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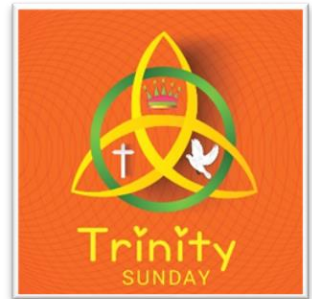
Diocese of Prince George

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June 4, 2023



OUR PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We are a Catholic community nourished through
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Striving to follow Christ,
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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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PASTORAL MINISTRIES CONTACTS

FINANCE COUNCIL CHAIR: Matt Brown

HOME VISITS: Contact Parish Office

PARISH COUNCIL CHAIR: Dan Burri

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY: TBA

HOSPITALITY/COFFEE Dan Burri

CHURCH Phyllis Sarrazin

SUNDAY:

ENVIRONMENT:

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS Fern Cote

SOCIAL ACTION: Sr. Michaela

GRAND KNIGHT:

Soup Kitchen

K of C Meetings 2nd Thursday of the month

VOCATIONS: Fr. Terry Brock

**God sent his only-begotten Son in order that
the world might be saved through him.**

John 3.16-18

Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity—June 4, 2023

MASS INTENTIONS

Sun	June 4	9AM	RIP of Jack Goold on the 1 st anniversary of death
		11AM	For the People of IC
		7PM	RIP of Taraji Vanderpool
Mon	June 5	9AM	RIP of Henry Gilbert
Tues	June 6	9AM	RIP of Ursula Najsznerska
Wed	June 7	9AM	Intentions of Fr. Matthew Bellerive
Thu	June 8	9AM	RIP Johnny Fowlie
Fri	June 9	9AM	RIP Leoniel Dufault

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 EVENTS

- **Parish/school yard clean-up June 5, 2023 5:30 to 8:00PM**
- **K of C Monthly Meeting –**
Next meeting will be **Thursday, June 8, 2023 – 2nd Thursday of the month @ 7:00PM**
- **Clergy Retreat – please pray for our priests June 12 – 16th, 2023**
- **Monthly Adoration at Domano Chapel – Tuesday, June 13, 2023, 8:00 AM – 8:00 PM**
- **Last day of School at IC and Grade 7 graduation Mass at 9:00AM June 28, 2023**

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PARISH OFFICE CLOSURE JUNE 9-13

Please note the Parish Office will be closed from **June 9 to 13 inclusive**. If there is an emergency, please contact Fr. John by email or call the rectory at 250-964-2322.

PARISH/SCHOOL YARD CLEAN-UP-- JUNE 5, 2023 5:30 TO 8:00PM



The west banks of the school and church yard have an abundance of thistles growing thick and are posing danger to our students and are a nuisance to the adjoining properties of our grounds. If you can spare a couple of hours, please come and help clean up our yard. Bring your weed whacker, gloves, rakes and if you have a trailer to haul away the debris cleaned from the banks, please feel free to do so. Many hands make light work and saves from having to hire someone to do this job.

PARKING LOT PLANT CARE



Our parking lot has been beautified—**WE NEED** your help to care for the flowers. **There is a sign-up sheet in weekly increments** on the table in the foyer for those who can help water, weed, and care for the planters, and the flower beds in front the church. Ideally, it takes two people to do the job, but can be done by one. If it is hot, the planters will need to be watered daily, if there is no extreme heat, then 2 or 3 times a week for everything. The hoses we have are light weight and very easy to manage. Thank you for your help.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THOSE WHO RECEIVED SACRAMENTS



To those who received the Sacrament of Confirmation at the city-wide Mass on Sunday, May 28, 2023 with Bishop Jensen

Hayden A.
Hayden C
Jaxon G
Axton H
Floyd M
Kara S

Kynstin B
Channing G
Gavin H
Aydriana H
Elayna M
Ephraim S

To those who received their First Holy Communion today, Sunday June 4, 2023.

Mason Y
Emmett Y

God Bless you!



"CALLED TO DISCIPLESHIP"

Please see the attached letter from Fr. John and information regarding the Parish Pastoral Council's (PPC) four-fold visioning process, as well as nominations to PPC.

WORD ● PRAYER ● SERVICE ● COMMUNITY

BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN

FILL A BOTTLE SAVE A LIFE

Sunday, May 14th to Sunday, June 18, 2023.



You are invited to join in the Annual Baby Bottles Campaign sponsored by Advocate 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>

Please sign out the bottle on the sign out sheet with all the information requested.

Every bottle will have 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, form inside the bottle MUST be completed.

2023 FAMILY AND YOUNG ADULT CAMP

REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!

Where: Camp Morice, located on Stuart Lake

When: June 29th - July 3rd, 2023 (beginning in the early evening on the 29th, and ending at midday on the 3rd)

If you would like to register for the Family Camp this year, please use the following link:

<https://forms.office.com/r/LDsCuNmmZj>

We look forward to seeing you there!

PASTORAL CARE TRAINING PROGRAM



This very valuable and free Pastoral Care Outreach Training online series is being offered by the Diocese of Victoria will begin this fall. The nine

sessions will be held via Zoom on Saturday mornings from 9:30 – noon, starting on September 23, 2023, except for Thanksgiving (October 7) to conclude November 25. Participants will require a phone number and email address, a computer, tablet or smartphone

with speakers, microphone and webcam, and a reliable Internet connection. Please register through your local parish by September 15, 2023.

Please see attached for further details or see our parish bulletin board for a hard copy.

CAMP MORICE EVENTS AND BOOKINGS

Camp Morice Summer Camping: send booking questions and requests to info@campmorice.com.

