

Immaculate Conception Parish

April 30th, 2023

4th Sunday of Easter

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MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Monday, 7:00pm - †Danny Syliboy

Tuesday, 12:15 pm - † Marie Gosse † Dexter Lindsay

Wednesday - 7:00pm - †Shirley Anne Taylor, † Betty Conroy

Thursday, 7:00pm - † Donald McDonald

Friday, 12:15pm - †Socrates Ariosa, † Skip McKendall

Saturday, 4:00pm - † Shirley Anne Taylor

Sunday, 9:00am - † Bill Lake

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday

4:00pm - Immaculate Conception, Truro

4:00pm - St. Michael's, Brule

Sunday

9:00am - Immaculate Conception, Truro

10:00am - St. Kateri, Indian Brook

11:30am - Sacred Heart, Millbrook

11:30am - St. Bridget's, Shubenacadie

Family Masses will be celebrated at 9:00 am on the **First Sunday of each month** at Immaculate Conception Church. All families in our parish are invited to this celebration.

May 6, come join us as we celebrate **First Saturday Mass** at 9 am followed by Rosary and Devotions at Immaculate Conception Church.

First Friday May 5 we will honor in a special way the Sacred Heart of Jesus at the 12.15 Mass by praying the Litany the Sacred Heart of Jesus following Communion. For more information about this powerful devotion requested by Jesus Himself to St. Margaret Mary Alacoque go to EWTN.com/devotions or thecatholiccrusade.com.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament - Thursdays after 7:00 pm Mass

Sacrament of Reconciliation - 30 minutes prior to weekday Masses or by appointment.

Baptisms Celebrated during Mass - Baptisms are celebrated during weekend Masses, giving the whole community an opportunity to participate, enjoy and welcome the children into our family of God. Parents wishing to celebrate a child's Baptism may fill out & submit the Baptism Request form found on our website at: **icctruro.org** under the **Sacraments** tab or begin by filling out a Welcome/Inquiry Card available at each church (entrance or office).

Baptism Preparation Session – parents will be contacted after the Baptism request form has been received (see above). Then parents and Godparents will be asked to watch videos prior to attending a Baptism Preparation session. Our next session is Friday, May 26th from 6:00 - 7:30 pm in the Kinsella Room.

FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

Apr. 30th @ 10:00 am: Levels 1 to 6

Apr. 30th @ 6:30 pm: Levels 7 & 8 class

May 1st @ 5:00 pm: Level 9 class

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Temporary Office Hours while Louise is away are: Mon, Tue and Thu 9 -1:30. We will have volunteers to fill in these hours for visitors, Mass Intentions and phone calls.

*Let no one mourn that he has fallen again and again:
for forgiveness has risen from the grave!*

St. John Chrysostom

The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul, Truro Conference Open House - on the 29th and 30th of April, following Masses, SVDP members will be in the hall to answer questions involving the Society and how we help the less fortunate in our community. New member interest is encouraged. Refreshments will be provided. A Vincentian will also be giving a short introduction on the Society before each weekend mass.

Archbishop Brian Dunn's Pastoral Visits to our Parish. On Wednesday, May 31 we will welcome him for Confirmation of our young Candidates and again on the weekend of June 24 and 25 for a Pastoral Visit. During his Pastoral Visit he'll celebrate Mass at several churches, meet our Councils' Members and Ministry Leaders, and enjoy a conversation over a meal together. Archbishop Dunn is striving to visit all 21 parishes over a year or two. Stay tuned for more information as we prepare for an informative and celebratory occasion.

Horizons of Hope - As Catholics, our faith in Jesus Christ has much to teach us about living and dying well. Horizons of Hope : A toolkit for Catholic parishes on Palliative Care is designed to help each of us - caregivers, the sick and dying, and family members - to find support and concrete assistance. Deacon Wilf and Michael Isenor are offering the 4 modules over the following dates: May 16, 22, 29 and June 6. Each session is 2 hours from 6 to 8pm and each will be held at Saint Bridget's church in Shubenacadie. We encourage you to join us as we can all learn together. If you wish to join us or if you have more questions please call 1 902 719 4398 or email wilfboudreau@gmail.com.

Filipino Fiesta on Saturday, May 27 at Immaculate Conception Church, following 4pm Mass. Filipinos in our parish area are invited to join us for prayer, song, a pot-luck meal, and a teaching to help discover the richness, power and help of the Holy Spirit for families in our challenging culture.

Women's Breakfast – Saturday, 27 May 2023 @ St. Agnes Church, Mumford Road, Halifax. You are invited to the Mary, Queen of Peace, Magnificat Women's Breakfast on the 27th of May from 9am to noon. Hot (catered) breakfast, prayer, praise and worship, and a testimony will be given by guest speaker, Angele Nicholson. Price: \$20. Pre-registration is required via email magnificathalifax@gmail.com or call Maria Thibault at 902-860-3304. Check out our Facebook – *Volunteers and Friends of Magnificat-Halifax - Mary Queen of Peace Chapter*

Monsignor Martin Memorial Scholarship - Immaculate Conception Ladies Auxiliary will be awarding a \$1000.00 scholarship to one graduating student from our parish. Applications will be found on our parish web page throughout the month of April and hard copies will be available at the office. Please note that all applications must be in by **May 1** by email to seacelts@yahoo.ca or delivered to our parish office.

Learn Gregorian Chant - Wednesday evenings following Mass. Dan Langan, a visitor to our parish until late summer, invites any skilled or unskilled in singing, to come and learn the ancient plain tones of the official music of our Church.

Holy Rosary - In prayerful support of all our ministries, the rosary will be offered before every Sunday 9am Mass, from 8:20 to 8:40am. Everyone is invited to join us. To be part of this ministry, contact Tony Harvey at 902-977-0808

Prayer Ministry - Intercessory Prayer Ministry of Immaculate Conception meets every Tuesday at 1 pm in Kinsella. Please feel welcome to join us in person to pray for our families, our church, our ministries and other intentions.

Bible Study - Thursdays at 10:00am and Fridays at 7:00pm in Kinsella I. All are welcome.

45s Card Game - What are you doing on Sunday evenings this spring? Come and join us in playing a game of 45s.

Veritas Books & Gifts - Veritas is open Tuesdays & Thursdays 10:00am - 3:30pm.

Class Action Suit - as required, during the claims period Dec. 19, 2022 to Dec. 14, 2023, copies of the *Short Form Notice* are available at the church entrances, the electronic bulletin and on our webpage.