

**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 Dec 27- Jan 3, 2020

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

Sunday Collection: Dec 20 - \$2,826.00

Thank you for your generous donations as we continue through the Holiday Season.

Christmas Flowers

Palmer Road CWL: \$100.00

IMO Wilson & Patricia Shea: \$50.00

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The Holy Family

The Gospel of Matthew tells the story of the birth of Jesus from Joseph's perspective. During his betrothal to Mary, Joseph learned that Mary was pregnant. Betrothal in first-century Jewish culture was more than an engagement period; it was part of the marriage contract. A breach of this contract was considered adultery. If adultery was proved, the punishment might be death. Joseph had rights under Mosaic Law, but he chose to act discreetly in his plans to break the marriage contract so as to protect Mary. The way that Joseph and Mary faced these extraordinary circumstances tells us much about these holy people and their faith in God.

The message the angel gave to Joseph in a dream reveals many important theological details about the child Mary will bear and about the child's role in God's plan. He was conceived by the Holy Spirit. His name will be Jesus, which in the Hebrew means "God saves." He will be the fulfillment of Isaiah's prophecy. He will be Emmanuel, "God with us." This is the mystery we celebrate at Christmas, the Incarnation. God chose to become a human being in the person of Jesus.

Joseph did as the angel of the Lord directed. He took Mary to be his wife and accepted the child in her womb as his own. When Jesus was born, Joseph followed the directions of the angel and gave the child the name Jesus. We often recall Mary's cooperation in God's plan for our salvation. Today's Gospel reminds us of Joseph's important role, which was also crucial to God's plan for Jesus' birth.

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A Christmas Message 2020...

During this pandemic, the solemn feast of Christmas, we need to be reminded that the Almighty is Emmanuel: "God is with us." Indeed He sent us his beloved Son – Jesus – the Word made flesh.

May he fulfill you and consider Him the Prince of Peace.

La fête de Noël est l'occasion idéale pour apprécier davantage notre foi chrétienne. Augmentons ce don gratuit, émerveillons-nous et engageons-nous d'être plus fidèle à cheminer avec Jésus le Divin Maître et notre Sauveur.

Joyeux Noël Merry and a Holy Christmas

Père Albin Arsenault

Update: Mass during COVID-19

Masks are now required in all public places on PEI including Churches. Please wear your mask at all times.

We now have two cohorts of 50 at each weekend mass, in Palmer Road. Following the rules approved by Health PEI for the Diocese we have put seating arrangements in place. Thank you for helping us stay safe as we continue to Worship the Lord during this worldwide pandemic. Your collaboration is most appreciated. To safely accommodate everyone please use the side doors of the church, maintain social distancing on the way in and out, and during communion, wear a mask, use hand sanitizer and please stay home if you feel unwell



Thanks to all for remembering to wear a mask and observing safe distancing rules. Have a wonderful Christmas. We are allowed 100 (two groups of 50) at masses in Palmer Road and 50 in Miminegash.

Mass Schedule for New Years

Thursday, Dec 31 - New Year's Eve

(PR) 4 p.m. (Bilingual)

Friday, Jan 1, 2021 – New Year's Day

Miminegash 9 a.m.

Palmer Road 11 a.m.



Mass Schedule & Intentions

Monday: 28/12 No Mass
Tuesday: 29/12 9 a.m.
Charlie Gaudet by Eva & family
Wednesday: 30/12 9 a.m.
Earl P. Murphy by Shirley Murphy
Thursday: 31/12 New Year's Eve(PR) 4 p.m.
Annie Gaudet by Gloria Bowles
Friday: 01/01 New Year's Day
(M) 9 a.m.
Auldine Wedge by Linda & Gifford Costain
(PR) 11 a.m.

For the People

***Epiphany of the Lord
January 3rd, 2021***

Saturday: 02/01 (Bilingual) 4:00 p.m.

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Sunday: 03/01 (M) 9:00 a.m.

Edna & Alfreda O'Brien by Keir Kelly

(PR) 11:00 a.m.

John Kinch by Elaine & 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 December 2020

For a Life of Prayer: We pray that our personal relationship with Jesus Christ be nourished by the Word of God and a life of prayer.