

# Immaculate Conception Parish

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## Staff Directory:

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## Staff Office Hours

**Parish Office:** Monday thru Friday from 8:30 am – 3:30 pm  
Closed for lunch from 12:00 – 1:00 pm  
**Father Joseph:** By appointment  
**Father Dariusz:** By appointment  
**Deacon Brian:** Tuesdays 1 pm - 4 pm,  
Wednesdays 9am – 4pm, or by appointment  
**Helen Lowthers:** Mon, Wed & Fri 8:30 am – 11:30 am

## First Sunday in Lent

**Sunday, February 21st, 2010**

### Mass Times:

**Weekday Mass Hours:** Monday thru Thursday at 7 pm  
Friday at 8:00 am

**Anticipated Lord's Day Masses, Saturday**  
6 pm Immaculate Conception, Truro

**Our Sunday Gathering for Eucharist**  
9 am Saint Michael's, Brule  
9 am Immaculate Conception, Truro  
11 am Immaculate Conception, Truro  
11:30 am Sacred Heart, Millbrook

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:**  
Thursdays from 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

**Stations of the Cross & Soup**  
Friday at 12:10 pm

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:**  
Monday through Thursday from 6 – 7 pm  
Saturday from 10:30 – 12 noon or by appointment

### Mass Intentions

Monday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> – †Marie Catherine Saulnier  
Tuesday, February 23<sup>rd</sup> – William Young  
Wednesday, February 24<sup>th</sup> – †Arthur Carter  
Thursday, February 25<sup>th</sup> – †Mary Barkhouse  
Friday, February 26<sup>th</sup> – †William Joyce  
*For anyone who would like a mass offering prayer, we have a variety of Mass cards available for those who have died, for birthdays, healing and special occasions. Mass intention requests and cards are available at the parish office.*

### Meeting Schedule

#### February 22<sup>nd</sup> to February 26<sup>th</sup>

**Monday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>** -Women of Faith Bible Study 9:30 to 11:30.  
**Tuesday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>** -Oil of Gladness-Kinsella 1&2-7:30

### Confirmation Preparation Program

**Year 9:** Monday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>.

### Year Of The Priest

In recognition of the designation of this year as *The Year of the Priest* by Pope Benedict XVI, **the Icon - image of the highest Priest Jesus Christ will be in our Parish, February 20<sup>th</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup>, to help us realize the gift of priesthood. Parish Celebration in Thanksgiving for the Priesthood** - on Tuesday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>, at the 7pm Mass, we will celebrate Holy Eucharist of Thanksgiving for the Holy Priesthood to the Church and to the World. We have invited the still living priests who have served our parish in the past to concelebrate this Liturgy, and to receive our thanksgiving for their faithful service among us. We will have a reception afterwards, so that we can meet and greet our honored guests. So please, mark that date on your calendar and let us have a good turnout to show these generous men of God our love and appreciation for their presence among us. This is a Vocations project sponsored by the Knights of Columbus.

### Lenten Folders

The Lenten Folders are available for pick-up at the church entrances.

### Knights of Columbus

#### Bishop Colin Campbell Bursary

Information and application forms for the Bishop Colin Campbell Bursary are now available in the high schools. The \$1,000. Bursary is sponsored by the Cobequid Council 6633, Knights of Columbus here in Truro and is open to Council members and their families. The information is also posted on the Knights bulletin board in the vestibule of the church.

### CWL

**CWL Regular Meeting** is Sunday, February 21st at 2:30pm.  
**World Day of Prayer** - March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2010 at First Baptist Church, 759 Prince St. 7 pm. All welcome.

**Mon. Martin Bake Sale** - March 20<sup>th</sup>, after each mass. Donations of baked goods gratefully accepted on Saturday, March 20th, 1 to 3pm.

### Lector Needed

We need one person as Lector for the 11:00 am Mass on Sunday. Contact Zig Domaratzki at 843-2356.

### Immaculate Conception Cemetery

Our cemetery, located on Robie Street, has lots available for parishioners. For further information, please contact the Superintendent's Office at 893-3304.

For anyone wishing to contact the Archbishop, in regards to the sex scandal issues of Bishop Lahey, please do not hesitate to send him at email at [amancini@catholic Halifax.org](mailto:amancini@catholic Halifax.org).

### Tax Receipts for 2009

Tax receipts for 2009 are available at the Parish Office.

### Shrove Tuesday Dinner

A very big **thank you** to all those who helped with our dinner on Shrove Tuesday. Thanks a bunch!

### Social Card Game

Weekly card game is held Sunday evening at 7:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend.

### Sunday Missals

Our Sunday Missals for the New Year are now available to be purchased at the Parish Office during the week or at the Vestry after Masses on the weekend. Missals are \$5.00 each.

### Collection

Collection for the week of February 14<sup>th</sup> was \$4280.93

### Project Guatemala

A very big thank you to all who helped and participated with our Multicultural Food and Fun Night. It was not only a great success, but a visible sign of the gift of our Parish community, from different backgrounds and nationalities. From all the donations so far we have raised around \$11,500.00. We have also received medical supplies that are worth around \$10,000.00. So, Thank you and may God continue to bless you...

### The Truro Music Festival

**The Truro Music Festival is looking for volunteers** for the 2010 festival. **"If you could donate a few hours of your time at different venues", please contact our** volunteer coordinators Rick and Shauna Doane at 895-6948 or by email at [rdoane@eastlink.ca](mailto:rdoane@eastlink.ca) Musical theatre classes will be held at the Marigold Center from April 6 to 9. Senior piano will be held at the Marigold from April 19 to 22. Junior piano will be held at St. Andrew's from April 19 to 21. Vocal classes will be held at St. James from April 19 to 22. All school choir, band, and chime choir classes will be held at the CEC from

April 26 to 29. Your help would be greatly appreciated by the TMF committee! **"For more info on the 2010 Festival, please go to [www.truromusicfestival.ca](http://www.truromusicfestival.ca)."**

### Local Haiti Relief Project

Please accept our huge thank-you for all your support in our efforts to raise funds and food donations for the St Damian Children's Hospital in Haiti.

Our Haitian Stew dinner earned \$5000 and the majority of it was received by the Canadian Government deadline of Feb 12 to qualify for matching funds for a total of \$9,400. To those of you who helped in whatever way you did, thank you. We couldn't have done it without all the community support we received. You know who you are!

### Path of the Firefly

There are still spaces left for the upcoming free workshop for parents/guardians:

Children process grief differently than adults. This two day workshop is designed to assist parents/guardians in their role as the main support person for their grieving children. Facilitated by Grief Counselor Vince MacDonald, participants will learn ways to support their children while also coping with grief themselves. **February 27th and March 6th in Truro, Nova Scotia.** Parents/guardians can call 893-3265 to register.

\*\*We will be offering a workshop for social workers, teachers, volunteers and others interested on how to support children who are grieving on **May 7, 2010**. Please call 893-3265 if you are interested in learning more.