



Immaculate Conception Parish

With the Churches of :

Immaculate Conception Church, Truro; St. Michael's Church, Brule;
St Kateri, Indian Book; Sacred Heart, Millbrook;
St. Bridget's, Shubenacadie

July 23rd, 2023

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Monday, 7:00pm - **NO MASS**

Tuesday, 12:15 pm- **NO MASS**

Wednesday, **2:00 pm - Sacred Heart & St. Kateri**

7:00 pm - † Joyce Mac Lean

Thursday, 7:00pm - † Richard L. Despabeladera

Friday, 12:15pm - **NO MASS**

Saturday, 4:00pm - † Gregory Hodges

Sunday, 9:00am - † May London

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

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

Sacrament of Reconciliation : 30 mins prior to weekday Masses or by appointment

Holy Rosary : In prayerful support of all our ministries, the rosary will be offered before every Sunday

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 - 7:30 pm in the Kinsella Room. Please pre-register as you'll be required to watch videos prior to the session.

COLLECTION UPDATE

July 16th, 2023 Collection was \$3414.70 - ICC = \$2,274.00 ; St. Michael's = \$182.00 ; Sacred Heart = \$289.00 ; St. Bridget = \$465.00; St Kateri = \$129.70 and Capital Campaign = \$75.00.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday 10:00 am - 1:30 pm

"God is good, forgiving and kind to those who call upon Him" Psalm 86

Veritas Books & Gifts: Open every **Tuesday from 10:00 am to 4:00pm**, or by appointment.

FFF : Family Faith Formation Catechist Meeting following Sunday Mass on July 23rd.

THE WAY, THE TRUTH AND THE LIFE: Father Cedric in his YouTube video, breaks open Jesus' teaching in a truly amazing and inspiring way. Check out video **925-8 Jesus: The Way, The Truth and The Life** at <https://youtu.be/09YUinBAmp0>

St Bridget of Sweden Feast Day is July 23rd, a Sunday this year. (c. 1303 - 23rd July 1373). She was a Swedish widow, mystic, saint and the founder of the Brigettines. Outside Sweden, she was also known as the Princess of Nericia and was the mother of Catherine of Vadstena. Bridget is one of the six patron saints of Europe, together with Benedict of Nursia, Cyril of Methodius, Catherine of Siena and Teresa Benedicta of the Cross. (Credit :Wikipedia).

World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, Sunday, July 23, 2023. Pope Francis inaugurated this World Day to be celebrated by the universal Church each July, either on or near the liturgical Memorial of Saints Joachim and Anne, grandparents of Jesus, to help "treasure the spiritual and human wealth that has been handed down from generation to generation". This year's theme is "His mercy is from age to age" (Lk 1:50), raising the relational interconnection between the old and the young.

Plenary Indulgence for World Grandparents Day The indulgence will be granted to grandparents, the elderly, and all faithful who participate in the solemn celebration presided over by the Pope in St. Peter's Basilica, as well as to all those who attend Mass in various parts of the world. The indulgence is subject to the usual conditions of sacramental Confession as soon as possibly before or following the Mass, reception of the Eucharist, and prayer for the intentions of the Holy Father. A plenary indulgence offers remission of the temporal punishment due to sins already forgiven, which can be applied to oneself or to the souls in Purgatory

Feast of St Anne, Wednesday, July 26. There will be a 2pm Mass at both Indigenous churches to celebrate the grandmother of Jesus. At St Kateri it's preceded by a Novena at 6pm each evening, beginning Sunday, July 16. At Sacred Heart, Rosary in their cemetery will follow Mass. All are welcome. (The regular 7pm Mass at ICC will also be celebrated)

Pilgrimage to Medjugorje: There will be a Pilgrimage to Medjugorje, Bosnia and Herzegovina from September 16th to September 26th, 2023. Package Price - \$2,899.00 Canadian per person tax included (if available single supplement \$300.00). For more information or if interested please call Group Leader **Rhonda –Lynn Cormier-Clarke** at **902-448-3360**, or see posting at the Church Entrances.

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

Financial Update 2023 to the end of May - Immaculate Conception Parish:

	2023 Actual	2023 Budget	2022 Actual
Income	\$192,203	\$138,775	\$190,053
Expense	\$186,046 (corrected)	\$157,066	\$233,206
P/L	\$6,157	-\$18,291	-\$43,153

Our Income has remained steady but our expenses are still up compared to Budget. We are working to get our heating expenses under control. Our next update will be in September.