

Immaculate Conception Church
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Our Lady of Assumption Mission
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Thought for the Week

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to your protection, implored our help or sought your intercession, was left unaided. Inspired with this confidence, I fly to you, O Virgin of virgins, my Mother; to you do I come, before you I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in your mercy hear and answer me. Amen.

Reflection

The feast of Our Lady of Lourdes

The feast of Our Lady of Lourdes is dedicated as World Day of the Sick. On 11 February 1858 began the apparition to Bernadette Soubirous near the Grotto of Massabielle. There Bernadette encountered "a lady dressed all in white". Our lady asked for prayer and penance for the conversion of sinners. The stream at Lourdes soon became a focal point for pilgrimages, miracles and cures. In the second part of the Hail Mary we pray, "Holy Mary mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death".

Saint Bernard declares, "The Mother of Christ and of the Church is always with us. Mary accompanies us, struggles with us, and sustains us in our fight against the forces of evil". "The Memorare" the prayer St. Bernard composed says, that Mary loves each of her children, giving particular attention to those who, like her Son at the hour of his Passion, are prey to suffering; she loves them quite simply because they are her children, according to the will of Christ on the Cross.

Pope Benedict XVI says, Mary's smile is a spring of living water. Mary is the "fount of love". From Mary's heart, there springs up a gratuitous love which calls forth a response from us. Like every mother, and better than every mother, Mary is the teacher of love. That is why so many sick people come to her shrines all over the world to quench their thirst at the "spring of love" and to let themselves be led to the sole source of salvation, her son Jesus the Saviour. Mary entrusts her smile to you, so that you may become, springs of living water. May you carry her smile to everyone! Pope Benedict ends saying, "Because you are the smile of God, the reflection of the light of Christ, the dwelling place of the Holy Spirit, we pray to you our mother Holy Mary.

People take medication to sleep; try this simple remedy and tell me if it works for you. Just before you go to bed or when in bed take the Rosary beads and say a decade of the rosary, one Our Father and 10 Hail Mary's or if you can recite the whole Rosary, the five decades as sleepy as you are and even if you fall asleep reciting the Rosary. You may have a short sleep; be assured you will Wake up well rested for a new day. It works for me, you could try it too.

God Bless you and May Mother Mary protect you, under her mantle of Blue.

News

West Prince Right to Life: The monthly meeting for West Prince Right to Life will be held at Palmer Rd Church on Tuesday, Feb 18 at 7:30 p.m. (St. Joseph's Room) Everyone welcome.

Reminder

Priests Benevolent Fund: Income tax receipts for contributions made to the Priest's Benevolent Fund campaign during the 2013 year are now available and can be picked up at the back of the church.

2013 Tax Receipts: Your 2013 Income Tax receipts are available to be picked up at the back of the church.

West Prince Zone Marriage Preparation Course: Couples to be married in 2014 must attend a marriage preparation course. This course will be held on two Saturdays, March 8th and 15th, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Sacred Heart Church, Alberton. Lunch provided. Cost is \$50 per couple. Please call the parish office at 853-2344 to register.

NET Interview Retreat: Have you thought about serving a year with NET Ministries of Canada? There is an Interview Retreat coming up in Halifax, Feb 28th - March 1st. The retreat is a chance for people to come out and learn more about NET's mission and see what a year on the road looks like. For more information check out their website:

www.netcanada.ca/joinnet .

Marriage Preparation Course in French: Le Centre d'éducation chrétienne is offering a marriage preparation course in French for couples who are planning to be married in 2014. The one day (12 hours) course is scheduled for the end of March. Contact Almeda Thibodeau for information (854-2143 or 853-3999) or by ema_francais@dioceseofcharlottetown.com

Rosary: Please join us in praying the rosary before daily mass: Monday 9:30 a.m., Thursday and Friday 6.30 p.m.

Sunday missals: There are still Sunday missals available for 2014.

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday: 17/02 10:00 a.m.
Esther Doyle by Barbara Poirier
Tuesday: 18/02 9:00 a.m.
George Gaudet by Joe & Cecilia McRae

Thursday: 20/02 7:00 p.m.
Mae Chaisson & Daughter Joanne by Janet & Tom Jensen
Friday: 21/02 7:00 p.m.
Confession from 6:15 to 6:45 p.m.
Susan Chaisson by Shirley & Richard Ellsworth

7th Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 23, 2014

Saturday: 22/02 4:00 p.m.
Leo Chaisson by Henry & Gloria Arsenault
Sunday: 23/02 (M) 9:00 a.m.
For the People

(PR)11:00 a.m.

Gerard Allain by Debbie Allain & family

"The Joy of the Gospel"
by Pope Francis

"The believer is essentially, 'one who remembers'."

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 February
Elders: That the Church and society may respect the wisdom and experience of older people.
Collaboration in Evangelization: That priests, religious, and lay people may work together with generosity.

