

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 January 10-17, 2020

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

Sunday Collection: Jan 3 - \$2,005.00
Envelopes: 100.00
Total: \$2,105.00
New Year's Day: Jan 1 - \$2,880.00
Envelopes: 264.00
Total: \$3,144.00

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Baptism of the Lord
January 10, 2021

Today we celebrate the feast of the Baptism of the Lord. In most years, this feast is celebrated on the Sunday after Epiphany. When Epiphany falls on either January 7 or 8, the Baptism of the Lord is celebrated on the Monday after Epiphany.

In today's Gospel we hear John the Baptist contrast his baptism of repentance with the baptism that Jesus will inaugurate. John the Baptist says that he has baptized with water, but that the one who is to come will baptize with the Holy Spirit. John's baptism was not yet a Christian baptism; it was a preparation for the Christian Baptism we celebrate today, and

through which sins are forgiven and the gift of the Holy Spirit is received. In accepting John's baptism, Jesus, though sinless, united himself with all sinners.

The baptism of Jesus is reported in each of the three Synoptic Gospels—Matthew, Mark, and Luke. Clearly, Jesus' baptism was an event of great significance for Jesus and for the early Christian community. Mark and Luke report the story from Jesus' perspective; the voice from heaven is addressed to Jesus. In Matthew's Gospel, the voice from heaven speaks to all who are present. The descent of the Holy Spirit on Jesus at his baptism shows that something new is beginning through the baptism and ministry of Jesus.

The baptism of Jesus is considered an important manifestation of God in the person of Jesus, another epiphany. Jesus' baptism inaugurates his mission. Mark's Gospel moves quickly from the report of Jesus' baptism to Jesus' temptations in the desert to his ministry in Galilee after John's arrest. The end of the ministry of John the Baptist is the beginning of Jesus' ministry. In an analogous way, our Baptism inaugurates our mission as Christians.

Surprisingly, on this the last day of the Christmas season the Gospel does not tell a story from Jesus' childhood. Instead the Gospel reveals Jesus' relationship to God: the Son of Mary and Joseph is also God's own Son. We believe that through Baptism we are also made children of God.

Loyola Press (A Jesuit Ministry)

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. We are allowed 100 (two groups of 50) at masses in Palmer Road and 50 in Miminegash; 20 at weekday masses.

Announcements

2021 Envelopes: The envelopes for 2021 have been distributed at both churches. If you did not receive yours please contact us at the parish office at palmerroadparish@gmail.com or 902-882-2622 during office hours Monday and Thursday. If you are not able to pick them up at church we will make other arrangements for you. If anyone does not already have envelopes but would like to start using them, please take a box that has no name on it. Please remember to include your name on the first new envelopes you use to make sure your donation can be recorded for a tax receipt at the end of the year. Thanks you to all our parishioners for your generous donations in 2020. Tax receipts will be out early in the new year.

Holland College and UPEI: This January, join us on-line for the Canadian Catholic Students' Association National Conference. This year's theme is "Heart speaks to Heart". Running from January 21-24, you can connect with Catholic students from across the country and hear great speakers like Fr Raymond Lafontaine, Ms Ava MacLean and Dr Kevin Ahern. Register by January 12 and the fee is only \$10. This conference kicks off with mass with Bishop Mark Hagemoen. Register at: <https://stmcollege.ca/.../ccsa-national-conference-on-line/>

Thank You: Special thanks to all those who continue to help out each week with our Church celebrations during these exceptional times, amid Covid 19. Your continued help and support with cleaning and sanitizing the church, taking names for masses and help in any way is most appreciated. Thank you for the special donations and flowers over Christmas and for helping to keep our parish vibrant during 2020 and into the future.



Mass Schedule & Intentions

Monday: 11/01 9 a.m.
Walter Shea by Geraldine
Tuesday: 12/01 9 a.m.
Francis Richard by Genevieve McAlduff
Wednesday: 13/01 9 a.m.
Lillian Allain by Brenda & Eddie Doyle & family
Thursday: 14/01 9 a.m.
Anthony & Freda Keefe by Marie & Clarence
Friday: 15/01 No Mass

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
January 17th, 2021

Saturday: 16/01 (Bilingual) 4:00 p.m.
Jane Wedge by the family
Sunday: 17/01 (M) 9:00 a.m.
For the People
(PR) 11:00 a.m.

Conor Shea by the 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 January 2021

Intention for Evangelization-Human fraternity: May the Lord give us the grace to live in full fellowship with our brothers and sisters of other religions, praying for one another, open to all.