



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 27, 2026
26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
World Day of Migrants & Refugees



Introduction to this Sunday's Liturgy

As we gather to celebrate the Eucharist, let us give God thanks for second chances. All of us fail sometimes, maybe quite often. But this does not mean that we are condemned forever, unable to overcome our faults and past sins. We are constantly invited to repent, seek forgiveness, and change our behavior. Saint Paul, who knew a thing or two about doing all this, calls upon us to reject selfishness and instead look out for the interests of others. Let us pray today for a change of heart that will lead us to more closely follow the road to God's kingdom.

MASSES & INTENTIONS

At Immaculate Conception Church

Monday, 7:00pm- † Joe MacGillivray
Tuesday, 12:15pm- † Martin & † Bill Whelan
Wednesday , 7:00pm- † Dr. Joseph Raymond Long;
† Pat Pictou
Thursday , 7:00pm- † Elizabeth Ann Nevin;
† Doris Maloney
Friday, 12:15pm- † Jim Whalen & Liane Whalen(Dewolfe)
Saturday, 4:00pm- † Marjorie Anne Thompson
Sunday, 9:00 am-† Theresa Burke; 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 : **ICC** 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 at ICC. Everyone is invited to join us.

Because October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary, the rosary will be offered:

St. Michael's before the Saturday 4pm Mass at 3:30pm and the third Sunday 9am Mass at 8:30am. All are welcome.

ICC Wednesday at 6:40pm before the 7pm Mass

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

A prayer for students, volunteers and staff as they make the transition from carefree summer days to school day schedules. May the academic year be filled with many graces, gifts, and blessings! LET US PRAY ...

"Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God." Philippians 4:6 NIV

Oh Lord, today we are reminded of the doubts we face in our journeys. We pray for a reminder of Your faithfulness, for that is who You are. Help us to walk by faith and not by sight, knowing that Your presence is always enough. We lift up the hurting, the weak, the doubtful, the joyful, and the peaceful, holding it all out to You with palms wide open. When our world is full of uncertainty, help us to stand apart, Lord, believing fully in Your precious plan. Amen.



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

For the care of water.

Let us pray for a just and sustainable management of water, a vital resource, so that everyone may have equal access to it.

Baptism Preparation will take place bi-monthly on the **last Tuesday**. The next is **September 29th** 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 = \$4572.15; Sacred Heart = \$575.12; St. Michael's = \$158.50; St. Bridget's = \$475.00

Capital = \$165.00

Gentlemen, please remove your hats. As men, we remove our hats while in the Church for mass and other liturgical activities as a sign of respect and reverence to God and the Eucharist in whose headship we submit to. This ancient tradition of the Church which grew from the Jewish culture demonstrates the importance of God in our lives, serves as a physical reminder of God's presence and instills humility.

Piano Player for the 4pm Mass. The 4pm choir is currently looking for a piano player to accompany them at the 4pm Mass on Saturday's at ICC. If you are interested or would like more details contact the office office@icctruro.ca or 902-893-7188.

ICLA Needs Your Help!

Over the years your CWL, now Ladies Auxiliary, have catered receptions to our grieving families and other events as they are able. In a quiet and generous manner, they, and other parishioners (***often the same folks***) provide the necessary ***gift of sandwiches and sweets***. All other necessary provisions are purchased and provided by your Ladies Auxiliary who often spend an entire day preparing, serving, and clean-up. We have reached a time where age and cost have created the need to reach out to new and/or other parishioners for support. As a gift to this necessary ministry and your parish, we ask that you consider coming forward to assist with ***sandwiches and sweets***. To contribute ***Please contact our Reception Coordinator, Carolyn McNeil @ 902 662-3021.*** With gratitude and thanksgiving for your consideration and support.



Family and Youth Catechesis Our programs begin on October 4th & 5th. We have wonderful resources and a great program developed over the past several years, thanks be to God. Our need is for volunteers; many of you. We need leaders, organizers, and helpers. The programs are already established but need a person to ensure the videos are played and the program is followed. We plan to engage many to make the workload light. Please prayerfully consider your involvement to help our families and youth. If you are interested in more details about how to become involved, contact our office or Fr Jim to inquire.

Family Mass Sunday Oct. 4th at the 9am Mass at ICC. We are looking for youth to participate in the different ministries for this Mass. Please contact the parish office to sign up.

Religious Education News

Intercessory Prayer Team needed. Please come to one of our churches (or at home if preferred.) during these events and pray for the families and youth. Please advise the office. Praise God!

Registration deadline is nearing for both, FFF and Youth (**Sept. 30th**), giving us time to order supplies. We are very much looking forward to this coming year. **Register online** icctruro.org/family-formation/

(FFF) Sunday, October 4 following 9am Mass at ICC. Each week we'll begin with a session for both parents and children and then break out to age appropriate groups (Parents, Sacramental, young ones and older children) . Finally, we'll gather the full group again for announcements and closing prayer.

Our Youth program begins Monday, October 5 at 6:30pm in the ICC Hall for levels 6-12. All youth are asked to meet in Campbell Hall. This is the beginning of their spiritual journey to Confirmation. **Our first evening will have NET (National Evangelization Team) ministries, a dynamic team of youth visiting our diocese.** Please make sure your youth is registered **before** youth night begins. There will be no paper registrations available.



ANNOUNCEMENTS CALENDAR

(Sept 26)" The Christian Life Program (CLP), an integrated course to seek values to support family life and develop a personal relationship with God, is starting on Saturday, September 26, 5-7 pm at Campbell Hall, ICC. Everyone is welcome

(Sept 29)Feast of Ss. Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael

(Sept 30)Memorial of St. Jerome

(Sept 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 Wednesday 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.



(Sept 30) Deadline for Registering for Catechism Classes All registrations for all levels are due on Wednesday September 30. You can register online icctruro.org and click on Family Formation. Or you can register at the office. Pre registration is required before attending classes. There will be no paper registrations available at the classes.

(Oct 1)

Memorial of St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus
International Day of Older Persons

(Oct 2)

Memorial of the Holy Guardian Angels
First Friday honoring the Sacred Heart of Jesus
Last Day of Jewish Sukkot

(Oct 3) First Saturday, a Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary

(Oct 3) Blessing of the Animals.10 am on Saturday, October 3, 2026 at Immaculate Conception Church we'll join people all over the world in celebrating 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).



(Oct 3) Knights of Columbus Cellar to Attic sale Knights of Columbus are having a cellar to attic yard sale on **Saturday Oct.3**. Sale will be in Campbell Hall, opening at **8:00 AM**. We will be setting up on **Friday the 2nd**. If you have items to donate please bring them at that time.

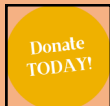
(Oct 4) Blessing of Animals at St Bridget Church takes place following 11:30 Sunday Mass, October 4.

(Oct 4)"Life Chain" Compassionate societies care for the unborn, sick & dying. Let's help change the world by standing silently in prayer @ 212 Willow St; **Oct.4 2:00-3:00**.



(Oct 4) Family Faith Formation begins On Sunday Oct. 4th for levels Pre-School-5 after the 9am Mass. All children and parents meet downstairs in the Kinsella Room. Please make sure your children are registered **before** classes begin. There will be no paper registrations at the class.

(Oct 5) Youth Night for levels 6-12 begins Monday Oct. 5 at 6:30 in Campbell Hall. All youth and parents are asked to meet in Campbell Hall. Please make sure your youth is registered **before** youth night begins. There will be no paper registrations available.



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