Open camping is available periodically throughout the summer for \$40/cabin/night or \$20/RVsite/night.

Two family camps are open: Family Camp June 30-July 3, Family Cana Camp August 8-11.

Couples for Christ Family Camp: July 28, 29, 30.

A website will be available soon.

Camp Morice WORK BEE- May 27, Saturday. There are many tasks to be accomplished for repairs, to clean up, and set up. All Volunteers for the Work Bee can use the cabins or RV sites for free on this weekend.

CAMP EMILE IS NOW OPEN FOR BOOKINGS

The facilities at Camp Emile are now available for bookings. https://campemileinfo@gmail.com

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[Link for the
Diocesan Wednesday Weekly
May 31, 2023](#)

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St. Augustine

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June 2, 2023

“CALLED TO DISCIPLESHIP”

Dear Parishioners,

I write to inform you about a visioning process that our Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) has begun in our parish-school community titled, *“Called to Discipleship”*. This process is based on a four-fold vision of our calling as Christian disciples to be:

- 1) People as receivers and sharers of God’s **WORD**
- 2) People of **PRAYER** (especially, a Eucharistic People)
- 3) People of **SERVICE**
- 4) People who form **COMMUNITY**

This four-fold vision is rooted in Christ’s invitation to us in the gospels (Mt.4:19; Mk.1:17), our Parish Mission Statement, and in various Vatican II documents, such as *Lumen Gentium* (see attached document titled, *Called to Discipleship*). As part of this process, our PPC has organized the ways of living our discipleship as a parish-school community under four vision headings (see the attachment: ‘Parish Pastoral Council Organizational Diagram’). The list of ministries on that document is not exhaustive; if you can think of other ministries to add to the list, please forward those ideas to our PPC via the Liaison-Coordinators:

<u>WORD:</u> <u>Liaison-Coordinators:</u> Martha Primus: icparish@pgdiocese.bc.ca Teresa Saunders: teresaesaunders@gmail.com	<u>PRAYER</u> <u>Liaison-Coordinators:</u> Fr. John Garden: jgarden@pgdiocese.bc.ca To be determined
<u>SERVICE</u> <u>Liaison-Coordinators:</u> Detta Smith: dettasmith1@gmail.com To be determined	<u>COMMUNITY</u> <u>Liaison-Coordinators:</u> Sr. Michaela Marques, DSMI: michaelamarques49@gmail.com Daniel Burri: burri@telus.net

The Liaison-Coordinator's role is to be a source of contact between parishioners and the Parish Pastoral Council, and to enable the coordination of the ministries and activities.

To foster the life and needs of our community, our PPC is wanting to expand its membership of Liaison-Coordinators by two. Consequently, over [the next two Sundays \(June 4th and June 11th\)](#), we are inviting parishioners who are interested in serving on our PPC to complete a nomination form **OR** to encourage another parishioner to complete a form. The nomination forms will be available in the church foyer; as well, one is attached below. If you are interested in serving on PPC, please complete the **Nomination Form** and place it in the box provided in the foyer.

The PPC will review the nominations and discern which of the nominees to elect onto council for service as Liaison-Coordinators. Once the election is complete, the parish-school community will be informed of the newly-elected.

On behalf of the members of our PPC, I thank each parishioner of IC for all that you are and do in creating a parish-school community that seeks to live out our calling to Christian discipleship! I thank you for your offering of your time, talents, and treasure!

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IC = Incredible Community

Peace+
Fr. John

Parish Pastoral Council - Nomination Form

I, (Print Name) _____ submit this Nomination Form for the purpose of serving on Parish Pastoral Council.

Based on the four-fold **Called to Discipleship** visioning process, and their descriptors, I feel that I could best offer my skills and talents in the areas indicated below (please choose one primary and one secondary area of service below using a ✓ mark):

Primary Area (first preferred choice):

☐ Prayer ☐ Word ☐ Community ☐ Service

Secondary Area (second preferred choice):

☐ Prayer ☐ Word ☐ Community ☐ Service

Nominee's Signature: _____

Nominee's Phone Number: _____

Nominee's Email Address: _____

Parish Pastoral Council
Organizational Diagram



Called to Discipleship

“Gathered together in the people of God and established in the one body of Christ under one head, the laity, whoever they are, are called as living members to apply to the building up of the church and to its continual sanctification all the powers which they have received from the goodness of the Creator and from the grace of the Redeemer.

The apostolate of the laity is a sharing in the church’s saving mission. Through Baptism and Confirmation all are appointed to this apostolate by the Lord himself. Moreover, by the sacraments, and especially by the sacred Eucharist, that love of God and humanity which is the soul of the entire apostolate is communicated and nourished. The laity, however, are given this special vocation: to make the church present and fruitful in those places and circumstances where it is only through them that it can become the salt of the earth. Thus, all lay people, through the gifts which they have received, are at once the witnesses and the living instruments of the mission of the church itself ‘according to the measure of Christ’s gift’ (Eph.4:7).

Besides the apostolate which belongs to absolutely every Christian, the laity can be called in different ways to more immediate cooperation in the apostolate of the hierarchy, like those men and women who helped the apostle Paul in the Gospel, working hard in the Lord (see Phil.4-3; Rom.16:3ff). They may, moreover, be appointed by the hierarchy to certain ecclesiastical offices which have a spiritual aim.

All the laity, then, have the exalted duty of working for the ever greater extension of the divine plan of salvation to all people of every time and every place. Every opportunity should therefore be given them to share zealously in the salvific work of the church according to their ability and the needs of the times.”

Vatican Council II, Dogmatic Constitution of the Church, Lumen Gentium, 33.