

# 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:** 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

**Christ the King**  
**Sunday, November 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2009**  
**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

**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 23<sup>rd</sup> – †Terry Delaney  
 Tuesday, November 24<sup>th</sup> – All Souls  
 Wednesday, November 25<sup>th</sup> – †Edna Forgeron  
 Thursday, November 26<sup>th</sup> – †Florence MacKinnon  
 Friday, November 27<sup>th</sup> – †Alfred Breau  
*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 22<sup>nd</sup> to November 28<sup>th</sup>

**Sunday, November 22<sup>nd</sup> – Confirmation!**  
**Monday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>** -Women of Faith Bible Study-Kinsella 1-9:30 am  
**Tuesday, November 24<sup>th</sup>**– Women's Bible Study-Kennedy-9:30am  
 - Oil of Gladness-Kinsella 1&2-7:30 pm  
 - Social Committee-Glebe-7:30 pm  
**Wednesday, November 25<sup>th</sup>**–Finance Committee-Glebe-7:30 pm  
 - Baptism Prep-Martin-6:00 pm  
**Friday, November 27<sup>th</sup>** – Musical Drama  
 - Thrive  
**Saturday, November 28<sup>th</sup>** – CWL Christmas Tea & Sale

### Religious Education

**On Sunday, November 29<sup>th</sup>,** at the 11:00 am Mass, be reminded of the Rite of Enrolment for the 1<sup>st</sup> Penance children. A reception will follow in Campbell Hall. Parents, please drop your food contributions off at the kitchen. All children to be in Kinsella 1 & 2 by 10:30 am.

### Confirmation Preparation Program

This Sunday, at the 11 am mass, we celebrated the Sacrament of Confirmation with 29 youth. Please continue to pray for them as they grow in the life of the Spirit. All are welcome to attend a reception in the hall following Mass. Dinner for the newly confirmed youth, will be hosted by the Knights of Columbus at 6pm, Monday, November 23rd in Campbell Hall.

If there are any families wishing to light the Advent Candle at any of our weekend Masses, please contact Sara, at the Parish Office.

### 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.

There is a "Book of the Dead" located at the front of the church, where you may write in the names of any loved ones lost. During the month of November, we will pray for their souls.

### Christmas Mass Schedule & Tickets

Tickets are now available to be picked up at the Parish Office during the week, and at the Vestry on the weekends, for our Christmas Eve Masses, being held here at Immaculate Conception Church. Tickets are free of charge and are being used only to ensure that we stay within maximum capacity regulations. Our mass schedule for Christmas Eve and Christmas Day are as follows:  
**December 24<sup>th</sup>:** Immaculate Conception at 4 pm, 7 pm & 10 pm  
 St. Michael's, Brule at 4 pm  
 St. Ambrose, Londonderry at 7 pm  
 Sacred Heart, Millbrook at 11:30 pm  
**December 25<sup>th</sup>:** Immaculate Conception at 12 Midnight & 10 am

### Catholic Women's League

Dues for 2010 are now being collected.  
 The Christmas Tea and Bake Sale is November 28<sup>th</sup> 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 27<sup>th</sup> 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.  
 The annual Christmas parties for the intellectually challenged and Townsview are being held on December 9<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> respectively. Donations of suitable gifts, with the exception of candles and scented items will be gratefully accepted. You can drop them off at the church marked "Christmas Parties" anytime up to December 6<sup>th</sup>, when they will be wrapped after our meeting at 2:30 pm. This new time of 2:30 pm will continue for the winter.

The Colchester Right to Life Group will meet in the Sobeys' community room on Prince St, Thursday, November 26 at 7:00 pm.

### John Sands - In Concert

Please join us on Thursday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> 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.

### Changes to Mass Times & Office Hours

**This month** (not this week, as originally stated) 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 Thursday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>,** Mass will be at 8:00 am.

### 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.)

Christmas wreaths and crosses will be for sale following each Mass on November 28 & 29 and December 5 & 6. They cost \$20 each and a portion of the proceeds support youth activities in our parish. Thank you to Mistyeyed Nursery for supporting our youth in this way.

### Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

The revised winter schedule, is now available in your mail slot located at the bottom of the stairs. If you wish to have this schedule emailed out to you, please send an email to Angele at [joandangele@ns.sympatico.ca](mailto:joandangele@ns.sympatico.ca).

### 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.

### Candy for Kane's Kitchen

Donations of candy are needed for Kane's Kitchen Christmas Dinner, which is being held on December 16<sup>th</sup>. The candy may be dropped off at Kane's Kitchen on Wednesdays until 1 pm or at the office during office hours. Please have donations in by December 13<sup>th</sup>, so that we may have them ready for bagging prior to the dinner. For more information, please call Blanche at 893-2360.

Are you searching for that perfect Christmas gift? We may have just what you are looking for. After Mass this weekend, we will be taking orders for Glass Angel Gift Sets, which included 4 hand-blown glass angel ornaments, accented with gold detailing. Also included are 8 place cards with gold trim, a gift box, satin ribbon and tag to personalize your gift. The best part, it will only cost \$10.

### St. Vincent de Paul - Gifts for Needy Children

Every Christmas, our Immaculate Conception Church helps over 45 needy families through the St. Vincent DePaul Society. Once again this year we invite parishioner to share in the joy of making this blessed season a joyous one for our families. We are especially inviting parents to involve children in sharing with those who have less. In Campbell Hall, following Masses on November 28/29 and December 5/6 there will be a small tree with the names of children from our sponsored families. If anyone would care to help out by selecting and donating a gift to a child, would you, after Mass, proceed to Campbell Hall, where one of our St. Vincent DePaul members will assist you in choosing a child's name. Thank you!

Advent folders are now available at the Church entrances, and will be handed out to all our children in Religious Education classes.

### Secretary Position – One Year Contract Immaculate Conception Parish

We are currently seeking candidates for the above position, to take Sara's place while she is away on Maternity Leave. The position is still available and the competition has been extended. The anticipated start date for this position, will be Monday, December 7<sup>th</sup>, 2009. Knowledge and familiarity with a computer as well as computer programs such as Microsoft Office Suite, QuickBooks, general databases, etc. Accounting (accounts receivable, accounts payable & payroll) and finance skills. Administration strength as well as proven ability to work independently, other jobs skills, etc. Be able to work under pressure in a fast-paced environment. Position provides benefits for 35 hours per week. Please provide your resume to Fr. Dariusz Miskowicz, Immaculate Conception Parish, PO Box 577, Truro, NS B2N 5C7. The deadline to apply for this position is November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2009.

### PARISH OFFERING FOR 2009

	Actual	Budget	Variance Over/(Under)
Weekly Collection for November 15th	\$5,780.06	\$5,525.40	\$254.66
<b>Amounts Collected from January 1st to November 15th</b>			
Total Collections & Other Income	\$355,594.43	\$373,284.20	(\$17,689.77)
Capital Campaign Income	\$41,054.23	\$45,000.00	(\$4,302.27)
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$396,292.16</b>	<b>\$418,284.20</b>	<b>(\$21,992.04)</b>