



# IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

## Diocese of Prince George

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March 19, 2023



### 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 Phyllis Sarrazin

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

The man who was blind washed his eyes and came back able to see.

John 9.1,6-9, 13-17, 34-38

# MASS INTENTIONS



Sun	Mar 19	9AM	Intentions of Mike Robinson
		11AM	Intentions of Eileen Hughes and family
		7PM	For the People of IC
Mon	Mar 20	9AM	Intentions of Mary Harrington and family
Tues	Mar 21	9AM	Intentions of Bridgette Ryder and family
Wed	Mar 22	9AM	Intentions of Cassie Dufault
Thu	Mar 23	9AM	Intentions of Sean and Netta Dynes
Fri	Mar 24	9AM	For the intentions of Clifford Beliveau

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.

## UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

- **Stations of the Cross—Every Friday During Lent at 7:00 PM**
- **K of C Pancake Breakfast –today March 19, 2023 after the 9 & 11AM Masses and every 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday**
- **RCIA - 7:00PM March 23, 2023 at St. Mary's**
- **Chrism Mass – Tuesday, March 28, 2023 @ 7:00PM at Sacred Heart Cathedral**
- **Monthly Adoration at Domano Chapel – Tuesday, April 11, 2023, 8:00 am – 8:00 pm**
- **K of C Monthly Meeting – Next meeting will be Thursday, April 13, 2023 – Second Thursday of the month @ 7PM**
- **Ordination of Deacon Matthew to the Priesthood—Friday, May 26, 2023 at Sacred Heart Cathedral – 7:00 p.m.**



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**Immaculate Conception  
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## LENTEN RECONCILIATION TIMES IN CITY PARISHES

- March 21 (Tuesday): 6:00 – 7:00PM  
**Christ Our Saviour Parish**
- March 22 (Wednesday): 7:00 – 8:00PM  
**St. Mary's Parish**
- April 3 – 5 (Monday – Wednesday): 5:00 – 6:00PM;  
**Sacred Heart Cathedral**

## EASTER VIGIL TIMES FOR CITY PARISHES

- **Immaculate Conception—8:00PM**
- **Christ Our Saviour: —8:30PM**
- **Sacred Heart Cathedral—8:30PM**
- **St. Mary's—8:00PM**

## TO THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

*Thank you*

Dear Parishioners,

On behalf of the parish-school community, I want to thank the Knights of Columbus Members of Domano Council 8318 for all that they are and do for us and the broader community of PG!

In addition to providing us with an OUTSTANDING pancake breakfast, they are involved in a variety of charitable ministries and labours that make a difference in the lives of others, including our own parish-school community!

A matter of fact, the donations that we make at the pancake breakfast are directed toward covering the food costs, and if there are surplus donations, they go toward the charitable causes of the Knights. This is why I encourage us all to be generous in our offering at the pancake breakfast donation table; for by doing so, we participate in the charitable works of the Knights! The Knights of Columbus are, indeed, disciples of the Gospel and they contribute to the building up of the Kingdom on earth! And so, on behalf of our community, I express a heartfelt THANK YOU to the Knights members, and I encourage men who are not yet part of this Catholic brotherhood to consider becoming a Knight!

Peace+

Fr. John

## JOURNEY THROUGH LENT

The CCCB video series Journey through Lent is available on the CCCB website. This year's Lenten reflections are delivered by His Eminence Gérald Cyprien Cardinal Lacroix, Archbishop of Quebec and Primate of Canada, and the Most Reverend Brian Joseph Dunn, Archbishop of Halifax-Yarmouth.

Every Monday throughout Lent, a video reflection will be posted on the CCCB website in English and in French for the following Sunday up to and including Easter Sunday.

View the video series here:

<https://www.cccb.ca/evangelization-catechesis-catholic-education/video-resources/journey-through-lent-2023/>

## \*NO OPTIONS NO CHOICE – ACCESS TO ALTERNATIVES TO MAID CAMPAIGN

The No Options No Choice campaign:

The expansion of euthanasia is threatening the lives of Canadians who don't have access to sufficient services to live. **Your fellow Canadians need your help.** Tell your elected officials that Canadians with life-threatening conditions, disabilities, and mental illness deserve real government investment in services and supports so they can live.

Write to your provincial representative today at [www.nooptionsnochoice.com](http://www.nooptionsnochoice.com)

## GRIEF TO GRACE RETREAT



Through a retreat program facilitated by mental health professionals and centered on Jesus Christ, Grief to Grace helps those who have endured physical, emotional, sexual, and/or spiritual abuse find healing. The next retreat is May 23 – 27, 2023 in Kelowna. For more information please email [griegtograncelowna@gmail.com](mailto:griegtograncelowna@gmail.com) or make a confidential call to 250-808-6403.

## THE DIOCESAN APPEAL UPDATE



The Appeal is a little over 86% of its diocesan goal.

All of the tax receipts for 2022 have been sent out. If you have not received your tax receipt, or if you have any questions about your receipt, please contact James at [appeal@pgdiocese.bc.ca](mailto:appeal@pgdiocese.bc.ca) or call at 250-

964-4424.

A profound thanks you to all who have participated in the appeals. Your continued support both financially and in prayer is appreciated. If you have not contributed this year, please consider donating to help us reach our diocesan goal.

IC PARISH GOAL: \$25,291.00  
PLEDGES RECEIVED TO DATE: \$27,945.00

[Link for the  
Diocesan Wednesday Weekly  
March 15, 2023](#)

[RCEC Financial Report is included in the  
WW for this week.](#)

## LENT

[Video Link for the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent](#)

Jeff Cavins Reflection

"Sin is a blindness of the spirit, which prevents us from seeing what is most important, from fixing our gaze on the love that gives us life. This blindness leads us little by little to dwell on what is superficial, until we are indifferent to others and to what is good."

Pope Francis



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