

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

Diocese of Prince George

MAY 15, 2022—5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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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.

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| 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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FINANCE COUNCIL CHAIR: Matt Brown

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HOSPITALITY/COFFEE
SUNDAY: Anita Santos

CHURCH
ENVIRONMENT: Sr. Michaela
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



I give you a new commandment,
that you love another.

John 13.1,31-33a,34-35



During World War II my great-uncle in Italy served as a “partisan”—a resistance fighter against the Nazis--and he gave his life

for that cause. Resistance fighters like him fought throughout occupied Europe. They had to communicate secretly--often in code--as they tried to give hope to their captive brothers and sisters.

On these Easter Sundays we read from the *Book of Revelation*. This New Testament work is puzzling with its strange descriptions and symbolism. Many readers misunderstand its purpose and try to find involved, often convoluted references to specific events in our own time or the future. But much of *Revelation* refers to the time in which it was written. Like those resistance fighters in occupied Europe, the early Christians lived through persecution under Roman rule. I like to understand the *Book of Revelation* as a kind of “resistance literature”—a message of hope shared by persecuted Christians. Jesus has triumphed over evil; God’s enemies will be defeated, even death itself.

Today, we Christians face our own troubles. We need to hear encouragement, as the *Book of Revelation* tells us that all will be made new, that death is not the end. It’s an ancient message of hope as new as today’s dawn.

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

DATES and EVENTS

- Last day of live-streaming—May 29, 2022 @ 11AM
- Daily Mass 8:00AM for the week of May 30 to June 2 – as the Priests of the Diocese are on retreat
- No morning Mass June 3, 2022
- The Celebration of Fr. Chris’s 25th Anniversary of Ordination
June 3, 2022
Mass 7:00PM

Save
the
Date

With a reception to follow in the Church Hall

See attached Calendar for more dates
May 15, to July 2, 2022



Ordination
June 6, 1997

Please join us for 25th Anniversary
of the
Presbyteral Ordination
of

Father Chris Lynch

Mass will be celebrated
on

Friday, the third of June
two thousand and twenty two
at seven o’clock in the evening.

A reception will follow in the Church Hall

Immaculate Conception Parish
3285 Cathedral Avenue
Prince George, BC

Please RSVP to Martha Primus by May 27th
call 250-964-4898 or email icparish@pgdiocese.bc.ca

*“As the Father has loved me,
so I have loved you; abide
in my love.”*

John 15:9



[Link for the Diocesan Wednesday Weekly
for May 11, 2022](#)

You are invited to come and participate in this year’s



Stand Up for
Life, a prayerful
and peaceful
witness to the
sanctity of all
human life.

(Revised

Location): We will gather along both sides of 15th Avenue
from Edmonton Street to Burden Street on Thursday,
May 12, from 4 P.M. to 5 P.M. Together, our presence is
a message to all of the importance of respecting and
protecting human life in all its stages. Please join us and
invite others to come, as well.

Baby Bottle Campaign

Sunday, May 8th to Sunday, June 19, 2022.

Please join in the Annual Baby Bottles Campaign sponsored by Advokate Life & Education Services.

These baby bottles represent HOPE for vulnerable women and families in need. By filling a bottle, you're taking part in literally changing and saving lives.

Please watch this video

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tGKJfGmLgWY>

Bottles are available today May 8, 2022-

Every bottle has a donation form inside. Donations may be made via credit card, cheque and cash or visit babybottles.ca to donate online.

All donations of \$10+ are tax receiptable. If a tax receipt is desired, they MUST complete the donation form inside the bottle with full name and address.

Check out <https://babybottles.ca/>

PG4Ukraine – Share Hope Refugee Sponsorship

The Share Hope Refugee Sponsorship Committee is part of a city wide PG4Ukraine initiative. They are raising funds and awareness in an effort to help displaced persons and refugees fleeing from the war in Ukraine.

If you would like to help with our fundraising efforts, you can donate directly to your Parish and mark it “in support of the Share Hope Refugee Sponsorship Committee.”

