

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!

September 29, 2024 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time



"For no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me. Whoever is not against us is for us. "

Mark 9.41

Introduction to this Sunday's Liturgy

Moses' loyal lieutenant Joshua and Jesus' beloved disciple John each protest that seemingly undeserving people are acting in the Lord's name. Moses and Jesus both respond by basically saying that the spirit blows where it will and we humans cannot bottle it in. We also hear both James and Jesus warn us of the consequences of sin. May we heed their warnings as we take comfort in the Holy Spirit's presence within us, guiding us in the right ways.

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MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Monday, 7:00 pm- NO MASS

Tuesday, 12:15 - NO MASS

Wednesday,7:00 - NO MASS

Thursday, 7:00 pm - † Elie Zoghaib & Deceased Parents

Friday, 12:15 pm -† Richard Flynn

Saturday, 4:00 pm - † Josephine McInnes

Sunday, 9:00 am - † Sonia Fatima De Souza

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

<u>A Message from Morgan Wilson</u> After a wonderful opening retreat on the Eucharist with Archbishop Dunn, and a relaxing group weekend, I am back in the seminary routine. I have really enjoyed the theology classes so far, and I think it will be a great semester! The parish community back home remains in my prayers, and I hope everyone has a blessed start to the fall season.

<u>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</u>: 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.

<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.

<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 29, 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.

<u>Marriage Preparation</u>: 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 = \$3353.3; St. Michael's = \$220.00 Sacred Heart = \$517.00; St. Bridget = 330.00; St. Kateri= \$213.00

Capital Projects \$25.00

The Knights of Columbus are planning a Christmas concert for the parish on December 14th. We are proposing an evening of Christmas carols and songs by individuals and groups from the parish, including participation from the various ethnic groups that make up our community. If you would like to be involved, please contact Len Limpert at 902-893-4769 or len.limpert@eastlink.ca

Let's start a new tradition in our church for the Christmas season!

ICLA next meeting will be on Oct. 6/24 because of the holiday on our usual 3rd Sun.

Alzheimer Society Caregiver Education Series: 6 Thursdays, from October 17-November 21, 10am-12pm Immanuel Baptist Church, 295 Young Street, Truro. A series for family members and care partners of people recently diagnosed with dementia. Participants will learn about the symptoms of dementia, coping strategies, future planning issues, and available community resources. The program is FREE. Registration is required by calling: 1-800-611-6345.

<u>Veritas Catholic Books and Gifts</u>, located at Immaculate Conception Church ,Truro is open on Tuesdays10 a.m. to 3 p.m. or by appointment by calling 902 893-7188





"Communion to Heal The World" - Matthew 23:8 Sign up for the WAIT LIST even though the Congress is SOLD OUT!

Thank you! Over 600 people have registered for the Congress. As we determine whether we can add more space, we have enabled a wait list function in our registration system. Click here to be added to the wait list. This link can be shared with parishioners. It will also be shared in tomorrow's Halifax-Yarmouth News Service.

Livestreaming the Congress

The Congress will be livestreamed in full on Friday evening (Oct 18). Immaculate Conception will host a live streaming event in Campbell Hall. The livestream schedule for the rest of the Congress will be decided shortly and shared.

Use Metro Transit for Free!

Metro Transit approved the use of our Congress lanyard name badge to access Metro Transit buses and ferries for **FREE** for the duration of the Congress. So from October 18 to October 20 everyone registered for the Congress can ride Metro Transit for free! For example, those not able to do the procession can hop on the 1 Spring Garden bus at the stop in front of Saint Agnes which will bring them to a bus stop in front of Saint Mary's Cathedral Basilica in approximately 10 mins. Start planning your Congress travel now https://www.halifax.ca/transportation/halifax-transit/routes-schedules

Shuttle Bus from Truro and return, on Saturday We have spaces available on the bus! It departs at 7:30am from Truro and 7:45pm from the Basilica. Better still, a space at the Congress is reserved for each passenger. Please contact Trish at our office to reserve your seat for both. The bus cost is heavily subsidized at \$20:00 return fare, plus \$10 for the Congress Day Pass.

ALPHA Come and See Night

This Tuesday, 1 October @ 6:00 pm in Campbell Hall. Curious? Come and see what it's all about. No commitment necessary. Bring your questions. Bring your appetite.

Bring your friends! Please RSVP (call the Parish Office @ (902) 893-7188 or RSVP on line @ https://icctruro.org/alpha-registration/ so we have enough food. Just come and see! Alpha is a series of videos centered around a meal and conversation in a smaller group setting. Prefer to listen? Come and Listen. Hope you'll join us on Tuesday.



