



# *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!

### *July 27, 2025*

## *17th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

### *World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly*



"So I say to you: Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened."

Luke 11.9-10

#### **Introduction to this Sunday's Liturgy**

When we want something from a friend, whether it's something they have or a favor they could do for us, we normally just go ahead and ask. Jesus tells his disciples today that we should approach God the same way. He assures us that the Father in heaven listens to our prayers and that we should persist in prayer, for we are a needy people, ultimately dependent on God. Our lives are in God's hands and so we pray that God watches over us, forgives us, and has mercy on us, as we proclaim when praying how Jesus taught us.

### **MASSES & INTENTIONS at Immaculate Conception Church**

Monday, 7:00 pm - † Ernie Falkenham

Tuesday, 12:15 pm- † Laura (Margie) Hill; Bill Whelan

Wednesday, 7:00 pm - † Karl McPhee; † Leo Rovers

Thursday, 7:00 pm- † Connor Keaveney

Friday, 12:15 pm- † Kenneth Patrick Gloade; † Barb Paul

Saturday, 4:00pm - † Richard & Dianne Connolly

Sunday, 9:00 am - † Peter Grant

### **WEEKEND MASSES**

#### **Saturday**

**4:00 pm** - Immaculate Conception, Truro

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

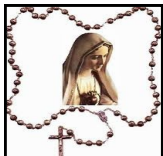
#### **Sunday**

**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



**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.



**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.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation** :30 mins prior to weekday Masses or by appointment.



**St. Michael's Prayer Group** has changed their prayer group's day and time. It was on Wednesday's at 7pm and has been changed to **Sundays at 3:30 pm** at the church. All are welcome.



#### **Pope Leo's Prayer Intention for \*\*\*July\*\*\***

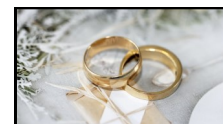
For formation in discernment. Let us pray that we might again learn how to discern, to know how to choose paths of life, and reject everything that leads us away from Christ and the Gospel.

**Parish Jubilees 2025** Please see the linked 10-minute video which explains the upcoming Parish Jubilees in the Fall of 2025: <https://youtu.be/l4HTVgwYKIA> Diocesan and parish Jubilees in the fall of 2025 are from September through December, parishes will host four Jubilee events, each focused on one of the diocese's pastoral priorities: Catechesis (September 21), Evangelization (October 19), Social Justice (November 16), and Liturgy (December 7). These dates may be adjusted slightly to accommodate the needs of individual parishes. Each event will include liturgical elements such as blessings and commissioning for those involved in ministries related to that month's theme. In addition, parishes will gather for reflection through video presentations and other materials developed collaboratively by the diocese and the local parish community.



**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 31st** 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. While not always necessary, a year in advance is recommended.



## COLLECTION UPDATE

**Previous Week's Collection** was: ICC = \$3646.95; St. Michael's = \$140.00  
Sacred Heart= \$538.00; St. Bridget's = \$354.00; St. Kateri = \$163.55  
Capital= \$290.00



**Sign up for EWTN (Eternal Word Television Network).** This Catholic Network began in 1981, with a \$200 investment, a makeshift studio in Irondale, Alabama monastery garage and one on air personality, Mother Angelica herself! EWTN, now the largest Catholic media network in the world, reaches more than 380 million TV homes in 145 countries and territories, and draws millions more to its online resources, radio networks and publications. What hasn't changed since that first broadcast in the mission with Mother Angelica and EWTN, to spread the eternal word of Jesus Christ, the Way, the Truth and the Life. They may be accessed on television (Cable companies charge a nominal \$3.00 fee) or online for free. To enjoy their programming, contact your TV provider or download their app from an app store.

