

# IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

Diocese of Prince George

September 18, 2022—25<sup>th</sup> 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 – 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 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month

VOCATIONS: Fr. Terry Brock

**Luke 16.13**

**YOU CANNOT SERVE TWO MASTERS**



# Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



Sun	Sep 18	9AM	RIP of Ben John Ens
		11AM	Intentions of Mary Harrington
		7PM	For the people of IC
Mon	Sep 19	9AM	For the intentions of Sally Olivieri & family
Tue	Sep 20	9AM	
Wed	Sep 21	9AM	Intentions of Louise, William & family
Thu	Sep 22	9AM	Intentions of Karen & Michael Wilson and Family
Fri	Sep 23	9AM	Intentions of the Kennedy Family

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.

## RCIA – RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

**Our RCIA program begins Thursday, September 29 at 7PM in the Meeting Room at Immaculate Conception.**

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 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](mailto:icparish@pgdiocese.bc.ca)

**We will be teaming up with St. Mary's Parish.**

## THE SPIRIT OF GIVING

Blankets have been made to help six agencies that our parish supports through **The Spirit of Giving (formerly The Giving Tree)**. We invite your sponsorship for the two sizes of blankets, **small (\$30.00)** and **large (\$40.00)** that will help the agencies. There will be a committee member in the hall after Masses for the next two Sundays at 9 & 11AM. Your sponsorship will be gratefully accepted. 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**

## PARISH MINISTRIES

There are many ways to share your time and talents at Immaculate Conception, both in the parish and school. We invite you to consider the following as an opportunity to serve. Please refer to insert of the last two weeks for the ministries and their descriptions.

All are important to the life of the church and school community. Be assured that **formation, training and support will be offered.**

We encourage all, including our young people, to consider this invitation.

Today September 18 **after each Mass**, is the second week for sign-up. If you are already a part of any of these ministries and would like to continue, please sign-up and provide your contact information. If you are not at Mass on Sign-up Sunday please email Sr. Michaela at [mmarques@pgdiocese.ca](mailto:mmarques@pgdiocese.ca) or the parish office at [icparish@pgdiocese.bc.ca](mailto:icparish@pgdiocese.bc.ca)

## WELCOME TO FR. MIGUEL AND FR. KEN

Thank you to Fr. Miguel and Fr. Ken who will be assisting at the 7:00PM Sunday evening Mass, when they are available. Fr. Miguel on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month and Fr. Ken on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday. They will begin on the 18<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> of this month.

## UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS:

- **Ministry Sign-up Sunday** After all Masses  
September 18, 2022
- **Monthly Adoration** 8:AM to 8PM  
September 13, 2022 Domano Renewal Chapel
- **K of C Pancake Breakfast** After 9 & 11AM  
September 18, 2022
- **Commissioning of IC School Teachers** 11:00AM  
September 25, 2022
- **Workshops for Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion (EMHC) and Lectors ---** 7:00PM  
Tuesday, September 27 & Monday, October 3
- **RCIA** 7:00PM  
September 29, 2022
- **Welcome Fall Potluck** 5:30PM  
October 1, 2022- Parish Hall
- **Stewardship Sunday** After all Masses  
October 2, 2022



## 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](mailto:icparish@pgdiocese.bc.ca)

## PRE-AUTHORIZED DEBIT

Pre-authorized debit helps 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**

## 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](http://www.icparish.ca) for a fillable form. Please submit via email [icparish@pgdiocese.bc.ca](mailto: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

## THE FRIENDS OF THE EDZERZA FAMILY

Invite you to consider a financial donation to help Ken with his upcoming kidney transplant.

Please see the link for further details. [https://www.gofundme.com/f/ken-edzerza-with-his-urgent-kidney-transplant?utm\\_source=customer&utm\\_medium=copy\\_link&utm\\_campaign=p\\_cf+share-flow-1](https://www.gofundme.com/f/ken-edzerza-with-his-urgent-kidney-transplant?utm_source=customer&utm_medium=copy_link&utm_campaign=p_cf+share-flow-1)

## SHARE HOPE

Prince George Share Hope has helped over 70 people from Ukraine who have arrived in Prince George to find support since the invasion began. Currently there are another 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](mailto: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.

Donate online via CanadaHelps:

[www.canadahelps.org/en/dn/70838](http://www.canadahelps.org/en/dn/70838)

E-transfer to: [sharehope@pgdio.ca](mailto:sharehope@pgdio.ca) and in the memo field add your name and address.



Today is the Educational and Promotional Weekend for **Called Together - Giving, Sharing, Serving**. As in the past, your pledge truly benefits the small parishes, missions and ministries throughout our diocese.

A successful Appeal furthers the mission of our local Church and of our parish and helps others in our diocese with the resources they truly need. We hope that every household in our parish actively participates, a goal that can only be reached with your help. Please consider your support in the coming week. Not everyone can make the same pledge, but if we all offer our sacrifice, we will truly be successful.

## Our Parish Goal is: \$ 25,291

In addition to our diocesan appeal, the bishops of B.C. have asked us to help support efforts to promote healing and reconciliation between indigenous and non-indigenous peoples through a separate appeal. The diocese has been asked to pledge \$147,000 toward this important work. Last year, we raised half of that amount. We do not set parish goals for this appeal, but look to the generosity of everyone to make a meaningful contribution to support these efforts.

Those who donate by Interac eTransfer are encouraged to include a message with the following information:

- 1) the name of the parish for which the donor wants his or her donation to be credited towards;
- 2) if he or she wants their donation to be allocated toward a specific area of diocesan ministry, to indicate his or preference of allocation;
- 3) an email address should the Appeal Office need to contact the donor with a question of clarification.

## RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREAT

Rachel's Vineyard Retreats support, confidentiality and a non-judgmental environment where women and men can express, release and reconcile painful post-abortive emotions to begin the process healing. Registering now. Confidentiality assured.

**Kelowna retreat Oct 21- 23**

**Call 250-762-2273 or email**

**[info@rachelvineyardkelowna.com](mailto:info@rachelvineyardkelowna.com)**

**Lac Des Roches Resort retreat Oct 25 - 27**

**Call 250-267-5081 or email**

**[rvkamloops@yahoo.ca](mailto:rvkamloops@yahoo.ca)**

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

**[Link for the Diocesan Wednesday Weekly  
for September 14, 2022](#)**



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