IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

Diocese of Prince George

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December 14, 2025 3rd Sunday of Advent

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

BISHOP -DIOCESE OF PRINCE GEORGE Most Rev. Step

PASTOR ~ IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

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PASTORAL MINISTRIES CONTACTS

FINANCE COUNCIL CHAIR: Jennifer Wilczek HOME/HOSPITAL VISITS: Contact Parish Office

PARISH COUNCIL CHAIR: Teresa Saunders CHILDREN'S MINISTRY: Eunice Joyce

HOSPITALITY/COFFEE SUNDAY CHURCH

COORDINATOR: Kerri Svendsen Environment: Martha & Team

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K of C Meetings 2nd Thursday of the VOCATIONS: Fr. Ken Anderson

month

"Are you the one who is to come, or are we to wait for another?

Matthew 11.2-11

ADVENT FEASTS



The first part of Advent allows for the celebration of feasts of the saints; from December 17th until Christmas, the liturgy and readings of the day have priority.

Mary plays a prominent role in Advent; it is the season in which she finds a special place as the one who gives herself to the service of the Word.

December 8th: celebrates Mary's own sinless conception (which is not to be identified with the virgin birth of Jesus); this is fulfilled in the commemoration of her birth on September 8th. Mary is the perfect Advent model of what the Church is called to be.

December 12th: Our Lady of Guadalupe (commemorating the apparitions to Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatxin in Mexico in 1531) has particular significance in North America in which she is celebrated as patroness. In Canada, it is a National Day of Prayer for Aboriginal People.

Many countries had a tradition called the Rorate Masses: special celebrations in honour of Mary during Advent. Older calendars included a number of reflective feasts (for example, her Betrothal to Joseph and her Waiting (Expectation) for the Birth). Although these celebrations are not included in the current liturgical books, Mary's role is clearly expressed, especially in the days directly before Christmas.

Joseph's role in the mystery is the particular focus of the Fourth Sunday (Year C) and of the weekdays before Christmas. His response to the angel's message must be mirrored in the response of each Christian to the call to service of the Word.

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Immaculate Conception
Incredible Community



| | | 9AM | For the People of IC |
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| Sun | Dec 14 | 11AM | RIP of Ingrid Triplat |
| | | 7PM | RIP of Richard Dassylva |
| Mon | Dec 15 | 9AM | For the intentions of all Children |
| Tue | Dec 16 | 9AM | |
| Wed | Dec 17 | 9AM | RIP of Maria Federucci |
| Thu | Dec 18 | 9AM | RIP of Roy Fuller |
| Fri | Dec 19 | 9AM | RIP of Antonio Docanto |

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.



Reconciliation Times in the City

- Dec 16, 2025, at 7:15PM at Christ Our Saviour
- Dec 18, 2025, 6:30PM at Immaculate Conception
- Sacred Heart Cathedral Time TBA

Mark your calendar! UPCOMING EVENTS

- Children's Liturgy of the Word –Today, Sun, Dec 14 & 28, 2025 and every 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month.
- IC School Christmas Concert in the Hall Dec.16 12:30AM and 7PM
- RCIA- Thu, Dec. 18, at 7:00PM in the Meeting Room. This will be the last session and will resume on Thu., Jan. 15, 2026
- K of C Pancake Breakfast Sun., Dec 21, 2025 after the 9:00AM and 11:00AM Mass. There will be a special guest
- Crowned with His Goodness Dec 31 at Christ Our Saviour see WW for details.
- K of C Monthly Meeting Thu., Jan. 8, 2026 @ 7:00PM. Parish Hall
- Monthly Adoration at Domano Chapel Wed., Jan 14, 2026 8:00AM to 6:00PM. Please note the change of Location. Will be held in Vianney House next door to the Chapel.



Diocesan Wednesday Weekly for December 10, 2025

DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL

Thank you for your contribution to the Appeal.

Donations can still be made with the use of Interac e-Transfer appeal@pgdiocese.bc.ca or CanadaHelps

https://www.canadahelps.org/en/dn/12061 If

you'd like to make other arrangements, please

email appeal@pgdiocese.bc.ca for assistance.

Please pray for the many needs we have throughout the diocese.

Our Diocesan Goal: \$30,397 Parish Goal: \$5,600 Combined: \$35,997

TOTAL PLEDGED TO DATE: \$21,235.00 or 70% of

Diocesan Goal

COFFEE SUNDAY - 11 AM MASS



Dear Parishioners, Beginning this Sunday, December 14th, and going forward, our Coffee Sunday after the 11 am Masses will conclude

by 12:30 p.m.

This is to allow the volunteer coordinators the ability to clean the kitchen area, lock up the church, and still have time with their own families and friends on a Sunday afternoon.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation. Peace+

Fr. John

ATTENTION ALL BAKERS

About 12 to 15 parishioners gather monthly to make soup and sandwiches to be distributed to the St. Vincent de Paul facility on 2nd Avenue. Your donations of baked goods are gratefully accepted to be distributed with the soup and sandwiches. Please bring baked goods (bagged for individual distribution) to the Church on the Sunday prior. (Dec 14, Jan 11, 2026)

Monetary donations which will help to defray the cost of the sandwiches are gratefully appreciated. Place donations in an envelope marked "SOUP KITCHEN' and place the envelope in the collection basket. Thank you.

ADVENT RESOURCES

- Bishop Barron Three
 Comings of Christ Prepare
 us for Advent
- <u>CCCB Journey Through</u> Advent
- Advent in Two Minutes
- A Catholic Mom's Life



CHRISTMAS SEASON MASS TIMES

Wed., Dec. 24, 2025-Christmas Eve 5:00PM* & 8:00PM

* Overflow seating—Parish Hall

Thu., Dec. 25, 2025 - Christmas Day 10:00AM ONLY

Fri., Dec. 26, 2025 9:00AM Sat., Dec. 27, 2025 No Mass

Sun., Dec. 28, 2026

9:00AM, 11:00AM & 7:00PM

Mon., Dec. 29, to Wed. Dec. 31, 2025 9:00AM

Thu., Jan.1, 2026 - Mary the Mother of God 10:00AM ONLY

Fri., Jan. 2, 2026 9:00AM Sat., Jan. 3, 2026 No Mass

Sun., Jan. 4, 2026 - Epiphany of the Lord 9:00AM, 11:00AM & 7:00PM

Mon., Jan. 5 to Fri. Jan. 9, 2026 9:00AM Sun., Jan. 11, 2026 - Baptism of the Lord 9:00AM, 11:00AM & 7:00PM



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