

Immaculate Conception Pinetown

Mission: To fulfil Christ's command to evangelise all people.

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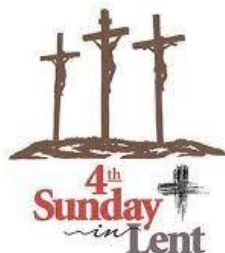
Friday's 08:00 – 15:00

Confessions: Saturday: 16:30 – 17:00

Mass Intentions

Sunday 18/19 March (4th Sunday of Lent)	
17:30	Mass. Pro Populo
08:00	Mass. Thanksgiving Karl & Sherazel Pierce
10:00	Mass. Pro Populo
17:00	Mass. Pro Populo
Monday – 20 March (St Joseph Husband of Mary)	
18:00	SVDP - M/R '1'
18:00	Baptism class '1' – U/hall
Tuesday – 21 March (Human Rights Day)	
18:00	No Home Mass.
18:00	No RCIA
19:00	Griefshare via Zoom
Wednesday – 22 March	
09:00	Mass. Pious Lists
10:00	Stations of the Cross
16:00	Catechism Grade R - 7
17:00	Choir 'Z' - M/Room '1'
17:30	Confirmation
18:00	Parish Finance – U/hall
Thursday – 23 March	
10:00	Pinehaven Mass.
18:00	Mass. George Kondiah †
19:00	Lenten talks
Friday – 24 March	
09:00	Mass. Pro Populo
17:45	Stations of the Cross
19:00	Last Life Teen for the term – U/hall

Saturday – 25 March (Annunciation of the Lord)	
08:30	CWL Exec Meeting – U/hall
17:30	Mass. Third Scrutiny (Lenten Collection)
18:30	CWL Easter Hamper ticket Sales
Sunday - 26 March (5 th Sunday of Lent)	
08:00	Mass. (Lenten Collection)
08:30	IsiZulu Catechism
08:30	IsiZulu RCIA
09:30	CWL Easter Hamper Ticket Sales
10:00	Mass. (Lenten Collection)
11:30	CWU – U/hall
17:00	Mass. Pro Populo (Lenten Collection)



Laetare Sunday

Announcements

1. **Laetare Sunday** Today is "Laetare Sunday" (Rejoice Sunday). We celebrate with joyful anticipation the approach of the Feast of Easter.
2. **Lenten Collection** at all Masses this weekend.
3. **RCIA 2nd Scrutiny**
The 2nd Scrutiny will be celebrated at the 5.00 p.m. and 10.00 a.m. Masses this Sunday.
4. **New Parishioners**
A warm welcome to Sphindile Mtshali and Family, Mbali Portia Jali, Gugu Dolly Ngubane, Lei Mchunu and family, Phyllis Thabile Ntuli and family, Siphesihle Ngema and family.
5. **Baptism class Session '1' Eng. – 20 March** in the upper hall for parents who have had an appointment with Fr Sifiso.
Classes in isiZulu will begin on 2 April at 8.30 a.m. in the Lower Hall.
6. **Pinehaven Mass** 10.00 a.m. on Thursday 23 March 2023 all welcome.
7. **Marriage Preparation Mass and talks** 22 April at 9.00 a.m. in the Church.
They will be 2 guest speakers
Fr Marcel and Mr Thabani Mzolo.
Should you wish to attend please fill in your details in the clipboard outside the office.
8. **'Precious Blood of Jesus'**
If one refrains from receiving the Precious Blood of Jesus, one must stop, bow and acknowledge as you walk past.
9. **Broad-leaf palms** Please notify the office if you can provide strong broad-leaf palm fronds for crosses.
10. **Cardboard beer trays** required for the palm crosses. Please drop off at the office or bring to Mass on the weekends preceding Palm Sunday
11. **Candle holders for the Easter Vigil**
Please prepare a small plastic cool drink bottle as a candle holder for the Easter Vigil. Please bring spare prepared holders to the office for the servers if possible.
12. **✠ Penitential Service – Wed. 29 March 2023 at 7.00 p.m. - 6 Priests will be in attendance.**
Parishioners and children who have made their first confessions are expected to attend.
No Saturday morning confessions. ✠.
13. **Youth - Musical Instruments.**
The Church is in need of any youth of our Parish that plays any Musical Instrument. Please contact the office on 031 702 7337.
14. **CWL EASTER HAMPER RAFFLE.**
Tickets for the Awesome hamper go on Sale from 18/19 March. NO PRICE INCREASE.... R 5 per ticket or three for R10!!!! Please support this Fund-Raising Event as all monies raised goes to Charity.
15. **SVDP NEEDS YOU!!!**
St Vincent de Paul helps approximately 80 impoverished families with a food parcel each month. This is only possible through the donations received from the Pinetown Parishioners for which we are extremely grateful. There are no scheduled SVDP collections in March due to the Lenten Collections. Sadly, the finances are very low, and we will not be able to help the poor this month!!! BUT....with your help there is HOPE... SVDP will have a collection outside the church at all Masses on the weekend of 18/19 March. With the understanding that some Parishioners are enduring financial difficulties, we kindly ask those who are able to help, to do so with your continued generosity. (Cash/ non-perishable items or EFT) we give heartfelt thanks to all who support this ministry.
16. **Deepening our Faith Final** Lenten Talk this Thurs. 23 Mar. at 7.00 p.m. in the church. Guest Speaker: Fr Proud Mukamba – Topic: The Bible, importance of reading.

