

**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 May 16-23, 2021

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

Sunday Collection:

Sunday-May 9: \$2,159.00

Papal Charities: \$168.00

IMO Ethel Monaghan: \$ 220.00

IMO David G Wedge: \$100.00

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**Ascension of the Lord
May 16, 2021**

Today is our liturgical celebration of the Ascension of the Lord, when Jesus was taken to heaven on the fortieth day after Easter.

Some manuscripts of Mark's Gospel, written between the fourth and ninth centuries, include what scholars have termed the Shorter Ending. This is often printed in our Bibles for reference. This ending indicates that the women told their story to Peter's companions. Scholars believe that this ending is not original to Mark. They theorize that this ending was added by copyists who sought to resolve the original abrupt ending at verse 8.

Other early manuscripts include a Longer Ending that scholars also believe was written by someone

other than the Evangelist. Nonetheless, quotations from this Longer Ending are found in the writings of the early Church Fathers, and it was accepted at the Council of Trent as part of the canonical Gospel of Mark. Our Gospel for today's celebration of the Feast of the Ascension is taken from this Longer Ending.

There are similarities in the reports of Jesus' Ascension found in the Synoptic Gospels—Mark, Matthew, and Luke. In each case, Jesus assigns his disciples the task of proclaiming the gospel message to the entire world. There are also notable distinctions. In the Gospels of Mark and Matthew, the disciples are sent by Jesus to baptize and to preach. In Luke's Gospel, however, the commission to baptize is absent. Instead, Jesus directs the disciples to return to Jerusalem to await the fulfillment of his promise to send them the Holy Spirit. Curiously, only the Gospels of Mark and Luke actually report Jesus' ascension into heaven. Matthew's Gospel concludes with Jesus' promise to remain with his disciples forever. Only the Gospel of Mark notes that Jesus ascended to sit at the right hand of God. In noting this, Mark teaches that Jesus' ascension affirms the glory Jesus received from God after his death and Resurrection.

Even if this ending to Mark's Gospel was written by someone other than the Evangelist, in the commission that Jesus gives to his disciples, there are elements that are quite typical of Mark's Gospel. The signs that will accompany belief in Jesus are as vivid as the action performed by Jesus during his ministry. Those who believe in Jesus will be empowered to do what Jesus himself has done. During his ministry, Jesus sent his disciples to preach, to heal, and to drive out unclean spirits. Now they are sent again to do these things and more. From his place with God in heaven, Jesus helped his disciples, and he continues to help us as we try to live as his followers.

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Announcements

New Cemetery Policy: Our Parish Property and Finance Committee has finalized a new Cemetery Policy and copies are being distributed with this week's Church Bulletin. Please note the new policy is effective as of June 1, 2021. Thank you. Trevor Delaney, committee chair person/ Fr Albin Arsenault, pastor/administrator.

Thank You: Special thanks to all those who donated cakes and other items for our Mother's Day Auction. It was a huge success and raised \$2,020.00 for the parish. Thanks also to Ruby Arsenault and her helpers

for organizing the event; all those who bid on the items and the lucky winners who got to enjoy fabulous baked goods and amazing products.

Men's Retreat: A Christian Men's In-Person Retreat will be offered on Saturday, May 22 at the West River United Church, Cornwall from 10am - 3pm. Men are invited to join Rev Dr Wayne Short who will facilitate this retreat with the theme of "Pilgrimage: Interior Journey into the Core of our Being". Register with Gilles Michaud, team member at the Martha Spirituality Centre, leagil4533@gmail.com or telephone 902-439-1813. Cost is \$20.

Confessions: There will be Confession every Wednesday at 9:30 a.m.

Fr Ellsworth Scholarship: Applications forms for the Fr Richard Ellsworth Scholarship Fund are now available for 2021 graduates who will be attending post-secondary institutions (1st year). They may be picked up at FJ Shea & Son, St Louis or at the Parish office. For more information contact Willard Mokler at 902-882-4445. Please leave completed forms at FJ Shea's by the end of May.



**Prayer to St Joseph
For Protection**

Gracious St. Joseph, protect me and my family from all evil as you did the Holy Family. Kindly keep us ever united in the love of Christ, ever fervent in imitation of the virtue of our Blessed Lady, your sinless spouse, and always faithful in devotion to you. Amen.

Catholic online/Catholic.org

**Attending Mass
During COVID-19**

A Friendly Reminder: Please remember that we must be diligent and follow the guidelines put in place and approved by Health PEI when attending church services. You are to be seated on whatever side of the church you enter because there are two cohorts (one on either side of the church) with separate entrances for each. Please practice social distancing and after you register your name go directly to your seat. Please continue to be kind and be courteous to others as we continue through this pandemic.

Two cohorts of 50 people in attendance for weekend Masses in Palmer Rd (100 per Mass). Thank you for wearing a mask, following seating arrangements in Church and practicing social distancing at all times.

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Monday:	17/05	9 a.m.
David J Wedge by Diana & Robert Gaudet		
Tuesday:	18/05	9 a.m.
Beatrice Bernard (Chaisson) by Billy, Josie & Janet		
Wednesday:	19/05	9 a.m.
Bazil Doucette by Lorraine Albert		
	Confession	9:30 a.m.
Thursday:	20/05	9 a.m.
Lillian Allain by Brenda & family		
Friday:	21/05	No Mass

***Pentecost Sunday
May 23, 2021***

Saturday:	22/05	(Bilingual)	4:00 p.m.
For the People			
Sunday:	23/05	(M)	9:00 a.m.
Howard & Edna McCormack & DFM by Kay & Alfred			
		(PR)	11:00 a.m.
Alice Perry by Fred & Vaunda Richard			

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
May 2021**

The World of Finance: Let us pray that those in charge of finance will work with governments to regulate the financial sphere and protect citizens from its dangers.

