

Immaculate Conception Church

Palmer Road

Our Lady of Assumption Mission

Miminegash

Bulletin from April 27 – May 4, 2014

Administrator: Rev. Arthur Sequeira

Email: palmerroadparish@gmail.com

Website: www.palmerroadparish.com

Bulletin: Jean Willcock

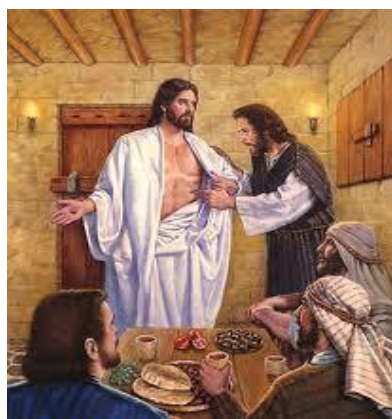
Housekeeper: MaryAnn Smith

Sunday Collection:

April 20, 2014: \$2,112.00

Good Friday: \$1,585.00

Thank you for your generosity



Thought for the Week

2nd Sunday of Easter

In the midst of our dark moments, in the midst of our doubts and fears, the mercy and love of God is there for us. God's merciful love is faithful and enduring. None of us can actually see love or touch love but we all can feel the power of love in our lives.

Pope John Paul II

Reflection

May Devotions to Mary: During the month of May, praying the Rosary is a traditional prayer in many a cultural setting. I remember having joined in many a devotion of the Rosary with singing hymns to Mary. This devotional practice in May ends with the litany of the Blessed Virgin Mary sung to the

accompaniment of the guitar or the violin. The devotions ended on May 31 with many hymns to Mary and this always ended with light refreshment, we children enjoyed the sweet delicacies. Praying the Rosary in the church began a while back but took momentum after the **Battle of Lepanto**. At dawn on **October 7, 1571**, Pope Pius V, accompanied by the faithful, prayed the Rosary in the **Basilica of Santa Maria Maggiore**. From dawn to dusk prayers continued in Rome as the Christians and the Muslims battled at Lepanto. When it was all over the Muslims had been defeated. Of some 270 Moslem ships, at least 200 were destroyed. The Turks lost 30,000 men while Christian casualties numbered between 4,000 and 5,000. Then on, the devotion to the Rosary increased. The Blessed Virgin Mary always gave this message. Pray the rosary for the conversion of sinners, and world peace. **Pope Francis** in his homily asked the people "Do you pray the Rosary every day? Well, prayer with Mary the Rosary, it sustains us in the battle against the evil one and his accomplices. In the Holy Mary we pray, "Holy Mary mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death". **Saint Bernard** declared, "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". Mary dwells in the joy and the glory of the Resurrection. The tears shed at the foot of the Cross have been transformed into a smile which nothing can wipe away, even as her maternal compassion towards us remains unchanged. "The Memorare", prayer expresses this sentiment very well. Mary loves each one of us. **Pope Benedict XVI** says, Mary's smile is a spring of living water. "He who believes in me", says Jesus, "out of his heart shall flow rivers of living water" (Jn. 7:38). **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 **pray a decade of the rosary**, 1 Our Father and 10 Hail Mary's or if you can, recite the whole Rosary, the 5 decades, as sleepy as you are or even if you fall asleep reciting the Rosary don't worry. Even if you 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

Living Rosary: May is the Month of Mary. We will begin the devotions to Mary in the traditional way,

the rosary. People are invited to church at 6 p.m., May 1st to **experience the power of Living Rosary**
Palmer Rd CWL Members: The CWL Monthly meeting is Thursday, May 1 at 7:30 p.m.

Confirmation: Bishop Richard Grecco will be here on May 12 at 7 p.m. for Confirmation. All parishioners are invited to attend this special occasion.

Take the bus to Support Life: On May 8th, the Annual March for Life takes place in Charlottetown at 12:30 p.m. following the 12 noon Mass at St. Dunstan's Basilica. We want to show the PEI Government that we want to keep PEI abortion-free. A bus is available for the trip. Please call Wilma Griffin 853-2418, Helen McKenna 882-2411, Laureen Handrahan 882-3410 or St. Anthony's Parish Office 859-2536 for more information and to book a seat. Cost is \$15 each. **Deadline is May 5th.**

Annual Provincial CWL Convention: The 92nd Annual Provincial CWL Convention will be held at Rodd Royalty, 14 Capital Drive, Charlottetown on Friday evening, May 2 (6:30-9:30pm with registration 5-6:30pm) and Saturday, May 3 (9am-5pm with registration 8-9:am). Interesting guest speakers. All members welcome.

Marriage Preparation Program: "A Decision to Love", a one-day Marriage Preparation Course, will be presented by Ed and Marsha Ratelle in Summerside, on Saturday, May 24. For further information and to register contact Marsha at marsharatelle@eastlink.ca or call (902) 436-6795.

Reminder

Saturday Mass Time: The Saturday evening mass will be at 7 p.m. beginning on Saturday, May 3, 2014.

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

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday: 28/04	10:00 a.m.
Dora Kenny by the family	
Tuesday: 29/04	9:00 a.m.
Leo Chaisson by Palmer Rd CWL.	
Thursday: 01/05	7:00 p.m.
Special intention	
World Peace	
Friday: 02/05	7:00 p.m.
Confession from 6:15 to 6:45	
Ronald Myers by Shirley Murphy	

Third Sunday of Easter

May 4, 2014

Saturday: 03/05 7:00 p.m.

For the People

Sunday: 04/05 (M) 9:00 a.m.

Millie Deagle (A) by Kay & Alfred

(PR)11:00 a.m.

Melvin Doucette (A) by Julia

"The Joy of the Gospel"

by Pope Francis

"The Eucharist, although it is the fullness of sacramental life, is not a prize for the perfect but a powerful medicine and nourishment for the weak. These convictions have pastoral consequences that we are called to consider with prudence and boldness. Frequently, we (pastors) act as arbiters of grace rather than its facilitators. But the Church is not a tollhouse; it is the house of the Father, where there is a place for everyone, with all their problems."

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.