† **Stations of the Cross** Friday 24 March at 5.45 p.m. and Wednesday – 22 March at 10.00 a.m.

17. **Wood for Easter Vigil** Please contact the office if you'll be able to supply wood for the Easter Vigil fire. Large dry pieces and small dry logs will be most welcome.



18. **Pilgrimage to Rome and Fatima 10 – 24 September 2023 – 'Walking in the footsteps of 'our Lady of Fatima''** application forms and itinerary available from the office or the Church entrance.

19. **Easter Triduum Masses**

Please diarise the following Masses

Palm Sunday: 2 April 2023

Saturday: 5:30 p.m.

Sunday: 8:00 a.m.

Sunday: 10:00 a.m.

Sunday: 5:00 p.m.

Holy Thursday: 6 April 2023

Solemn Mass 7.00 p.m. (Bilingual Mass)

Good Friday: 7 April 2023

Pilgrims walk 5.00 a.m.

Stations of the cross (Church) 10:00 a.m.

The Lords Passion at 15:00 (Bilingual Service)

Holy Saturday: 8 April 2023

Easter Vigil at 7:00 p.m. (Bilingual Mass)

Easter Sunday: 9 April 2023

Mass 7:00 a.m. English

Mass 9.00 a.m. Zulu

20. **Pilgrimage to Rome and Fatima 10 – 24 September 2023 – 'Walking in the footsteps of 'our Lady of Fatima''** application forms and itinerary available from the office or the Church entrance.

21. **Ngome Pilgrimage:** 02 June to 04 June 2023. Cost of Accommodation and meals: R1,000.00 per person Please contact Thembe Thusi on 0834689712 for more details.

GRIEFSHARE Myth: *Time heals all wounds* **Fact:** *it is what you do with that time that heals.* GriefShare (via zoom) will be on the 21st March 2023. If you require any help, support or

assistance during this time, please contact Charmaine Swardling on 0845756006, Cynthia Petzer on 0823747033 or Olivia Swardling on 0845928177. The link is the same every week and is reflected below:

<https://us06web.zoom95?pwd=WE5JUF1wckw0RjZxUEVsO29QbkNFQT09> Meeting ID: 949 232 9595

Passcode: GRIEFSHARE

22. **Repository** will be open after the weekend Masses. March Southern Cross, 'The Joy of being Catholic' in English and Zulu R90, new Rosaries, car rosaries, Advent candles and rosary bracelets are in stock.

23. **Durban Passion Play**

The tickets are sold at R100 per person, bookings are done through Web tickets or through Pick n' Pay

24. **Sick** Please pray for Lucille Parfitt and all on the March sick list. Please inform the office of any changes to the lists.

25. **Hospital Care** Please advise the parish office if you or a family member will be or have been admitted to hospital so that we can provide pastoral care.

