



Immaculate Conception Parish

With the Churches of :
Immaculate Conception Church, Truro; St. Michael's Church, Brule;
St Kateri, Indian Brook; Sacred Heart, Millbrook;
St. Bridget's, Shubenacadie

Welcome Everyone!

A special welcome to new parishioners and visitors to our Parish!

August 11, 2024



“I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for life of the world is my flesh.”

John 6.51

Introduction to this Sunday's Liturgy

We are reminded again today of the sustenance God provides us. In the first reading, Elijah is on the verge of dying of hunger and thirst. God sends him an angel, who brings him a hearth cake and a jug of water, which sustains him on his journey across the desert to the mountain of God. In the Gospel, Jesus tells the huge crowd whom he had fed with five loaves and two fish that he is the bread of life, bread that will enable all those who eat it to live forever. God has given us the sustenance we need to make our journeys through this life and to the next.

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Monday, **NO MASS**

Tuesday, 12:15 - † Jim Casey

Wednesday, 7:00 - † Roddie MacDonnell

Thursday, 7:00 pm - **NO MASS OR ADORATION**

Friday, 12:15 pm - † Theresa Fleming

Saturday, 4:00 pm - † Rico Fernandez

Sunday, 9:00 am - † Bill Lake

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

WE HAVE A NEW FACEBOOK PAGE!

Please visit our new Facebook page, and click on 'Follow' so that you will receive updates on events, Sunday readings, Inspirational messages, and more. The page will be updated at least once a week. Use your phone to photograph the QR Code below, and then click on the small Facebook logo when it appears on your phone. Or you can simply search for Immaculate Conception Parish, Nova Scotia while you're on Facebook.



Veritas Books and Gifts, Veritas Books and Gifts, Truro Store offers many opportunities to share and grow our faith through books, rosaries, cards and gifts. In addition we have many good quality used books on sale for great summer reading.

August we are available by appointment, call us at 902 893-7188 Ext 6.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament : Thursdays from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm and after the 7:00 pm Mass, ending with 8:00 pm Benediction.

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 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 27, 2024** 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.

Marriage Preparation : For those wishing to be married at the Immaculate Conception Parish, please contact the Parish Office at least one year in advance.

COLLECTION UPDATE

Previous Week's Collection was: ICC = \$3542.45; St. Michael's = \$439.75

Sacred Heart =\$255.00; St. Bridget's= \$383.00; St. Kateri \$121.25

Capital Projects \$ 1211.00



Alpha Explore ... Life, Faith, Meaning. What is Alpha? Alpha is a way to inspire and equip churches to create a space where people from any background can encounter Jesus. Soon registration will open for our Fall session of Alpha. Only want to sample it? Then, our first evening will be a Come and See evening. Stay tuned!



In The 7 Secrets of the Eucharistic Catholic author Vinny Flynn gives us some amazing insights about the Eucharist. He says in the opening of this You Tube video that his goal is that each one of us after listening to this talk our life is completely different; that we would never look at the Eucharist in the same way again. Use your phone to photograph the QR Code , click scan page and it will take you to the you tube video.



EVENTS:



Eucharistic Congress 2024

Eucharistic Congress Registration NOW Open!

What are you doing **October 17-20**? We hope you're joining us for our first diocesan Eucharistic Congress! What is the a Eucharistic Congress? In short, a Eucharistic Congress is an powerful way to unite the Church, where our diocesan family of faith can gather to worship Our Lord in the Eucharist through the communal celebration of the Mass. Along with Masses there will be a variety of opportunities to dig deeper into our understanding of the gift of the Eucharist. These types of gatherings reaffirm and re-emphasize the source and summit of our faith, putting Jesus where he belongs—at the center.

When: October 17-20, 2024

Where: Good Shepherd Parish and Saint Mary's Cathedral Basilica

Cost: \$25 for full Congress registration
\$10 for a day pass

To find out more about the Congress and to register visit: www.halifaxymouth.org/congress2024

Use your phone to photograph the QR Code , click scan page and it will take you to the website.



John Chapter 6 known as the Bread of Life Discourse gives us Jesus teaching on the Eucharistic. For the next 6 weeks this will be our Sunday Gospel readings. Check out this important teaching with Dr. Brant Pitre in this You Tube video

"Study on the Eucharist Episode 7: Bread of Life Discourse". Use your phone to photograph the QR Code , click scan page and it will take you to the website.

https://youtu.be/_OEwtzt5MI?si=of0vmRrQsCLKnbg



PRAYER IN THE PARK Please join us on Tuesday, August 13th at 7 pm for Prayer in the Park - please note the change of day to Tuesday. Bring your family and friends for music and prayers and fellowship. Ron Fougere will be leading the music Bring a blanket or lawn chairs as seating is limited. And be ready to make a joyful noise in God's amazingly beautiful world. There is parking on Bayview St. If you have any questions please contact Carol at adult.outreach.icp@gmail.com



September 8th Annual Parish Picnic. Join us on Sunday afternoon from **4 to 6 pm** at Immaculate Conception Church. We'll have free food from the BBQ, drinks, ice cream and games for families. Join us for lots of fun. If it rains, we'll move into Campbell Hall.



Jubilee 2025 is coming!

Pope Francis writes that "the Jubilee has always been an event of great spiritual, ecclesial, and social significance in the life of the Church." He recalled that ever since the year 1300, which marked the first Holy Year, "God's holy and faithful people has experienced this celebration as a special gift of grace, characterized by the forgiveness of sins and in particular by the indulgence, which is a full expression of the mercy of God."



Family Faith Formation (FFF News):

"Because FAITH is best taught and lived out in the family, the Church calls parents to be the first and foremost educators of their children."

Children's Liturgy Weekly at the 9am Mass will resume in September.

Youth Night every Monday from 6:45-8:30 will resume in September.

Confirmation Prep every Monday from 6:45-8:30 will resume in September.

Stay Tuned for registration details for September. Blessed summer to all!

ANNOUNCEMENTS CALENDAR:

(August 12) No 7:00 pm Mass. There will be no mass on Monday evening while Fr. Jim is on vacation.

(August 5 to 19) Fr Jim is on Vacation. He is on the second of his two part vacation. This year he travels to Mexico City on pilgrimage to Our Lady of Guadalupe. There he will pray for all of you, our parishioners, and the many ministries which serve our parish and community needs. Please pray for a deepening of his spiritual life and for his well being that he will lead our parish in a way most pleasing to our Father in heaven.

(August 10 & 11) We'Kopekitk Competition Pow Wow. This Pow Wow will be at 15 John B Trail Millbrook.

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(August 15) No Mass and No Adoration at ICC on the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary_Thursday, August 15 at ICC. Rather, parishioners are invited to **noon Mass at St Mary's Basilica** in celebration of our Diocesan Feast Day.

Aug 18) No 10am Mass at St Kateri that Sunday. Fr Phil and many parishioners are away on a St Anne de Beaupre pilgrimage. May they have a blessed trip.

Oct 17-20) Eucharistic Congress Preparations in our Parish Mark your calendar for First Thursdays Observance taking place each month to continue raising awareness of our Eucharistic Congress in October. The regular 7pm Mass Setting will be replaced with a Votive Mass of the Blessed Sacrament. Please come worship and then adore our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament which follows the Mass, finishing with Benediction at approximately 8pm. Silent Adoration also takes place each Thursday from 10am-noon at Immaculate Conception Church.

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

Veritas Books and Gifts: By Appointment only. Please contact the parish office at 902-893-7188