

Immaculate Conception Parish

April 2nd, 2017

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Monday - 7:00 pm - †Roberta Delorey, †Elaine Miller

Tuesday - 7:00 pm - †Harriet May McDonell, †Todd Matthew Kennedy Carr

Wednesday - 7:00 pm - The Young Family, †George Hatfield

Thursday - 7:00 pm - Abdallah's Family, † Mary Hann

Friday - 8:00 am - Kathy McLees Power, †Shirley MacMullin

Sunday - 9:00 am - Mass For all Parishioners Living & Dead

EVENTS

Liturgy of the Hour - Wednesday at 6:30pm

Divine Mercy - Thursday at 6:30pm

DIVINE MERCY WEEKLY

Reflections from Diary of Saint Maria Faustina Kowalska

Meditation: I am very surprised that You bid me to talk about this Feast of Mercy, for they tell me that there is already such a feast and so why should I talk about it? And Jesus said to me, ***And who knows anything about this feast? No one! Even those who should be proclaiming My mercy and teaching people about it often do not know about it themselves. That is why I want the image to be solemnly blessed on the first Sunday after Easter, and I want it to be venerated publicly so that every soul may know about it*** (Diary, 341).

My Prayer Response: Lord Jesus, may the Feast of Mercy be explained and understood and celebrated, so every soul may know about it. May The Feast of Mercy be a great evangelistic tool in reaching the whole world with Your mercy!

Diary passages in italics and bold is Jesus speaking

FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

Apr. 3rd @ 5pm: Level 9 class.

Apr. 3rd @ 7pm: Level 7 & 8 classes.

Apr. 22nd: Level 10 youth & sponsors - Spirit Day

Apr. 23rd @ 10am: Level 1 to 6 classes.

Apr. 23rd @ 10am: Level 2 child & parent meeting.

Announcements

Lenten Chowder Luncheons: The Lenten Chowder Lunches are held each Friday until April 7th at 11:30am to 1:00pm. Fish chowder \$10. Corn chowder \$8. Both include a roll, dessert, tea & coffee. Come & bring a friend.

Good Friday Dinner: There will be a Good Friday Dinner, **April 14th, 4 to 6 pm.** Fish pie, salad, roll, desert, tea or coffee. \$10 per person. Takeouts available. There will be SOME fish chowder available. Storm date will be Saturday, April 15th....4 to 6 pm.

Lent Devotionals - Our Lenten journey involves our tradition for prayer, fasting and almsgiving. To enrich your reflection on self-denial and repentance we encourage your participation in any of several devotions, in addition to daily Mass. **Wednesdays, 6:30pm,** Liturgy of the Hour, Evening Prayer. Prayer sheets provided. **Thursdays, 6:30pm,** Divine Mercy Prayer sung by Angele Nicholson. **Fridays, 10:45 am** Stations of the Cross. (Location moved to the Chapel).

Church Cleaning - We invite those men & women that are able to join us on **Friday, April 7th at 9am,** to clean the pews in the church. Bring buckets and cloths. We will supply the cleaner.

Chase the Ace - Ticket sales after each weekend Mass with the draw every Sunday at 12:45 pm. Last Sunday's winner was Colleen Hollingsworth. This week's Jackpot starts at \$1,257.50 with 44 cards left in the deck.

Retreat - A Retreat will be offered to discuss and reflect on Divine Mercy, namely, effect of mercy on me, the giver. **Place:** St Michael's Church in Brule **Date and Time:** Saturday April 22nd. 9am to 5pm. (Anticipated Sunday Mass at 4pm). The day will include up to 4 teaching sessions, prayer, & time of silent reflection. Snacks and lunch will be provided. Cost to cover food and stipend \$30 per couple, \$20 per person. Please **register by April 5th 2017,** after Masses, or contact Father Jim O'Connor (fatherjim@eastlink.ca)

Franciscans of Halifax invite you for a night of silent prayer and music in preparation for Holy Week on **Friday, April 7th at 7pm** at Saint Catherine of Siena Parish. Among the sacred works to be presented are Tomas Luis Victoria's setting of the Reproaches, a Scriptural text, as well as Gregorian chant and Franz Liszt's Ave Verum.

Knights of Columbus Scholarship & Bursary - Council Bursary will be open to High School graduates attending first year University College or Community College who are practicing Catholics. Applications required by **April 5th.** Applications are available from school Guidance Counsellors or Council representatives Ron Vautour- 902-897-0785 or Gordon Weatherby - 902-893-2329. **The Knights of Columbus Scholarship/Bursary Committees have waived the requirement of a letter from a school official for this year.** Applications can be mailed or dropped off at the Church office or 12 Whitman Court, Truro, N.S, B2N 3G3

Grief Gathering - Grief Gathering every last Wednesday of the month at 7:30 pm. Come pray with us, learn helpful information and experience the compassion of others having significant loss.