You can also donate through CanadaHelps using the “Ukraine” option on the page for the Diocese of Prince George located here: <https://www.canadahelps.org/en/dn/70838>.

We are always looking for new members to join in our efforts.

For more information, contact Dick Mynen from St. Mary's at 250-565-4764 or Eva Gillis from Immaculate Conception at 778-349-7001.



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Catholic Independent Schools Diocese of Prince George (CISPG):

Catholic Independent Schools Diocese of Prince George (CISPG) is hiring for September 2022 including the Principalship of Annunciation School in Prince Rupert and full-time teaching positions in Terrace, Kitimat and Dawson Creek. Please help spread the word! Postings found at <http://cispg.ca/careers/>

St. Mary's Parish Secretary

St. Mary's Parish in Prince George is looking for a full-time secretary. Hours are 6.5 hours per day, 5 days per week. Benefits included. For more information or to apply, send your resume to hr@stmaryspg.ca

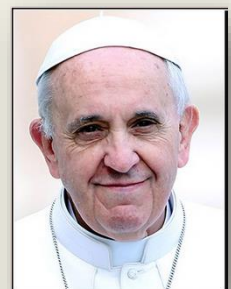
CCCB Submits Brief to the Special Joint Committee on MAiD

The CCCB has submitted a brief to the Special Joint Committee on MAiD urging them not to allow the expansion of euthanasia eligibility. They warn that euthanasia is a deterrence from improving access to viable alternatives and erodes the common good of society.

[Click here to read the CCCB's full brief.](#)

The real power is love, that which empowers others, that which arouses action, that which no chain is able to hold back, for even on the Cross or on the death bed one is able to love. One does not need youthful beauty, nor recognition or approval, nor money or prestige. Let love, simply bloom . . . and it is unstoppable.

Pope Francis





May 15 – July 2, 2022

Immaculate Conception Parish

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|---|--|---|--|-------------|--|-----------|
| May 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 |
| 5th Sun of Easter Mass 9, 11 AM & 7PM | Mass 9:00AM | Mass 9:00AM Soup Kitchen | Mass 9:00AM Soup Kitchen Finance Council Mtg | Mass 9:00AM | Mass 9:00AM | |
| 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 |
| 6th Sun of Easter Mass 9, 11 AM & 7PM  | Mass 9:00AM Victoria Day | Mass 9:00AM | Mass 9:00AM Parish Council Mtg | Mass 9:00AM | Mass 9:00AM | |
| 29 | 30 | 31 | June 1 | 2 |  3 | 4 |
|  Ascension of the Lord Mass 9, 11 AM & 7PM | PLEASE NOTE—Mass will no longer be livestreamed as of May 30, 2022. | | | | 25th Fr. Chris Anniversary Celebration Mass 7:00PM | |
| 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 |
|  Mass 9, 11 AM & 7PM <i>Pentecost Sunday</i> Confirmation at SHC 2PM | Mass 9:00AM Fr. Chris 25 th Anniversary of Ordination | Mass 9:00AM | Mass 9:00AM | Mass 9:00AM | Mass 9:00AM School Mass in the Park @ 10AM | |
| 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 |
|  Trinity SUNDAY Mass 9, 11 AM & 7PM | Mass 9:00AM | Mass 9:00AM Adoration at Domano Chapel | Mass 9:00AM | Mass 9:00AM | Mass 9:00AM | |
| 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 |
| Body & Blood of Christ Mass 9, 11 AM & 7PM  | Mass 9:00AM | Mass 9:00AM Soup Kitchen | Mass 9:00AM Soup Kitchen | Mass 9:00AM | Mass 9:00AM | |
| 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | July 1 | 2 |
| 13th Sun of Ordinary Time Mass 9, 11 AM & 7PM | Mass 9:00AM | Mass 9:00AM Last Day of School | Mass 9:00AM | Mass 9:00AM |  CANADA DAY Mass 9:00AM | |

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