

Immaculate Conception Pinetown

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

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Office Hours: Weekdays 08:00 – 16:00

Friday's 08:00 – 15:00

Confessions: Saturday: 16:30 – 17.00

Mass Intentions

Sunday – 20/21 May (Ascension of the Lord)	
17:00	Mass. Graham & wife Lynne Minkly Blessings always.
08.00	Mass. In Memory of the loved ones of the Griefshare Family
10.00	Mass. Pro Populo
17:00	Mass. Pro Populo
Monday – 22 May	
18:00	Baptism class '1' – U/hall
Tuesday – 23 May	
18.00	Home Mass.
18:00	RCIA
Wednesday – 24 May	
09:00	Mass.
10.00	Rosary
16:00	Catechism Grade R - 7
17:00	Choir Practice (Z)
17:30	Confirmation
Thursday – 25 May	
09.00	CWL Exec – U/hall
18.00	Mass.
18:30	Parish Council
Friday – 26 May	
09.00	Mass.
12.00	CWL Jumble Sale
19.00	Life Teen – U/hall
Saturday – 27 May	

09.00	CWL Exec
17.00	Mass. Diocesan Levy Collection
Sunday – 28 May (Pentecost Sunday)	
08:00	Mass. Diocesan Levy Collection
08:30	IsiZulu Catechism
10.00	Mass. Diocesan Levy Collection
11.30	CWU – U/hall
17.00	Mass. Diocesan Levy Collection



Ascension of the Lord

Announcements

1. **Diocesan Levy second Collection** at all Masses next weekend.
2. **Baptism Class '1'** This Monday 22nd of May at 6.00 p.m. for parents who have had a meeting with Fr Sifiso and submitted their application forms at the office.
3. **Week day and Weekend Rosters** now ready for collection from outside the office.
4. **Sacred heart Novena**
Novena begins on 7 June. prayer leaflets available in shelf outside the office.
5. **Corpus Christi Novena**
Novena begins on Friday 9 June. Prayer leaflets available in shelf outside the office.
6. **RCIA "Come and See"** If you are interested in becoming a Catholic, or if you are a Catholic and have not been confirmed, attend the 'Come and See' evening at 7.00 p.m. Tuesday evening, 30 May, in the upper hall. It will be the beginning of a spiritually enriching journey of faith, with Christ, in the Catholic Church.
7. **Loadshedding during winter**
All Parishioners are encouraged to carry a small torch when attending any Evening Masses.
8. **JUMBLE SALE - FRIDAY 26 MAY**
AT 12 NOON TILL 2.30. in the Parish Hall. The CWL invites you to come and purchase delightful items at ridiculous prices. Bargains Galore!!!! Let pre-used and loved items become your treasures. We asked that you spread the word, to all you know who might be interested, especially Carers and Home Helpers. We thank everyone for the donations we have received and look forward to your support of the Jumble Sale.
9. **May: Month of our Lady**
Throughout the month of May, a decade of the Rosary will be prayed after Mass on Wednesday's, please bring your Rosary to Mass. We encourage families in the Parish to pray a decade of the Rosary every day. The repository has a stock of Rosaries on sale.
► **Saturdays for Holy Mother Mary**
For the month of May come and spend an hour with Fr Sifiso praying the Rosary from 6.00 am to 7.00 am.
"When you are in doubt, turn to God"
10. **SAVE THE DATE**

MEN ONLY Our Bi-annual men's retreat on 22nd July. This year's theme is 'Amazing Grace' and it is not to be missed. We invite all men, young and old, Catholic or visitors, to a day of spiritual upliftment, words of wisdom from speakers from all walks of life, and praise and worship.
The day begins at 8.45 and ends at about 2pm. A substantial tea will be provided. The cost is R80. Bookings with Linda in the office. 031 7655515
11. **Acts Meeting**
All Acts members are invited to a Meeting on Wednesday 31 May 2023 in M/room 2 at 18:00 pm.
12. **Feeding the Poor**
Thank you to all who support the Tuesday Ministry with donations of tinned food, 1kg packs of maize meal, samp, rice, beans two-minute noodles etc. We rely on your support. We are still handing out parcels to those in need during the week. Donations may be placed in the trolley in the Church entrance or handed in to the office during the week.



13. Home Mass

► Home Mass on Tuesday 23 May 2023 at 18:00 pm will be at 7 Falcon Place Cowie's Hill Pinetown 3610 all parishioners are welcome.

► If you are interested in having a home Mass on a Tuesday evening at 18.00 pm, please contact the office to book.

14. 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.

15. Episcopal Ordination

Parishioners are invited to the Ordination of Auxiliary Bishop Elect Fr. Elias Zondi on Saturday 27 May at 9.00 am at Curries Fountain Sports Centre.

16. Outstanding catechism fees to be paid as soon as possible.

17. GRIEFSHARE

GriefShare is in recess and will resume in August 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.

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

19. Sick Please pray for all on the May sick list. Please inform the office of any changes to the lists.

20. 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.

21. SVDP Banking details

Bank: First National Bank

Name of account: Society of St Vincent de Paul

Account No: 50811840624

Branch code: 221626

Type of account: current /cheque.



Prayer to the Holy Spirit

**Breathe in me O Holy Spirit,
That my thoughts may all be holy;
Act in me, O Holy Spirit,
That my work, too may be holy;
Draw my heart, O Holy Spirit,
That I love but what is holy;
Strengthen me, O Holy Spirit,
To defend all that is holy;
Guard me, then, O Holy Spirit,
That I always may be holy.**

Amen