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 Oct 31-Nov 7, 2021

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

Sunday, Oct 24: \$2,213.00

Cemetery Fund:

IMO Stephen Mallett: \$165.00 IMO Roy Gallant: \$205.00

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31st Sunday in Ordinary Time October 31, 2021

As we continue to read from Mark's Gospel, our Lectionary skips a chapter that helps set the context for today's reading. If we were to read the sections skipped (chapter 11 and part of chapter 12), we would hear about Jesus' entry into Jerusalem, his cleansing of the Temple, and the questioning of Jesus' authority by the chief priests, scribes, and elders. The context, therefore, for this Gospel is Jesus' growing exposure before the Jewish authorities. Jesus is being questioned and tested by the Jewish authorities, yet

the scribe who addresses Jesus in today's Gospel seems to be an admirer; he is not testing Jesus.

The question posed in today's Gospel requires Jesus to interpret the Law of Moses. The Mosaic Law consists of the Ten Commandments and many additional commandments, numbering into the hundreds. For a devout Jew, adherence to the Mosaic Law is an expression of faithfulness to God's covenant with Israel. The ranking of these commandments was regularly debated among the teachers of the Law.

Jesus was not the only Jewish religious teacher to connect these two commandments, love of God and love of neighbor. Both of these commandments were central elements of the religious tradition that Jesus learned from his Jewish community. Indeed, these commandments continue to be central aspects of contemporary Jewish religious understanding. Jesus' response to his questioners proposed an integral connection between these two aspects of the Jewish Law. Love of God finds its expression in our love for our neighbor. Many believe, however, that this connection was heard in a new and fresh way when spoken by Jesus.

The scribe who questions Jesus in today's Gospel engages in a positive dialogue with Jesus. He agrees with Jesus' teaching that the commandments to love God and love neighbor stand above the commandment to offer worship and sacrifice in the Temple. With this dialogue, Jesus appears to close the debate with the Jewish authorities. Mark reports that no one dared to question Jesus further.

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Announcements

Bible Study: The Bible is "God's love story" and "our story" as we belong to God's people through baptism. <u>An Introduction to the Bible</u> will be presented in the form of "story telling" on Monday, Nov 8 at 7 pm in Palmer Road Church. May we realize that it is written in St John's Gospel. "Your Words Lord, are spirit and life, you have the words of everlasting life."

Palmer Road CWL: The next meeting of the Palmer Road CWL will be held on Tuesday, Nov 2 at 7:15 pm at the Palmer Road Hall.

Notice - Tignish Seniors Co-op Home: The Board of the Tignish Seniors Co-op Home will hold a meeting on Saturday, Nov 6 at 2pm at the Royal

Canadian Legion Tignish to update the membership on the Board's progress to secure Long Term Care Beds for the Tignish Seniors Co-op facility. Memberships may be purchased at the door.

Ultreya - November 5: There will be an Ultreya on Friday, Nov 5 at 7 pm at the Palmer Road Community Centre. Proof-of-vaccination is required and there will not be a sharing table. All Cursillistas welcome!

Adult Faith Formation: The Diocese of Charlottetown Adult Faith Formation Committee is offering a formation program for parishioners interested in becoming lay pastoral associates beginning in January 2022. This will be the fifth time the program has been offered. This two-year program helps to train interested parishioners to assist pastors in different aspects of parish ministry. For information about the program contact your pastor or committee chair Fr Doug MacDonald at 902-566-3876 or Catherine Mullally at 902-892-0881.

Did You Know: Did You Know that World Youth Day happens every year? Pope John Paul II celebrated it for the first time in Rome on Palm Sunday, 1986. Since then, gatherings and festivals for youth were organized on Palm Sunday in Dioceses all over the world. Pope Francis changed the celebration from Palm Sunday to the Solemnity of Christ the King. This year will be the first time we celebrate on the new date.

Bulletin Announcements: Please have your announcements in to the parish office by noon on Tuesday. Email: palmerroadparish@gmail.com or contact the parish office on Monday or Thursday from 9:30 am – 5 pm. (902-882-2622) Thank you

Attending Mass During COVID-19: HealthPEI

Mask Wearing: You must wear a mask when entering and leaving the Church. Social distancing must still be maintained and there are still two cohorts of 50 each in Palmer Road. Miminegash attendance: 50. Please be seated on whatever side of the church you enter. Please practice social distancing and after you register your name go directly to your seat. Thank You.

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Monday: 01/11 9 a.m.

Randy Chaisson by Mom & Dad

Tuesday: 02/11 9 a.m.

Alton Shields by Joanne Keefe

Wednesday: 03/11 9 a.m.

Thursday: 04/11 9 a.m.

Wayne Gallant by Alberta & Johnny Jones

Friday: 05/11 No Mass

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time November 7, 2021

Saturday: 06/11 (Bilingual) 4:00 p.m.

For the People

Sunday: 07/11 (M) 9:00 a.m.

John, Leo & Bernice Ellsworth by the family

(PR) 11:00 a.m.

Wilfred & Roseanna Mallett by Marie, Lindsay & Spencer

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 October 2021

Missionary Disciples: We pray that every baptized person may be engaged in evangelization, available to the mission, by being witnesses of a life that has the flavor of the Gospel.