

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 28, 2025 26th Sunday In Ordinary Time



Even the richest person cannot buy salvation. This comes from being faithful to the word of God.

MASSES & INTENTIONS at Immaculate Conception Church

Monday, 7:00 pm - NO MASS

Tuesday, 12:15 pm-† Dr. Joseph Raymond Long

Wednesday, 7:00 pm - Fr. Andrew

Thursday, 7:00 pm- † John Ballard

Friday, 12:15 pm- Fred Burke

Saturday, 4:00pm - † Socrates Ariosa

Sunday, 9:00 am -† Anthony & Margaret Giffiths

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.

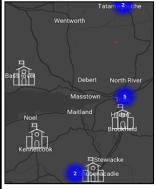
<u>Holy Rosary</u>: In prayerful support of all our ministries, the rosary will be offered before every Sunday 9:00 am Mass, from 8:20 -8:40 am. Everyone is invited to join us.

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



Pope Leo's Prayer Intention for ***September*** For our relationship with all of creation

Let us pray that, inspired by Saint Francis, we might experience our interdependence with all creatures who are loved by God and worthy of love and respect.



<u>LET US PRAY FOR OUR STUDENTS</u> These are extraordinary times. And these students are extraordinary too. They are a digitally savvy generation who are inclusive, authentic, and curious. But they are struggling with anxiety and loneliness. They are looking for hope. Meaning. Purpose. And they are open — one of the most spiritually open generations in history. Our parish has committed to pray for our students at CEC, École Acadienne de Truro, Central Colchester Junior High School, Bible Hill Junior High School, Colchester Christian Academy, Tatamagouche Regional Academy, Northumberland Christian School, South Colchester Academy, West Colchester Consolidated School, L'nu Sipuk Kina'muokuom School, École Secondaire de Clare, Hants East Rural High School. Please join us at home or at Intercessory prayer meetings at any of our churches.

October is dedicated to the Most Holy Rosary Our Lady asked for this devotion at Fatima. Our Lady of Fatima, Pray for us! Please make a special effort to join in one of the scheduled times in each church, as listed below. Following Friday Mass, we'll pray with Our Lady of the Rosary for Peace and for our Priests.

October Rosary Schedule

St. Michael 330pm each Saturday

Immaculate Conception 1245pm each Friday; 820am each Sunday.

Saint Kateri 930am each Sunday





<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, September 26th** 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. While not always necessary, a year in advance is recommended.



COLLECTION UPDATE

Previous Week's Collection was: ICC = \$3208.95; Sacred Heart = \$466.60

St. Bridget's = \$ 325.10;St. Michael's = \$200.00; St. Kateri= \$120.00

Capital= \$55.00





<u>E-Transfers Are Accepted</u> - If you would like to send your donations by sending an e-transfer you can send your donation to office@icctruro.org. Thank you for your continued generosity!

<u>Fundraiser for Evangelization Events</u>!!! 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!!





Fall Sessions: Dying with Christ, Living with Hope Join us on Zoom for one of three free three week options to experience Dying with Christ – Living with Hope—a powerful, hope-filled course exploring suffering, grief, dying, and our Christian call to care. Led by theologians and healthcare professionals, this series offers timeless insight into how dying with Christ is attainable for everyone.

Choose the option that works best for your schedule (Atlantic Time): September 16, 23, & 30 at 7:30 p.m. AST October 15, 22, & 29 at 8:00 p.m. AST November 13, 20, & 27 at 7:30 p.m. AST

This series also equips you to bring the program to your church or community and to explain Christian teaching around MAiD.

Register or learn more: cmdacanada.org/event/dying-with-christ-living-with-hope-spring-series



Thank you for the many prayers and kind words and gestures for both Frs. Andrew and Jim. We are both blessed to have been sent here to minister in God's love for each of you. We are grateful for your love in return. Thankfully, we are improving, most especially Fr Jim with only minor surgery. He has returned to only a casual level of ministry for the next few weeks. However, Fr. Andrew has more challenges and requires more time. He is certainly determined to return to his ministry. Please keep both of them in your prayers.

