

Immaculate Conception Church

Palmer Road

Our Lady of Assumption Mission

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Sunday Collection:

January 1, 2014: \$909.00

January 5, 2014: \$2,030.00

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Thought for the Week

Baptism of the Lord

The baptism of Jesus in the Jordan was an "anointing with the Holy Spirit" after which he went about doing good. Baptism gives us, too, the power to do good.

Acts 10:34

Reflection

THE BAPTISM OF JESUS

John the Baptist was baptizing for repentance, this posed a difficulty for the early church. If Jesus was sinless; why was he baptized by John? All four gospel accounts testify that Jesus did not need to be baptized by John but in choosing so; he symbolized his readiness to be one with humanity, in solidarity with the human race.

During the solemn ceremony of Baptism of children in the Sistine Chapel Pope Benedict XVI said: Baptism is not only something spiritual but also implies matter. Baptism does not only concern the soul, the human spirituality but also invests the totality of the person, body and soul. Christ took flesh to continue this sacrament in which matter becomes part of the divine action that is precisely why water becomes a sign of this totality of cleansing.

The moment of acceptance is the moment when the Father acknowledged His son. No sooner had Jesus come up out of the water than the heavens torn apart and the Spirit like a dove descending on him. And a voice came from the heavens saying, "You are my son the beloved; my favour rests on you." The baptism of Jesus thus becomes a moment of oneness of Jesus with the human race 'I am on your side!' with God also proclaiming his oneness with his own Son: "I am on your side!" "You are my beloved son, in whom I am well pleased." Words spoken to all who cared to listen and believe. The Servant of God is also the well-beloved Son of the Father. In life all of us need to be affirmed and the most meaningful affirmation comes from those who love us.

News

Priests Benevolent Fund: Income tax receipts for contributions made to the Priest's Benevolent Fund campaign during the 2013 tax year will be available by the end of January. Receipts will be available to be picked up at each individual Parish.

Adoration: Someone is needed for adoration on Tuesdays from 1-2 p.m. during the winter months. If you are available and wish to help our please contact Joanne MacRae.

Reminder

Please note: From now on Mass on Monday morning is at 10 a.m. Also, there is no adoration before the Thursday evening mass.

CWL Members: A reminder that the your annual \$20 fees are due in February and may be paid to Joanne McRae or Anita Doucette.

2014 Envelopes: The 2014 church envelopes are at the back of the church. Please put your name and address on the first envelope. If you are not currently using envelopes but would like a package please feel free to take an unmarked box.

Sunday missals: Pick up your Sunday missal for 2014. They are on sale now.

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday: 13/01 10:00 a.m.

Mass on Monday is now at 10 a.m.

John Ellsworth by Melvin & Sheila Ellsworth

Tuesday: 14/01 9:00 a.m.

George Gaudet by Lemand & Flo Delaney

Thursday: 16/01 7:00 p.m.

No Adoration before mass

Mary Allain by Bernadette, Gerard & family

Friday: 17/01 7:00 p.m.

Confession from 6:15 to 6:45 p.m.

Andrew Jones by Bernice Gallant

Second Sunday of Ordinary Time
January 19, 2014

Saturday: 18/01 4:00 p.m.

For the People

Sunday: 19/01 (M) 9:00 a.m.

James Deagle by Leonard Deagle & family

(PR) 11:00 a.m.

Rita Arsenault (A) by Gerard, Robert & Eileen

Diocesan Philippine Disaster Relief

Dear Parishioners,

The 50 Catholic Parishes of the Diocese collected \$122,200.00 for the Philippine Disaster Relief Campaign. The Canadian Government will match this amount and so the final total contribution is \$244,400.00. Congratulations to all for a most successful effort and a sincere thank you for the depth of your generosity. We await the grand total of the Catholic Churches across Canada and will bring you this news as soon as possible.

Sincerely in Christ,

+Bishop Richard Grecco

If you wish to meet Fr. Arthur, kindly call the office to ensure he is available when you come.

BULLETIN: Bulletin announcements accepted up to Tuesday at 12 Noon in **written form or by e-mail:** palmerroadparish@gmail.com
New Schedule for BAPTISMS: Baptism will be held the **2nd Sunday of each month** at 12:15 Please Contact the Parish Office for information. 882-2622
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 January
Economic Development: That all may promote authentic economic development that respects the dignity of all peoples.
Christian Unity: That Christians of diverse denominations may walk toward the unity desired by Christ.