

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

Diocese of Prince George

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January 15, 2023
2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time



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

BISHOP -DIOCESE OF PRINCE GEORGE

Most Rev. Stephen Jensen

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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: Phyllis Sarrazin

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

Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world

John 1.29-34

Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



Sun	Jan 15	9AM	RIP of Chad Johnson on the 1 st anniversary of his death
		11AM	For the intentions of Bridget Ryder for healing
		7PM	For the People of IC
Mon	Jan 16	9AM	Holy Souls in Purgatory
Tues	Jan 17	9AM	For the intentions of Sean & Netta Dykes
Wed	Jan 18	9AM	
Thu	Jan 19	9AM	For the intentions of Barbara Wallace
Fri	Jan 20	9AM	For the intentions of Racheal Ryder and 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.

LENTEN PARISH MISSION AT IC MARCH 5TH-8TH, 2023

Dear Parishioners,

I have some wonderful news to share with you! After consultation with Bishop Jensen and the members of our Parish Pastoral Council and Parish Finance Council, I contacted Bishop Gary Gordon (Bishop of the Diocese of Victoria) to invite him to give our parish-school community a Lenten Mission; and he has graciously said, "Yes!". Bishop Gary will lead us in a Lenten Parish Mission on the dates of March 5th – March 8th (inclusive). I encourage you to mark your calendars now for this upcoming spiritual mission! More details to follow in future bulletins.

Fr. John Garden

UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

- **K of C Pancake Breakfast** – today January 15, and every 3rd Sunday after the 9 & 11AM Mass
- **RCIA** - 7:00PM January 19, 2023 at IC
- **K of C Monthly Meeting** – Next meeting will be **Thursday, February 9, 2023**
- **Games Night - Crib and Scrabble** **7:00PM**
Every 2nd Tuesday- Postponed until further notice.

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2023 DONATION ENVELOPES

There are still envelopes for the 2023 year in the foyer for those with assigned envelope numbers.

Because some parishioners have moved or some are now donating by Electronic Fund Transfer (EFT) and Preauthorized Debits (PAD), the number of envelope boxes required has decreased. If you had an envelope number higher than 160, you have a new number assigned to you.

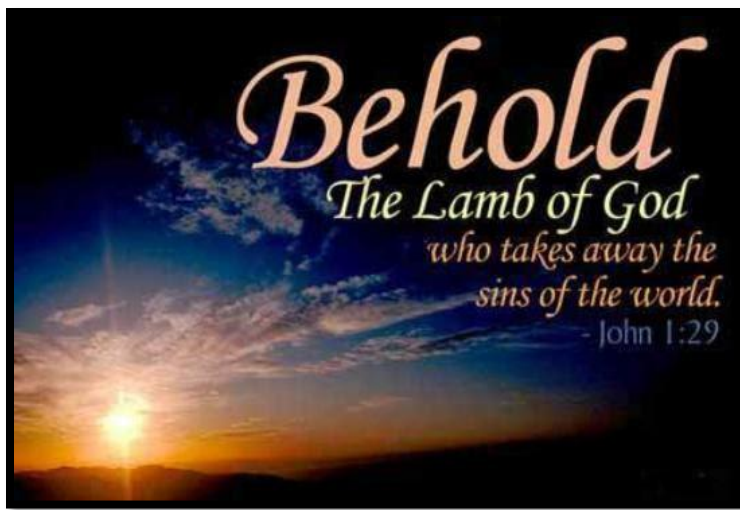
Please be sure to indicate your name and contact information on the first few envelopes used to donate in 2023 to ensure that the receipt issued to the correct person. Please check your name and address on the label.

If you do not currently have envelopes and would like them, please call or email the parish office.

Also there are Special Collection envelope packages available for those who currently use or are considering EFT and PAD.

If you would like to donate by PAD you will find the application [here](#).

Or if you would like to donate by EFT, we are registered through icparish@pgdiocese.bc.ca for a direct deposit. [Click here for instructions on how to e-transfer.](#)



CALLED TOGETHER AND RECONCILIATION AND HEALING APPEAL UPDATE



IC PARISH GOAL: \$25,291.00
PLEDGES TO DATE: \$27,735.00

On behalf of the parish-school community, I would like to thank the many parishioners who have supported the appeals. Your support is greatly appreciated as it assists the endeavours of our parish, diocese, and its missions. – Fr. John

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY IN THE DIOCESE

Diocese of Prince George – Pastoral Centre

Accounting Clerk – Temporary Full-Time: The Diocese of Prince George is seeking a temporary full time Accounting Clerk for maternity leave coverage which will commence early in 2023 and last up to 15 months. Reporting to the Business Manager, this position is responsible for a variety of bookkeeping and accounting duties in support of accounts receivable, accounts payable and other accounting and financial functions for several sets of books.

Skills and Qualifications

- Business Accounting Diploma and/or two years related experience
- Knowledge of Sage 50 and 300, Microsoft 365
- A high degree of accuracy, judgment and ethics and the ability to work in a collaborative and team environment are essential

The successful candidate must be committed to working in a faith-based office environment.

The diocese provides a collaborative working environment and competitive remuneration including a comprehensive benefits package.

Interested applicants should send their resume to jfowlie@pgdiocese.bc.ca

[Link for the
Diocesan Wednesday Weekly
January 11, 2023](#)

SHEPHERD'S CORNER NEEDS VOLUNTEERS

Shepherd's Corner is a ministry and outreach of the Diocese to the homeless and street people in the downtown area of the city. It is an opportunity to live out what Jesus asked in Matthew 25: 35 - 40.

Since Covid-19 we have not had people inside, although restrictions have been lifted. We currently provide front door services of drinks, snacks, and clothing (if available).

Hours of operation are Monday to Friday from 10:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M.

There are strict procedures in place to ensure safety of all, and to maintain cleanliness and good hygiene.

The primary focus of the ministry is to see those served as children of God.

We are in dire need of volunteers.

Please note that **ALL** volunteers require a Criminal Record Check to be completed prior to being scheduled for this ministry.

If you feel called to serve in any way, please contact:

Peter Ranson at p-ranson@shaw.ca or (250) 552-8980.

PASTORAL CARE TRAINING SESSIONS

This valuable and free Pastoral Care Outreach Training series will be offered again this winter. The nine sessions will be held via Zoom on Saturday mornings from 9:30 – noon, starting on January 28, 2023, and running until April 1 (with no session on March 18 for Spring Break).

Participants who attend all sessions will receive a Certificate of Completion. Participants will require a phone number and email address, a computer/ tablet or smartphone with speakers, microphone and webcam, a reliable Internet connection and access to Zoom.

Whether you are a member of your parish Pastoral Care Team, an Extraordinary Minister of Communion, a member of the K of C, CWL or St. Vincent de Paul, clergy or religious, caring for a family member, or someone attending as a personal undertaking, this training program is important. It provide tools for those who visit the sick to be the hands and face of Christ to others. Bishop Gary Gordon of the Diocese of Victoria feels "it is important to have parishioners trained at the ready to provide a caring and compassionate experience to those who are most in need."

Please register through your local parish by January 18.

For further information, please contact moiraking@shaw.ca

Please also the schedule of sessions and a description of each session via the [Wednesday Weekly](#)..found on the diocesan webpage at www.pgdiocese.bc.ca

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