

**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"

Bulletin for October 18-25, 2020

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Office hours: Monday & Thursday 9:30 am - 5 pm
Sunday Collection:
October 11, 2020: \$1,621.75
Cemetery Fund: \$30.00

Thank you for your generosity



29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Matthew 22:15-21

In today's Gospel Jesus and the religious leaders in Jerusalem continue their tense exchange of questions and challenges. At this point the disciples of the Pharisees, together with the Herodians, try to entrap Jesus by their question about the payment of taxes. The Herodians and the Pharisees approach Jesus, asking that he take sides in their dispute. If Jesus answers with the Pharisees, he shows himself to be an enemy of Rome. If he answers with the Herodians, he offends popular Jewish religious sensibilities. Jesus' response to this attempt to trap him exposes the guile of his questioners. From his first words to them, Jesus shows that he is very much aware of what

they are trying to do. He asks to see a Roman coin, which is readily provided to him. It may have come from the hand of a Herodian, but the Pharisees show themselves to be quite willing to accept this compromise. Jesus has already exposed the Pharisees as hypocrites.

Jesus takes his response one step further. He asks that his questioners examine the coin. Agreeing that it is Caesar's image on the coin, Jesus tells them that it must belong to Caesar. Avoiding the question of lawfulness altogether, Jesus answers their question with simple logic. Then, going further still, Jesus tells them that their obligation is to pay to God that which belongs to God.

Jesus' response to the Herodians and Pharisees suggests the ethic that Christians ought to adopt. It reminds us of the importance of keeping things in their proper perspective. Do we attach ourselves to worldly things at the expense of the love and honor that we owe to God? (Loyola Press)

Announcements

Catechism: Welcome Back - Grades 1, 2, 3, and 4 will have their first class on Tuesday, Oct 20, from 6-7pm at the Palmer Road Hall. Grades 5, 6, and 7 will begin on October 27. All classes will be held at the Palmer Road Hall this year.

Special Retreat: Come kindle in our hearts the Fire of Your Love, come to Our Lady Of Hope Retreat Center by renewing each day our trust in the working of the Holy Spirit and Open Our Hearts to His Inspiration and Gifts. A Special Retreat with Fr Brendon Gallant November 13, 14 & 15 - Register soon as we can only take a certain number of people. Please call Earla or Martin (902) 388-1952 (902)394-4116.

Bill C-7: AN OPEN LETTER TO ALL CANADIANS from Canadian Religious Leaders, *We Can and Must do Much Better - Religious Leaders in Canada denounce Bill C-7, "An Act to amend the Criminal Code (medical assistance in dying)"* has been released on Wednesday, Oct 14. This ecumenical and interfaith document has been endorsed by over 50 religious leaders and organizations from across Canada and has serious impacts on the Canadian people. It can be viewed at www.dioceseofcharlottetown.com, www.cccb.ca, as well as parish websites.

Volunteers: Thank you to those who have volunteered to sanitize the Churches after mass and register those in attendance as we adhere to the Worshipsafe Directive approved by Health PEI for the Diocese. We always welcome more volunteers so feel free to contact the parish if you can help out. (902-882-2622 or email: palmerroadparish@gmail.com)

Recovering Together: Development and Peace-Caritas Canada is holding a special Canada-wide collection on November 15, for the 100 projects it supports in 35 countries in Africa, Asia, Latin America and the Middle East and Solidarity with the Amazon. Please give generously.

Marriage Course: A Marriage Preparation program of six sessions will be offered tentatively from October 11- November 15, 2020 (Sunday evenings) from 6 -9 pm, at the Tignish Parish Center. For info contact John at john.handrahan@pei.sympatico.ca or 902 882 3432.

Mass During COVID-19

- We can now have a total of 100 people at weekend masses in Palmer Road Church (two groups of 50). Miminegash remains at 50.
- To safely accommodate everyone please use the side doors of the church and maintain social distancing on the way in and out, as well as during communion.
- Communion will be distributed to one group at a time.
- To use the washrooms you will use the door at the front of the church on the side which you are seated.
- The priest and lay minister are now required to wear a mask during distribution of communion.
- Masks must be worn if you are singing. (This includes the choir member)
- Gathering at the back of the church before and after mass is not permitted.
- Please refrain from attending Mass if you are not feeling well.
- Copies of the new Revised Worshipsafe Directive for Church Services in the Diocese effective October 7, 2020 will be posted at the entrances. Thank you in advance for adhering to these directions.

Three weekend Masses:

100 in attendance at Palmer Rd
4 p.m. Saturday (**Bilingual**) Palmer Road
9 a.m. Sunday Miminegash
11 a.m. Sunday Palmer Road

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Monday: 19/10 9:00 a.m.
Stephen McCue by Linda
Tuesday: 20/10 9:00 a.m.
Philip Doyle by Geraldine Shea
Wednesday: 21/10 9:00 a.m.
Francis Richard by the family
Thursday: 22/10 9:00 a.m.
Peggy Aylward by Elmer Perry
Friday: 23/10 No Mass

**30th Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 25th, 2020**

Saturday: 24/10 (Bilingual) 4:00 p.m.
Alice & Bernie Perry by Ralph & Ida Richard
Sunday: 25/10 (M) 9:00 a.m.
Auldine Wedge by Phyllis Murphy
(PR) 11:00 a.m.

For the People

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 October 2020

The Laity's Mission in the Church: We pray that by the virtue of baptism, the laity, especially women, may participate more in areas of responsibility in the Church.

