

Immaculate Conception Parish

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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: On Retreat for the week.
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

All Saints Sunday, November 1st, 2009 MASS TIMES:

Weekday Mass Hours: Monday thru Thursday at 7 pm
 Friday at 8:00 am
Wednesday's Mass will be at 8:00 am – this week only

Anticipated Lord's Day Masses, Saturday
 6 pm Immaculate Conception, Truro
November 21st – Mass will be at 4:00 pm

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

Last Sunday of Each Month:
 4:00 pm Saint Ambrose, Londonderry

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, November 2nd – †Terry Delaney
 Tuesday, November 3rd – Margaret Sampson
 Wednesday, November 4th – †Muriel Martell
 Thursday, November 5th – Inmates of Nova
 Friday, November 6th – Robina MacCormack
For anyone who would like to offer 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 November 1st to November 7th

Monday, November 2nd - Women of Faith Bible Study-Kinsella 1-9:30 am
Tuesday, November 3rd – Women's Bible Study-Martin-9:30am
 - Pastoral Care-Kinsella 2 – 1:30 pm
 - Oil of Gladness-Kinsella 1&2-7:30 pm
 - KoC Exec-Kinsella 3 – 7:30 pm
Friday, November 6th – Musical Drama
 - Thrive

Religious Education

Reminder of classes on Saturday, November 21st, are being held at 3:00 pm, prior to Mass at 4:00 pm, due to the Santa Claus Parade.

Confirmation Preparation Program

Year 9: Monday, November 2nd
Year 10: Monday, November 9th
Year 10 Confirmation Retreat: Saturday, November 14th

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.

Social Card Game

Our weekly game is held every Sunday evening at 7:00 pm. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Catholic Women's League

The next CWL Executive Meeting is Tuesday, November 10th, at 6:00 pm in Kinsella 3.
 The next CWL Regular Meeting will be held on Sunday, November 15th at 6:30 pm, in Campbell Hall.
 Dues for 2010 are now being collected.
 The Christmas Tea and Bake Sale is November 28th from 1:00 to 3:00 pm. Advance tickets will be available at the Church Office. Prices are \$5.00 for adults and \$2.00 for children under the age of 10. Donations of baked goods, preserves and used books will be gratefully accepted on Friday November 27th from 6:00 to 8:00 pm. For craft donations, please call Jane Allen at 895-6529 for arrangements to pick up or drop off.

John Sands - In Concert

Please join us on Thursday, December 3rd at 7:00 pm, here at Immaculate Conception Church to enjoy the wonderful music of John Sands, organist. Tickets for the event are \$10 each and are available at the Parish Office, or by contacting Sally Baird at 893-7723. A reception will be held following the concert, in Campbell Hall. This event is sponsored by the St. Vincent DePaul Society.

Our Book Club is now up and running again, and will take place on Friday evenings at 7:00 pm. The books are available to be picked up from Sara in the Parish Office.

Changes to Mass Times & Office Hours for November

Due to Halloween falling on a Saturday evening this year, our Saturday evening Mass will be held at 4:00 pm on Saturday, October 31st.
On Sunday, November 1st, the 11:30 am Mass at Sacred Heart in Millbrook is changed to 4:00 pm.
This week will mark the last monthly Mass at Saint Ambrose, in Londonderry, until the spring. We will have Mass at Christmas time. Please watch future bulletins for time announcements.
On Monday, November 2nd, Mass will be at 8:00 am.
On Wednesday, November 4th, Mass will be at 8:00 am
On Wednesday, November 11th, Mass will be at 9:00 am with tea and coffee to follow, in Campbell Hall. The reception is being provided by the Knights of Columbus. The office will be closed on this day.
On Tuesday, November 17th, the office will be closed at 3:00 pm, instead of 3:30 pm.
On Friday, November 20th, the office will be closed all day.
On Saturday, November 21st, we will have Mass at 4:00 pm, and Religious Education Classes will be held prior to Mass at 3:00 pm. This change is due to the Santa Clause Parade, taking place in the early evening.

We are in need of a few more people to join our Pastoral Care Group. There are many people in our community who are unable to attend Mass and receive Holy Communion. The goal of our group is to bring Holy Communion to all those wishing to receive, yet are unable to do so on their own. For anyone interested, or for more information, please contact Deacon Brian Smith at 893-7188.

A Competition with your Pennies, Nickels and Dimes

From the beginning of November to the end of January, we will have jars placed at each entrance of the church for your pennies, nickels and dimes. We would like to make it a small competition between all the Masses, and any other form of coin will not count towards the totals. The jars will be emptied after each mass and will be counted before the next week and you can track your progress. Once it is all over, we will have a small party for the mass that raises the most money. All the funds collected from this competition will then go towards the Capital Campaign. (This competition is

being coordinated by Wayne Caines and the Finance Committee.)

Dragonfly Retreat

Bailey's Hope Society is holding a weekend retreat for teens, ages 13-18, who have experienced the loss of a loved one in their life. Dragonfly Retreat provides a safe, supportive and confidential environment to facilitate the grief work necessary for healing. This retreat is being held from Friday, November 27th at 4:00 pm to Sunday, November 29th at 2:00 pm at the Tim Horton Camp in Tatamagouche. There is no charge for this weekend. There is a poster at the back entrance of the church, or for more information, please call 893-8859.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY-volunteers are needed to help minister to the children at the 9AM Mass. For info, call Ann at 895-7632.

Capital Campaign Collection

Reminder to all that our next collection for the Capital Campaign, will be taken at all masses this weekend. For anyone interested in including their contributions to their direct deposit amount, please contact Sara at the Parish Office.

Parish Celebration of the Sacrament of Marriage

On November 15th, 2009 at the 11:00 am Mass, we will be celebrating the sacrament of Marriage and the gift of marriage, family and life, to the church and society. As a highlight of the liturgy, we wish to honor those couples who have or are celebrating an anniversary this year (2009) that is a multiple of five (5th, 10th, 15th, 20th, etc.). For this reason, we ask those couples to call and register their names and the number of years married with Sara at the Parish Office. We will also enjoy a reception for these couples, their family and friends, after the Mass. This celebration is sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, with the support of the Catholic Women's League.

PARISH OFFERING FOR 2009

	Actual	Budget	Variance Over/(Under)
Weekly Collection for October 25th	\$6,699.09	\$8,381.75	(\$1,682.66)
Amounts Collected from January 1st to October 25th			
Total Collections & Other Income	\$336,740.44	\$356,708.00	(\$19,967.56)
Capital Campaign Income	\$38,091.11	\$40,000.00	(\$1,908.89)
Totals	\$374,831.55	\$396,708.00	(\$21,876.45)