Jubilee 2025 Pilgrimage

Would a group at our parish be interested in making a pilgrimage to Rome during the Jubilee Year in 2025? Collete Tours has a series of faith-based tours (and many other types of tours!) and is offering a specific 2025 Jubilee: The Holy Year - A Pilgrimage to Rome and Assisi. If a pastor or group of parishioners is looking to customize their own Jubilee pilgrimage or want to

explore what options are available contact Nick Levasseur at Collette to learn more. Nick can be reached at (613).301.7076 or nlevasseur@collette.com He is happy to help your pastor and parishes plan a pilgrimage!

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."

Registration for All Levels Time to register! All levels on line or in person.

Family-Centered Mass Sunday, 6 October @ 9 am

FFF Classes -- (Levels 1-2; 3; 4-5; Parents) Sunday, 6 October – after Mass – snacks served downstairs. See you in Kinsella!

Youth Night – (Levels 6-8, 9 & 10) Monday, 7 October - 6:30 - 8:30 pm

Children's Liturgy of the Word Sunday, 13 October @ 9 am Mass

Mass Activity Booklets Available @ entrance of the church

ANNOUNCEMENTS CALENDAR:

(Sept. 23rd to Oct. 23rd) No Mass on Mondays while Fr Andrew is on vacation. Please pray for his blessed trip to his home land, Poland.

((Sept. 30th) National Day for Reconciliation and Healing, a federal statutory holiday. While education was a positive for many Indigenous, it provides us with a chance to recognize and commemorate the intergenerational harm that residential schools have caused to Indigenous families and communities, and to honour those who have been affected by injustices. Please come and celebrate with us.

(Oct 1) No Mass Tuesday. Fr Jim will be celebrating Treaty Day at St Mary's Cathedral Basilica. All are invited for a 10am celebration.

(Oct 2) Evening of Prayer in Anticipation of the Eucharistic Congress at St Michael's on Wednesday, Oct 2 from 6-7:30pm with Mass followed by Adoration.

Oct 2) No Mass at ICC on Wednesday. You are invited to make a pilgrimage to Brule.

(Oct 3rd) Day long Adoration 10am-6:30pm and 7:30-8pm, following Mass. In anticipation of our Eucharistic Congress, we recognize the ancient Harvest Festival Pilgrimage to Jerusalem. Now a spiritual pilgrimage to the New Jerusalem, it recalls the Jewish pilgrimage of Sukkot. It's one of the three festivals that were celebrated until 70 CE. On Sukkot, Jews commemorate the Exodus from Egypt (c.13th century BCE) and give thanks for a bountiful harvest. Come, let us make a visit to where our Lord is present and give thanks for our earthly journey towards heaven, the New Jerusalem. Please sign up on the record sheet at the entrance to each church that every hour is filled by your one or more adorers.

(Oct 4th) "Blessing of the Animals." 5pm on Friday, October 4 at Immaculate Conception Church and we'll join people all over the world in celebrating the feast day of the Patron Saint of Animals, Saint Francis of Assisi. It's customary that animals are led to churches for a special ceremony. Please bring your pet to the Church at 669 Prince St, Truro for the blessing. It'll be outdoors (weather permitting).

(Oct. 6th) "Blessing of the Animals," At St. Bridget's after mass.

(Oct. 5th) First Saturday Mass, Rosary and Devotions at 9 am. Why the First Saturday? Because Our Lady through Sister Lucia at Fatima calls us to pray in Communion and Reparation to her Immaculate Heart for peace and the salvation of souls and Jesus confirms this call. First Saturday pamphlets are available at our church entrances.

(Oct.6th)"Life Chain". You are welcome to join us on Sunday, Oct. 6th from2:00-3:00 We know that all life matters and, we promote the choosing of life within the womb. We gather in front of the TRA Store/A&W, on Willow St. We begin and end with prayer. If you cannot attend then we ask that you join us in prayer for women who have had an abortion and those who are considering one. God's love and mercy can make a difference. For more info call, Millie at 902-897-0131.

(Oct. 7th) Feast of the Holy Rosary The Catholic Church dedicates October to the Holy Rosary and celebrates on October 7th. Pray daily especially for peace.

(Oct. 8th) Chalice Share (Canada) will be hosting a Come & See at ICC at 6:30pm. For more Information, please contact Dianne Kelderman (diannefk@eastlink.ca), the Parish Liaison, or Selvi Roy (selviroy@chalice.ca), the Chalice Share Coordinator.

(Oct.19th) THERE IS NO 4PM MASS on Saturday, October 19, at any church in our Diocese. All priests will attend the Congress.

(Oct.25th-27th) Sons of Issachar Men's Retreat Join Fr. Mark Cherry at Our Lady of Grace Monastery. The theme is "The Lord will Raise up a Banner." For more information contact Rhonda-Lynn at 902-448-3660 or visit www.ourladyofgrace.com

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