

**Immaculate Conception Church
Palmer Road
Our Lady of Assumption Mission
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Parish Mission Statement

We are called as God's people to love, serve, grow in faith and journey with all walks of life"

Bulletin for March 1-8, 2020

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Office hours: Monday & Thursday 9:30 am - 5 pm

Sunday Collection:

February 23, 2020: \$2,014.75

Ash Wednesday: \$896.15

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1st Sunday of Lent

In each of the three Synoptic Gospels (Mark, Matthew, and Luke), after Jesus' baptism by John, Jesus is reported to have gone to the desert to fast and pray for 40 days. In each case, while in the desert, Jesus is tempted by the devil.

Matthew and Luke give more detail than Mark does, but each one tells how the devil tempts Jesus in the desert. In Matthew, as in Luke, the devil presents three temptations to Jesus. The devil tempts Jesus to use his power to appease his hunger; he tempts Jesus to put God's promise of protection to the test; and he offers Jesus all of the kingdoms of the world if Jesus will worship the devil. In each case, Jesus resists the temptation, rebuking the devil with words from Scripture.

The account of Jesus' temptation in the desert is filled with allusions and parallels to the Old Testament, including the story of the people of Israel. The Israelites spent 40 years wandering in the desert in Exodus, for example, and Jesus spends 40 days in the desert. As the Israelites were tempted during the Exodus, so too is Jesus tempted.

Each temptation offers insight into both God and the human condition. Jesus' rejection of the temptations shows that he will not put God to the test. Grounding himself on the word and authority of Scripture, Jesus rebukes the devil, confident in God's protection and faithfulness.

As we start our journey through Lent, our Sunday readings call us to adopt the same confidence that Jesus had in the face of temptation: God's word alone will suffice; God's promise of protection can be trusted; God alone is God. *Loyola Press (A Jesuit Ministry)*

News

Way of the Cross: During Lent the Way of the Cross will be held at Immaculate Conception Church, Palmer Road every Friday at 6:30 pm followed by Mass at 7 pm.

Palmer Road CWL: The regular meeting of the Palmer Road CWL will be held on Tuesday, Mar 3 at 7:30 p.m.

Martha Spirituality Centre: Martha Spirituality Centre offers a six-week introduction to Christian Meditation on Tuesdays, 9:30-10:30, from March 3-April 7. There is no cost for this course. Grief Video Series on Reorganizing Your Life beginning on Tuesdays from March 3-April 7 from 2:00- 3:30. Cost is \$30 for the series. Need to register. Facilitator is Sr. Debbie Peters. To register for Spirituality Centre offerings, call 902-367-3103 or message srgemma@eastlink.ca

Steps to Justice Solidarity Walk: Pray for justice this Lent by participating in the Steps to Justice Solidarity Walk on Sunday, March 15. Hosted by the UPEI Chaplaincy Centre and Diocesan Youth Office, we will walk in solidarity and pray for the environment. Gather at 4 pm at the Chaplaincy Centre, UPEI Campus. Walk will conclude by 5:30 pm. Participants are welcome to join the UPEI Chaplaincy Centre community for Sunday Mass at 6 pm. This event is open to all.

Reminder

Interdenominational World Day of Prayer: Interdenominational World Day of Prayer will be held at Gordon memorial United Church, Alberton on Friday, Mar 6 at 2 pm. Lunch and fellowship to follow. (Lunch provided)

Lenten Retreat: Fr John Molina will be leading a Lenten retreat at Our Lady of Hope Retreat Centre

from Friday, Mar 6-Sunday, Mar 8. The Registration and room assignments at 6pm, Mass at 7pm and concluding after lunch, Sunday. \$170 per person or \$255 per married couple. Reserve soon by calling the Centre at 902-621-2385 or 902-388-1952.

St Simon & St Jude Parish Mission: St Simon & St Jude Parish will hold a Lenten Mission March 11-13, 7-8:30 pm. Theme: Rejoice and Be Glad: Pope Francis' road map for Holiness and Mission with Father Raymond Lafontaine EV, director of the office of English Pastoral Services and Episcopal Vicar to the English speaking faithful of the Archdiocese of Montreal. Father Raymond is also involved in parish missions, retreats, and diocesan study days.

Steubenville Atlantic: Steubenville Atlantic is happening July 3-5, 2020. Join hundreds of youth from across Atlantic Canada for a weekend of friendship, fun, and faith. Registration is now open. The early bird cost is \$200, and only available until March 25. For more information or to register, contact your Group Leader or Lauren at youth@dioceseofcharlottetown.com

Retreats for Men & Women: Does life seem overwhelming at times? Perhaps you need a place to take a breath, slow things down, and surround yourself with God's gift of peace. Retreats for both women and men are taking place at Marguerite Bourgeois Retreat Centre, Summerside. For more information regarding Cursillo, please contact Tony Gallant at 902-432-7774 or Bonnie Hood at 902-940-6706.

Pilgrimage; Our Lady of the Cape: PEI Pilgrimages Ltd, pilgrimage to Our Lady of the Cape Shrine at Cap de la Madelaine, Quebec; May 15-18. Cost per person for double occupancy is \$575, or \$660 for single, HST incl. Children 16 and under are ½ price accompanied by an adult. Price includes travel by bus and 3 nights' accommodation, breakfasts and dinners at the Madonna Hotel. \$100 deposit with registration, balance by April 30. Registration forms email Gary Clow garyclow42@gmail.com. For info contact Gary Clow 902-569-3945, Ken Campbell, 902-566-2914/ campbellken4@gmail.com or Joe Drane at 902-940-5871/ ritadrane@yahoo.ca.

Palmer Road Cemetery: Please note the Cemetery will be closed for interments during the winter months. We will be putting remains in the receiving vault for the duration of the season until further notice in the Spring 2020.

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Monday: 02/03
Funeral Mass Melvin Gallant 10:30 a.m.
Funeral Mass Rita (Louie) Perry 3:00 p.m.
Tuesday: 03/03 9:00 a.m.
Roger Arsenault by the family
Wednesday: 04/03 9:00 a.m.
Freddie Bernard by Josephine Noye
Thursday: 05/03 7:00 p.m.
Anniversary: Mr & Mrs Peter LeClair & DFM
Friday: 06/03 **Way of the Cross** 6:30 p.m.
Mass 7:00 p.m.
Kaitlyn Arsenault by Roy & Helen McKenna

***Second Sunday of Lent
March 8th, 2020***

Saturday: 07/03 4:00 p.m.
For the People
Sunday: 08/03 (M) 9:00 a.m.
Winnifred Gallant by Ruth Gaudet & family
(PR) 11:00 a.m.
Theresa Hustler Gallant by Lola & Gerard Chaisson

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

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.

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

Intention of the Holy Father, Pope Francis for March 2020

Catholics in China: We pray that the Church in China may persevere in its faithfulness to the Gospel and grow in unity.

