

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
The office will be closed on Friday, October 9th.
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

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time Sunday, October 4th, 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, October 5th - † Lyle Carol Stull
Tuesday, October 6th - Barbara Armstrong
Wednesday, October 7th - † Alwin Lund
Thursday, October 8th - † Terry Delaney
Friday, October 9th - † Mary Marshall
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 October 4th to October 10th

Monday, October 5th - Women of Faith BS-Kinsella 1-9:30am
- Meeting of all Level 1 & New Parents to our Religious Education program-Martin-7:00 pm
Tuesday, October 6th - Pastoral Care-Kinsella 2-1:30 pm
- Women's Bible Study-Martin-9:30am
- Oil of Gladness-Kinsella 1&2-7:30 pm
- KoC Executive - Kinsella 3 - 7:30 pm
Wednesday, October 7th - "Four Encounters with Jesus"-
7:30pm in Campbell Hall
Thursday, October 8th - Candle Light Dinner-Campbell Hall-5 pm

Religious Education

This week, during each mass, the families of the Level Four children, will be presented with the Good News Testaments. Please pray for them as they begin their year of scripture education. There will be a parent's meeting for all Level 1 & new parents to the program on Monday, October 5th at 7:00 pm in Martin Room. There will be no classes the weekend of October 10th, 11th & 12th, due to the Thanksgiving Holiday. On October 18th, we will have the Rite of Recognition for the 1st Eucharist children at the 11:00 am Mass. Reception to follow in Campbell Hall. On October 26th, there will be a meeting of the 1st Penance parents at 7:00 pm in the Martin Room.

Confirmation Preparation Program

Year 10: Monday, October 5th
Monday October 12th - Thanksgiving - No Confirmation Class
Year 9: Monday, October 19th
Year 9 Parent Session: There will be a session for the parents of the Year 9 candidates on Saturday, October 17th, following the 6 pm Mass. We will be meeting in the Church.

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

Weekly card game has resumed on Sunday evenings at 7:00 pm in Campbell Hall. Everyone is welcome!

Altar Servers Wanted

For anyone interested in serving with us during weekend Masses as an Altar Server, we would love to hear from you. For more information, please contact Fr. Joseph Thomas at 893-7188.

Musical Drama Group

Friday night, October 16th from 6:30 to 8:30. Theme of the evening is "Who's Kid are You?" Bring a friends...there lots of room!

Knights of Columbus

We will be having our next Executive meeting on Tuesday, October 6th, at 7:30 pm in Kinsella Room #3.
Our next Cellar to Attic Sale is to be held Saturday, October 31st, in Campbell Hall from 8:00 am to 12:00 noon. We are now accepting donations. For more information, please call Randy Works at 895-0489 or Randy MacDonald at 895.1132.

"Thrive" Revived

It's back! It's going to "thrive" with YOU involved. Junior High Youth Group (grade 6 and up) starts Friday, October 16th from 6:30 to 8:30. All new stuff this year! Be sure to come, check it out and see what in the heck "Thrive" means!

Society of St. Vincent de Paul

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul has a need for a caring and compassionate individual to volunteer as a dispatcher. You would be sharing this duty with two other individuals. Training and on-going support will be provided. Please contact Larry O'Hara at 895-2260 for more information.

Catholic Women's League

Dues for 2010 are now being collected. The Christmas Tea and Sale will be upon us before you know it, so please think of making crafts, etc for our tables. Keep an eye on our bulletin boards, as there are always new dates and times for up coming events being posted.

The Christmas S.O.C.C.E.R. Team is calling ALL CAST from last year's Christmas Play back for a 2nd performance. You are in high demand. Practices begin Friday, November 20th from 6:30 to 8:30. Performance is scheduled for December 11th in Campbell Hall. Can't wait to see you!

Thank you!

In recent months, Immaculate Conception has been a grateful recipient of two donations, in memory of loved ones. We wish that you would also be grateful for these contributions and pray for the souls of those the donations were made in memory of. The total of the donations made were \$14,622, and were made in memory of the late Grace Elizabeth Jardine, and the late Cecil Douthwright.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

All those interested in joining the RCIA program this fall, please contact Fr. Joseph via the Parish Office, or by email. The anticipated start date is set for October.

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.

2nd Candle Light Dinner

Less than 20 tickets remain for our 2nd, 5 course Candle Light Dinner! The evening, which includes a glass of wine/non-alcoholic beverage, is to be held in Campbell Hall on Thursday, October 8th, starting at 5:00 pm. The tickets are to be pre-sold at \$20 each up to October 5th. Tickets will not be available at the door. Entertainment will be provided, and draws for prizes. The proceeds from the dinner will be going towards the Parish Capital Campaign. There is a menu posted on the bulletin boards at the entrances for the Church, for anyone interested. Tickets are available in the Parish Office, from Sara. Please come and join us.

The Colchester Right to Life Group invites you to stand with us Sunday, October 4th, in silent prayer and witness to the injustice of abortion for mothers and babies. Meet on Willow St. near Parker's Plants from 2:30-3:30 pm. This is a national event which takes place every October across the entire country. Everyone is welcome. Contact person: Gail Munro 895-2296

Praying the Rosary-September 23rd to November 1st

Beginning Wednesday, September 23rd, there will be recitation of the Holy Rosary before all Masses. This date marks the start of the 40 Days for Life, when we will continually pray for the protection

of all life at all stages, recognizing that every life is a gift from God. If you would like to lead, there is a schedule and sign-up sheet at the Parking Lot Entrance.

A celebration of Music for Organ & Choir with John McElhiney, Linda Wallace and Sr. Choir at St. Andrew's United Church in Truro on Sunday, October 18th at 7:00 pm. Free will offering. Information call 895-6425. Everyone is welcome!

40 Days for Life

Christians of all denominations are invited to join the vigil of *40 Days for Life* from September 23rd to November 1st. We are asking for prayer support during this time; as well God's people are encouraged to take part at the vigil site, on South Park Street outside the Victoria General Hospital, which is the site of 1700 abortions annually. Please note that this is not a demonstration or a protest; we do not enter into discussions with people who pass by; we are simply standing and praying for 12 hours per day for the entire 40 day period. We are turning to God in prayer and fasting, relying upon Him, as He is the only one who can bring about an end to abortion in our land. For further information, please contact Julie Culshaw by phone, (902) 455-3958 or by email, julieculshaw@ns.sympatico.ca.

Office & Mass Hours

The Parish Office will be closed on Friday, October 9th and again on Monday, October 12th, for the Thanksgiving Holiday. There will be no Mass on Monday, October 12th, on the Thanksgiving Monday.

If you are looking to donate to the people in need, Kane's Kitchen is looking for large men's winter coats, for people that come in to eat with us on Wednesdays. We have a variety of clothing donated, that the people are free to go through, however, there is always a shortage of warm coats for the men.

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 anticipated start date for this position, will be Monday, December 7th, 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 October 30th, 2009.

PARISH OFFERING FOR 2009

	Actual	Budget	Variance Over/(Under)
Weekly Collection for September 27th	\$6,988.10	\$11,331.75	(\$4,343.65)
Amounts Collected from January 1st to September 27th			
Total Collections & Other Income	\$306,123.94	\$323,181.00	(\$17,057.06)
Capital Campaign Income	\$31,843.51	\$35,000.00	(\$3,156.49)
Totals	\$337,967.45	\$358,181.00	(\$20,213.55)

