

Immaculate Conception Parish

May 7th, 2023

5th Sunday of Easter

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Our Parish Vision. Our visioning session on Saturday, May 13th has been postponed, further updates to follow. Please continue to pray for our parish.

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Monday, 7:00pm - No Mass (Priest Retreat)

Tuesday, 12:15 pm - No Mass

Wednesday - 7:00pm - No Mass

Thursday, 7:00pm - No Mass

Friday, 12:15pm - No Mass

Saturday, 4:00pm - †Bill Lake

Sunday, 9:00am - † Shirley Anne Taylor

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. We are looking forward to seeing as many families with children as possible.

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

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

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.

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

May 7th @ 10am: Levels 1 to 6

May 7th @ 6:30pm: Levels 7 & 8 class

May 15th @ 7:30pm: Level 8 Youth & Parent Meeting

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday - Thursday 9:00 - 3:30 (Lunch 12:00 - 1:15)

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

St. John Chrysostom

Priests Away - Monday - Friday, May 7-12 our Priests will be away for a **Priests Retreat**. Please pray for all priests in our Diocese, that our Lord will more deeply commit them to their priestly ministry in the mission of Jesus Christ.

May is the month of Mary - We encourage time in prayer, especially with the Rosary. Spend the month developing a richer relationship with our blessed mother and she'll always bring us closer to her Son.

Cellar to Attic Sale - The Knights of Columbus are having a cellar to attic sale on **May 27th** in Campbell Hall. Doors will be open at 8:00AM.

The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul, Truro Conference - is holding its Regular Monthly meeting in Campbell Hall, on the 10th May, following Mass, at 7:30pm. New members are welcome to attend.

Changing Tables - The church would like to thank the **Knights of Columbus** for their donation and time to install the tables in each washroom.

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, May 27 2023 @ St. Agnes Church, Mumford Road, Halifax. You are invited to the Mary, Queen of Peace, Magnificat Women's Breakfast 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*

Webinar: "Concrete Ways to Renew Practices of Family Holiness," - The CCCB Office for Family and Life will host a free webinar on **Saturday, June 3 2023**, from 1:00 to 2:30 p.m. (EDT). It will be facilitated by Msgr. Philippe Bordeyne, President of the Pontifical John Paul II Theological Institute for Marriage and Family Sciences (Rome, Italy). It will be presented in French with simultaneous translation into English. [Click here to register.](#)

Learn Gregorian Chant - Wednesday evenings following Mass. Dan Lagan, 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

Father Gilles LeBlanc - It is with deep sadness that we have learned of the passing of Father Gilles who served St Bridget's and Holy Cross in our parish. We pray for the repose of his soul as we reflect on his ministry to our parishioners..

Knights of Columbus – Lobster Dinner- Eat In or Take-Out, Jun10/2023 11:00am - 2:30pm in Campbell Hall, Price \$25.00 per person. Also available Ham Dinner Price \$15.00 per person

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.