



# *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!

*January 25, 2026*

*3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time*

*Sunday of the Word of God*



**“ Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.”**

**Matthew 4.17**

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

In today's Gospel, we hear Jesus call his first disciples. "Come after me," he calls out to the first two. "Follow me," he says to two more. We are the ones Jesus calls out to now. Today is the Sunday of the Word of God, the day Pope Francis chose to dedicate to the proclamation, the study, and the celebration of the scriptures. The call of the first disciples also reminds us of Jesus' own words. His words invite us to a deeper commitment, to one like Peter and Andrew and James and John made with him. May the word of God inspire us to enter our discipleship more deeply.

**MASSES & INTENTIONS At Immaculate Conception Church**

Monday, **NO MASS**

Tuesday, 11:00 pm- **Funeral Mass for † Anne White**

Wednesday , **9:00 am** - † Mary Rogers

Thursday , 7:00pm - Gavin Sumarah

Friday, 12:15 pm-† Anne Chiasson

Saturday, 4:00pm - † The spiritual welfare of each priest of the Archdiocese of Halifax-Yarmouth

Sunday, 9:00 am- † Audrey McNeill

**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

From **January to Easter** the **Wednesday Mass** is moved from 7pm to **9am**. This places it in Daylight hours which is beneficial for senior parishioners and it frees up an alternative evening for Alpha.



**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.

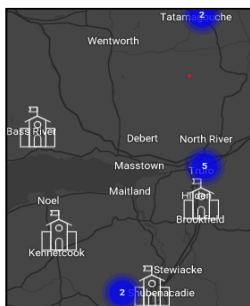


**Pope Leo's Prayer Intention for \*\*\*January\*\*\***

**For prayer with the Word of God**

Let us pray that praying with the Word of God be nourishment for our lives and a source of hope in our communities, helping us to build a more fraternal and missionary Church.

**LET US PRAY FOR OUR STUDENTS**



*"Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith, and in purity."*  
1 Timothy 4:12 NIV

Lord, raise up young leaders who lead with kindness, confidence, and love. May students set an example by how they speak, how they treat others, and how they live. Remind them that they have influence, even when they don't feel it. We also pray that teachers and staff would be cheerleaders for students who are leading well. Amen.



**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, January 23rd** 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 = \$3,557.75; Sacred Heart = \$863.05; St. Bridget's = \$450.00; St. Michael's = \$160.00

Capital = \$300.00



**E-Transfers Are Accepted** - If you would like to send your donations by sending an e-transfer you can send your donation to [office@icctruro.org](mailto:office@icctruro.org). Thank you for your continued generosity!

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**The St. Vincent de Paul Society** of Immaculate Conception Parish would like to thank all the parishioners for their tremendous support in 2025. We helped 583 families or individuals, including 877 adults, 482 children and many homeless people this past year. Most of the assistance went toward food and groceries, however we also assisted the poor with rent, power, oil and medical/dental needs, as well as emergency accommodations. We also provided furniture to approximately 90 needy families. We could not have provided this assistance without your generous support. We are also seeking new members, especially dispatchers who are our first contact with people who call seeking assistance. We will be attending the Expo this weekend and would be happy to explain the responsibilities, IT assistance and training available for our dispatchers, to anyone who wishes to help make a difference in our community.



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## **Family Faith Formation (FFF News):**

### **Liturgy**

**Family Mass** - On the first Sunday of every month at the 9am Mass at ICC. The next family Mass is **Mar 1st**. Youth interested in Mass ministry may contact the Parish Office to sign up.

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

### **Catechism Class**

**FFF Classes** - Next in session class is Sunday **February 1st** after the 9 am Mass. All families with children in grades 1-5 are welcome. Registration forms will be available or visit our website and click on the Family Faith Formation tab.



## **Youth Night**

**Youth Night Monday, 26 January from 6:30-8:30.** The theme is "Oh When the Saints Go Marching In." The purpose of this night is to reconnect with each other, become familiar and be inspired by the lives of the Saints giving us a chance to respond to the call of holiness. A snack will be provided, but no meal. *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.* Parents are encouraged to attend and participate with their youth. See you on the 26th!



## ANNOUNCEMENTS CALENDAR:

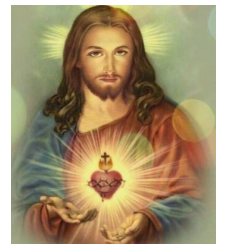
**(Jan 25-Feb 5) Vacation for Fr Jim** He is away for 10 days from this Sunday afternoon. Please pray for his re-creation as he spends time with his family and friends. Pray also for Fr Andrew who will be managing daily Mass and other ministries as they arise. Thankfully, Fr Phil Thibodeau will also help, and on weekdays Fr Gerald David from our neighbouring Enfield parish may be available.

**(Jan 27) Alpha at St. Michael's** This is the second of 10 weeks. It is not too late to attend. Meet with us On Tuesday Jan. 27th 6pm at St. Michael's Church.

**(Jan 28) Alpha at ICC** This is the third week. It still is not too late to join us on Wed. Jan. 28th 6pm at ICC.



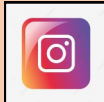
**(Feb 6) First Friday** we'll celebrate the Sacred Heart of Jesus during our regularly scheduled Mass.



**(Feb 7) First Saturday Devotion.** We celebrate this devotion at the request of Our Lady of Fatima in 1917 for the conversion of Russia and the Communion of reparation of the ungrateful who continue to pierce her motherly heart. Benefits also a crew to the souls who embrace this devotion. Please join us at 9am in Immaculate Conception Church for Mass, Rosary and a Litany. Reconciliation will also be offered.



**(Mar16-27) PILGRIMAGE TO MEDUGORJE** - Join Group Leader Rhonda-Lynn and Father Danny Wilson on Pilgrimage to Medjugorje March 16 to 27, 2026. The cost includes Flights from Halifax, Ground Travel in Europe, accommodations and 2 Meals per day. The cost is \$3299.00 Canadian. A deposit of \$600.00 per person is required. We can accommodate Flights from other airports with in Canada and the US with adjusted costs. Call Rhonda-Lynn 902 448 3660 for further information and itinerary .



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