

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 Feb 28-Mar 7, 2020

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

Sunday Collection:

February 21: \$2,274.00

Ash Wednesday: \$1,019.00

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2nd Sunday of Lent
February 28, 2021

The Transfiguration occurs after Peter's confession that Jesus is the Messiah and Jesus' prediction about his passion. Jesus takes three of his disciples—Peter, James, and John—to a high mountain. While they are there, Elijah and Moses appear with Jesus. In Matthew's and Mark's Gospel, there is reference to a conversation among Jesus, Elijah, and Moses, but only Luke's Gospel includes the detail that this conversation is about what Jesus will accomplish in Jerusalem.

Elijah and Moses are significant figures in the history of Israel. Moses led the Israelites from slavery in Egypt and received from Yahweh the Ten Commandments. In appearing with Jesus at his Transfiguration, Moses represents the Law that guides

the lives of the Jewish people. Elijah is remembered as one of the most important prophets of Israel who helped the Israelites stay faithful to Yahweh. Some Jews believed that Elijah's return would signal the coming of the Messiah for the Jewish people. This belief is evidenced in the question posed by Jesus' disciples after they have witnessed the Transfiguration. The appearance of these two important figures from Israel's history with Jesus signifies Jesus' continuity with the Law and with the prophets and that Jesus is the fulfillment of all that was promised to the people of Israel.

On seeing Jesus with Elijah and Moses and having witnessed his Transfiguration, Peter offers to construct three tents for them. Mark reports that the disciples are terrified by what they have witnessed and that Peter's offer is made out of confusion. We also notice that Peter has reverted from his earlier confession that Jesus is the Messiah, calling Jesus rabbi instead. As if in reply to Peter's confusion, a voice from heaven speaks, affirming Jesus as God's Son and commanding the disciples to obey him. This voice from heaven recalls the voice that was heard at Jesus' baptism.

In his Transfiguration, we see an anticipation of the glory of Jesus' Resurrection. In each of the reports of the Transfiguration, Jesus instructs the disciples to keep secret what they have seen until after the Son of Man has risen from the dead. The disciples' confusion continues as they wonder what Jesus means by rising from the dead. The disciples cannot possibly understand Jesus' Transfiguration until they also witness his passion and death. We hear the story of Jesus' Transfiguration early in Lent, but we have the benefit of hindsight. In our hearing of it, we anticipate Jesus' Resurrection, even as we prepare to remember Jesus' passion and death.

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Attending Mass
During COVID-19

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

A reminder that we have two cohorts of 50 for weekend Mass and we must comply with rules. Thank you for following the seating arrangements put in place in church and approved by HealthPEI that allow us to accommodate two groups of 50 at weekend Masses.

Announcements

Palmer Road CWL: The next meeting of the Palmer Road CWL will be held on Tuesday, Mar 2 at 7:30 pm at the Palmer Road Hall.

Thank You: Thank You so much! Mary Ann Smith faithfully served our parish community as a part-time housekeeper for nine years. She gave her all; very dedicated to her work. Dear Mary Ann, "Well done, good and faithful servant," (Mt 25:23). Sincere thanks for everything you've done. Abundance of blessings to you. Fr Albin

Friday Lenten Talks 6:30 p.m., followed by Mass: Due to COVID 19 restrictions the regular Way of the Cross on Friday nights of Lent will be replaced with talks given by lay people. These talks will be based on Lent and what it means as well as reflections on the Stations of the Cross. Each evening will include a theme song. Mass will follow the presentation. Attendance 100.

2020 Tax Receipts: If you have not received your tax receipt or envelopes please contact the parish office 902-882-2622 or email palmerroadparish@gmail.com

Marriage Course: A Marriage Course will be held at the Tignish Parish Centre beginning Sunday, Feb 21. For more information, contact John or Sharon Handrahan at 902-882-3432 or email at west_prince_marriage@hotmail.com. The aim of the Marriage Course is to help you strengthen your connection in a series of seven sessions, designed to help you invest in your relationship and build a strong marriage. The course is designed to help you as a couple build a strong foundation, communicate more effectively and resolve differences well. The sessions are completely private, with no group work or reporting, but you are encouraged to speak to one another about topics important in any marriage.

Confession During Lent

Palmer Road: Thursdays Morning & Tuesday Evenings: There will be confession Every Thursday during Lent following the 9 a.m. Mass until 10:30 am; also Tuesday evenings from 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.

Confession Times at Neighbouring Parishes:
St. Anthony's, Bloomfield - Saturdays: 3 – 4 p.m.
Sacred Heart, Alberton - Saturdays: 11 a.m. – 12 noon
St Simon & St Jude, Tignish: Saturdays – 11 a.m.

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Monday: 01/03 9 a.m.
John P & Delia Perry by Brenda & Eddy Doyle
Tuesday: 02/03 9 a.m.
Roger Arsenault by the family
Wednesday: 03/03 9 a.m.
Fr Melvin Doucette by Roy & Helen McKenna
Thursday: 04/03 9 a.m.
Barbara Keefe by Matthew Wilken
Friday: 05/03 Lenten Talk 6:30 p.m.
Mass 7:00 p.m.
Bernie Ellsworth by Shirley MacKay & family

Third Sunday of Lent
March 7, 2021

Saturday: 06/03 (Bilingual) 4:00 p.m.
Ermine & Peter LeClair & DFM by Alice & family
Sunday: 07/03 (M) 9:00 a.m.
For the People
(PR) 11:00 a.m.
Jimmy Cormier by Christine & 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

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 February 2021

Violence Against Women: We pray for women who are victims of violence, that they may be protected by society and have their sufferings considered and heeded.