IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH Diocese of Prince George

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Divine Mercy Sunday



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: MASS TIMES:

SACRAMENTS:

Monday to Friday 9:30AM - 3:00PM

> Daily Monday - Friday 9:00AM Sunday 9:00AM, 11:00AM & 7:00PM

Contact Parish Office Baptism Reconciliation Before Mass, or by appointment Contact Parish Office at least Marriage six months in advance

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JOHN 20:19-31

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PASTORAL MINISTRIES CONTACTS

FINANCE COUNCIL CHAIR: Jennifer Wilczek PARISH COUNCIL CHAIR: HOSPITALITY/COFFEE

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS GRAND KNIGHT: K of C Meetings

Teresa Saunders

SUNDAY COORDINATOR: Kerri Svendsen Eugenio Calisto (250)-640-4533 2nd Thursday of the month CHILDREN'S MINISTRY:

CHURCH **ENVIRONMENT:**

SOCIAL ACTION & VOCATIONS:

HOME/HOSPITAL VISITS: Contact Parish Office Eunice Joyce

Martha & Team

SOUP KITCHEN: Sr. Michaela Fr. Terry Brock

As the Father has sent me, so I send you.

John 20.21

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DAY	DATE	TIME	INTENTION
		9AM	For the Parishioners of IC
Sun	Apr 27	11AM	RIP Dr Josie Schmid
		7PM	RIP of Maria Rodrigues
Mon	Apr 28	9AM	RIP of Jozsef Lipoczky - and all the souls in purgatory
Tues	Apr 29	9AM	RIP of Ariadne Hiller
Wed	Apr 30	9AM	RIP of Maria Rodrigues
Thu	May 1	9AM	Intentions of Elaine Hauck
Fri	May2	9AM	RIP of Maria Rodrigues

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.

April 21, 2025

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Early on Easter Monday in Rome, Pope Francis left this world and entered eternity.

His legacy will include a tireless emphasis on care for the marginalized in society and for migrants and refugees, a call to responsible stewardship of creation, promoting reconciliation and peace, and a commitment to the poor.

His Apostolic journey to Canada in 2022 (what he called "a penitential pilgrimage") was made to advance reconciliation and healing for those who attended the former Indian residential schools.

His emphasis on the missionary character of the Church promoted a deeper awareness among Catholics of their Baptismal vocation to be witnesses for Christ.

When he inaugurated the Jubilee Year last December, Pope Francis called us to be "pilgrims of hope." Now that his own pilgrimage has ended, we hope that he has met a merciful Judge and pray that he will be given a place among the saints.

O God, immortal shepherd of souls, look on your people's prayers and grant that your servant Pope Francis, who presided over your Church in charity, may, with the flock entrusted to his care, receive from your mercy the reward of a faithful steward.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

> + Stephen Jensen Bishop of Prince George



- Children's Liturgy of the Word today, April 27 at the 11AM Mass ONLY. Every 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month.
- K of C Pancake Breakfast today 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. A 45minute presentation on how you can identify and protect yourself against scams, hacks and identity theft. While primarily for older adults, much of the information and advice should be beneficial to all ages.
- 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.

2025 Pastoral Appointments April 23, 2025

Bishop Stephen Jensen announces the following clergy appointments, effective August 1, 2025:

- - Pastor, Our Lady of Peace Parish, ChetwyndRev. Prabhakar Thatigatla, SDM

Rev. Jeevan Bandanadham, SAC

- Pastor, St. Andrew's Parish, Fraser Lake
- Rev. Matthew Bellerive Administrator, St. Anthony's Parish, Houston Studies in Canon Law

Thank You, and Happy Easter!

Dear Paríshíoners,

I want to express my heart-felt thanks to the Pastoral Team and to all of YOU for what you do and for who you are as a



parish-school community! Much devoted prayer, precious time, and God-given talents have been offered in the last few weeks so that we might celebrate well Holy Week and the Easter Triduum! Thank you to all who have been involved in ministries and those who have gathered to pray and socialize as a community of faith! May the Risen Lord bless you and those you hold dear during this Easter Season! "The Lord has risen, indeed! Let us rejoice and be glad!"

Sincerely in Christ, Fr. John

Home, Hospital and Hospice Visits

If you or someone you know are confined to home, are unable to come to Church and would like a pastoral visit, 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 gather and release upon admission. we have no other way of knowing you are in hospital.

1st Sunday of the Month Prayer Vigil

You are invited to come join the First Sunday of Month Prayer Vigil to be held on the walkway at the intersection of Ferry Avenue and Hwy 16W from 2:00 until 3:00 on Sunday, May 4, 2025. Each each person's presence, makes a greater impact on those driving by – and more powerfully shares the message that all life is most precious and must be protected.

> Diocesan Wednesday Weekly <u>April 23, 2025</u>

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/

Federal Election Information

Canadians are preparing themselves for the upcoming federal election next **Monday, 28 April 2025**.

To encourage the faithful to vote and to provide them with general guidance from the principles of Catholic moral and social teaching, the Permanent Council has issued a *Statement to the Catholic Faithful on the 2025 Federal Election*.

This Statement is available by PDF format on our webpage and available at the following links on the CCCB website:

in English: <u>Statement to the Catholic Faithful by</u> the Permanent Council of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops on the 2025 Federal Election

in French: <u>Déclaration aux fidèles catholiques du</u> <u>Conseil permanent de la Conférence des évêques</u> <u>catholiques du Canada sur les élections fédérales 2025</u>



