Assembly of First Nations, the Métis National Council, the Inuit Tapiriit Kanatami, and other Indigenous leaders have been involved in planning the delegation through ongoing dialogue with the CCCB. Vatican representatives have also confirmed that the Holy Father will take part in private meetings with the First Nations, Inuit and Métis delegates to hear their personal stories of the legacy of the residential schools. There will also been an opportunity for the delegates to share their hopes and expectations for the Holy Father's future pilgrimage to Canada with him directly.

Read the full CCCB news release here.

IC School Fundraiser



The IC School Parent Support Group (PSG) has brought back the Purdys Chocolate Fundraiser in time for Christmas. It was very successful last year, and they hope to meet or surpass last year's goal of \$10,000.00 in sales. As part of this fundraiser, the PSG will receive 25% of profits from each sale to help support the school!

Orders must be in and paid for online by Monday, the 29th of November.

Catalogues have been sent home with IC students, and there are some available at the parish office for parishioners for manual/hard copy please see Martha.

Please use this link to order. https://fundraising.purdys.com/1226657-88858

A notification will be sent out once the orders have arrived at the school and are ready for pick up.

If you have questions; school contact is Stephanie at <u>Sprimus83@outlook.com</u> or Martha at the parish office. Thank you

DIOCESAN APPEAL UPDATE CHECK OUT DIOCESAN WEBPAGE FOR MORE DETAILS

OUR PARISH GOAL is \$ 19, 554.00 we have achieved **\$26,810.00** of our goal.

Thank you to everyone for their continued support both financially and in prayer for the needs of our diocese. This week we continued to make progress toward our diocesan goal, reaching 86% in pledges. In addition, over \$56,000 has been pledged toward our Healing and Reconciliation Appeal.

Over \$57,000 will be going back to parishes once pledges are fulfilled, much of which will go toward parish projects.

These challenging times make it difficult for many people to help financially. We ask you to continue to pray for the diocese and the many needs that our communities and ministries have.

How to make contributions:

- Use the donation package- mail or submit in donation basket
- E-Transfers may be sent to: appeal@pgdiocese.bc.ca

Credit card, go to the Diocesan website at <u>www.pgdiocese.bc.ca</u> midway down the home page to '<u>Donate to the Annual Appeal</u>'. Follow instructions.

