



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH
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SOLEMNITY OF MARY, HOLY MOTHER OF GOD January 1, 2023:

MASSES FOR JANUARY 3RD – JANUARY 8TH

Tuesday, January 3 rd	8:30 a.m.	+ Cathy Scott & Paul Doiron, requested by a friend
Wednesday, January 4 th	8:30 a.m.	+ Peter Gooley, requested by Linda Maloney
Thursday, January 5 th	8:30 a.m.	– A Special Intention, requested by a parishioner
Friday, January 6 th	8:30 a.m.	+ Robert White, requested by Fred & Chris Garvey
FIRST FRIDAY	9:00 – 12:00	– <i>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament followed by Benediction</i>
Saturday, January 7 th	4:30 p.m.	+ Joan Caravaggio, requested by the Ayotte family
Sunday, January 8 th	9:30 a.m.	+ Dorthey Moloney, requested by the family
	11:30 a.m.	– <i>For the people of Immaculate Conception Parish</i>

+ Mass for the Deceased / – Mass for the Living

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Neave Alderson, Tim Ayotte, Fr. Bart Burke, Pam Caravaggio, Mike Crough, Donna Ellis, Ted & Marie Green, Sawyer Growden, John & Helen, Julianna & Mary Hauer, Cathy Lochner, Keith Mathieson, Peter McCarthy, Joan Morton, Nixon Parsons, Gail & John Terrion, Lucia VandenBosch, Adrian Vandebroek, Linda vanTol, Rose Marie Vitarelli, Sally Weglarz, Clint Young, Patty Zeyen and those who have no one to pray for them. **MAY GOD BLESS YOU AND KEEP YOU CLOSE TO HIS HEART.**



NOTE: As a parish, we are always praying for those in need of our prayers. Please keep us up to date on how people are doing. You are always welcome to add more people to the list; simply get the person's consent (or give the first name only) and notify the office: office@immaculatepeterborough.ca. Prayers do work!

CONGRATULATIONS! To all our couples celebrating Wedding Anniversaries this month, especially **Bob & Joyce Clemens** on January 26th. **MAY GOD BLESS YOU WITH HIS LOVE AND YOUR HAPPINESS!**

Five-year milestones are recognized every month. Please let the parish office know your wedding date, so that your marriage may also be recognized! In this way, we celebrate each other.

PRE-AUTHORIZED OFFERING (POP): Have you considered supporting the parish through pre-authorized giving? This allows you to give to the parish through scheduled monthly transfers from your bank account and helps ensure regular, dependable contributions. Most of all, pre-authorized giving affords us the opportunity to reorient how we think about giving. Rather than giving from what is left over, this method of giving encourages us to discern a level of Parish support with greater intention. In this way, we respond more fully to the call to *“Honour the Lord with your wealth, with the first fruits of all our produce.”* (Proverbs 3,9-10). For more information or to enroll, please contact the parish office at: **705-742-5466**.

eTRANSFERS MORE POPULAR: If you are familiar with Online Banking, secure eTransfers are also a simple way to contribute, without having to come into the office to complete a POP form. These can also be set up as recurring contributions...set it and forget it! Make sure the Memo field indicates where you would like the donation directed (example: Offertory, Elevator Fund, Saint Vincent de Paul, etc.). If you are an Envelope box holder, simply include your box number as well. eTransfer to: office@immaculatepeterborough.ca. Response will be from THE ROMAN CATHOLIC EPISCOPAL CORPORATION FOR THE DIOCESE OF...

MARRIAGE TIP OF THE MONTH



As we start the new year, take some time as a couple to reflect on your last twelve months together. Ask yourselves what you did well and what you might do better, both for each other and for your marriage. Check in to see if you spent enough time together, if you remembered to complement each other, show gratitude for the gifts your spouse brings to your life, and whether you felt joy more often than not. If your relationship needs strengthening, commit to finding the help you need to make it strong; if you feel good after your assessment, celebrate your love and thank God for His never-ending support.

REMINDER – BOTTLES FOR BOILERS: The next collection for all your holiday **RETURNABLE liquor, wine, beer bottles and beer cans** will be Saturday, **January 7th** at the Rectory garage between 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. (NO POP CANS PLEASE.)

56TH WORLD DAY OF PEACE---JANUARY 1, 2023: His Holiness Pope Francis released a message to mark the 56th World Day of Peace, which will take place on January 1st, 2023. [READ POPE'S MESSAGE](#)



FUN QUIPS FROM FR. PETER: A painter on a really high scaffold is painting the ceiling of a church. Looking down he sees a little old lady kneeling in prayer and decides to have a little fun. In his deepest voice, he says, "This is Jesus talking." Nothing happens. So, he says again, "Woman, this is Jesus speaking to you." Finally, the lady, still looking straight ahead, says, "Be quiet! I'm talking to your mother!"

HITS OF THE LEGENDS 50'S & 60'S: The Kawartha Lakes Knights of Columbus Council #11924 presents A *Roy Orbison Tribute* with Ian Roy. Come listen and dance to your favourite oldies, Friday, **January 20th**, 7.00 p.m. to 11.00 p.m. at St. Paul the Apostle church hall, Lakefield. Cost: \$20.00 per person. Includes licensed bar and refreshments. To reserve tickets, call **705-652-9707**.

St. Vincent de Paul Society Food Pantry

The [Society of St. Vincent de Paul](#) continues to offer much needed service out of their Food Pantry on Murray Street in Peterborough. They have seen a great jump in their number of clients since the summer, because of inflation and other economic pressures. Staff of the [Diocesan Pastoral Center](#), the [Vocations Office](#), [Permanent Diaconate Formation Program](#), and the [Campus Ministry program](#) recently spent a morning there, helping the St. Vincent de Paul dedicated volunteers prepare food packages. To learn more about the St. Vincent de Paul Society Food Pantry and how to donate or volunteer, check out their [website](#), or contact Mardi Ayotte at **705-742-9835**.



"At the beginning of the New Year, let us place ourselves under the protection of the Mother of God, who is also our mother." —Pope Francis