



**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH**  
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## 5<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

February 4, 2024.

### MASSES FOR FEBRUARY 6<sup>TH</sup> – FEBRUARY 11<sup>TH</sup>

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

Tuesday, February 6 <sup>th</sup>	8:30 a.m.	–	Private Intention of a parishioner
Wednesday, February 7 <sup>th</sup>	8:30 a.m.	–	Private Intention of a parishioner
Thursday, February 8 <sup>th</sup>	8:30 a.m.	+	Mary Shaughnessy, requested by her children
Friday, February 9 <sup>th</sup>	8:30 a.m.	+	Teresa Garvey, requested by the family
Saturday, February 10 <sup>th</sup>	11:00 a.m.	–	<i>Funeral Mass: Ted Green</i>
	4:30 p.m.	+	John Strano, requested by our parishioners
Sunday, February 11 <sup>th</sup>	9:30 a.m.	+	Ted Green, requested by Bill & Rita Allen
	11:00 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, M.J.B., Pam Caravaggio, Brian Eberle, Donna Ellis, Debbie Froggatt, Marie Green, Sawyer Growden, Julianna & Mary Hauer, Cathy Lochner, Keith Mathieson, Peter McCarthy, Barb McKinnon, Pat McPhail, Nixon Parsons, Charlene Purcell, Neil Robinson, Brittany Roter & her baby daughter, Gail & John Terrion, Kasia Tryba, Linda vanTol, Rose Marie Vitarelli, Sally Weglarz, Clint Young and those who have no one to pray for them. **MAY GOD BLESS YOU AND KEEP YOU CLOSE TO HIS HEART.**

**WELCOME, WELCOME:** Congratulations to **Russell George Dodds**, to be welcomed into the people of God this weekend through **baptism**.

**2023 INCOME TAX RECEIPTS:** The 2023 Income Tax Receipts are now available and include an update from the Finance Committee. For parishioners living in Peterborough, you may collect yours at the back of the church. All others have been mailed out. Any questions, please feel free to contact the office at **705-742-5466**.

**MASS STIPENDS SUPPORT OUR PRIESTS:** Did you know that the \$20 stipend paid for scheduling a Mass Intention does not go toward maintaining the parish? Actually, it is all sent to the Diocese to be allocated \$15 to the Priest Benefit Fund, and the remaining \$5 distributed equally to our active priests.

**COUNTER NEEDED—TWICE A MONTH:** To fulfill our obligation, we are now in need of another counter for the Sunday collection on the second and fourth Sunday of each month. Counting takes place in the rectory immediately after the 9:30 a.m. Mass and takes about one hour. There will be two other experienced counters present to guide you. If you enjoy working with money, this ministry is for you! Please contact the office at **705-742-5466**.


**32<sup>nd</sup> WORLD DAY FOR THE SICK:** The *World Day for the Sick* is celebrated each year on **February 11<sup>th</sup>**, the liturgical memorial of Our Lady of Lourdes. On this day it is customary to bestow the *Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick*, which is intended to grant a special pardon to Christians who are experiencing difficulties with their health due to serious illness or old age. (Otherwise, *Anointing of the Sick* is a sacrament for those who find themselves in the last moments of life.) We will impart the *Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick* at Immaculate on Saturday, **February 17<sup>th</sup>** at the 4:30 p.m. Mass to anyone 60 years of age or over, or who is seriously ill, or who is being prepared for a serious operation. Feel welcome to invite friends and family.

**SHROVE “SUNDAY” PANCAKE BREAKFAST—IMMACULATE:** Our Knights of Columbus Council will be hosting a Pancake Breakfast in our parish hall on “Shrove Sunday”, **February 11<sup>th</sup>**, following the 9:30 a.m. Mass. Come and enjoy fellowship with other parishioners and feast on delicious pancakes, sausages, and croissants. \$5 per person, \$12 per family. No advance tickets...pay at the hall entrance!



**CALL FOR MITTENS:** The Saint Vincent de Paul Society is in need of mitts to hand out to their clients in need. They are looking for some knitters to help out as well, and SVDP will gladly supply the wool. Please contact **705 742-9835**.

**TRY ALPHA— ST. ALPHONSUS LIGUORI:** Meet others and chat about some of life's big questions in an open and non-threatening environment. Alpha is for anyone and everyone. Includes supper and a short video, followed by small group discussions. Beginning **February 13<sup>th</sup>** for 11 weeks from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at St. Alphonsus Liguori parish hall, 810 Frank Street. No fee and no obligation. Come try it out. (Please let us know if you are coming to ensure enough food.) [REGISTER](#) (to ensure sufficient food) More questions? [monica@stalphonsus.net](mailto:monica@stalphonsus.net)

 **FUN QUIPS FROM FR. PETER:** A thief who stole a calendar got twelve months. | When the smog lifts in Los Angeles U.C.L.A. | A boiled egg is hard to beat. | Acupuncture is a job well done. | He had a photographic memory, but it was never developed!

**ST. MARY’S REFUGE—EMPOWERING VOICES:** An educational event that aims to shed light on the realities of human trafficking while celebrating the resilience of survivors. **February 20<sup>th</sup>**, 10:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., at St. Mary’s Refuge, 206 Barry Rd, Madoc. Some speakers will join us online. Participants and MC will be in-person. Lunch will be provided. Seating is limited, so RSVP now to secure your spot. Attendance is free of charge. RSVP at: [respite@stmarysrefuge.org](mailto:respite@stmarysrefuge.org)

**LA VERNA MINISTRIES LENTEN RETREAT:** Lenten Retreat on *Forgiveness* on **February 17<sup>th</sup>** or **March 9<sup>th</sup>** at La Verna, 820 Frank Street, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at a cost of \$30. Registration is required at [laverna@capuchins.ca](mailto:laverna@capuchins.ca).

**LIFT JESUS HIGHER RALLY:** This year’s *Lift Jesus Higher Rally* will take place on **March 2<sup>nd</sup>** from 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre. This year’s theme is both relevant and hopeful—*TAKE HEART: By His Wounds We Are Healed*. Ticket sales are online this year. [ORDER TICKETS](#)

<i>January Financial Comparison</i>			
<i>We appreciate your continued support to cover basic parish expenses. You can see that our Offertory Income is not covering our monthly expenses. Be aware that for example, all utility bills (heat, hydro, water, etc.) are for both the church and rectory. January’s gas bill was \$3,190.</i>			
<i>We appreciate your help to keep us afloat!</i>			
	2024	2023	2022
<b>Operating Expenses</b>	\$ 14,527.90	—	—
<b>Offertory Income</b>	\$ 6,918.60 (4 Sundays)	\$ 11,980.85 (5 Sundays)	\$ 9,238.05 (5 Sundays)
<b>New Years Day</b>	\$ 1,165.00	\$ 810.00	\$ 1,021.00



*“By keeping our gaze fixed on the Lord, we will find the strength needed to persevere with renewed joy.”*  
—Pope Francis