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."

<u>Family Mass</u> - On the first Sunday of every month at the 9am Mass at ICC. Youth interested in Mass ministry may contact the Parish Office to sign up.

<u>Children's Liturgy of the Word</u> - Sundays during 9 am Mass.

Catechism Classes

<u>FFF Classes</u> - Next in session class is Sunday **October 5th** after the 9 am Mass.

Registration - You can register now for the Fall session online or contact Bella at icp.familyfaithformation@gmail.com.

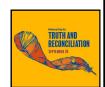
Youth - (grade 6 and up) - Will resume Monday October 6th at 6:30.

Please contact the Parish if financial assistance is needed.



ANNOUNCEMENTS CALENDAR:

(Sep 30) National Day for Truth and Reconciliation, a federal statutory holiday, 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. At our normally scheduled 12:15 pm Tuesday, 30th Mass we'll make special mention and offer prayers of reparation and also thanksgiving that our Lord brings goodness from difficulty. Please come and celebrate with us.



(Oct 1) Treaty Day Mass at St Mary's Cathedral Basilica. All are invited for a 10amcelebration. (Note, our regular 7pm Mass at ICC will also be celebrated.)

(Oct 1) Presentation on ICC Nave Alterations is scheduled for Wednesday, October 1, following the 7pm Mass. Please come to learn more about the project and share your comments for discussion.

(Oct.2) Bible Study Resumes On Thursday Oct. 2nd at 10am. Join us in the Kinsella room for a bible study on the sermon on the mountain. (Matthew 5-7) chapter by chapter. Very informal and beginners are welcome. For more information you can contact Tony Harvey 902-977-0808.

(Oct 3) First Friday 12:15 pm at Immaculate Conception with including Divine Mercy, Adoration, Benediction and Confession. First Friday focuses on the most Sacred Heart of Jesus. Please come to pray for ourselves and our parish.

(Oct 4) First Saturday will be celebrated at Immaculate Conception Church with 9am Mass and special Marian prayers. Visiting us will be the Diocesan Marian Gathering Ministry. All are invited.



EVERY LIFE

(Oct 4) Blessing of the Animals. 1030am on Saturday, October 4, at Immaculate Conception Church. This follows the First Saturday celebration at 9am, to which all are invited. The blessing of animals is occurring all over the world on 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). At **St Bridget Church** we'll have the blessing following 1130am Sunday Mass, October 5.

(Oct. 5) Silent Life Chain Save the date, on Sunday, Oct. 5th at 2pm, there will be a silent Life Chain held on 212 Willow St. near Needs convenience store. This is an opportunity to show your support in valuing all life. For more information Contact Millie Russell 902-897-0131.

(Oct. 18) 4th Annual Empowered Men's Catholic Conference On Saturday, Oct. 18th join keynote speakers Fr. James Mallon and Fr. Isaac Longworth at St. Thomas More Church, 15 Caledonia Rd. Dartmouth, NS for the 4th Annual Empowered Men's Conference — a full day of faith, fellowship, and formation for Catholic men. Events like this are essential for spiritual renewal, helping men grow in their faith, discover their mission in Christ, and strengthen their roles in family and community life. For full details, please see the flyer or visit: www.empoweredccfm.ca.

(Oct 25) Upcoming 4th Annual Pro-Life Conference – October 25, St. Thomas More Church, 15 Caledonia Rd. Dartmouth NS: Nova Scotians United for Life invites you to attend their 4th annual Pro-Life Conference, bringing together people from across the province who are passionate about promoting the dignity of life at all stages. This event features dynamic speakers, practical tools, and encouragement for anyone seeking to engage in a positive and life-affirming way. See the flyer on the bulletin board or visit nsul-pr.com for more details.



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