



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH

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12th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASSES FOR JUNE 22ND – JUNE 27TH

COVID Restrictions: All Masses at 15% capacity (approx. 40 people)

Tuesday, June 22 nd	8:30 a.m.	+ Jim DeLaFranier, requested by Peter, Lucy & Katie Dawson
Wednesday, June 23 rd	8:30 a.m.	+ Fred Garvey, requested by Peter, Lucy & Katie Dawson
Thursday, June 24 th	8:30 a.m.	+ Paul DeSouza, requested by Fred & Chris Garvey
Friday, June 25 th	8:30 a.m.	+ Barbara Coughlin, requested by Greg, Janet & Shannon Shillinglaw
Saturday, June 26 th	4:30 p.m.	– <i>For the people of Immaculate Conception Parish</i>
Sunday, June 27 th	9:30 a.m.	+ Gianni Fachin, requested by the DeLuca family
	11:30 a.m.	+ Jan Dlugopolski, requested by his sister & family

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Aleesha, Neave Alderson, Audrey, Tim Ayotte, Fr. Bart Burke, Gwendolyn Craigen, Joan Cross, Hender & Donna Ellis, Sawyer Growden, Julianna & Mary Hauer, Bill Heasely, Bradley L., Cathy Lochner, Peter McCarthy, Erin Sullivan, Linda VanTol, Rose Marie Vitarelli 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 **Harold Crowley** our deepest sympathy, love and support. MAY THE SOULS OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED REST IN PEACE.

SUPPORT FOR FAMILIES IN DIFFICULT TIMES – THREE KEYS TO MANAGING FAMILY CONFLICT: Is your family caught in conflict? Are you struggling to know how to navigate those tricky disagreements? Family conflict can be especially difficult if each person has a different approach to communicating their hurts, needs, or frustrations. This is why it is important to turn to God to teach us His universal language to manage those challenging times.

<https://catholiccounselors.com/family-feud-3-keys-to-managing-family-conflict/>



INVITATION FROM SACRED HEART COLLEGE: Join Sacred Heart College for a free Zoom retreat on **June 18th** from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. and **June 19th** from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 12:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. This retreat is on the Spiritual Gifts that God has given us. Everyone has been given spiritual gifts from God. Join and find out what yours are and how you can use them! The retreat is being led by Fr. Ben St. Croux and Brian Sullivan. To register, call Jacob Sullivan at **705-745-5549** or email: jacobsullivan@sacredheartcollege.ca

2021 PLEDGE CAMPAIGN: With the pandemic, there have been no dinners, bus trips, raffles, yard sales, or other fundraisers **for over a year**. Father Stephen and the Finance Committee therefore ask your renewed support for a six-month pledge campaign (June to November). As always, we sincerely appreciate your dedication and commitment to your parish! The process is to complete the Pledge Form and then mail or deliver to the rectory your post-dated cheques. [A copy of the Pledge Form is available here.](#)

SPOUSES CORNER

Compliment and criticism: two words, each with a lot of power. The first word is positive, the second one destructive. Keep track for a couple of days of the number of times you do both. If the balance is in favour of compliments, good; if not, you may need to change your communication style. Research has shown that chronic criticism in a relationship is the number one reason for break-ups. Try going on a no-criticism diet for a day and see how much calmer and happier your relationship can be.



30 DAY RETREAT AND NOVENA WITH THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS

Ave Maria! Please join Fr. Bing Arellano as he meditates everyday this month of June dedicated to the *Sacred Heart of Jesus* with his program "A 30-Day Retreat with the *Sacred Heart of Jesus*"

allianceoftheholysfamily.com/sacred-heart-novena

The Saint of the Week

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST – JUNE 24TH

John the Baptist was a contemporary of Christ who was known for evangelization and his baptizing of Jesus Christ. He was born through the intercession of God to Zechariah and Elizabeth, who was otherwise too old to bear children. According to scriptures, the Angel Gabriel visited Elizabeth and Zechariah to tell them they would have a son and that they should name him John. Zechariah was skeptical and for this he was rendered mute until the time his son was born and named John, in fulfillment of God's will.

When Elizabeth was pregnant with John, she was visited by Mary, and John leapt in her womb. This revealed to Elizabeth that the child Mary carried was the Son of God.

John began public ministry around 30 AD, and was known for attracting large crowds across the province of Judaea and around the Jordan River. When Jesus came to him to be baptized, John recognized him and said, "It is I who need baptism from you." Jesus told John to baptize Him anyway, which he did, whereupon the heavens opened, and the Spirit of God was seen like a dove. The voice of God spoke, saying, "This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased."

John instructed his followers to turn to Christ, calling Him the "Lamb of God" and these people were among the first Christians. Following his baptism of Christ, John's popularity grew so much that he alarmed King Herod. Herod ordered him arrested and imprisoned.

John spoke with Herod on several occasions and condemned his marriage to his half-brother's wife. This condemnation would be his downfall as King Herod promised to grant a wish to his daughter. In revenge for John the Baptist's condemnation of her mother's scandalous marriage to Herod, she asked for John's head. King Herod reluctantly obliged. John the Baptist died sometime between 33 and 36 AD.

John the Baptist's feast day is June 24, and the anniversary of his death is August 29 and is sometimes celebrated with a second feast. John the Baptist is the patron saint of Jordan, Puerto Rico, French Canada and many other places.

Source: https://www.catholic.org/saints/saint.php?saint_id=152



"With Jesus, we can become immune to sadness. We will always remember our failures, troubles, problems at home and at work, our unrealized dreams, but their weight will not crush us – because Jesus is present even more deeply, encouraging us with his love." — Pope Francis