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 March 7-14, 2020

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3rd Sunday of Lent March 7, 2021

In today's Gospel we read about how Jesus overturned the tables of the merchants and the moneychangers in the Temple at Jerusalem. In order to understand the relevance of Jesus' action, we must learn more about the activities that were going on in the temple area. Worship at the Temple in Jerusalem included animal sacrifice, and merchants sold animals to worshipers. Moneychangers exchanged Roman coins, which bore the image of the Roman emperor, for the temple coins that were needed to pay the temple tax.

Jesus' action at the Temple in Jerusalem is recorded in all four Gospels and is often understood to be

among the events that led to Jesus' arrest and Crucifixion.

Reflecting upon the destruction of the Temple of Jerusalem (A.D. 70), John recalls Jesus' cleansing of the Temple and uses that story to interpret this later event. John explains to his audience, an early Christian community, that temple worship would no longer be necessary because it was surpassed in the passion, death, and Resurrection of Jesus. With greater frequency than the other Evangelists, John intersperses post-Resurrection reflections of this Christian community in his narrative.

After clearing the Temple of the merchants and the moneychangers, John's Gospel tells us that the people asked for a sign of Jesus' authority to do such an audacious act. In response, Jesus predicted his death and Resurrection. Throughout John's Gospel, the language of signs is distinctive. Jesus' miracles are called signs, and the people look to these signs for proof of his authority. Here we learn that the sign par excellence will be Jesus' passion, death, and Resurrection.

During Lent we reflect upon the meaning of this sign for us and for our world. We might take this opportunity to consider the quality of our prayer and worship. In our prayers we seek to deepen our relationship with the person of Christ. In our worship with the community, we gather to experience anew the passion, death, and Resurrection of Jesus and its significance in our lives. Christ promises to be present with us when we gather for prayer.

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Attending Mass During COVID-19 Updated

A reminder that we can now only have 50 people in attendance for weekend Mass at the present time and we must comply with rules.

Masks are now required in all public places on PEI including Churches. Please wear your mask and practice social distancing at all times. Thank you for following the seating arrangements put in place in church.

Announcements

Palmer Road K of C: The next meeting of the Palmer Road Knights of Columbus will be held on Wednesday, Mar 10 at 8 pm at the Palmer Road Hall.

To Be Updated - Friday Lenten Talks 6:30 pm, followed by Mass: Due to COVID 19 restrictions Fr Allbin will update information regarding any Lenten talk or activity and the Mass time for Friday, March 12. Thank you

Special Prayer Service: A Silver Rose on a ninemonth pilgrimage will be the centerpiece of a special prayer service at eight churches on PEI starting on March 18. This program is sponsored by the Knights of Columbus councils in these localities to honour Our Lady of Guadalupe and express both international unity and dedication to the sanctity of human life. The Rose will end its pilgrimage at the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe near Mexico City on December 12, the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe. All members of the community are invited to attend. The schedule of services is as follows: March 18-Tignish, St Simon & St Jude, 6:30pm + Mass, March 20-Summerside, St. Paul's, 10am, March 22-Kensington, St. Mary's-Holy Family, 7pm, March 23-Rustico, St Augustine's,7pm, March 24-Montague, St Mary's,7pm, March 27-Stratford, Our Lady of the Assumption, 10am, April 6-Charlottetown, Holy Redeemer, 7pm, April 8-Cornwall, St. Francis of Assisi, 7pm

Retreat: Rev George Palamattam, CMI, is offering a retreat entitled "Come Walk in the Footsteps of S. Joseph" from March 12-15 at Our Lady of Hope Retreat Centre. Pope Francis, in his Apostolic Letter "Patris Corde" (With a Father's Heart), describes St Joseph as a true husband and father, the fiancé who "accepted Mary unconditionally" and the man in whom "Jesus saw the tender love of God". The retreat cost is \$170 per person or \$255 per married couple. Register with Earla (902-388-1952), Marty (902-394-4116) or the Retreat Centre 902-621-2385. Space is limited.

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

St Simon & St Jude, Tignish: Saturdays – 11 a.m

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Monday: 08/03 9 a.m. John P & Delia Perry by Brenda & Eddy Doyle

Tuesday: 09/03 9 a.m.

John Peter Richard & family by Lucille & family Wednesday: 10/03

Fr Melvin Doucette by Roy & Helen McKenna

Thursday: 11/03 9 a.m.

Alton Shields by Earl & Roma O'Meara

Friday: 12/03 Watch for Update on Mass Time 6:30 p.m.

Wilfred Deagle by Eileen Moore

Fourth Sunday of Lent March 14, 2021

13/03 4:00 p.m. **Saturday:** (Bilingual)

Theresa Barnes by the Perry family

Sunday: 14/03 (M) 9:00 a.m.

For the People

(PR) 11:00 a.m.

9 a.m.

Patrick Mallett by Marie & 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 **March 2021**

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Let us pray that we may experience the Sacrament of Reconciliation with renewed depth, to taste the infinite mercy of God.