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 June 13-20, 2021

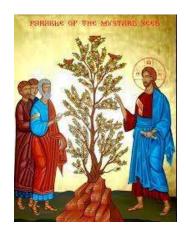
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Office hours: Monday & Thursday 9:30 am - 5 pm

Sunday Collection:

Sunday, June 6: \$1,738.00 Cemetery Collection: \$396.00 Thank you for your generosity



11th Sunday in Ordinary Time June 13, 2021

After Lent, the Easter season, and three Sundays of feast days—Pentecost, Most Holy Trinity, and Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ—the Church returns to Ordinary Time. This Sunday's Gospel from Mark carries a significant message regarding faith and the Kingdom of God.

Today's Gospel Reading consists of two parables about seeds. In the first, Jesus tells those gathered that this is "how it is with the kingdom of God." A man scatters seed which over time sprouts and develops.

Then when the grain is ripe, the man harvests his crop. The emphasis in the parable is on the seed, which seemingly has the power to grow on its own. In this it is like the Kingdom of God. While on earth, Jesus planted the seeds of the kingdom by his life, miracles, teaching, and suffering. However, the kingdom is not yet fully established. Although already present in Jesus and his group of twelve, it has yet to come to fruition; just as the seed in the parable needs time to grow, so does God's kingdom.

The second parable focuses on the tiny mustard seed. Though not the smallest of all seeds, it is most likely the smallest that a first-century farmer in Jesus' part of the world would have sown. Small as the mustard seed is, it develops into a tree. Though the mustard tree generally averages only nine to twelve feet in height, it has a wide expanse and provides a nesting place for birds. Just as the tree welcomes the birds, so is God's kingdom welcoming and open to many.

These parables help us discern something about the kingdom of God and our own faith. In God we live and move and have our being, but God is a mystery and his kingdom, though present, has not yet come into its fullness. Today, the Kingdom of God is present in the Church. The mission of proclaiming the Good News of the Kingdom given to the Apostles is now given to us. But just as seeds need time to come to fruition, so does the Kingdom of God. That is why in the Lord's Prayer, we pray, "thy kingdom come." We know that it will come in its fullness at the end of time. All we need is faith.

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Announcements

Cleaning of Church: It's time for Spring Cleaning, and the Palmer Road CWL is looking for volunteers to help with the cleaning of Palmer Road Church on Monday, June 14 after the 9am Mass. Cleaning products will be supplied so just bring your buckets. Thanks in advance for help putting a shine on our Church! Everyone welcome.

Father's Day Auction: Ruby Arsenault is holding an online Father's Day Auction on her Facebook Page to raise funds for Immaculate Conception Parish, Palmer Road. There are some wonderful gifts available for that special Dad on Father's Day. Bidding will take place from June 17 to Saturday, June 19 at 3 pm. For

more information, or to make a donation please contact Ruby at 902-882-2117.

Diocesan Announcement: Fr Greg Conway, pastor of St John the Baptist Parish in Miscouche, has been granted retirement effective June 30th and Fr Benedict Paulraj has been appointed parish administrator of that same parish.

Church Cemetery: Copies of the new Cemetery policy that came into effect June 1, 2021 are available at the back of the Churches. If you have question or concerns please contact the parish. The Funeral Home is **not** responsible for the Immaculate Conception Parish Cemetery. Thank you. Trevor Delaney, committee chair person/ Fr Albin, pastor/administrator.

Steubenville Youth Retreat: Steubenville Youth Retreat is coming! On Saturday, July 10, join young people from across the Diocese for this one day Steubenville experience. Hosted at St Paul's Parish in Summerside, there will be a mix of recorded and inperson activities. Registration opens June 7. The cost is \$25. For more information contact your Parish Leader, or

visit:https://youth.dioceseofcharlottetown.com/steube nville-atlantic/

Friends of St Andrew's Chapel: The Friends of St Andrew's Chapel has produced a video on Bishop MacEachern which is available on You Tube under "Bishop Angus Bernard MacEachern PEI."

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: 14/06 9 a.m.

Jackie & Carrie Carragher by Don & Nellie

Tuesday: 15/06 9 a.m.

Mary Allain by Philip & Stella

Wednesday: 16/06 9 a.m.

Ray Handrahan by Gloria & family

Confession: 9:30 a.m. Thursday: 17/06 9 a.m.

Fred Allain by the Allain family

Friday: 18/06 No Mass

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time June 20, 2021

Saturday: 19/06 (Bilingual) 4:00 p.m.

Clarence Wedge by the family

Sunday: 20/06 (M) 9:00 a.m.

For the People

(PR) 11:00 a.m.

Janie Murphy by Dorothy Butler

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 June 2021

The Beauty of Marriage: Let us pray for young people who are preparing for marriage with the support of a Christian community: may they grow in love with, generosity, faithfulness and patience.