

# 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

October 29th, 2023

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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## **MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS**

### **WEEKEND MASSES**

Monday, 7:00 pm -† Kathleen Akerman

Tuesday, 12:15 pm - Jenny MacGillivray, † Tom Hanlon

Wednesday, 7:00 pm - † Stephen Estey, † Vincent Syliboy

Thursday, 7:00pm - † Magdalene Martin

Friday, 12:15pm - † Judy Bernard Julien; † Dana Gloade

Saturday, 4:00pm - † Virginia Townsend

Sunday, 9:00am - † June Patterson

# Saturday

4:00pm - Immaculate Conception, Truro

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

**Sunday** 

9:00am - Immaculate Conception, Truro

10:00am - St. Kateri, Indian Brook11:30am - Sacred Heart. Millbrook

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

<u>First Friday Mass, Nov 3</u>: - 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.

<u>First Saturday Mass, Nov 4</u>: Come join us as we celebrate First Saturday mass at 9:00 am followed by the Rosary & Devotions at Immaculate Conception Church.

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>Baptism Preparation</u>: 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, November 24th 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**

<u>Oct 22nd, 2023 Collection</u> was - \$3,872.30 : ICC = \$3,127.50; St. Michael's = \$85.10; Sacred Heart = \$312.50 ; St. Bridget's = \$347.20 and Capital Campaign = \$25.00

PARISH OFFICE HOURS: Monday - Thursday 10:00 am - 1:30 pm

Veritas Books & Gifts: Tuesday 10:00 am - 4:00 pm; or by appointment

(Nov 2) Celebration of All Souls with Masses take place in three churches: Sacred Heart at 6:00 pm, St. Kateri at 6:00 pm, and Immaculate Conception at 7:00 pm, all on Thursday, November 2nd. This is a liturgical tradition for remembering all those deceased in our personal families and in our family of faith with the celebration of Mass. Here we invite a representative, or a whole family, to come forward and to light a candle in remembrance. We encourage families of those recently deceased or of those whose families have not yet celebrated in this way. It is an expression of your love for them and all of our participation in the Communion of Saints. Those families with whom we celebrated a funeral liturgy in the past year have been sent invitations to join us.

(Nov 3) <u>Day of Prayer and Fasting</u>: During his Wednesday Audience, Pope Francis called for a day of fasting, penance and prayer for peace in the world. The Pope invited men and women of every Christian denomination, other religions, those committed to peace to participate in any way they feel is appropriate. At Immaculate Conception, we've scheduled from 9:00 am to 7:00 pm for silent Exposition and Adoration. We will repose the Blessed Sacrament for our regularly scheduled 12:15 pm Mass. Each church will have a Sign-Up sheet.

(Nov 4) Let's Accompany One Another... to the Assembly!: On November 4th we invite you to join people from across the Archdiocese of Halifax-Yarmouth to talk about accompaniment. What does the church mean by accompaniment? In short it's coming alongside one another and walking together on our faith journey. Like the disciples on the road to Emmaus, companioned one another in their grief but also their delight when they recognized that Jesus walked with them. Our guest speaker is André Regnier. Along with his wife Angèle, André founded Catholic Christian Outreach (CCO) in Saskatoon in 1988. For over three decades CCO has been affecting change in the lives of the students to whom it ministers, calling them to deeper conversion and a Christ-centered life. For over 30 years he has accompanied many university students and CCO staff as they seek to be missionary disciples. Learn from his experience and hare your own experiences with accompaniment!

When: November 4, 2023 Time 8:30 am to 4:00 pm - The Assembly will conclude with Mass.

Where: McNally Theatre, Saint May's University or ICC which is one of the hosting sites.

Cost: \$25.00 (includes lunch) For more information and to register visit : <a href="www.halifaxyarmouth.org/">www.halifaxyarmouth.org/</a> assembly

(Nov 10) <u>Dinner Theatre</u>: The Knights of Columbus are holding a Dinner Theatre evening in Campbell Hall on Friday November 10th. Tickets are available after Masses on Saturday and Sunday or by calling **A. Kennedy** at 902-956-1793. Doors open at 6:00 pm.

(*Nov 11*) <u>ICLA</u>: The Ladies Auxiliary will be hosting a social after the *4:00 pm* Mass on **November 11th**. Sweets/ Sandwiches and refreshments will be served. Everyone is invited to join us in Campbell Hall!

