

Immaculate Conception Pinetown

Mission: Ps 122:1-2: "I rejoiced when they said to me "Let us go to the house of the Lord." Journeying together as one body of Christ in renewed heart, mind, and spirit.

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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 – 9/10 September (23rd Sunday of the year)	
17:30	Mass. Tilly Maria Van Asten ✠
08:00	Mass. Mark Knowles ✠
10:00	Mass. Pious Lists
17:00	Mass. Bazil Petrowski ✠
Monday – 11 September	
Tuesday – 12 September	
09:00	CWL Diocesan Mass
17:00	SVDP - M/R 'I'
18:00	No Home Mass
19:00	Griefshare (Via Zoom)
Wednesday – 13 September	
09:00	Mass. Edna May Barichiev ✠
16:00	Junior Catechism
17:00	Choir Practice (Z)
17:30	Confirmation
Thursday – 14 September (Exaltation of the Holy Cross)	
18:00	Mass. Kevin John Peralta ✠
Friday – 15 September	
09:00	Mass. Paul Scannell ✠
Saturday – 16 September (24th Sunday of the year)	
08:30	Zulu Choir – L/Hall
09:00	CWL Diocesan Mass

17:30	Mass. (Men's Conference Collection)
Sunday – 17 September (24th Sunday of the year)	
08:00	Mass. (Men's Conference Collection)
08:30	IsiZulu Catechism
08:30	IsiZulu RCIA
10:00	Mass. (Men's Conference Collection)
12:00	Zulu Choir – U/Hall
17:00	Mass. (Men's Conference Collection)



Announcements

1. **“Introduction to Stewardship – Spiritual”** will be presented at all Masses this weekend.
2. **A special thank** you to Mrs N.P. Msane and Miss N Mnqotho from the Catholic Woman's Union for revamping the Parish Office Reception Area.
3. **Outstanding catechism fees** to be paid as soon as possible.
4. **Saturday Mass Time**
As from Saturday 9 September 2023 Saturday evening Holy Mass will move from 5:00 to 5:30 pm.
5. **The SVDP Society would like to extend immense gratitude** to all who contribute to the Monthly Collection, and to those who contribute via EFT. Your donations are always gratefully received. There will be a SVDP Second Collection at all Masses this weekend. 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
6. **Heritage Day bring and braai**
The Social Team will be hosting a fun day for our Parish
Date: 24 September 2023
Time: after the 9am Combined Mass
Entry fee: R10 per person
Fun activities in store for you on the day!
 - Live band performance
 - Different cultural eats
 - Karaoke
 - Jumping Castle for KiddiesTickets sold at the piazza after all weekend Masses.
All parishioners are welcome on this fun filled day.

7. **CWL Diocesan Mass** on Tuesday 12 September at 9am, followed by the Diocesan Council Meeting.

CWL Diocesan Mass on Saturday 16 September at 9am. (all invited) followed by Meeting with the CWL National Committee.

CWL Jumble Sale -

The CWL ladies are organising a Jumble Sale and you are invited to purchase the bargains on sale.

Date: Friday 29 Sept; 12 to 2pm, and Sunday 1 Oct; 9am till 10am.

Any donations of preloved items which are in good condition will be gratefully received. Please drop off at the office for attention CWL. Sincere thanks in advance.

8. **Baptism**

Parents requesting the sacrament of Baptism for their children to fill in the forms before classes begin on 18 September. **Note to parents:** All forms, together with a copy of the child's birth certificate, must be submitted to the office before classes begin.

9. **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.



10. **GRIEF SHARE**

You Grieve because you have loved deeply. It is okay, God understands and shares your pain with you. GriefShare (via zoom) will be on 12 September 2023 from 7pm – 9pm. 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=WE5JUF1wckw0RjZxUEVsQ29QbkNFQT0>

9. Meeting ID: 949 232 9595

Passcode: GRIEFSHARE

11. Sick

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

12. Brother's In Christ - Our Parish will be hosting our 3rd Men's Conference in October 2023. We invite you the Men and young adults to be part of this awesome event.

Date: 21 October 2023

Time: 8:00am

Programme:

- ✂ 8:00am - Registration & Refreshments
- ✂ 8:30am - Welcome / Introduction
- ✂ 9:00am - Holy Hour
- ✂ 10:00am - Tea Break
- ✂ 10:30am - Conference Talk
- ✂ 11:20am - Discussion
- ✂ 12:00pm - Mass
- ✂ 13:00pm - Lunch

Please call or WhatsApp Onwhinne Hindley: 062 448 0187, Matthew Renton: 078 379 3809, Bradley Vere: 083 257 1761, Selwyn Endley: 083 777 1345 for more information. See you all there.

13. Condolences

Prayerful condolences to Shirley Howells on the loss of her eldest son Gary John Howells who died 2nd September 2023. His Memorial Service was on Friday 8 September.

14. 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.

15. National Wills week

The law Society of South Africa (LSSA) National Wills week is a public outreach programme that has been successfully running since 2008 this year, the LSSA National wills week campaign will take place during the week of 11 to 15 September 2023. During this week members of the public will be able to have a basic will drafted free of charge. Attorneys' firms throughout the country register with the LSSA to become participants in this initiative. The LSSA National Wills Week is advertised in August, alerting the public of participating law firms. Members of the public are then directed to the LSSA website where they can see the list of participating law firms per province and are able to contact the law firm directly and book an appointment.

STEWARDSHIP PRAYER

Oh Lord, giver of life and source of our freedom, we are reminded that Yours is "the earth in its fullness; the world and those who dwell in it." We know that it is from your hand that we have received all we have and are and will be. Gracious and loving God, we understand that you call us to be the stewards of Your abundance, the caretakers of all you have entrusted to us. Help us always to use your gifts wisely and teach us to share them generously. May our faithful stewardship bear witness to the love of Christ in our lives. We pray this with grateful hearts in Jesus' name. Amen