

# Parish Religious Education Program (PREP)

## Immaculate Conception Church



We're excited to welcome your children back for another great year!

### Class Times for 2026-27

- Classes run **September 16** to **May 19** (please mark your calendars)
- **Wednesdays from 5:00 to 6:15 pm** in ICC's Parish Center,

### Sacramental Preparation for 1<sup>st</sup> Reconciliation, 1<sup>st</sup> Communion and Confirmation

Children must complete a full **foundation** year **before** starting their year of sacramental preparation classes. Therefore, any students who begin religious education classes this year will celebrate the sacraments in the following school year. In other words, sacramental preparation normally takes a minimum of two years.

Unless permission has been given by the parish priest, sacramental preparation and celebrations usually take place in the parish the child's family is registered at. Parent meetings for **First Reconciliation and Holy Communion** will begin in October. Parent and student meetings for **Confirmation** will begin in November.

### Registration Fees

Register early to take advantage of the discount! Some classes fill up quickly ...

#### **Early Registration: On or before September 9**

1 Child \$70      2 Children \$120      3 or more Children \$150

#### **After September 9**

1 Child \$90      2 Children \$150      3 or more Children \$170

- Fees may be paid by cash or cheque made out to Immaculate Conception or **etransfer.ICC@nelsondiocese.org** with '**PREP FEES**' and your **CHILD'S NAME** in the comment box.
- Completed registration forms and attached fees can be mailed to the parish office or added to the Sunday collection in an envelope marked '**PREP.**'

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 250-762-3910 Ext. 3 or [catechism.icc.kelowna@nelsondiocese.org](mailto:catechism.icc.kelowna@nelsondiocese.org).

Mr. David Ziebart  
ICC PREP Coordinator

### **What is PREP for?**

The mission of our program is to **assist** (not replace) parents as they raise their children in the Catholic faith.

### **What is Our Goal?**

To help your children deepen their relationship with the Lord and learn more about the various aspects of our Catholic faith.

### **What is Your Role?**

At Baptism, you made a promise to raise your children *in the practice of the Faith*.

All families are expected to participate in the sacramental life of the Church, **especially Sunday Mass**. Our children will come to realize that the faith we practice, especially at Mass, is crucial for their faith formation and beyond.

Parish catechism only *supplements* Christ-centered parenting and the celebration of faith and worship in the liturgy. We are here and happy to help YOU! 😊

### **How can you support the Team?**

Our catechists (teachers) are volunteers, freely offering their time and talents.

You can support our parish catechists by:

- participating in parent meetings
- bringing your children every week and working with them at home to complete assignments
- celebrating Sunday Mass and the sacraments as a family
- praying for our catechists

## **DATES TO REMEMBER & Special Events in Addition to Our Regular Wednesday Classes**

- Sept 16 First Day of Classes at ICC Parish Hall
- Oct 14 PREP Family Mass in the Church @ 5:00 pm. NO CLASSES this day
- Dec 23 & 30 Christmas Break (no classes)
- Jan 13 First Day back after Christmas
- Feb 3 Whole Family Event (Lent Preparation)
- Feb 10 Ash Wednesday evening Mass @ 5:00 PM – NO CLASS
- Mar 3 Whole Family Stations of the Cross
- Mar 10 Parish Lent Reconciliation
- Mar. 17 & 24 Spring Break (no classes)
- May 19 Last Day of PREP

# 2026-27 PREP Registration Form - PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Family Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Parish Registered At: \_\_\_\_\_

Father's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Mother's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Father's Religion: \_\_\_\_\_ Mother's Religion: \_\_\_\_\_

Father's Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Mother's Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Main Email Address: (our primary form of communication): \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

<b>Student's Name</b> <i>include last name if different from family name</i>  <b>**CIRCLE PREFERRED FIRST NAME</b>	<b>Date of Birth</b>  (dd/mm/yyyy)	<b>Male / Female</b>	<b>Baptized Y / N</b>	<b>1st Comm. Y / N</b>	<b>School Grade September 2025</b>	<b>Previous Religious Instruction</b>  Catechism / Catholic School Levels Completed	<b>School Student Currently Attends</b>
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**LEARNING ENVIRONMENT:** *Please include any confidential information which can be shared with your child's teacher to ensure your child's safety and/or improve their learning experience, (eg. Allergies, Medical Conditions, Where an EpiPen is kept), English as a second language or French immersion, specific learning difficulties (IEP), or the kind of additional help received at public school.*

**EMERGENCY CONTACTS:** For use during an emergency, only if we are unable to contact you as above.

Name of Friend or Relative: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Student: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

REGISTRATION FEES:

One Child

Two Children

Three or more Children

Sept 9 or Prior

\$70 per year

\$120 per year

\$150 per year

After Sept 9

\$90 per year

\$140 per year

\$170 per year

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*I am paying by: \_\_\_ cash \_\_\_ cheque \_\_\_ etransfer*

**NOTE: REGISTRATION IS NOT COMPLETE UNTIL PAYMENT IS MADE**

For Office Use

Date Rec'd: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount: \_\_\_\_\_ Cash \_\_\_ Cheque \_\_\_ E-transfer \_\_\_

***I understand these expectations and will do my part in cooperation with the pastor and catechists.***

*I consent to collection of personal information which may include student identification, sacraments/ catechism records, parent contact information, health information as provided by the parent/guardian, emergency contact information and any similar information required for program participation and administration. I will email David Ziebart if I prefer my child's photo NOT to be used in promotional ways.*

*This information is required to register your child, and to allow us to respond to any on-site emergency. For more information, please contact David Ziebart at [catechism.icc.kelowna@nelsondiocese.org](mailto:catechism.icc.kelowna@nelsondiocese.org) or by phone at (250) 762-3910 ext 3.*

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Signature of Parent/Guardian

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Date