

Immaculate Conception Church

Palmer Road

Our Lady of Assumption Mission

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Bulletin from Dec 17-24, 2017

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Sunday Collection:

December 10, 2017: \$1,818.60

Thank you for your generosity



The candle of Joy

A prayer for the Third Sunday of Advent

Joy-filled giver of life,
let the anticipation of your birth
fill us with overflowing joy.
May our excitement and anticipation
be a sign to the world
that you are always near

Amen

News

Mass of Hope and Compassion: Monday, Dec 18 at 7 p.m., Mass of Hope and Compassion (Blue Christmas) at Palmer Road Church. For all those dealing with losses.

Blue Anniversary Candles/Parish Directory: The blue candles used during our 125th Anniversary celebrations are on sale for \$10 each. Also, extra copies of the Parish Directory are available at \$20 each. What a lovely Christmas gift!

Quilt Winner: The winner of the Parish lottery on the quilt was Sandra Arsenault of DeBlois. We raised \$1,365. A sincere thank you to all who purchased tickets on our fundraiser and congratulations to our winner.

Thank You: A special thanks to all those who supported the parish's Christmas hamper program again this year. Your generous donations make it possible for us to support those in our parish in need of a little help over the holidays. Merry Christmas.

Longest Married Couple: Marriages can go the distance, and the annual recognition of Canada's Longest Married Couple proves it. Nominate your loved ones by submitting the names of husband & wife, wedding date, current home address and the contact info of the person submitting the nomination to: Ernesto and Analillian Ayala, 113-7471 Blundel Rd, Richmond, BC, V6Y-1J6, or canada@wwme.org, or 604-337-5845. Deadline Feb 28, 2018. All nominations will be recognized.

St. Dunstan's Basilica: St. Dunstan's Basilica will be presenting their Annual Christmas concert on Friday, Dec 22 at 7pm. Program includes "Mary Through the Ages" - an exploration of how various composers set the texts of the "Magnificat" and "Ave Maria" to music. Featuring over 50 singers and a 30 piece orchestra under the direction of Leo Marchildon. Admission is by free will offering.

Reminder

Christmas Flowers: During our Festive Season Christmas flowers (in memory of a deceased loved one) for our two churches are always appreciated. You may choose to make a monetary donation or you may select and bring your own flowers to the church.

Please contact the parish office (882-2622) if you require further information. Thank you for your continuing support.

Sunday Missals for 2018: Sunday missals for 2018 are now available for sale at \$5 each. Thank you.

Petition to the Government: The government of Canada has introduced a Bill to streamline the Criminal Code of Canada by removing certain provisions that no longer have any relevance; however one clause of Bill C-51 puts rights of religion in Canada in jeopardy. If anyone wishes to sign a petition against it, there is more information and at the back of the church and a copy of the petition to sign.

Scholarships: Western Hospital Healthcare Auxiliary is offering two \$500 scholarships to second year level university or college students from the West Prince area who are furthering their career in a health-related field. Students are required to outline and submit in writing their current program of studies, volunteering interests, future career plan, explain how the scholarship will assist financially and if they receive other bursaries or scholarships. Recipients will be notified and scholarships presented during the Christmas holidays. Send letters to: Western Hospital Healthcare Auxiliary, Box 10, Alberton, PEI. Att: Marlene Bolger

Thank You: Thank you from the Priests' Benevolent Fund. Organizers would like to express a sincere thank you to all those who make contributions to the Priest's Benevolent Fund pledge campaign. If you require a tax receipt for 2017 contributions, cheques must be dated by December 31, 2017. Questions please contact Mary Roche at (902) 892-5510.

Pilgrimage April 25 - May 6: Pilgrimage to Medjugorje and KRK Island, Croatia with Fr. Zlatko Sudac, the renowned stigmatist. Cost of \$2,980 includes taxes, airfare from the Maritimes, (twin or triple) accommodation, daily breakfast and dinner, and professional local guide. Info: Marie Desjardins at mariedesjardins1949@gmail.com



Mass Schedule for Christmas Eve & Christmas Day

Christmas Eve (Miminegash) 8 p.m.
Christmas Eve (Palmer Rd) 10 p.m.
Christmas Day (Palmer Rd) 10 a.m.

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday: 18/12 7.00 p.m.
Mass of Hope & Compassion
For the suffering (those dealing with losses)
Tuesday: 19/12 9.00 a.m.
Henry & Doreen Bernard by Marion
Wednesday: 20/12 9.00 a.m.
Francis J Arsenault by Roy & Helen McKenna
Confession: 9:30 a.m.
Thursday: 21/12 9:00 a.m.
Anniversary: Andrew Jones
Friday: 22/12 No Mass

Fourth Sunday of Advent December 24, 2017

Saturday: 23/12 4:00 p.m.
John & Catherine Handrahan by Bertha & families
Sunday: 24/12 (M) 9:00 a.m.
William Thibodeau by Mabel

(PR) 11:00 a.m.

For the People

BULLETIN: Bulletin announcements accepted up to Tuesday at 12 Noon in written form or by **email:** palmerroadparish@gmail.com
Office hours: Monday & Thursday 9:30 am - 5 pm

BAPTISMS: Baptism will be held the 2nd Sunday of each month at 12:30 Please Contact the Parish Office for information and to make arrangements. (882-2622) or email: palmerroadparish@gmail.com

Please Note: The weekday Mass will be cancelled when there is a funeral, but please remember that anyone can attend the funeral of a brother or sister in Christ. The Mass Intention scheduled for that day will then be offered at a later date.

Intention of the Holy Father, Pope Francis for December 2017

The Elderly: That the elderly, sustained by families and Christian communities, may apply their wisdom and experience to spreading the faith and forming the next generations.

