Immaculate Conception Church Palmer Road

Our Lady of Assumption Mission Miminegash

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Thought for the Week

3rd Sunday of Easter

The heart that resembles that of Christ more than any other is without a doubt the heart of Mary, his Immaculate Mother.... Responding to the Virgin's invitation at Fatima, let us entrust the whole world to her Immaculate Heart.

Pope Benedict XVI

Reflection

The everyday struggles people have many times leads to depression. We all have had moments of frustration that we felt like giving up, quitting. Let us put ourselves in God's hands and let things happen, get God's help. *Pope Benedict XVI* reminds us that, Jesus rose on the first day of the week. For the disciples on the way to Emmaus *it was a day of enlightenment,* a new era began. For the two disciples it was like the Eucharistic celebration of the developing Church. It was on this day that their faith was reshaped and developed.

One of the most beautiful stories of the risen Lord is the journey of the disciples to Emmaus. Firstly the incident tells us that the disciples to whom Jesus appeared were *ordinary disciples*. Jesus appeared to these two, he joined them on the road to remind us that God comes to us along the journey of life. Secondly, we are reminded that when *Jesus joined* them along the road they let him join in the conversation. They shared all their disillusionment, their shattered hopes and dreams about Jesus the Messiah. Jesus patiently listens to them and situates the recent events in the context of what had been written in the scriptures about himself. Yet they were slow to understand and accept all that Jesus said. In fact their way of coping with their disappointment was to withdraw from the company of the apostles and run away from Jerusalem. We are often tempted to withdraw and be by ourselves in order to wallow in our grief or depression rather than find strength in community. When Jesus came nearer to Emmaus he walked as if to be going on, but the disciples extended hospitality welcomed him to share their bread and stay with them. Their welcoming gesture was richly rewarded. We need to realize that in being hospitable and welcoming to strangers we could be welcoming Christ? Christ reminds us whatsoever we do to the least of our brothers or sisters that we do unto him. We need to see ourselves journeying with Christ. When he has shared the Eucharist with us only then we may recognize the graces and blessing he has in store for us.

May we join Mother Mary and the disciples to share our bread with others and receive Christ who gives himself for us.

News

March for Life: The Annual March For Life has been changed to May 25th. There will still be a bus going from West Prince. We will have more information in the bulletin in a couple of weeks.

Knights of Columbus: The monthly meeting of the Palmer Rd Knights of Columbus will be held on Wednesday, May 14 at 8 p.m. The insurance agent will be in attendance.

Catechism: Children & their parents are invited to join us Tuesday, May 6, from 6 - 7 p.m. at the hall for our final event of the catechism year. Thank you to all parents for your continued support over the year.

Reminder

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

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

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.

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday: 05/05 10:00 a.m.
Mr & Mrs Alphy Perry by Mr & Mrs Albert Perry

Tuesday: 06/05 9:00 a.m.Susan Chaisson by Blanch, Ivan & Brett Bernard

Thursday: 08/05 7:00 p.m. Memorial Mass for Lucina Towers (Ellsworth)

7:00 p.m.

Friday: 09/05 Confession from 6:15 to 6:45

Margaret Arsenault by Larry & Wilma Jones

Fourth Sunday of Easter *May 11, 2014*

Saturday: 10/05 7:00 p.m.
Bernice Richard (A) by Gloria, Murial & families
Thomas & Richard Handrahan (A) by the family

Sunday: 11/05 (M) 9:00 a.m.

Jim Cormier by John Doucette

(PR)11:00 a.m.

For the People

"The Joy of the Gospel"

by Pope Francis

"I prefer a Church which is bruised, hurting and dirty because it has been out on the streets, rather than in a Church which is unhealthy from being confined and from clinging to its own security."

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

<u>BAPTISMS:</u> Baptism will be held the <u>2nd Sunday of</u> <u>each month</u> at 12:15 Please Contact the Parish Office for information. (882-2622)

<u>Please Note</u>: 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 May

Media. That the media may be instruments in the service of truth and peace.

Mary's Guidance. That Mary, Star of Evangelization, may guide the Church in proclaiming Christ to all nations.