

**Immaculate Conception Church
Palmer Road
Our Lady of Assumption Mission
Miminegash**

Parish Mission Statement

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

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

Sunday Collection:

September 13, 2020: \$1,689.00
Development & Peace: \$120.00
Anonymous: \$200.00
IMO Stephen McCue: \$215.00
IMO John Gallant: \$50.00
Thank you for your generosity



25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Matthew 20:1-16

In today's Gospel, Jesus moves from Galilee to teach in Judea where he is sought out by great crowds and tested by the Pharisees on issues such as marriage and divorce. Jesus also encounters a rich young man who is unable to accept Jesus' demand that he leave his possessions to follow him. Jesus' response to the rich young man sounds very much like the conclusion we will find in today's Gospel: the first will be last and the last will be first.

On the surface, the parable of the workers in the vineyard appears to be an offense to common sense. Those who work a longer day ought to be paid more than those who work just an hour or two. When

viewed in this way, the landowner seems unfair. That is because we are reading into the parable our own preconceived notions of how fairness and equality should be quantified.

A close read shows us that the landowner paid on the terms that were negotiated. The landowner, it seems, has acted completely justly. The parable goes beyond that, however, and we come to see that the landowner is not simply just, he is exceptionally just. He is radically just. He has given those who labored in the field for a full day their due pay. But he has also given a full-day's wage to those who worked only a single hour. No one is cheated, but a few receive abundantly from the landowner just as we receive from God more than what is merely justifiable or due. God, like the landowner, is radically just and abundantly generous. The workers who complain are made to look foolish as they lament the fact that landowner has made all workers equal. Indeed, what more could one ask for than to be treated as an equal at work or anywhere else?

The parable reminds us that although God owes us nothing, he offers abundantly and equally. We are occasionally tempted to think that our own actions deserve more reward, more of God's abundant mercy, than the actions of others. But God's generosity cannot be quantified or partitioned into different amounts for different people. When we think that way, we are trying to relate to God on our terms rather than to accept God's radically different ways.

(Loyola Press)

Knights of Columbus: The Palmer Road Knights of Columbus hold their meetings on the second Wednesday of each month at the Palmer Road Hall. Next scheduled meeting is October 14 at 8 pm.

Catechism Classes: We will have updated information in the coming week as to when and how this year's Catechism classes will take place. Updates will also be posted on the Facebook page.

Fatima: Inspired by the true story, the newly-released movie "*Fatima*" can be watched on-demand through Apple TV, YouTube, Bell, Rogers, and several other Canadian sources. This highly acclaimed movie dramatizes the story of three young children and the Blessed Virgin Mary's appearances to them in Fatima, Portugal in 1917. These miraculous events have been deemed by the Church as "worthy of belief" and the message of Fatima has continued to inspire many for over 100 years.

From Pope Francis – "This is the love of our God, of our God who is Father."

Jesus wants to make us contemplate the gaze of that landowner: the gaze with which he looks upon each of the labourers searching for work and calls them to go to his vineyard. It is a gaze which is filled with attention, kindness. It is a gaze which calls, invites one to get up and begin a journey because he wants life for each of us; he wants a full, committed life, safe from emptiness and inertia. God excludes no one and wants each of us to achieve his or her fullness. This is the love of our God, of our God who is Father.
Pope Francis 24.09.17 Angelus, St Peter's Square

Mass During COVID-19

Mass at 9 a.m. Monday - Thursday at Palmer Road (even if there is a funeral that day). On the weekend there are **three Masses:** Saturday **4 p.m.** (Bilingual), Sunday **9 a.m.** Miminegash and **11 a.m.** Palmer Road with attendance of 50 people at each mass. Social distancing practices are still in effect at all masses. Please use hand sanitizer on the way in and out and we ask that you respect social distancing at all times. Although it is not mandatory at this time, please feel free to use a face mask if you wish. If you are not feeling well, please refrain from attending Mass.



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50 in attendance at each Mass**
4 p.m. Saturday (Bilingual) Palmer Road
9 a.m. Sunday Miminegash
11 a.m. Sunday Palmer Road

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Monday:	21/09	No Mass
Tuesday:	22/09	No Mass
Wednesday:	23/09	No Mass
Thursday:	24/09	9:00 a.m.
		Norman Doucette by Mom & Dad
Friday:	25/09	9:00 a.m.
		Ada Perry by Agnes & Edward Butler

**26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 27th, 2020**

Saturday: 26/09 (Bilingual) 4:00 p.m.
Keith Chaisson by Mom, Dad & Stephen

Sunday: 27/09 (M) 9:00 a.m.
For the people (PR) 11:00 a.m.
Ronald Myers by Evelyn & family

BULLETIN: Bulletin announcements accepted up to Tuesday at 12 Noon in written form or by email: palmerroadparish@gmail.com
Office hours: Monday & Thursday 9:30 am - 5 pm

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 : During this time of Covid-19, Weekday masses are still held even when there is a funeral the same day.

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

Intention of the Holy Father, Pope Francis for September 2020

Respect for the Planet's Resources: We pray that the planet's resources will not be plundered, but shared in a just and respectful manner.

