

# IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

Diocese of Prince George

FEBRUARY 20, 2022—7<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

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in service, education, and celebration.



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Sunday 9:00AM & 11:00AM

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Soup Kitchen

K of C Meetings 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month

VOCATIONS: Fr. Terry Brock

Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful

Luke 6.27-38

do good, lend, and  
expect nothing in return  
and your reward will be great

Luke 6:35



There's a built-in irony in today's Liturgy of the Word. We read from Luke's Gospel and Jesus' "Sermon on the Plain" which was introduced last week. Jesus

delivers a radical message about how to treat our enemies—with non-violence, forgiveness, and mercy. The liturgy gives us a companion First Reading. The choice: a scene from the First Book of Samuel starring the future King David. We see David sparing his enemy, King Saul.

But the irony is that David elsewhere in the Bible is hardly a non-violent figure. He's more typically a man of his era—meting out vengeance to enemies, inflicting violence on friends, and saddling his own people with the consequences of the king's personal sin. Hardly a poster child for non-violence!

And yet perhaps this Biblical scene of forgiveness is more potent because of who David was. I'm reminded of the historic Camp David accords, in which President Jimmy Carter brought together Menachem Begin and Anwar Sadat—two veterans of war, terrorism, and violence—in pursuit of peace. And even though their agreement was flawed and the Middle East remains a violent place, some good did result.

Our world—the Middle East included—is as violent as David's world, possibly more so given our weapons technology and our terrible history of violence. Had King David heard Jesus' message, how would he have responded? More importantly, how will we?

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

## 2021 Tax Receipts are ready for pick-up in the foyer.

There is only one receipt printed for each family if you require a duplicate, please call or email the parish office.

If receipts are not picked up by Feb 25, 2022 they will be sent by postal mail.



For a synodal Church  
communion | participation | mission

**"Pope Francis invites the entire church to reflect on a theme that is decisive for its life and mission: "**

Thank you to all who participated in the dialogue sessions of Phase 1 for the Synod process. Stay tuned for further participation in this journey.

**Updated Covid Restrictions remain the same for places of worship as of February 16, 2022 click link below**

[Restrictions for places of worship](#)

**A Mask /Face Covering is REQUIRED for Worship services**

- We continue to follow the 50% capacity; that is 150 people in the church and 150 in the hall.
- For those who do not want/are unable to wear masks distribution of communion will be available in the church foyer after Mass for those wishing to watch virtually. Please come at quarter to the hour. ie. 9:45AM, 11:45 AM.
- We continue to livestream for the time being at 11:00AM Sunday morning and Monday to Friday at 9:00AM

## Ash Wednesday is March 2, 2022



Ashes are created by burning palms from the previous year's Palm Sunday celebration.

**If you have palms please bring them to the Church in the next few weeks so that they can be burned for ashes.**

### **We are on our count down to Lent**

Lent is a time for penance and repentance, for almsgiving and prayer, for working to change attitudes that are not pleasing to God.

## **Chrism Mass April 5, 2022 @ 7:00PM Mark your calendar**

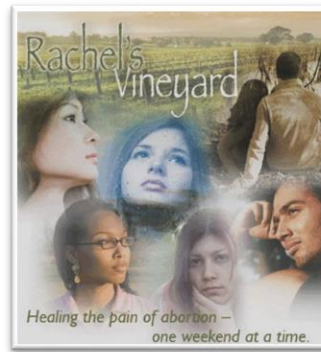


The CCCB has announced that the Indigenous Delegation to Rome has been rescheduled to the end of March and beginning of April. The Delegation was originally scheduled for December but was postponed due to the evolving situation with the Omicron variant.

Pope Francis is now scheduled to meet with the delegates during the week of March 28th, with a final audience for all participants to take place on April 1, 2022. To see the full statement from the CCCB, please click here.

## [Link for Diocesan Wednesday Weekly](#) [February 16, 2022](#)

### **Rachel's Vineyard Weekend Retreat**



Many women, men and couples and relatives who have had an abortion experience, suffer emotional and spiritual pain, and are afraid to reveal their deep secret.

There are two retreat weekends coming up, one in **Kelowna March 11-13 ,**

**2022** and the other at **Lac Des Rochese Resort on May 3-5, 2022.**

You will receive God's mercy, compassion and grace; replacing grief, shame, guilt, and anger.

- Kelowna retreat register now by emailing [info@rachelsvineyardkelowna.com](mailto:info@rachelsvineyardkelowna.com)
- Kamloops retreat email [rvkamloops@yahoo.ca](mailto:rvkamloops@yahoo.ca) or call or text 250-267-5081

There is no need to suffer in silence. Rachel's Vineyard is here to help.

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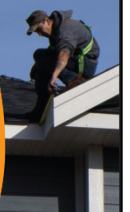
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