

Immaculate Conception Church

Palmer Road

Our Lady of Assumption Mission

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Thought for the Week

Fourth Sunday of Lent

Lord Jesus, only you know where my path will lead, but I trust that, even if I do not know either the way or the destination, you are with me and before me, and I follow you with joy.

40-Day Journey with Dietrich Bonhoeffer

Reconciliation Services for Lent

Thursday, Mar 27, 7:00 p.m. - Alberton
Tuesday, April 1, 7:00 p.m. - St. Anthony's
Tuesday, April 8, 7:00 p.m. - Tignish
Thursday, April 10, 7:00 p.m. - Palmer Road

Reflection

Christ comes that we might see the light!

Time and again we wonder if we or people around are blind. But there are times we have to admit we are blinded, physical or spiritually, because of our state of mind or how we think.

Samuel undertakes the journey at the command of God to the house of Jesse to choose the successor of King Saul. God picks the youngest and the least wanted son of Jesse, David in place of the stronger or clever sons. "God looks at the heart." David is anointed King and the Shepherd King of his people. St. Paul tells us that faith, hope and love are God's gifts to us leading us towards salvation through Jesus Christ, the Mediator who sacrificed his life for us and lead us to heaven. The Gospel theme is on the living water, God communicates his divine life to believers. Jesus met the Samaritan woman at Jacob's well and asks her to give him a drink of water. To her reaction Jesus replies that if only she recognized the gift of God she could have the living water that would become springs of waters gushing up to eternal life. Jesus gives this gift of God to us and to all people who ask for it. Understanding this mystery, the woman feels enlightened, accelerated, and illuminated by Jesus. She goes back to tell her family, friends, and neighbours how her life changed after meeting with Jesus Christ, bringing them to Christ. The church invites us to enter into a loving relationship with God and respond to his call. One of the recurring themes throughout the Lenten season is the compassion and mercy of our God who conveys his love for us. Repentance on the part of every person indicates the recognition of this love and their readiness to change.

March 25 was the Feast of the Annunciation, the beginning of Salvation history. Angel Gabriel told Mary that she was chosen to be the mother of the Lord. After understanding the commitment she was to undertake she accepts her call, from then on the birth of Christ begins. Are we ready to accept the challenges God has for us and say yes or will we postpone it till next Lent?

News

Mass of Chrism: Join us for the Mass of Chrism at St Dunstan's Basilica, Charlottetown, on Monday, April 14. Book now for your seat on the bus. Deadline Monday, April 7th. \$15 per person, first come, first served. Contact Robbie Gallant at 882-2740.

Lenten Mission on Vision TV: Theme - The Gift of Forgiveness, Part 1, Monday, April 14 at 6 p.m. & 10 p.m. Part 2, Tuesday, April 15 at 6 p.m. & 10 p.m.

Hospice Hymn Sing: Hospice Palliative Care, Hymn Sing & Memorial Service will be held Sunday, April 6 at 7 p.m., at St. Simon & St. Jude Church, Tignish. Join us for an evening of music and remembrance. Goodwill offering.

Palmer Rd CWL: April meeting is Thursday, April 3 at 7 p.m.

The Saint Dunstan Scholarship is available to graduating high school students planning to attend UPEI. This is a renewable scholarship valued at \$5,000 per year. Scholarship criteria and application form are at www.saintdunstansuniversity.ca or by calling [902-393-3441](tel:902-393-3441). Application deadline is April 15, 2014.

Reminder

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

Way of the Cross: Every Friday during Lent before the 7 p.m. mass.

Reminder to Parents: This is to remind you that you need to bring the children for Sunday mass; set a good example; attend Sunday mass; continue the Catholic tradition of family prayers especially night prayers. Lent is an appropriate time to practice our faith again. Every Friday join in The Way of the Cross at 6:30 p.m., followed by mass. Do your Lenten observance: Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving. Do some charitable act such as donation of non-perishable food items for the needy.

Your Kindness to the Needy: Please remember the needy during Lent. To help them at Easter please drop off your donations of non-perishable food items in the hampers at the back of the church. Thank you.

Teen Encounter: The next Teen Encounter weekend will be May 9 - 11th at Belcourt Center in South Rustico. All teens 16 and older may apply.

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday: 31/03	10:00 a.m.
Special Intention	
Tuesday: 01/04	9:00 a.m.
Todd Thibodeau (A) by Mom, Dad, Garth & Wade	
Thursday: 03/04	7:00 p.m.
Louis Doucette by Janet & Clifford	
Friday: 04/04	7:00 p.m.

Confession from 6:00 to 6:25

Way of the Cross 6:30 p.m.
Edward & Richard Kenny (A) by the family

Fourth Sunday of Lent April 6, 2014

Saturday: 05/04 4:00 p.m.

Helen McCabe (A) by Nellie & Don
Nelson Bernard by Bernard family

Sunday: 06/04 (M) 9:00 a.m.

For the People

(PR)11:00 a.m.

Mr & Mrs Ivan Ellsworth (A) by Edna & family

"The Joy of the Gospel"

by Pope Francis

"I dream of a 'missionary option', that is, a missionary impulse capable of transforming everything, so that the Church's customs, ways of doing things, time and schedules, language and structures can be suitably channelled for the evangelization of today's world rather than for her self-preservation."

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 email:** 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 April
Ecology and Justice. That governments may foster the protection of creation and the just distribution of natural resources.
Hope for the Sick. That the Risen Lord may fill with hope the hearts of those who are being tested by pain and sickness.

