IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH Diocese of Prince George

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February 4, 2024-5th 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 – Fríday 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 Mrs. Kathleen Barth Email: icsoffice@cispg.ca

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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 nd Thursday of the month	SOCIAL ACTION & SOUP KITCHEN: VOCATIONS:	Sr. Michaela Fr. Terry Brock

And Jesus went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message and casting out demons.

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Sun Feb 4		9AM	RIP of Joseph Vien Nguyen	
	Feb 4	11AM	Intentions of Sean and Claudia Ollech	
		7PM	For the People of IC	
Mon	Feb 5	9AM	For the holy souls in purgatory	
Tue	Feb 6	9AM		
Wed	Feb 7	9AM		
Thu	Feb 8	9AM	For the holy souls in purgatory	
Fri	Feb 9	9AM	Fr. J Intentions of Ariadne Hiller and her 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.

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.

Ash Wednesday-February 14, 2024



Mass times:

- 9AM with IC School
- 7PM in the evening

2023 TAX RECEIPTS READY FOR PICKUP...

If you made donations to the parish in the 2023 year, your receipt is ready for pickup in the church foyer. Please note that there is only **one receipt** in your envelope. Most people file tax returns digitally. If you require a second copy, please email the church and I can email you another copy or print a hard copy for pickup. Thank you for your donations to the parish! All receipts not claimed by Feb 18, 2024, they will be mailed to the address provided.

> IC= Immaculate Conception Incredible Community



- RCIA Thursday, February 8, 2024 at 7PM at Immaculate Conception
- K of C Monthly Meeting (every 2nd Thursday of the month @ 7:00PM) Next meeting will be Thursday, February 8, 2024
- Ash Wednesday February 14, 2024 Mass at 9AM and 7PM
- K of C Pancake Breakfast –February 18, 2024 after the 9AM and 11AM Masses
- 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 or email norman.hebert@protonmail.com

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.

IC FINANCE UPDATES

Please check to see if you have donation envelopes in the foyer. If you do not currently have envelopes and would like to use them, please email or call the parish office.

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 here for</u> <u>instructions on how to e-transfer.</u>

Diocesan Wednesday Weekly for January 31, 2024

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL FOOD BANK

The focus in FEBRUARY will be TOOTHBRUSHES, TOOTHPASTE, SHAMPOO, and CONDITIONER but ALL non-perishable food items will continue to be accepted.

There is a box in the foyer for your donations.

SHEPHERD'S CORNER

Located on 2nd Ave. Prince George, Shepherd's Corner is a diocesan outreach that ministers to street people. We are supporting the work of this outreach by collecting hygiene items. Suggestions include (small sizes): toothbrushes, combs, toothpaste, dental floss, hand soap, shampoo, deodorant, nail clippers, lip balm, hand sanitizers, Kleenex pouches, hand lotion, feminine hygiene products, disposable razors......

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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 24, 2024

\$28, 255 OR 85.3% OF OUR GOAL

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.

GRIEF TO GRACE RETREAT: MAY 14-18, 2024



Through a retreat program facilitated by mental health professionals and centered on Jesus Christ, Grief to Grace helps those who have endured neglect, physical, emotional, sexual,

and/or spiritual abuse in their family of origin, their community, from spouses/partners, and/or coworkers or supervisors, find healing and journey to wholeness. The next retreat in Canada is **May 14 - 18, 2024 in Kelowna**. For more information please email <u>grieftogracekelowna@gmail.com</u> or make a confidential call to 250-808-6403.

PRINCE GEORGE SHARE HOPE – WELCOMING 2 MORE FAMILIES

Share Hope no longer has anyone to maintain a warehouse for furniture or housing needs. Share Hope welcoming two new families in Prince George and need **furnishings and ALL household necessities** to set up home for these families. If you can help out, please call or text **Eva** at 778-349-7001.

PRINCE GEORGE SHARE HOPE – JANUARY 23, 2024 UPDATE



Prince George Since the invasion of Ukraine began in Feb 2022, Prince

George Share Hope has helped to settle 301 displaced Ukrainians within 118 families, across our diocese. Financial support is one of many settlement supports offered by Prince George Share Hope.

We are approaching the third year of violence across Ukraine and we are currently experiencing a surge in applications from people looking to travel and settle here.

We are pleading to our supporters for more funds to help continue our efforts. If you would like to donate funds to Share Hope, there are many options for giving. Cheques can be made payable to RCEC-Share Hope and can be dropped off at any office of a Catholic Parish in Prince George, or mailed to: Share Hope, C/O Diocesan Pastoral Centre 6500 Southridge Avenue, Prince George, BC, V2N 5P9.

Donate online by Credit Card via CanadaHelps: <u>https://www.canadahelps.org/en/dn/70838</u>

E-transfer to: <u>sharehope@pgdio.ca</u> (In the memo field add your name and address.)

Donations to Share Hope will receive a charitable tax receipt.

For more information regarding Prince George Share Hope please contact Eva Gillis at Immaculate Conception parish or Dick Mynen at St Mary's parish via email to pg.sharehope@gmail.com

THE RIGHT TO LIFE SOCIETY OF PRINCE GEORGE

You are invited to our upcoming Prayer Vigil which will be held on Sunday, February 4, from 2:00-3:00 p.m. on the footpath at the intersection of Ferry Avenue and Highway 16W.

CCCB RELEASES PASTORAL LETTER ON THE USE OF SOCIAL MEDIA

The CCCB has released a pastoral letter on the use of social media titled: "Let Your Speech Always be Gracious." It provides tools for moral reflection and self-examination, as well as suggests seven commitments for the use of social media.

Please find a copy of the letter attached to this week's Wednesday Weekly or view the CCCB announcement here: <u>https://www.cccb.ca/announcement/bishops-release-a-</u> pastoral-letter-on-the-use-of-social-media/



