



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 26, 2026

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly



"Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like a master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old."

Matthew 13.52

Introduction to this Sunday's Liturgy

Each Sunday when we come together to worship God, we are nourished first by God's word in the readings, psalm, and Gospel and then by Christ's own body in the Eucharist. We may take both for granted, because each is available to us every Sunday, but these are gifts that are meant to be treasured. In today's Gospel, Jesus compares the kingdom of heaven to a great treasure buried in a field, bought by a person lucky enough to have found it. But we have our treasure right here and right now, given to us by a God of infinite generosity. May we be blessed with the wisdom to see the treasures we have in the Word and Eucharist.

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MASSES & INTENTIONS

At Immaculate Conception Church

Monday, July 13, 20 & 27 NO MASS

Tuesday, 12:15pm- † Alvin Melanson

Wednesday , 7:00pm- † Rhoda Campbell;
† Ernie Falkenham

Thursday , 7:00pm- † Randy MacDonald;† Paz Montesa

Friday, 12:15pm- † Shirley McKenzie

Saturday, 4:00pm- † Winston Brown

Sunday, 9:00 am-† Arnold Nickerson; For the People

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday

4:00 pm - Immaculate Conception, Truro

4:00pm - St. Michael's, Brule
(Except 3rd Sunday)

Sunday

9:00am- St. Michael's, Brule
(Only 3rd 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 : St. Bridget's Tuesdays 5pm-7pm
ICC Thursdays from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm. and after the
7:00pm 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.

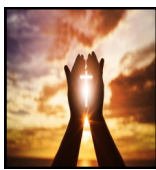
Mass Intentions. Would you like a Mass offered for your intention, the intention of a
loved one or for the repose of their soul? If so, please visit our website or our office with
your sacrifice, usually \$10, to make arrangements. Should you wish a specific date please
advise at least a month in advance.



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

For respect for human life.

Let us pray for the respect and protection of human life in all its stages, recognizing it as a gift
from God.



LET US PRAY FOR OUR STUDENTS

*Always be full of joy in the Lord. I say it again—rejoice! Keep putting into practice all you learned
and received from me—everything you heard from me and saw me doing. Then the God of peace
will be with you. Philipians 4:4,9*

Lord, we rejoice in your goodness! You have walked with every Principal, teacher, staff member and student
in every high school across Canada this past school year. You have heard every prayer. After a year of put-
ting in the effort to learn and grow, we have reached summer break! Thank you for rest. We pray that each
student will have a summer of great joy. Keep them safe and lead them in your ways. Bless those who have
poured into the students, may they find rest and refreshment. Amen.



Baptism Preparation will take place bi-monthly on the **last Tuesday**. The next is **July 28** from
6pm to 7:30pm in Kinsella Room. Note, this is a change from Fridays. If you plan to celebrate
your young child's baptism this year, we invite parents and godparents to attend our Baptism
Preparation session. Please register online as you'll be required to watch two preparatory
videos beforehand.

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 = \$3745.35; Sacred Heart = \$566.00; St. Michael's = \$211.50
Capital = \$270.00



DONATIONS to our parish are appreciated and can be submitted in the following ways:

Contribution envelopes: Available by contacting the office. 902-893-7188/office@icctruro.org

E Transfer: office@icctruro.org

Pre-Authorized Debit: office@icctruro.org or 902-893-7188

Scan the QR Code on the back of the pews.

Tap Machine located at each of the church entrances.



Sincere thanks to all those who financially support Immaculate Conception Parish. Your generosity ensures that we can meet our weekly operating expenses and future growth of our Parish.



Job Opportunity We are seeking a Family Faith and Youth Coordinator to join our team. If you are passionate about supporting families, nurturing faith and engaging youth in our parish community, we encourage you to apply. For more information on how to apply, call the Parish Office at 902-893-7188. Applications must be received by **August 7th**. We wish to express our sincere thanks to Bella Rochon and Ann Huntley for their faithful service in this ministry. We are deeply grateful for the many ways they have shared their gifts with our parish community.

Soliciting for our new Family Faith and Youth leadership and funding is underway. Did you know again this year, weekly donations are inadequate to meet our budget? This is restricting our ability to hire for a full time position at a moment when the demands to meet the needs of families and youth is increasing. Please consider increasing your regular donation. We know some cannot increase their giving and others are blessed that they can donate more. An average increase of 15% is our goal to meet this and other expenses.

Family Faith Formation (FFF News):

Liturgy

Family Mass - After the summer on the first Sunday of every month at the 9am Mass at ICC. The next family Mass is **September 6th**. Youth interested in Mass ministry may contact the Parish Office to sign up.



Children's Liturgy of the Word - Will resume in the Fall.

Catechism Class

FFF Classes - Fall registration will be available in August.



Youth News

Grade 6 and Up - Catechism Classes

Monday Nights weekly - Will resume in the Fall

Confirmation Prep Will resume in the Fall. Confirmation for the class of 2026 will take place on Monday, September 14th at 7pm with Archbishop Brian Dunn.



QR CODE Have you noticed the QR Code stickers on the backs of the pews? Scan the code with your phone camera to access a simple way to donate to various ministries in our parish. You can also find the QR code on our website under the donate tab. www.icctruro.org.

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.



ANNOUNCEMENTS CALENDAR

(July 13-28) Vacation Fr Jim is away visiting parts of Atlantic Canada from Monday, July 13 to Tuesday, July 28. Visiting priests are available to fill in on the weekends, thanks be to God. Fr Jim says he'll continue his daily prayers and Masses for all entrusted to his care while away.

(July 13, 20 and 27) No Masses on Monday, Fr Greg's day off, until Fr Jim's return.

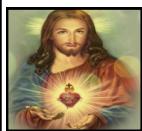
(July 28) Happy Birthday Fr. Gregory! Fr. Gregory invites you to Campbell hall after the 12:15 Mass to celebrate his special day with coffee and cake.



(Aug 1) First Saturday will be celebrated at Immaculate Conception Church with 9am Mass and special Marian prayers. All are invited.

(Aug 2) St. Kateri There will be **no 10:00am Mass**. Most of the usual congregation will be at their annual pilgrimage at St. Anne de Beaupre.

(Aug.3) Office is closed for Natal Day. Have a safe day with family and friends as we celebrate and are grateful for all we have.



(Aug 7) First Friday we'll celebrate the Sacred Heart of Jesus during our regularly scheduled 12:15pm Mass.

(Aug 29) Ministers of Holy Communion There will be a workshop held in Campbell Hall at 9:30am. Contact Jane Allen 902-843-0269. Deadline to register is Friday August 21st.



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