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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

September 17th, 2023

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Monday, 7:00pm - Keith Gillis (Birthday)

Tuesday, 12:15 pm - Paula Mac Quarrie (Birthday)

& † Ernest Falkenham

Wednesday, 7:00 pm - † James Whelan

& † Vincent Syliboy

Thursday, 7:00pm - † Leonard Mac Neil

Friday, 12:15pm - + Souls in Purgatory

& † Gregory Hodges

Saturday, 4:00pm - Callum Kearney

Sunday, 9:00am - † Diane Dionne

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday

4:00pm - Immaculate Conception, Truro

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

<u>Sunday</u>

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

<u>Holy Rosary</u> : In prayerful support of all our ministries, the rosary will be offered before every Sunday 9:00 am Mass, from 8:20 - 8:40 am. Everyone is invited to join us.

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, September 29th 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

Sept 3rd, 2023 Collection was - \$5,121.35 : ICC = \$3,687.60 ; St. Bridget's = \$912.50; St. Michael's = \$141.25; Sacred Heart = \$380.00 and Capital Campaign = \$75.00

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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

Email: office@icctruro.org

"Extend your mercy towards others, so that there can be no one in need whom you meet without helping. For what hope is there for us if God should withdraw His Mercy from us??" - Saint Vincent de Paul

Family Faith Formation: Would you like to share your time, talent and faith to the young children and youth of our Parish? Family Faith Formation is looking for members who would like to come forward and volunteer their time as Catechists. If you are interested, please contact Carla Field at **office@icctruro.org** or **902-893-7188**.

Sycamore is coming this Fall: An eight week program for introducing seekers to our Catholic faith and for existing Catholics to rediscover their faith. Series starts on the evening of **Tuesday**, **Oct 3rd** in Campbell Hall. Come and enjoy videos, fellowship, conversation and food...Invite a friend! Register on-line or you can also find registration forms at Church Entrances.

<u>Vacation</u>: Fr. Jim is away on vacation from **September 25th to October 6**. Fr Andrew and Fr Phil are available to fill in as necessary. Please pray for our priests that our Lord will protect and strengthen them to serve his people.

ICLA - The Immaculate Conception Ladies Auxiliary will hold their first fall meeting on Sunday, September 17th at 2:00 PM in Campbell Hall. Hope to see you all there.

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

<u>St. Michael's Church</u> will be *celebrating its 25th anniversary* since it's opening on September 29th, the feast of St. Michael's. Since Mass there is only celebrated once a week on Saturdays at 4:00 pm we will celebrate then, on *September 30th*, with Mass and a potluck feast and live music following Mass. Everyone is welcome

<u>Guatemala Outreach</u>: Plans have started for the 2023-24 Guatemala Outreach Stove Project. We will be travelling to Guatemala in 2024. A meeting is scheduled for **September 21, 7:00 pm** in **Campbell Hall** for anyone who would be interested in the project or have the potential to travel with the team in 2024. All are welcome.

<u>The Pastoral Care Ministry</u> will be holding its Workshop, given by Deacon Wilfred Boudreau, on *Saturday 23rd September* at *1:00 pm* in the **Kinsella Room** in the Immaculate Conception Church Basement. Looking forward to seeing all those on the team there. (Thank you, John Aubey)

Our Parish Picnic was a wonderful time with wonderful weather last Sunday. Many seniors and families came to enjoy the music, games, fellowship and BBQ. Special thanks to Della Boyle, the key organizer, along with her family, the Knights of Columbus, the Millbrook Indigenous drumming and dancing and several others who chipped in to help create smiling faces on everyone. Praise God for our faith community.

Life Chain 2023: Across Canada, on Sunday October 1st at 2:00 pm, Pro Life Groups will gather. Our group will meet on Willow St. near Sobeys Wholesale Store and Needs Store. We believe in the sacredness of life from conception, until natural death. This is a family event at which children are welcome. Please join us. Margaret Mead once said. "Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world." For more information contact: Gordan Mac Intyre -902-895-2614 or Gail Munro - 902-895-2296

<u>St. Vincent de Paul Society</u> is once again appealing to the generosity of our parishioners. We are still in need of a secretary, starting in September. For more info call **Paul Chisholm** at **902-897-0877** or **Janet Shea** at **902-843-0414**.