(Nov 18) Magnificat Women's Prayer Brunch: Mary, Queen of Peace, Magnificat is coming to Truro! - November 18, at 10:00 am in Campbell Hall. Finally! The morning will consist of a hot catered breakfast, prayer and praise and a witness talk by guest speaker Maria Thibault. You can read more about Maria on the brochure poster located on the Church Bulletin boards. Pre-registration is required. On-line registration form can be found @ https://forms.gle/A62fotowh7ULouqHA To register via phone or for more details contact Ann Huntley at 902 489 7632 or email: annhuntley@hotmail.com Visit our Facebook https://www.facebook.com/groups/1304730336580937 Bring a friend, daughter, sister, niece, aunt, mother, grandmother! See you on the 18th!

<u>Kane's Kitchen</u>: Every year, Kane's Kitchen asks for candy donations at Christmas time. This year, the Kane's Kitchen Committee would like to receive boxes of chocolates, instead of candy for the Christmas donation. Thank you for your support and generosity.

<u>Salvation Army and Warm Items</u>: As the weather turns colder, there are many in our community who are hugely impacted and find life very tough. They are receiving donations of gently used sleeping bags, warm blankets and tents at their office at 14 Outram Street, Truro; Tuesday thru Friday, 9:00 am to 1:00 pm

<u>ICLA and Foodbank:</u> Now until Nov 12th we are accepting donations of **hand soap or bar soap**, for the Colchester Food Bank. Donations can be left in the Baskets at the Church entrances after weekend Masses.

<u>Family Faith Formation</u>: Family Gathering this Sunday, October 29, immediately after 9:00 am Mass. The session theme this week centers around the <u>Word of God</u>. Parents and children be sure to sign in and join us for our Gathering in Kinsella I & II.

<u>Family Mass</u>: Begins at **9:00** am in Immaculate Conception on **Sunday Nov 5**. We encourage families to participate in all aspects of the liturgy and Fr. Jim will have the children gather near the Altar for the Homily.

**Youth Night:** Continues with our 3rd session of Alpha for Youth. We will be exploring the *Cross: Why Did Jesus Die?* Fell free to bring a friend. Parents are welcome!

<u>Confirmation Prep Levels (Level 9 & 10)</u>: Be sure to read the email send this week and attend the Monday night session for more *Sacramental Prep* information!

<u>Class Action Suit</u>: 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 on our webpage.

This notice was approved by the Supreme Court of Nova Scotia NOTICE OF SETTLEMENT IN CLASS ACTION

To all individuals who were sexually abused by a priest of the Roman Catholic Episcopal Corporation of Halifax or Roman Catholic Episcopal Corporation of Yarmouth between April 14, 1954 and March 31, 2020 and have not previously settled or otherwise released either the Roman Catholic Episcopal Corporation of Halifax or Roman Catholic Episcopal Corporation of Yarmouth.

The Court has approved a settlement which provides compensation to eligible class members who file a claim for sexual assault and meet the requirements of the claims process.

If you opted out of the class action, the settlement will not impact you. If you are part of the lawsuit as a Class Member, you can submit a claim for a payment of money as compensation. The amount of money that you may receive will depend on the specifics of the claim you submit. The potential amount of money to be paid to a Class Member whose claim is accepted will likely range from \$30,000 to \$350,000.

For further information, visit https://kmlaw.ca/cases/catholic-priest-sexual-abuse-class-action/ or call 1-833-630-1785, or email catholicabuseclassaction@kmlaw.ca.

You must submit your claim for compensation before December 14, 2023. If you do not submit your claim for compensation before December 14, 2023, you will lose your right to compensation.

**Gluten Free hosts** A reminder that they are available in each church. Please advise a Welcome Coordinator of your request prior to Mass. At Communion, approach the priest, usually in the center aisle, and advise him "Gluten Free". He will retrieve it from the Altar in a pyx and hand it to you to open. Return it to the priest for emptying in your palm. The priest retains the pyx.

**Mass Intentions**. Would you like a Mass offered for the intention of a loved one or for the repose of the soul of a deceased. If so, please visit our website or our office to make arrangements. Should you wish a specific date or church, please advise a month in advance.



# **Thank You!**

We would like to say a **BIG** Thank You to *Mary Fancy* for her donation of the new Altar Cloth!

And....

We want to thank all of our wonderful volunteers who are giving of their time and working to build the Kingdom of God!