# **IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH Diocese of Prince George**

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## January 21, 2024-3rd Sunday of 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 Sunday	Monday – Friday 9:00AM 9:00AM, 11:00AM & 7:00PM
SACRAMENTS:	Baptism Reconciliation	Contact Parish Office Before Mass, or by appointment
	Marriage	Contact Parish Office at least six months in advance

**BISHOP ~ DIOCESE OF PRINCE GEORGE** PASTOR ~ IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH ASSISTANT PRIEST **ADMINISTRATIVE AND PASTORAL ASSISTANT** PRINCIPAL~IMMACULATE CONCEPTION SCHOOL Most Rev. Stephen Jensen Rev. John Garden Rev. Matthew Bellerive Mrs. Martha Primus

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### PASTORAL MINISTRIES CONTACTS

FINANCE COUNCIL CHAIR:	Jennifer Wilczek	HOME/HOSPITAL VISITS:	Contact Parish Office
PARISH COUNCIL CHAIR:	Daniel Burri	CHILDREN'S MINISTRY:	TBA
Hospitality/Coffee Sunday:	Daniel Burri	Church Environment:	Phyllis Sarrazin
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS GRAND KNIGHT: K of C Meetings	Fern Cote 2 <sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month	SOCIAL ACTION & SOUP KITCHEN: VOCATIONS:	Sr. Michaela Fr. Terry Brock

"Come and follow me and I will make you fishers of people."



		9AM	For the People of IC	
	Sun Jan 21	11AM	RIP of Roy Fuller and for the	
Sun			intentions of Diane and family	
Sun		7PM	no intention	
		FR J	RIP of Nives Gazzola	
		Rome		
Mon	Jan 22	9AM	<b>Fr. M</b> – RIP of John O'Farrell <b>Fr. J-</b> RIP of Elvira and Jose Ferreira and deceased family members	
Tue	Jan 23	9AM	no intention	
Wed	Jan 24	9AM	RIP of Dick and Marie O'Farrell	
Thu	Jan 25	9AM	RIP of Carrolina DaCanto	
Fri	Jan 26	9AM	<b>Fr. M</b> RIP Roy Fuller <b>Fr. J</b> Intentions of Joe Ferreira	

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.

#### Fr. John is also accepting Mass intentions while in Rome. There will be two Mass intentions for each day, in here and one in ROME.

If you have a Mass intention request, please call the parish office by Wednesday of each week so that the intention can be published in the bulletin.



- RCIA Thursday, January 25, 2024 at 7PM at St. Mary's Church
- K of C Pancake Breakfast –January 21, 2024 today after the 9AM and 11AM Masses
- K of C Monthly Meeting (every 2nd Thursday of the month @ 7:00PM) Next meeting will be Thursday, February 8, 2024
- Monthly Adoration at Domano Chapel Tuesday, February 13, 2024, 8:00 AM – 8:00 PM
- Men's Spiritual Exercises Retreat--Date: Mar 1-3, 2024. Please see poster for details on bulletin board. For more information or to register, contact Norman Hebert @778-890-0540

#### IC= Immaculate Conception Incredible Community

Highlights of January 10, 2024 Parish Pastoral Council Meeting

A complete copy of the minutes are posted on the foyer Bulletin Board.

**THANK YOU** A card from the John Howard Society in appreciation for the donations to The Giving Tree, is posted by the meeting minutes, please take a moment to check it out.

**A GOOD TIME HAD BY ALL!-**The Family Movie Night held in December was a success. Thank you to those who attended and to those who helped with "Clean-Up"!!

**THANK YOU** to all parishioners who generously donate to Shepherd's Corner and the SVP Food Bank. Your kindness is gratefully appreciated by those in need.

**WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY** January 18 to 25 - Since 1968, a world-wide ecumenical week of prayer has been held annually. Christians are reminded of Jesus' prayer for his disciples that "they all may be one so that the world may believe". (John 17:21)

The theme for 2024 is "You shall love your God.....and your neighbour as yourself". (Luke 10:27).

