



**IMMACULATE
CONCEPTION
CATHOLIC CHURCH**

**Sunday Bulletin
5th Sunday Lent**

Parish Priest: Father Jeyapaul Packiasamy

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The new Exodus that Israel waited and hoped for has come in the death and resurrection of Jesus. Like the adulterous woman in today's Gospel, all have been spared by the Lord's compassion. All have heard His words of forgiveness, His urging to repentance, to be sinners no more. Like Paul in today's Epistle, Christ has taken possession of everyone, claimed each as a child of our heavenly Father.

In the Church, God has formed a people for Himself to announce His praise, just as Isaiah said He would. And as Isaiah promised, He has given His "chosen people" living waters to drink in the desert wastelands of the world (see John 7:37-39). But our God is ever a God of the future, not of the past. We are to live with hopeful hearts, "forgetting what lies behind but straining forward to what lies ahead," as Paul tells us. His salvation, Paul says, is power in the present, "the power of His resurrection." We are to live awaiting a still greater and final Exodus, pursuing "the goal, the prize of God's upward calling," striving in faith to attain the last new thing God promises—"the resurrection of the dead."

Yours in Christ, Scott Hahn, PhD More information at www.stpaulcenter.com

Crusade Prayer (165) For the Gift of Eternal Life

Jesus help me to believe in Your existence. Give me a sign so that my heart can respond to You. Fill my empty soul with the Grace that I need to open my mind and my heart to Your Love. Have mercy on me, and cleanse my soul from every wrongdoing, that I have committed in my life. Forgive me for rejecting You, but please fill me with the love that I need to be made worthy of eternal life. Help me to know You, to see Your Presence in other people and fill me with the grace to recognise the sign of God in every beautiful gift, which You have given the human race. Help me to understand Your ways and save me from the separation and the pain of darkness that I feel in my soul...Amen



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MASS TIMES

SUNDAY	11:00 am
Rosary	10:30 am
Monday	9:00 am
Tuesday	9:00 am
Wednesday	9:00 am
Thursday	9:00 am
Friday	7:00 pm
Saturday	7:00 pm

RECONCILIATION

Friday 7:30 – 8:15 pm
and by appointment

ADORATION

Friday 7:30–8:15 pm

Sunday Mass Readings

1st Reading	Isaiah: 43.16-21
2nd Reading	Philippians 3.8-14
Responsorial	Psalm 126
Gospel	John 8.1-11

Submissions for the Sunday Bulletin
before 5:00 pm Thurs to
icccparish@gmail.com



Something New

The Liturgy this Lent has shown us the God of the Exodus. He is a mighty and gracious God, Who out of faithfulness to His covenant has done "great things" for His people, as today's Psalm puts it. But the "things of long ago," Isaiah tells us in today's First Reading, are nothing compared to the "something new" that He will do in the future. Today's First Reading and Psalm look back to the marvelous deeds of the Exodus. Both see in the Exodus a pattern and prophecy of the future, when God will restore the fortunes of His people fallen in sin. The readings today look forward to a still greater Exodus, when God will gather in the exiled tribes of Israel that had been scattered to the four winds, the ends of the earth...see reverse.



04-03-2022
5th Sunday Lent

Parish Pastoral Council meets 1st Tuesday after Mass at 7pm; no meeting July or August
Parish Financial Council meets 2nd Tuesday after Mass at 7pm; no meeting July or August
CWL meets 4th Tues after Mass at 7pm; no meeting July or August

Sunday Collection 03-27-2022
\$ 779.45
\$1,200.00 NEEDED

Date			Time	Lector/Reader 1	Lector/Reader 2	Gift Bearer	Music Ministry
04-03-2022	5 th Sunday Lent		11:00 am	Cecile Gregory	Sharon Lagace	John + Mary Vavrek	Carmen + Mona + Shirley
04-10-2022	Palm Sunday		11:00 am	Karen Leslie	Janelle Durda	Frank + Ruth Pohr	Pat Zmean + Chelsea Pall
04-14-2022	Holy Thursday	Mass of the Lord's Supper	7:00 pm	TBA	TBA	TBA	Carmen + Mona + Shirley
04-15-2022	Good Friday	The Passion of the Lord	3:00 pm	TBA	TBA	TBA	Carmen + Mona + Shirley
04-16-2022	Easter Vigil	Easter Vigil Service	8:00 pm	TBA	TBA	TBA	Pat Zmean + Chelsea Pall
04-17-2022	Easter Sunday	Easter Sunday Service	11:00 am	TBA	TBA	TBA	Vella + Mary + Crew
04-24-2022	Divine Mercy	1 st Communion	11:00 am	TBA	TBA	TBA	Carmen + Mona + Shirley

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting
 April 5th, Tuesday, after evening Mass at 7:00pm

Chrism Mass and Blessing of Holy Oils
 April 12, Tuesday at 7:30 pm at McLennan. All are welcome.

Feasts and Saints of the Week

Monday	04-04-2022	St. Isidore
Tuesday	04-05-2022	St. Vincent Ferrer
Thursday	04-07-2022	St. John Baptiste de la Salle

Quote of the Week
 "Confession heals, confession justifies, confession grants pardon of sin. In confession there is mercy. Believe it firmly." St. Isidore

Food Drive for Easter
 Our Parish CWL will be collecting food items for the Food Bank from March 6th -April 10th for Easter distribution.

Mass Intentions for April 3 - 9, 2022

	Offered By	Offered For
Sun		
Mon		
Tue	Parishioner	Intention of Parishioner
Wed		
Thu		
Fri		
Sat		



Call Cecile Gregory with prayer requests urgent or emergency
587-202-8887
 Wade Kaczkielo, Karen Leslie, Don Lozeron, infant Parker Nellis, Brooklynne Russell and for all the sick and needy in our community.

Sacrament of Reconciliation
 Grande Prairie: April 4th, Monday 7:00 – 8:30 pm
 Bezanson: April 7th, Thursday, 5:00 – 7:00 pm
 Sexsmith: April 8th, Friday, 5:00 – 8:30 pm

Holy Week Readers
 We need Readers for Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Easter Vigil and Easter Day Mass. Kindly sign up if you would like to read the Word of God on these Holy days. Sign up sheet at the entrance of the church. Thank you

Cleanliness is next to Godliness
 Our beautiful church has a shortage of volunteers who are willing to help with the cleaning. Please be so kind as to sign up to help us out for a month. We really need your help! Please see Rose Major if you are willing to do your part. Thank you!

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