

# IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

## Diocese of Prince George

October 16, 2022-29<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	Dan Burri	CHURCH	Sr. Michaela
SUNDAY:		ENVIRONMENT:	
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

**Jesus told the disciples a parable about their need  
to pray always and not lose heart.**

Luke 18.1

WORLD FOOD DAY



World Food Day has been promoted by the Food and Agriculture Organization since 1981. The Church is concerned about the issue of hunger in the world, remembering the words of the Song of Man on the last judgment of the

nations, . . . “I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink. ....” (Mt 25-35)

# Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK

Sun	Oct 16	9AM	RIP Zbigniew Najsznerski
		11AM	For the people of Nigeria for a peaceful election
		7PM	For the people of IC
Mon	Oct 17	9AM	RIP of Doris Boyd
Tue	Oct 18	9AM	Intentions of Cassie Dufault
Wed	Oct 19	9AM	For the Holy Souls in purgatory
Thu	Oct 20	9AM	
Fri	Oct 21	9AM	

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 began Thursday, September 29 at Immaculate Conception. Our next session is on Thursday, October 20, 2022 at 7PM.**

If you know anyone 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 are working together with St. Mary's Parish.**

OUR

Welcome!

CAMPAIGN!

Dear Parishioners,

Just a note to let you know about some of our efforts being undertaken to welcome Roman Catholics to become part of our parish community, and to welcome those interested in the Catholic Christian faith to join the RCIA! We have taken out ads in local magazines (Local Connector and Minute Mag) with our welcome poster. We also have some ads that are playing on the local community radio station, 93.1 CFIS FM. Let us trust that the Holy Spirit will bless us in our efforts to share our Catholic faith tradition and to live up to our motto:

IC=  
**Immaculate Conception**  
**Incredible Community**

Peace+ Fr. John

## UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS:

- **K of C Pancake Breakfast** after the 9 & 11 today Oct 16 and every 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday
- **Crib and Scrabble Night** 7:00PM  
Every 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday- next evening is October 18
- **RCIA** 7:00PM  
October 20, 2022
- **Feast of the Immaculate Conception**  
5:00PM Mass, followed with a parish potluck.  
December 8, 2022 – its early but please mark your calendar.

## 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

## PARISHIONERS WITH PYXES

In order to offer ministry to those who are shut-in and homebound it is important to know the parishioners who are bringing Holy Communion to someone with the use of a pyx. A few new parishioners have signed up for this ministry and we want to be able to coordinate all of those who provide (and want to provide) this important ministry. Please either email or call the parish office to inform us if you have a pyx and are bringing Holy Communion to someone. Thank you!

## THANK YOU

To all who attended the evenings for our Ministries of Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers of Holy Communion, thank you. We are grateful for your ministry and all who serve in the parish.

## 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)

## THE DIOCESAN APPEAL



Thanks to the generosity of so many, we have crossed the halfway mark of our with over \$132,000 pledged and over \$116,000 received. So far, more than \$36,000 will be returned to parishes if all the pledges are received.

Our Healing and Reconciliation Appeal topped \$20,000 in pledges of which over \$18,000 has been received.

We thank everyone supporting these appeals through their financial and spiritual contributions. We're halfway there, but still have halfway to go. These appeals are important for the work of our smaller parishes, missions, and ministries throughout the diocese. Please continue to keep the needs of the entire diocese in your prayers.

**IC PARISH GOAL: \$25,291.00**  
**PLEDGES TO DATE: \$8,510.00**

## SHARE HOPE

Currently there are 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.

## [Link for the Diocesan Wednesday Weekly for October 12, 2022](#)

## PRINCE GEORGE PRO LIFE SOCIETY

You are invited to the Prince George Pro Life Society's Annual General Meeting to be held on Thursday, October 20, 2022 at 7:00 pm at Overcoming Faith Christian Centre, 4520 Wheeler Drive.

Following the short AGM, there will be a Zoom presentation given by our guest speaker, Nancy Hadden, from Rachel's Vineyard, an organization that provides healing retreats for those who have struggled with the emotional or spiritual pain of abortion.

Coffee, tea, and desserts will be served.

## 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.

**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.

[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.





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