Immaculate Conception Church Palmer Road

Our Lady of Assumption Mission Miminegash

Bulletin for December 8-15, 2019

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Sunday Collection:

December 1, 2019: \$1,653.75 Thank you for your generosity



2nd Sunday of Advent

The evangelist Luke is the author of the Gospel that bears his name, and he also wrote the Acts of the Apostles as a continuation of the story of Jesus and the Church. In these two works, Luke's sense of time and history emerges. He identifies three epochs of salvation history: the time before Christ, the time of Christ, and the time of the Church and the Holy Spirit. In today's Gospel reading, as elsewhere, John the Baptist is presented as the figure who bridges the time before Christ and prepares the way for Christ's own ministry.

John's preaching of the coming of the Lord is a key theme of the Advent season. As John's message prepared the way for Jesus, we too are called to prepare ourselves for Jesus' coming. We respond to John's message by repentance and reform of our lives. We are also called to be prophets of Christ, who announce by our lives the coming of the Lord, as John did.

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Monday, Dec 9 - Feast of Immaculate Conception: Our Parish Feast Day (Immaculate Conception) will be celebrated on Monday, Dec 9 beginning with Mass

at 7 pm. Our Parish Mission Statement will be unveiled, followed by cake and beverages.

Rescheduled-Children's Christmas Pageant: Please join us on Tuesday, Dec 10 from 6-7 pm at Immaculate Conception Church, Palmer Road when students from the religion classes will put on a Christmas play. All are welcome to attend this very special evening.

Rescheduled - CWL Christmas: The Palmer Road CWL Christmas Party will be held on Tuesday, Dec 10 at 7:30 pm at the Palmer Road Hall. All members are invited and asked to bring a nonperishable food item for the Parish Christmas Hampers and a reusable shopping bag.

Palmer Road - 2nd Rite of Reconciliation,

December 16: Liturgy of the Word and the presence of neighbouring priests at Palmer Road on Monday, Dec 16 at 7 pm. Also, St Anthony's, Bloomfield -Dec 10, Sacred Heart, Alberton - Dec 11, St Simon & St Jude, Tignish-Dec 12. All services begin at 7 pm.

WP Right to Life: The West Prince Right to Life will be having their next peaceful demonstration on Saturday, Dec 14 at 11 am in Summerside on Roy Boats Ave on the side of Walmart. All are welcomed to attend.

Flowers for Christmas: During our Festive Season Christmas flowers (in memory of a deceased loved one) for our two churches are always appreciated. You may choose to make a monetary donation or you may select and bring your own flowers to the church. Donations may be dropped off at the parish office or put in with the Sunday collection. Thanking you in advance for your continuing support.

Knights of Columbus: The next meeting of the Palmer Rd Knights of Columbus will be held on Wednesday, Dec 11 at 8 p.m. at the Palmer Rd Hall.

Sacred Music: A Time of Sacred Music will begin at 3 pm on Sunday, Dec 15 at St Simon and St Jude Church, Tignish. This presentation is a beautiful teaching on the Nativity. Music will be presented by their various parish choirs. It is a beautiful afternoon of song; a time to slow down and reflect during this Advent season. Everyone is invited to attend!

Reminder - Donations for Christmas Hampers:

Please take a tag from our Christmas tree at the back of the church and help support the parish's Christmas Hamper Program. Just select a tag(s) from the tree and donate the item(s) listed. Drop off your donation, along with the tag at the church by December 15. Please note, any nonperishable food item and monetary donations are welcomed in addition to those listed on the tags. Have a wonderful and joyous Christmas and thank you for sharing with those less fortunate.

Reminder

General Retreat: There will be a general retreat with Fr Brendon Gallant themed Meeting Jesus in the "Ordinary" of Your Life at Our Lady of Hope Retreat Centre, January 17-19, 2020. The weekend begins with registration and room assignments from 6-7 followed by Mass at 7pm. The cost is \$170 per person or \$255 per married couple. Reserve your spot early by calling the Centre at 902-621-2385 or 902-388-1952.

April 30-May 10: Pilgrimage to Medjugorje. Cost \$2,135 (+ \$675 taxes/security/fuel surcharges) includes airfare from the Maritimes, (twin or triple) accommodation, daily breakfast & dinner and experienced local guide. (Optional single room supplement, \$200/p.) Contact Hector Caissie at hectorcaissie@hotmail.ca or (506) 857-2295.

Stewardship through Planned Giving: We look for Parishioners to join in keeping our past alive, maintaining our present and ensuring our future. Please consider your Parish or Diocese for a Gift now or at estate planning time. Visit www.dioceseofcharlottetown.com and click the "Planned Giving" link. Pamphlets available at both churches.

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land: Join Fr. Andrew Handrahan on a guided pilgrimage to some of Israel's holy sites. October 21-29, 2020, the pilgrimage will travel to the Holy Land and visit such places as Nazareth, the Sea of Galilee, the Mount of Transfiguration, Jerusalem, and the Church of the Holy Sepulchre. Step into the River Jordan where Jesus was baptized, and stand on the hill where Jesus gave his sermon on the mount; walk through the places that our Lord himself walked, and experience the city of Jerusalem as you make the way of the cross which Jesus suffered. Contact Krisanne Butler at CAA Travel for more information: kbutler@atlantic.caa.ca or at 902-892-0296.

Mass Intentions

Feast Day Celebration: For Parishioners **Tuesday:** 10/12 9:00 a.m. Fr Charles Cheverie

Wednesday: 11/12 Roger Arsenault by the family

Thursday: 12/12 1:00 p.m.

Funeral Mass: Bernice Ellsworth

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Friday: 13/12 No Mass

Third Sunday of Advent December 15, 2019

4:00 p.m. **Saturday:** 14/12 Joshua & Kathleen Dalton by Paul, Paulette & Ricky

Dalton

Monday:

Sunday: 15/12 (M) 9:00 a.m.

For the People

(PR) 11:00 a.m.

7:00 p.m.

9:00 a.m.

Valmont Gaudet by Dianne & family

BULLETIN: Bulletin announcements accepted up to Tuesday at 12 Noon in written form or by email:palmerroadparish@gmail.com

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BAPTISMS: Baptisms are held by appointment as required. Please Contact the Parish Office for information and to make arrangements. (882-2622) or email: palmerroadparish@gmail.com

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.

Please include a phone number with your mass intentions. Thank you

Intention of the Holy Father, Pope Francis for December 2019

The Future of the Very Young: That every country take the measures necessary to prioritize the future of the very young, especially those who are suffering.