

# IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

## Diocese of Prince George

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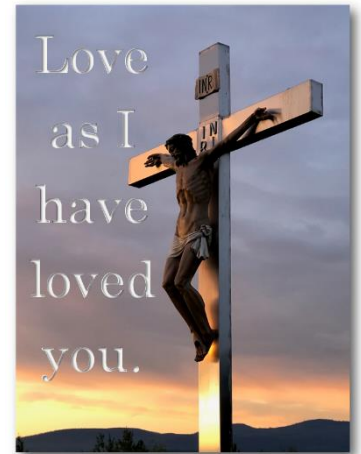
May 18, 2025 – 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter



### 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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### PASTORAL MINISTRIES CONTACTS

FINANCE COUNCIL CHAIR: Jennifer Wilczek

HOME/HOSPITAL VISITS: Contact Parish Office

PARISH COUNCIL CHAIR: Teresa Saunders

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HOSPITALITY/COFFEE

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SUNDAY COORDINATOR: Kerri Svendsen

ENVIRONMENT: Martha & Team

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS Eugenio Calisto

SOCIAL ACTION &

GRAND KNIGHT: (250)-640-4533

SOUP KITCHEN: Sr. Michaela

K of C Meetings 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month

VOCATIONS: Fr. Terry Brock

*"Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another."*

John 13.34

# MASS INTENTIONS

DAY	DATE	TIME	INTENTION
Sun	May 18	9AM	For the Parishioners of IC
		11AM	RIP of Maria Rodrigues
		7PM	RIP of Ariadne Hiller
Mon	May 19	9AM	For the Souls in purgatory
Tues	May 20	9AM	RIP of Maria Manfredi
Wed	May 21	9AM	RIP of Gloria LePage
Thu	May 22	9AM	RIP of Maria Rodrigues
Fri	May 23	9AM	For the souls in purgatory who have no one to pray for them

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.

*-Save The Date-*

**Volunteer  
Appreciation Social**

**05.26.2025**

7:00 - 9:00pm

Immaculate Conception  
Parish Hall




## Dear Parishioners,

There are many individuals in our parish-school community of the Immaculate Conception who volunteer in various capacities to make this an Incredible Community! In recognition of the blessing that our volunteers are for our community, the Pastoral Team, the members of our Parish Pastoral Council, and the members of our Parish Finance Council want to host a Volunteer Appreciation Social. If you are a volunteer in our parish-school community, please join us in the parish hall! Refreshments will be provided. Look forward to seeing you there! 😊

Mark Your Calendars

**UPCOMING EVENTS**



- **K of C Pancake Breakfasts** will resume in September 2025.
- **Children's Liturgy of the Word –May 25** at the 11:00AM Mass ONLY. Every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month. There will be no Children's Liturgy during the months of July and August.
- **First Holy Communion – May 24, 2025 at 2:00PM at Immaculate Conception**
- **Immaculate Conception School Golf Tournament—** May 31, 2025 See poster and
- **2025 Jubilee Presentations at St. Mary's Next session is June 6, 2025, at 6:00PM.** Presentations will also be livestreamed via St. Mary's YouTube channel: <https://www.youtube.com/@saintmarysprincegeorge5396>
- **City-wide parish Confirmation – June 8, 2025 @ 2:00 PM at Sacred Heart Cathedral**
- **Clergy Retreat – please pray for our priests June 9 – 13, 2025**
- **Monthly Adoration at Domano Chapel--** 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month, on June 11, 2025, from 8AM to 8:00PM.
- **K of C Monthly Meeting –** Next meeting will be Thursday, June 12, 2025 – every 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month @ 7:00PM

## 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 release and we have no other way of knowing you are in hospital.

**DIOCESAN WEDNESDAY WEEKLY**  
**MAY 14, 2025**

**IC=**  
**Immaculate Conception**  
**Incredible Community**



## PRIESTS' RETREAT AND DAILY MASS AT IC JUNE 9 -13 INCLUSIVE

The priests in our diocese are on retreat from **Monday, June 9 to Friday, June 13.**

Fr. John and Fr. Matthew will be on this retreat, hence daily Mass at IC **will be at 8:00AM** for that week.

**Please keep our priests in your prayers.**

## THANK YOU, KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS!

Dear Brother Knights,

On behalf of the parish-school community members of IC, I want to thank you for your generous and dedicated service! For your service as altar servers at Sunday Mass, your extension of hospitality in the provision of delicious pancake breakfasts and the building of community that they foster, for your support of our school's endeavours, and for your outreach to the needs of our broader civic community of Prince George: **THANK YOU!**

Fr. John Garden

## IC PSG ART KNAPPS PLANT FUNDRAISER

From **May 9th 2025, to May 19th 2025** (5:30 pm), Art Knapp Plantland (located at 4411 Kimball Rd & 1822 Aberdeen Rd) will donate 10% of the proceeds from purchases of: Bedding Plants, Annual Planters and Annual Hanging Baskets, Vegetables, and Herbs to our school.

This fundraiser is open to all. Please print the letter found at <https://www.icschool.ca/general-information/parent-support-group> and present it **BEFORE** the cashier rings up your order at the cash register till.

For more information check out the PSG tab at <https://www.icschool.ca/general-information/parent-support-group>

## IC PSG GOLF TOURNAMENT



TICKETS: In-Person @ IC Office or Online @ [icsoffice@cispg.ca](mailto:icsoffice@cispg.ca)  
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We appreciate your support in making this event a success!

## CITIZENGO PETITION TO THE GOVERNMENT TO KEEP CHARITABLE TAX STATUS FOR RELIGIOUS CHARITIES AND ORGANIZATIONS

A petition to Finance Minister Leblanc to allow religious charities and organizations to remain eligible for charitable tax status has been started on the CitizenGo platform.

Please consider signing the petition here:

<https://www.citizengo.org/en-ca/fr/15041-save-our-charities-and-churches>

For further reading on the subject, consider the links in the articles found in the Wednesday Weekly

<https://www.pgdiocese.bc.ca/wp-content/uploads/2025/05/2025-05-07-Wednesday-Weekly.pdf>

## PARKING LOT PLANT CARE



It is that time of year where we get to make our parking lot look beautiful. The plants have been planted, now we need to care for them..

**There is a sign-up sheet**

on the table in the foyer in **weekly increments** 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 consideration.

## GRIEF TO GRACE RETREAT




Through a 5-day 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 program in Canada is May 20- 25 in Kelowna. For more information please email [griegtograckelowna@gmail.com](mailto:griegtograckelowna@gmail.com) or make a confidential call to 250-808-6403.


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