

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 – 6/7 May (5th Sunday of Easter)	
17:30	Mass. Roland and Anita 45 years of Marriage (Thanksgiving)
08.00	Mass. Pro Populo
10.00	Mass. Pro Populo
17:00	Mass. Pro Populo
Monday – 8 May	
Tuesday – 9 May	
18.00	Home Mass.
18:00	RCIA
Wednesday – 10 May	
09:00	Mass. In Memory of Konnor Pierce.
10.00	Rosary
16:00	Catechism Grade R - 7
17:00	Choir Practice (Z)
17:30	Confirmation
Thursday – 11 May	
18.00	Mass.
Friday – 12 May	
09.00	Mass. Paul Scannell†, Doris Aydon†.
19.00	Life Teen – U/hall
Saturday – 13 May	
17.30	Mass. SVDP Collection
09.30	CWL U/hall
Sunday – 14 May (6th Sunday of Easter) Mother's Day	

08:00	Mass. SVDP Collection (Children & Teen's participation)
08:30	IsiZulu Catechism
10.00	Mother's Day Baking Class – U/hall
10.00	Mass. SVDP Collection (Children & Teens participate)
11.30	St Anne – L/hall
17.00	Mass.

Announcements

1. Emmaus Lunch Thank You

I would like to congratulate Joy Mthembu and her team for preparing the Emmaus lunch and the parish for all the donations and contributions towards this event which was a great success. The food, the music, the spirit of good fellowship was wonderful and achieved our vision. A big thank you for a project well done from the Parish Council and myself, Fr. Sifiso. May Christ continue the good work he has begun in us.

2. Fr Sifiso will be attending a SACOP conference from 16 - 18 May 2023.

3. Baptism

Parents requesting the sacrament of Baptism for their children to make an appointment to see Fr Sifiso before the classes begin on 22 May. **Note to parents** All forms must be completed with the copy of the Birth certificate and must be handed to the office before attending class.

4. **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.

5. **Special Birthdays May** Wishing all who celebrate a birthday this month a Very Happy and Blessed Birthday especially those turning 70, 75, 80 and over. Laura Scannell, Ann Minkly, Marie Dupouy, Patricia



Oliver, Joao De Freitas, Jennifer Hodgskin, Lionel Oakes, Eunice Mabuya, Elizabeth Lombard, Jane Jones, Godfrieda Mathe, Eileen Oldridge, Margarida Jackson.

6. **Mothers' Day – Teen and children participation** The Teens and children are encouraged to participate in the 8.00 and 10 am Masses on 14 May 2023.

► Mothers Day Baking Class followed by tea.

There will be a baking class on 14 May 2023 at 10.00 am in the upper hall for all woman who are interested, the cost will be R100 per person, the limit is 50 ladies.

Please register and pay at the Repository to reserve your space.

7. Loadshedding during winter

All Parishioners are encouraged to carry a small torch when attending any Evening Masses.

8. 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"

9. SVDP Collection

SVDP collection will take place at all Masses next weekend. 13/14 May.

Once again you are humbly asked to dig deep into your pockets and donate generously. We will be extremely grateful if you are able to help our worthy cause as we strive to assist the impoverished. To see a face light up at the sight of a Food Parcel, is a just reward. Please help us do the work of our Lord. contribute via eft.

Bank: First National Bank

Name of account: Society of St Vincent de Paul

Account No: 50811840624

Branch code: 221626

Type of account: current /cheque

10. **Home Mass** on Tuesday 9 May 2023 at 18:00 pm will be at 62 Buckingham Road Kloof 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.

11. Feeding the Poor

Thank you to CWU and 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.

- 12. 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.

13. CWL JUMBLE SALE

The CWL ladies are collecting Jumble for their upcoming Jumble Sale on 26 May. They will gratefully accept all donations of Jumble but humbly request that items are clean and in good condition. Please drop off items at the Parish Office for attention CWL. Thanking you in advance.

14. 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.

15. GRIEF SHARE

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.

- 16. 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.

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

- 18. 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.



PRAYER FOR UNITY "UNITY IN CHURCH"

Jesus, the Great Physician, I want to intercede on behalf of my church.
You know our imperfections, our flaws, and our problems. Help us to unite under Your banner and to put aside our squabbles. Remind us that we are to have the same mind as that of Christ and to seek the interests of others rather than our own. Give understanding and grace to all and bring us together in prayer. The church is to be one body and one bride. I pray these things in the name of the bridegroom, the Lord Jesus. Amen.



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