



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH
386 Rogers Street, Peterborough, ON K9H 1W7
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22nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

August 31, 2025.

MASSES FOR SEPTEMBER 1ST – SEPTEMBER 7TH

English Rosary: Saturday 4:10 p.m. / Sunday 9:10 a.m. / Polish Rosary: Sunday 10:30 a.m.

Tuesday, Sept. 2 nd	8:30 a.m.	+	Alphéda Gagnon-Murphy & parents, req. by the Estate
Wednesday, Sept. 3 rd	8:30 a.m.	+	Kirk Chambo, requested by Lynn & Terri Nolan
Thursday, Sept. 4 th	8:30 a.m.	+	Thomas, Mae & Marie McCarthy, requested by the Estate
Friday, Sept. 5 th FIRST FRIDAY	8:30 a.m. 9:00-12:00	+ ...	Matilda Pinto, requested by the Ron Pinto family <i>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, followed by Benediction</i>
Saturday, Sept. 6 th	4:30 p.m.	+	Emmett & Stephen O'Donoghue, requested by their family
Sunday, Sept. 7 th	9:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	+ —	Thomas, Mae & Marie McCarthy, requested by the Estate <i>For the people of Immaculate Conception parish</i>

+ Mass for the Deceased / – Mass for the Living

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Andrew Morrison, Bonnie Morley, Brian Eberle, Cathy Lochner, Dan Selby, Donna Ellis, Francine Leger-Gillard, Gerard & Wanda Byrne, Jason Ayotte, Jo Morrison, Joanna Carlberg, John Dawson, Julianna & Mary Hauer, Kathy Hiltz, Keith Mathieson, Lauren Carey, Linda vanTol, M.J.B., Marian Dlugosz, Marie Green, Michael Dawson, Mike Fitzgerald, Mike Sullivan, Neave Alderson, Paul Rigby, Pat D., Peter McCarthy, Rose Marie Vitarelli, Sawyer Growden, Shelly Appleton, Tim Ayotte, Zita Lightfoot and those who have no one to pray for them. MAY GOD BLESS YOU AND KEEP YOU CLOSE TO HIS HEART.

CONDOLENCES: The faith community of Immaculate Conception Parish extends to the family and friends of **Adrian VandenBosch** our deepest sympathy, love and support at this time of grief. MAY THE SOULS OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED REST IN PEACE.

WHERE IS FR. JOZEF? Father Jozef is now in Europe and will be visiting Slovakia, Rome and Florence, returning September 20th. Fr. Luis Lapinid (our new retired priest in residence) will cover most weekday Masses, but also welcome Fr. Ace Podelino, Fr. Chukwudi Jieme, as well as Fr. Stephen DeCarlo who will be celebrating our weekend Masses.

IMMACULATE CUSTODIAN: Please welcome Ruth Ann McClure to the Immaculate staff, as our new church and hall custodian, replacing Ian O'Brien. We know she will treat our church with tender loving care...welcome!

SUPPORT OUR BOTTLE DRIVE: The Knights of Columbus will be collecting RETURNABLE liquor, wine, beer bottles and beer cans this Saturday, **August 30th** at the Rectory garage between 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. (NO POP CANS PLEASE.) We appreciate your help in support of our many maintenance projects!



SAVE THE DATE—ANNUAL POLISH DINNER: On Saturday, **October 25th** at 6:00 p.m. enjoy a fantastic feast of roast pork & gravy, mashed potatoes, red beet dish, coleslaw and delicious Polish desserts, in our parish hall. Adult tickets are \$30, children 5-12 are \$15 and children under 5-years are free. Tickets are available after all weekend Masses or call the office to reserve your tickets...**they sell out fast!**

STATEMENT ON HUMANITARIAN CRISIS IN GAZA: This Statement is addressed to the faithful and encourages us to pray and fast for an end to this war. It also reiterates Pope Leo's XIV's comments on the matter. [VIEW STATEMENT](#)



LITURGY NOTES— LET US PRAY

After the Gloria (or after the Penitential act) the priest says, “*Let us pray.*” This is followed by a moment of silent reflection, so that we can all put ourselves in the presence of God as our plea for mercy echoes up to heaven. It allows us to focus on just who we are standing before: our awesome Creator, our Father, who now looks on his prodigal sons and daughters and loves us, just as the father lavishly welcomed the Prodigal Son who had repented and returned to his father. It is a perfect moment to call to mind any special intention. Then the priest says the “*Collect*”, giving voice to the prayers of the Body of Christ.

“*Silent reflection*” can be many things. It is a time for stillness of the heart, even amid everyday distractions, like the din of streetcars, trucks, motorcycles and sirens on the street, the shuffling of latecomers, or the cry of a baby. Generally, the din in our heads is louder than any of these, and that is what we try to refocus on at this time. Distractions can actually become the focus of prayer, recognizing that we live in the midst of a world of wonderful activity, for which we give thanks; or a thought that will not go away because it is troubling us, is perhaps the very thing we need to take to prayer. And we simply rejoice in the crying of a baby or the fussing of a child, because it is the sound of life.

This beautiful moment of preparation in the Mass disposes our hearts to hear something more than the noise around us and in our heads, and we are ready to listen to the Word of God proclaimed now in the holy scriptures which follow.

MISFITS CONCERT IN AID OF ST. ANNE’S FOR STOLEN ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT: The Knights of Columbus and parishioners at St. Anne’s Church have launched a fundraising drive to replace stolen electronic equipment for their choir. The Misfits Vocal Band, under the direction of Tom Cullen, will be performing music of the 50s, 60s & 70s in the church at 859 Barnardo Avenue, on Saturday, **September 13th** from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Freewill offering only. There will be an intermission, and the bar will be open in the hall. Come out and sing along to wonderful music...dancing is allowed!

JOIN ST. PETER-IN-CHAINS BUS TO MARTYRS’ SHRINE: The Immaculate bus has now been cancelled due to lack of interest. However, the Cathedral has 20 spots left for the Diocesan event at the Martyrs’ Shrine on **September 20th**. Their bus was subsidized by the Knights, so the tickets are only \$20. If you are still looking to join in, contact their parish office at **705-745-4681**. The bus leaves the cathedral at 7:00 a.m.

Yard Sale Report & Autumn Raffle



YARD SALE REPORT: Thank you to all who were involved with our annual yard sale...donors, bakers, table-getters, set-up crew, sellers, buyers, and over-night security. A special thank you to those who helped pack and clean up. The income from the yard sale was \$1,337.80, and a whopping \$1,002.80 from the bake table, for a total of **\$2,340.60**.

AUTUMN RAFFLE: Let’s now get on board and make our Raffle the best yet! The draw takes place on Thanksgiving weekend, **October 11th** at 12:00 p.m. There are ten terrific prizes. First prize is \$1,000 cash!

*Buying one book of tickets for \$20
will give you twelve chances to win!*

1st PRIZE

Cash
Value: \$1,000
Donated by:
A parishioner



2nd PRIZE

Toronto Raptors tickets (2)
Value: \$400
Donated by:
The NBA



Call Peter Dawson at **705-742-9754** to reserve your books or drop into the parish office.

*“Our blessed Mother Mary always wants to walk with us, be close to us;
she always wants to help us with her intercession and her love.” —Pope Leo XIV*