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 9 - 16, 2021

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Sunday Collection:

Sunday-May 2: \$2,057.00 **Thank you for your generosity**



6th Sunday of Easter May 9, 2021

Today's Gospel follows immediately after the Gospel proclaimed last week, in which Jesus taught that he was the vine and that his disciples were the branches. In the example of the vine and the branches, we learned that our union with Jesus will lead to fruitful service. Today's reading extends this teaching to describe the kind of service that Christians are called upon to offer to others.

In John's Gospel, we hear Jesus affirm that he is known by the Father and that his disciples will know the Father by knowing Jesus. In this passage, however, Jesus reminds his disciples that this knowledge is to be expressed in love. Those who know Jesus well—and Jesus says that his disciples do know him—will love one another. Knowledge leads

to love, which leads to action. John reminds his community that Jesus taught that love is the sign of a true disciple and, thus, a true Christian. Even more, a true disciple shows a particular kind of love, sacrificial love.

In the Greek, there are two words for love that are used in this passage. The first is *agape*. The second is *philia*. The first word is most often used to describe love for other persons and for God. It is understood as the highest and most perfect kind of love. The second word is used to describe the affection of friendship. In this context, John appears to use these words as synonyms. The root of the Greek word for friend comes from this second term for love, *philia*. By using this word, Jesus transforms the terms of his relationship with his disciples and redefines for them their relationship with God.

John reminds his community that Jesus also taught that a disciple is one who had been chosen—one who had been chosen by Jesus. To be chosen by Jesus, however, is not to be set apart from the world. Instead, to be chosen by Jesus is to be sent to serve the world as he did. The disciples of Jesus were chosen and were sent into the world to bear fruit by serving others, by sacrificing for others, in love.

This reading, like last week's, is part of Jesus' Last Supper discourse.

Loyola Press (A Jesuit Ministry)

Announcements

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

Palmer Road K of C: The next meeting of the Palmer Road Knights of Columbus will be held on Wednesday, May 12 at 8 pm at the Palmer Road Hall.

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 applications at FJ Shea's by the end of May.

Ultreya: There will be an Ultreya on Friday, May 14 at 7 pm at the Palmer Road Hall. All Covid-19 guidelines will be followed. No sharing table. All Cursillistas welcome!

Thank You: PEILIFE wishes to extend our most heartfelt gratitude to those who supported our Change4LIFE Baby Bottle Campaign. Even the smallest kindness means the world to someone in need and with each gesture we will make PEI a place of abundant LIFE! Thank you for your support. Please return your bottle either to the church where you got it, call Pat 902-894-5473 or email: office@peilife.org. We will be collecting the remaining ones next week. If you have not had the chance to donate, the link is still open for a week. www.peilife.myetap.org/fundraiser/change4life2021

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.

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 <u>practicing social distancing at all times.</u>

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Monday: 10/05 9 a.m.

Melvin Doucette by Julia Doucette

Tuesday: 11/05 9 a.m.

Emanuel Chaisson by the family

Wednesday: 12/05 9 a.m.

Leonard Bernard & DFM by the family

Confession 9:30 a.m.

Thursday: 13/05
Special Intention by Lorraine Albert

Friday: 14/05 No Mass

Ascension of the Lord May 16, 2021

Saturday: 15/05 (Bilingual) 4:00 p.m.

Reg Pendergast by Monique & family

Sunday: 16/05 (M) 9:00 a.m.

For the People

(PR) 11:00 a.m.

9 a.m.

James Kinch by Debbie & Jeremy

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

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<u>BAPTISMS</u>: Baptisms are held by appointment as required. Please Contact the Parish Office for information and to make arrangements. (882-2622) or email: <u>palmerroadparish@gmail.com</u>

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.