

# Immaculate Conception Parish

June 18th, 2023

11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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## MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Monday, 7:00pm - † Sacrates Ariosa

Tuesday, 12:15 pm- †, † Martin Whelan , Ann Black

**Wednesday - No Mass** Priests' AGM

Thursday, 7:00pm - † Souls in Purgatory

Friday, 12:15pm - † Shirley Ann Taylor, Vincent Syliboy

Saturday, 4:00pm - Magdalene Martin

Sunday, 9:00am - † Danny Syliboy

## WEEKEND MASSES

### Saturday

**4:00pm** - Immaculate Conception, Truro

**7:00pm** - St. Michael's, Brule **This week only**

### Sunday

**9:00am** - Immaculate Conception, Truro

**10:00am** - St. Kateri, Indian Brook

**11:30am** - Sacred Heart, Millbrook

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

**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 the weekend of June 24 and 25 Archbishop Dunn will celebrate Mass at several churches, meet our Councils' Members and Ministry Leaders, and enjoy a conversation over a meal together. From all ICP churches, those in leadership roles are invited to meet Bishop Dunn in ministry-groups in 30 minute intervals on Saturday, between 10:00am and 3:00pm. If you are in a leadership role and have not been contacted, please advise Fr Jim.

**Community Collection** - You are invited to give to our Caring for our Community Collection. This is the second of three annual diocesan collections that support the pastoral works of the Archdiocese.

**Baptism Preparation** – If you plan to celebrate the Baptism of your child this coming year, we invite all parents and godparents to attend the Baptism Preparation session on Friday, July 28th from 6:00 - 7:30pm in the Kinsella Room. Please pre-register as you'll be required to watch videos prior to the session.

## COLLECTION UPDATE

**June 11, 2023 Collection** was \$4047.20 = ICC = \$2891.20, St. Michael's = \$95.00, Sacred Heart = \$263.00  
St. Bridget = \$435.00 and Capital Campaign = \$363.00

The Finance Council is preparing to publish a financial report at the end of June. This will be in addition to the full annual report after year end.

## NEW PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday - Thursday 10:00am - 1:30pm.

*Oh Jesus, through the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I offer you my prayers, works, joys and sufferings of this day, in union with the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass offered throughout the world. I offer them for all the intentions of your Sacred Heart: the salvation of souls, reparation for sins, the union of all Christians and for the intentions of the Pope, Bishops and Priests. Amen*

**Pastoral Council Volunteer** - We have a need for one more volunteer from ICC. Do you feel you have a strategic mindset, a desire to consider the future needs of our community and parish, and an ability to joyfully work with others? Then this may be a ministry fulfilling to you. Over the next few years that is what our Pastoral Council will be considering. "In every parish of the diocese, a Pastoral Council shall be established, if the diocesan Bishop, after consulting with the Council of Presbyters, so decides. The pastor presides over the Pastoral Council. The Pastoral Council is composed of members of the congregation together with those of the parish staff who have pastoral care by reason of their office. The Pastoral Council assists in promoting pastoral action in the parish." To be considered for this role, please contact Fr Jim.

**Pastoral Care** - I'm John Aubey, and I accepted the position as Pastoral Care Coordinator for Immaculate Conception Church. I would like to ask for volunteers to assist in distributing Holy Communion to shut-ins and at various institutions in the Truro area. Those who presently are blessed in this ministry are encouraged to continue and we thank you for your continued service. Workshops will be provided. If interested, please contact me at: [j\\_aubey@hotmail.com](mailto:j_aubey@hotmail.com) or [office@icctruro.org](mailto:office@icctruro.org).

**First Communion** - Is taking place among 9 children at St Kateri Church this Sunday. Praise our Lord for the support of the community and the interested hearts of the new Communicants. They also celebrated their first Sacrament of Reconciliation this past week. Let us continue to pray for our children.

**Happy Father's Day**. On this Sunday we recognize the gift of fatherhood. May we recognize the invaluable contribution fathers provide to their families and community. May God continue to bless them and strengthen them to be men seeking God's own heart that they may fulfill their calling to love and serve.

**Kane's Kitchen Needs Volunteers** - We need women and men to help our group of dedicated volunteers provide a free hot meal every Wednesday to anyone in our community who needs one. While the meals are take-out for the summer, we're planning to return to an eat-in meal in Campbell Hall in the fall. If you have a free hour or two between 8:00 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. on Wednesdays and would like to join us, please call or text Diana Maguire at 902-890-0673. Thank you.

**June 21: National Indigenous People's Day & July's NAIG 2023 Sports events** - In July we will welcome Indigenous athletes from all over the continent for the North American Indigenous Games to Nova Scotia. NAIG will have athletes competing in 16 different sports with three traditional Indigenous sports including Canoe/Kayak, Lacrosse, and 3D Archery. In addition, nationally we recognize June 21 as National Indigenous Peoples Day. This is a day for all Canadians to recognize and celebrate the unique heritage, diverse cultures and outstanding contributions of First Nations, Inuit and Métis peoples.

**No Mass Wednesday, June 21** - Priests will be enjoying their annual general meeting. Included will be an education session as well as prayer and fellowship with brother priests.

**St Michael's Mass time change** - On **June 24th, only**, Saturday Mass is moved to 7:00pm to accommodate a visit from our Bishop. A reception will follow as usual.

**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** - Bible Study will be postponed for the summer months and will re-commence in the fall.

**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** - Starting **June 20<sup>th</sup> until the end of August** we will be reducing Veritas hours to one day. Every **Tuesday from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM**. You can also arrange Veritas to open by appointment by calling the church number and leaving a voice message at the Veritas Extension. Someone will call back to arrange a time to meet.