

# 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 May 2-9, 2021

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## Sunday Collection:

**Sunday-April 25:** \$2,049.00

**Thank you for your generosity**



## 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter May 2, 2021

Today's  reading from the Gospel of John is part of Jesus' discourse at the Last Supper. Recall that John tells the story of Jesus' Last Supper differently from the other Evangelists. In John's Gospel, the Last Supper begins with Jesus washing his disciples' feet. Jesus then provides them with a series of instructions. We call this section the Last Supper discourse or Jesus' farewell discourse. In these chapters of John's Gospel, Jesus instructs his disciples about the importance of following his example of love and service, about the gift they will receive when Jesus sends them the Holy Spirit, and about their relationship with Jesus and with the world. The Last Supper discourse concludes with Jesus' prayer for his disciples.

Today's Gospel reading is taken from middle of the Last Supper discourse. Jesus speaks about his relationship to his disciples. In his metaphor of the vine and the branches, Jesus is referencing the Hebrew Scriptures. In the Hebrew Scriptures, Israel is the vineyard, and Yahweh himself tends the vineyard. One of the primary themes of John's Gospel is to show Jesus to be the fulfillment of God's promises to Israel.

In this passage, Jesus teaches his disciples that his relationship with them will not end after his death; he will remain with them always. This unity between Jesus and his disciples is the basis for their ability to continue to do the work that he began. Similarly, Jesus' presence with us through the Gift of the Holy Spirit enables us to continue the work of love and reconciliation that he began.

Jesus also teaches his disciples about the importance of the words he has taught to them. Just as Jesus will remain in the disciples, so too will his words. We come to know Jesus through the Scriptures, the living Word of God. Our commitment to be Christ's disciples is sustained through God's Word. This commitment is also strengthened by our life of prayer and nourished by the Eucharist. Through the Eucharist, Jesus dwells in us, remains with us, and transforms us so that we might bear fruit in his name.

We observe many people who act in ways that show their commitment to serve their neighbor. Christians and non-Christians feed the hungry, care for the sick, shelter the homeless, and give alms to the poor. These actions become acts of Christian discipleship when they are motivated by our relationship with Jesus. Whatever the immediate results, Jesus promises us that these actions will bear fruit when we undertake them in his name.

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## Announcements

**Saturday Mass Update:** The Saturday Bilingual Mass will continue to be held at 4 p.m. throughout the summer months. A reminder that we can accommodate 100 people for both weekend Masses at Palmer Road and 50 at Miminegash.

**First Communion:** Congratulation to the 12 children in our parish who received their First Holy Communion on Tuesday evening. May God continue to bless you all.

**Cake Auction Fundraiser:** Plans are underway to hold a cake auction for Mother's Day. All you bakers out there get ready to tempt us with your delicious cakes and help with this Church Fundraiser. To donate a cake contact Ruby Arsenault at 882-2117 or email the parish at [palmerroadparish.com](mailto:palmerroadparish.com).

**Thank You:** Thank You to all those who help out with Masses during the week and on the weekend. We are extremely grateful to all those who volunteer to take names, sanitize the church and usher on Saturdays and Sunday mornings. If you are free to help out in any of these areas please contact the parish office Monday or Thursday, 9:30-5 pm or email: [palmerroadparish@gmail.com](mailto:palmerroadparish@gmail.com). We can always use extra help.



## Prayer to St Joseph

*Glorious Patriarch Saint Joseph,  
whose power makes the impossible possible,  
come to my aid in these times of anguish and difficulty.  
Take under your protection the serious and troubling situations  
that I commend to you, that they may have a happy outcome.  
My beloved father, all my trust is in you.  
Let it not be said that I invoked you in vain,  
and since you can do everything with Jesus and Mary,  
show me that your goodness is as great as your power.  
Amen.*

Pope Francis

## 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: 03/05 9 a.m.**  
David J Wedge by George & Velda  
**Tuesday: 04/05 9 a.m.**  
Norma Handrahan by Gerard & Bernadette Gallant  
**Wednesday: 05/05 9 a.m.**  
Alfred & Mabel O'Brien by Keir Kelly  
**Thursday: 06/05 9 a.m.**  
David G Wedge by Junior & Janie Wedge  
**Friday: 07/05 No Mass**

## 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter May 9, 2021

**Saturday: 08/05 (Bilingual) 4:00 p.m.**  
For the People  
**Sunday: 09/05 (M) 9:00 a.m.**  
Jack, Mary Ann & Lorraine Gallant by Gallant family  
**(PR) 11:00 a.m.**  
Peggy Ellsworth by Morigan & family

**BULLETIN:** Bulletin announcements accepted up to Tuesday at 12 Noon in written form or by email: [palmerroadparish@gmail.com](mailto: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](mailto: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.

