

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

Diocese of Prince George

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April 20, 2025 – Easter Sunday—Resurrection of the Lord



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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K of C Meetings 2nd Thursday of the month

VOCATIONS: Fr. Terry Brock

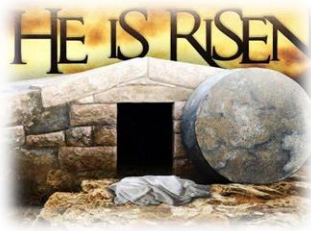
This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad!

Psalm 118

MASS INTENTIONS

DAY	DATE	TIME	INTENTION
Sun	Apr 20	9AM	Intentions of Kris Pastro - for healing
		11AM	For the intentions of Maria and Norvic Navalta on their 20th Anniversary
		7PM	NO MASS
Mon	Apr 21	9AM	RIP of Jozsef Lipoczky - and all the souls in purgatory
Tues	Apr 22	9AM	RIP of Maria Rodrigues
Wed	Apr 23	9AM	RIP of Ariadne Hiller
Thu	Apr 24	9AM	Intentions of Elaine Hauck on her 80th BD
Fri	Apr 25	9AM	Intentions of Diane Fuller on her BD tomorrow

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.



“There is no tale ever told,” author J.R.R. Tolkien once wrote in an essay on storytelling, that people “would rather find was true.”

The Catholic author of *The Lord of the Rings* was speaking of the story of Jesus. Today as we accompany Peter and the Beloved Disciple making their way to the tomb, we might echo Tolkien’s comment.

Our faith—as St. Paul tells the Corinthians—rests on the truth of Jesus’ Resurrection. But establishing that truth isn’t a matter of science, history, or archaeology. It’s a matter of faith. We call upon the Holy Spirit—present to the Church—to assist us. In the Easter *Gospels* we hear the witness of the first followers of Jesus: Jesus was risen; they had experienced him alive in their midst. Their testimony in the Spirit moves us to a faith-filled “Alleluia.”

We live in a skeptical age. And yet in his essay, J.R.R. Tolkien pays tribute to the power of the Christian proclamation. He notes that there is no other story which so many skeptics “have accepted as true on its own merits.” Our Easter *Gospel* is a *story of living faith* in which we are participants, and to which we are now witnesses.

From Father Greg Friedman, OFM



- **K of C Rosary – Thursday, April 24, 2025 at St. Mary’s 7:00PM.** All councils and their families are invited to come and pray.
- **Children’s Liturgy of the Word – April 27 at the 11AM Mass ONLY.** Every 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month.
- **K of C Pancake Breakfast – NEXT date is Sunday, April 27, 2025** after the 9AM and 11AM Mass –Pancake Sunday in the month of May will be moved to Mother’s Day, May 11, 2025.
- **RCIA – Tuesday, April 29, 2025, 7:00 PM** in the meeting room.
- **CYBER SAFETY PRESENTATION – Tuesday, April 29, at 9:30AM and Wednesday, April 30 at 7PM** (more information to follow)
- **2025 Jubilee Presentations at St. Mary’s Next session is May 2, 2025, at 6:00PM** beginning with Stations of the Cross. Presentations will also be livestreamed via St. Mary’s YouTube channel: <https://www.youtube.com/@saintmarysprincegeorge5396>
- **K of C Monthly Meeting – Next meeting will be Thursday, May 8, 2025 – every 2nd Thursday of the month @ 7:00PM**
- **Immaculate Conception Musical Theatre – May 8 & 9 – Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory – please contact the school office for tickets.**
- **Parish Spring Clean-up – Saturday, May 10, 2025 from 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM.** Please bring your buckets, rags, rakes, and weed eater trimmers—we will be cleaning up the west bank of the grounds. 😊 Let’s give our spiritual home a community clean-up.
- **Monthly Adoration at Domano Chapel—** 2nd Wednesday of the month, on May 14, 2025, **from 8AM to 8PM.**



A very Blessed Easter to all our incredible Parishioners of IC.