**Pastoral Care.** By the Grace of God we have the essential ministry of bringing Communion to shut-ins. However, additional members are needed to meet the need of this ministry. Is our Lord calling you to serve in this heart moving ministry? Please contact John Aubey for more details. (506) 624-3431



**Fundraiser for Evangelization Events!!!** We are now accepting donations of your refundables. The account is set up at the Subway Bottle Exchange, 25 Pictou Rd. to offset the cost of activities planned for evangelization events. For your convenience your cans, bottles etc. can be left in the blue bin at the Campbell Hall entrance of ICC. Thank you!!

## 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."*

**Family Mass** - Will resume in the Fall. Although, anyone interested in remaining involved in a monthly Mass ministry may contact the Parish Office to sign up.

**Children's Liturgy of the Word** - Sundays during 9 am Mass.

## Catechism Classes



**FFF Classes** - Will resume in the Fall (biweekly after 9 am Mass).

**Registration** - You can register now for the Fall session. We have an **early bird special \$40.00 (there are family discounts)** for all classes until August 30th. After August 30th the cost will be \$50.00. Register online or at the registration table at Sunday social starting July 27th. If you have any questions please contact Bella at [icp.familyfaithformation@gmail.com](mailto:icp.familyfaithformation@gmail.com)

**Youth** - (grade 6 and up) - Mondays - 6:30 - 8:30 pm. Will resume in the fall.

Please contact the Parish if financial assistance is needed.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS CALENDAR:

**(July 25-31) Visit of Saint Andre Bessette** . This summer the Archdiocese will host a visit of the reliquary of Saint André Bessette from July 25 to July 31, 2025. Several of our parishes, including St. André Bessette Parish, will host a number of gatherings to offer the opportunity to pray with and venerate the relic. For more details scan the QR code to see the schedule of events.



**(July 26) Feast of St Anne**, Saturday There will be a 2pm Mass at both Indigenous churches to celebrate the grandmother of Jesus. At St Kateri it's preceded by a Novena at 6pm each evening, beginning Sunday, July 16. At Sacred Heart, prayers in their cemetery will follow Mass. All are welcome.



**(July 27 ) World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly (WDGE) 2025**, will be celebrated on **Sunday, July 27, 2025**, close to the Feast of Saints Anne and Joachim, grandparents of Jesus (July 26). The theme is **"Blessed are those who have not lost hope."** (cf. Sirach 14:2). Let us take this opportunity to uplift grandparents and the elderly, cherishing them as blessings in our faith community!

**(Aug 3) No Sunday Mass at St Kateri**. Fr Phil will accompany parishioners on pilgrimage to St Anne de Beaupre Aug 1-6. God keep them safe and blessed on their pilgrimage.

**(Aug 3 & 6) Altar Server Meeting** . On Sunday Aug. 3rd at 10:30 and Wednesday Aug 6th at 7:30, all inspiring altar servers and their parents are invited to come to this meeting for information in our upcoming program and training. Jake Erediano the leader of this ministry, will be there to answer any questions or concerns. Hope to see you all there!

**(Aug 9 & 10) New Members Welcome**. We invite our recently registered families, anyone new and those considering us as their parish. You're invited to visit with Fr Jim and Bella Rochon following our weekend Masses. We want to welcome you while you get to know other parishioners. We'll also share a little about what we envision for our parish. Please join us following 4pm Saturday or 9am Sunday Mass at Immaculate Conception Church.

**(Aug 15) No Mass Friday at ICC**. Rather, **the Assumption of Blessed Virgin Mary**, our Diocesan Feast Day, will be celebrated at noon at St Mary's Cathedral Basilica. Parishioners are warmly invited to join our clergy at this Solemnity Mass.

**(Sept. 6-18) Pilgrimage to Medjugorje**. Join Spiritual Director Fr. Mark Cherry and Group Leader Rhonda-Lynn Cormier-Clarke on the Sacred Heart Evangelization and Healing Ministry pilgrimage to Medjugorje. The cost is \$3699.00 per person tax included. The deposit is due now. Spaces and time are limited so book as soon as possible by calling Rhonda-Lynn at 902-448-3660.



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