



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!

November 3, 2024

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time



“Hear, O Israel: the Lord our God, the Lord is one; you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength. You shall love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these.”

Introduction to this Sunday's Liturgy

In this month of November, we Catholics remember in a special way all those who have died. We pray for and to our loved ones who have passed away, secure in the hope that they are, in the words from today's Gospel, “not far from the kingdom of God.” Jesus teaches us today that loving God with all our being and loving our neighbor as ourselves will put us on the road to eternal life. Let us take that to heart as we thank and praise God for the promise of heaven.

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Monday, 7:00 pm -† Nancy Mellish

Tuesday, 12:15 - † Curt Evans; † Jordan Denny

Wednesday, 7:00 - † Cheryl MacDonald; † Sarah Sack

Thursday, 7:00 pm - Michael Long

Friday, 12:15pm -† Tracey Knight; † Doreen Knockwood

Saturday, 4:00 pm - † Irene O'Brien

Sunday, 9:00 am - † Kate Adams

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday

4:00 pm - Immaculate Conception, Truro

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

Sunday

9:00 am - Immaculate Conception, Truro

10:00 am - St. Kateri, Indian Brook

11:30 am - Sacred Heart, Millbrook

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

St. Kateri Weekly First Communion classes start Sunday Oct 20th, after Mass. All children ages 7+ and or grades 2+ are welcome to attend. Parents are encouraged & are also welcomed. Please contact Terry Knockwood 902 750-0335 with any questions.



ICLA will be selling 50/50 tickets on block numbers for \$10.00 each and also tickets of a gift card tree at \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00. Before the 4:00pm and after the 9:00am mass.

The Knights of Columbus

The Knights of Columbus are planning a multi cultural Christmas concert for the parish on Friday, December 6th. We are proposing an evening of Christmas carols and songs by individuals and groups from within the parish, including participation from our various cultural groups. We would like to see various groups singing in their native tongues and even their native Christmas dress. If you would like to be involved please contact Len Limpert at 902-893-4769 or by email at len.limpert@eastlink.ca



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, **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.

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

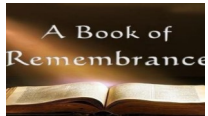
COLLECTION UPDATE



Previous Week's Collection was: ICC = \$4395.05 ; St. Michael's = \$345.00

Sacred Heart = \$437.80 St. Bridget's = \$670.00 St. Kateri = \$150.00

Capital Projects = \$320.00



Book of Remembrance In the foyer of each church throughout November you're welcome to add the names of your deceased loved ones. They will be remembered at each Mass during November. God rest their soul and may we one day greet them again.

Veritas Catholic Books and Gifts, located at Immaculate Conception Church, Truro and is open on Tuesdays 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. or by appointment by calling 902 893-7188.

VERITAS
Catholic Books & Gifts

“Unite the Clans” Nova Scotians United for Life (NSUL) are hosting a Unite the Clans Pro-Life Town Hall meeting **Saturday November 23 9:00-1:00** at St. Vincent de Paul Church, 320 Flying Cloud Drive in Dartmouth NS. Pro-lifers from across the Maritimes are invited to attend. The purpose of this event is to create a community of pro-lifers so that no one feels isolated, to provide tools and resources that pro-lifers can take back to their communities by capturing ideas and best practices from four acclaimed speakers. There is no charge to attend. In addition a no charge lunch will be provided by The Knights of Columbus Council 11456, therefore pre-registration is required as seating is limited. Registration deadline is Wednesday, November 20th. Interested parties are asked to RSVP to David Palmer at davidjpalmer62@gmail.com or call 902-423-3114.



Jubilee 2025 Pilgrimage

Would a group at our parish be interested in making a pilgrimage to Rome during the Jubilee Year in 2025? Collette 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."

NET is coming !! National Evangelization Team Monday, 4 November 6:00-8:30

NET sends Teams of young adults into dioceses all over Canada to share their faith in schools and churches helping youth to continue to engage in their Catholic faith. This dynamic evening retreat will include a meal, Mass, fun activities, small groups, personal testimony, prayer and more. All youth are welcome and encourage to bring their friends (*Catholic; non-Catholic; churched or unchurched – bring 'em along!*).



Youth Nite (bring friends!) Meets Mondays 6:30-8:30 Catechesis Grades 6-8 Alpha for Youth /Bible Blast. Grade 9 & up Sacrament of Confirmation Chosen: Journey to Confirmation.

Family Faith Formation Catechesis Grades 1- 5 AND Parents, please accompany your children. **Sundays after the 9am Mass Bi-Weekly 10:15-11:30** This week October 27th is a Home Lesson. If you don't have your lesson feel free to pick one up downstairs on the notice rack.

Children's Liturgy of the Word Preschool age + Sundays during the 9am Mass. Process together downstairs after the Opening Prayer.

Family Centered Mass Sunday November 3rd @ 9am. Sign Up Now! Sign up downstairs or email icp.familyfaithformation@gmail.com

Mass Activity Booklets Available weekly at the church entrances. A guide through the Mass.

Adult/Parent Sessions Sundays. The next session is **November 3rd @ 10:30am**. For **ALL** adults (not just parents of young children in the FFF program). Body and Blood -This is a 5 week series on the Eucharist. Grab a coffee or tea in the Hall and come on down!

ANNOUNCEMENTS CALENDAR:

(Nov 2) Syro Malabar Catholic Rite Mass at 6pm on the First Saturday of each month. All are welcome to experience this different Rite of our Catholic family having its roots in India. There are 23 Catholic Rites and worshipping at any meets our weekly obligation. Ours, the Latin (Roman) Rite, is the largest. Others you may have heard of include: Coptic, Ethiopic, Maronite, Ukrainian, Armenian, Byzantine, Russian, Slovak, etc.

(Nov 3) Clocks Fall Back A friendly reminder that next weekend daylight savings time ends at 2:00am Sunday, November 3rd. So don't forget to turn your clocks back one hour before you go to bed on Saturday night so you won't be too early for Mass on Sunday morning!



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(Nov 6th) TRIVIA NIGHT! The St. Vincent de Paul Society will be holding a Trivia Night on the first and third Wednesday evenings of each month from 7:30 to 9:00. Individuals or teams can participate and compete for cash and other prizes. Admission is \$5 at the door, there will also be a 50/50 ticket draw and there will be a cash bar where beverages and snacks are available. All proceeds raised will be used to help our neighbors in need in our community. Please come join us for fun filled Wednesday evenings that will also benefit the less fortunate members of our community.



(Nov 8th) Evidence for God and Christianity Presentation: David Palmer, founder of FAR180.COM, (faith and reason, changing attitudes 180°) will be giving a presentation at ICC from 7-8pm, for the evidence for God and Christianity, which is beyond any reasonable doubt, followed by a light reception. Unlike other religions, Christianity is not one to be believed, by blind faith, but by logic and reason, which then makes one more comfortable and confident to share.

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Saint Vincent De Paul Society Help Line: 902-897-0222

Chalice Share (Truro) is 902-252-3917 ext 108

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