Sincere gratitude to all those who have made our Triduum and Easter celebrations so beautiful: For the art and environment, the music ministries, all who ministered at the celebrations, and those who participated in the liturgies.

Congratulations to Tanya Lowe who completed the Sacraments of Initiation at the Vigil. May she continue to grow in her faith, as we support her in prayer and action as a church community.

With Easter prayers and blessings from the Parish Staff at IC.

Rachel's Vineyard Spring Retreats – BC Interior 2025

For Emotional and Spiritual healing, Rachel's vineyard weekend retreats offer a supportive, non-judgmental environment where women and men can express, release and reconcile painful post-abortive emotions to begin the process of restoration, renewal and healing. Confidentiality assured.

MERRIT: Tues - Thurs May 13 - 15 contact Nancy at 250-267-5081 phone or text Email:

rvkamloops@yahoo.ca

PRINCE GEORGE RETREATS STARTING IN 2025

- STAY TUNED For more info: Father Michael at Christ Our Savior email: mebomuche@pgdiocese.ca Or Adele at St Mary's email:

rachelsvineyardpg@proton.me

An invitation from Saint George Parish

EASTER CONCERT
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April 26
6:30 pm | Admission
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FROM DEATH TO Life

Join us for an evening of uplifting music as the local church choirs and talented individuals celebrate the passion and resurrection of Christ through hymns and songs.

St. George's Ukrainian Catholic Church
2414 Vanier Dr., Prince George

As we approach the most joyful feast of the year, the **Resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ**, we warmly invite you to join us for a special Easter Concert on April 26 at 6:30 PM. It would be an honor to have you with us.

I AM THE
Resurrection
AND THE **Life.**

HE WHO BELIEVES IN ME,
THOUGH HE MAY DIE, HE
SHALL LIVE. AND WHOEVER
LIVES AND BELIEVES IN ME
SHALL NEVER DIE

John 11:25-26

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting Highlights of April 2, 2025

Please find full minutes posted on the Bulletin Board in the foyer way.

FAITH FORMATION FOR PPC MEMBERS

The book study of *Divine Renovation* has been completed. PPC will meet to review and discuss any action items that were considered as a benefit to the parish.

This is a work in progress and more details will be made known to parishioners over time.

PARISH SPRING CLEANING

All are invited to participate in a spring cleaning of our parish facility. Lunch will be provided.

WHAT : Outside: planters and lawn etc. Inside: pews, windows and thorough cleaning of certain areas.

WHEN: Saturday May 10 from 9:30am to 12:30pm

Please bring your buckets, rags, rakes and weed eaters.

FUTURE WORKSHOPS

PPC is in the process of organizing workshops for the parish.

There will be a presentation on **CYBER SECURITY** on Tuesday April 29, 2025 at 9:30am, this will be repeated on Wednesday April 30, 2025 at 7:00pm.

If you know of topics for a future presentations that would be of interest to our parishioners, please speak to a PPC member. Thank you!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

As a sign of appreciation for ALL who generously and dedicatedly volunteer in many ways and in many ministries at I.C. Parish, a Volunteer Appreciation Evening will be held on Monday May 26, 2025. More details to follow.

DYC 2025
PILGRIMS OF HOPE
MAY 23-25 | For Youth Gr. 7-12
Prince George, BC

GUEST PRESENTERS:
Benedictines of Westminster Abbey | Dominican Sisters of St. Cecilia

Registration Deadline: MAY 15th
@dyc_pgofficial | Scan for Registration

REGISTER AT WWW.PGDIocese.BC.CA/DIOCESAN-YOUTH-CONFERENCE
FOR MORE INFO EMAIL US: DYC@PGDIocese.CA

2025 Diocesan Youth Conference – Registration Now Open!

Registration is now open for the annual Diocesan Youth Conference. This year's guest presenters include the Benedictines of Westminster Abbey and the Dominicans of Mary Mother of the Eucharist.


The deadline for registration is May 15, 2025. Scan the poster for registration or register here: <https://www.pgdiocese.bc.ca/diocesan-youth-conference/>


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