Details of any prayer gatherings to be held in Prince George between January 18 and 25 will be posted on the home page of the parish webpage as and when we receive them.

#### Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2024

The CCCB has presented an article about the week of prayer encouraging the faithful to learn more and participate during the week.

The article can be found here:

https://www.cccb.ca/announcement/week-of-prayer-forchristian-unity-2024/

#### HOME/HOSPITAL VISITS

If you or someone you know are confined to home and are unable to come to Church please call or email the parish office and let us know. Also, when being admitted to the hospital let the registration clerk know that you wish to be visited as the Privacy Act limits the information that hospitals can release, and we have no other way of knowing you are in hospital.

#### St. VINCENT de PAUL FOOD BANK

The focus in JANUARY will be DRINKS (coffee, tea, hot chocolate, juice etc.), and SCHOOL LUNCH SNACKS, but ALL non-perishable food items will continue to be accepted. There is a box in the foyer for your donations.

# Fr. John's Sabbatical News and Updates Newsletter #1

Fr. John shares his first couple of weeks in Rome. IC please check it out on our webpage at: <u>https://www.icparish.ca/application/files/9617/0560/5</u>250/2024-01-15\_Newsletter\_1\_Fr\_John.pdf

#### **IC FINANCE UPDATES**

Please check to see if you have envelopes in the foyer.

Please contact the parish office via email or call if you do not currently have envelopes and would like to use them. There are Special Collection envelope packages for those who are currently using or considering EFT and PAD.

For the current users PAD there are Special Collection envelops in the foyer.

If you would like to donate by PAD you will find the application <u>here</u>.

Or if you would like to donate by EFT,we are registered through <u>icparish@pgdiocese.bc.ca</u> for a direct deposit. <u>Click</u> <u>here for instructions on how to e-transfer.</u>

#### **2023 TAX RECEIPTS**

The Tax receipts for the 2023 Year will be generated and distributed in the next couple of weeks.

#### DIOCESE OF VICTORIA PASTORAL CARE TRAINING SESSIONS – WINTER 2024

The valuable and free Pastoral Care Outreach Training series will be offered online again this winter. Nine sessions will be held via Zoom on Saturday mornings from 9:30 – noon, starting on January 20 and running until March 23, 2024 (with no session on March 9 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 Smart Phone with speakers, microphone and webcam, a reliable Internet connection, and access to Zoom. Please register through your local parish by January 12. For further information, please email moiraking@shaw.ca.

> Diocesan Wednesday Weekly for January 17, 2024

#### CALLED TOGETHER, GIVING, SHARING, SERVING



OUR PARISH GOAL: \$ 25,623 OUR PROJECT GOAL: \$ 7,500 TOTAL PARISH GOAL \$ 33,123 TOTAL PLEDGES RECEIVED AS OF JAN 10, 2024 \$27,665 OR 83.52% OF OUR GOAL The Presentation of the Lord and World Day for Consecrated Life



This is a special time in the calendar of the Church to recognize religious men and women especially those who are serving in our diocese. You are invited to come and celebrate.

Candles will be blessed at the beginning of the Mass. Those who will attend are welcome to bring candles for blessing.

### Search Youth Nights Grades 9-12 COME JOIN US FOR WEEKLY NIGHTS OF FORMATION AND FUN EMAIL CAMILEHEBERT 22@PROTONMAIL.COM FOR REGISTERATION AND MORE INFORMATION

FIRST NIGHT IS JANUARY 19TH

#### VOCATION LIVE-IN

February 10 -11 at the Seminary of Christ the King in Mission, BC. Anyone wishing to enter the High School Seminary in the next couple of years is welcome.

For more information phone 604-826-8975 or email <u>rector.minors@sck.ca</u> See poster on Bulletin board for more details.



