

# Immaculate Conception Parish

December 3rd, 2017

**1st Sunday of Advent**

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## MASS INTENTIONS

**Monday - 7:00pm** - Liturgy of Ours  
**Tuesday - 7:00pm** - Russell & Danny  
Mass for Sickness & In Distress  
**Wednesday - 7:00pm** - Katherine Young  
**Thursday - 7:00pm** - Abdallah's Family  
**Friday - 8:00 am** - †Leno Bresolin  
**Sunday - 9:00am** - For all Parishioners Living & Dead

## WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

### Saturday

**4:00pm** - Immaculate Conception

### Sunday

**9:00am** - Immaculate Conception, Truro

**11:30am** - St. Michael's Brule, Dec 10, 11:30am - **Liturgy of the Word with Communion**

Sacred Heart Millbrook, Dec 10 - **Mass**

**Mondays in Advent - Evening Prayer** - Beginning on **Monday, December 4th**. We will have a celebration of Evening Prayer at 7pm in the Church. All are welcome to join us for this beautiful liturgy of Light, Psalms and Reflection as we begin our preparation for Christmas. There will be no celebration of the Eucharist on this day. For info, see Cory Lunn or Ron Fougere.

**2018 Collection Envelopes** - The 2018 Collection Envelopes are now available in the front foyer.

**Christmas Eve Mass Tickets** are available at the Parish Office or after each weekend Mass.

## COLLECTION UPDATE

**November 26th Collection** was \$5,644.20 (**Budgeted \$4,442.30**) **Immaculate Conception** = \$4,994.65; **St. Michael's** = \$313.35; **Sacred Heart** = \$336.20 & **Capital Campaign** = \$503.00. Thank you for your continued support. The total contribution toward our Sanctuary is \$66,318.48. Our plan is to raise \$75,000 by the end of this year. **We still have \$8,681.52** to raise and we only have one Capital Collection ahead of us.

*We are accepting donations "In Memory of " for the Sanctuary Project. If you would like to make a donation In memory of someone special, please see Louise at the Parish Office.*

## DIVINE MERCY WEEKLY

*Reflections from Diary of Saint Maria Faustina Kowalska*

**Meditation:** *Jesus: My child, make the resolution never to rely on people. Entrust yourself completely to My will saying, "Not as I want, but according to Your will, O God, let it be done unto me." These words, spoken from the depths of one's heart, can raise a soul to the summit of sanctity in a short time. In such a soul I delight. Such a soul gives Me glory. Such a soul fills heaven with the fragrance of her virtue. But understand that the strength by which you bear sufferings comes from frequent Communions. So approach this fountain of mercy often, to draw with the vessel of trust whatever you need (Diary, 1487). Soul: Your response.*

**My Prayer Response:** Lord Jesus, I entrust myself completely to You. "Not my will, but Yours be done unto me." May I draw strength to bear the cross You offer me by drawing strength from Holy Communion, both Sacramental and Spiritual Communions.

*Diary passages in italics and bold is Jesus speaking.*

## FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

**Dec. 4th @ 5pm:** Level 9 class

**Dec. 4th @ 7pm:** Level 7 & 8 classes

# Announcements

**Sunday Night Card Play** for **December 3rd** will be cancelled & will resume the following week, December 10th.

**Christmas Memorial Service** - We, at Mattatall ~ Varner Funeral Home, cordially invite you to attend our Christmas Memorial Service that will be held 2:30pm, Sunday, **December 3, 2017**, Truro. Non-perishable food items and monetary donations will be accepted for the Colchester Food Bank.

**Gifts For Needy Children** - Every Christmas our Immaculate Conception Church helps over 40 needy families through the Society of St Vincent De Paul. In Campbell Hall following Masses on **December 2 & 3**, is a small tree with the names of the children and possibly the parents from our sponsored families. If anyone would care to help out by selecting and donating a gift to a child or parent, would you, after Mass, proceed to Campbell Hall where one of our St Vincent De Paul members will assist you in choosing a child's name. Please make sure before leaving you leave your name and phone number with the St Vincent DePaul member.

**Feast of the Immaculate Conception** - On **December 8th**, Feast of the Immaculate Conception, will be celebrated with a **Mass at 10 a.m.** followed by a **Potluck Brunch**. Refreshment will be provided. Suggestions for easy and simple foods: sandwiches, veggie tray, fruit tray, treats or whatever you would like to bring.

**Christmas Pageant!** - Family Dynamics presents "**A Journey to Bethlehem**". A play about the First Christmas, presented by the children in our parish. The Christmas Pageant is on **Friday, December 15th at 6:30pm** in the church. Tickets are \$5 (children 5 & under free). On sale in Campbell Hall after Sunday Mass or at McQuarrie's on the Esplanade. We also invite you to our Christmas Social following the pageant in Campbell Hall, where by donation you can support Family Dynamics further by enjoying some sweets from our "Bethlehem Bakery" and a cup of hot chocolate/tea/coffee or participate in our 50/50 draw! Come out and enjoy an evening filled with Christmas Joy, as we journey back to Bethlehem! Thank you for all of your support of Family Dynamics as we work to raise \$3000.00 to support our family ministry.

**Multicultural Night** - January 27<sup>th</sup> 2018. A culinary experience. If you wish to offer foods that reflect your culture, please contact Cathy at 902-893-4985.

**The ICC Parish Players** are starting their preparations for another production to take place on the last week-end of April 2018. Once again we are offering a program where you can purchase a ticket as a gift for a special someone. The ticket comes in the form of a voucher that can be exchanged for a choice of night and seating when tickets go on sale in April. To purchase a voucher follow the link on our Facebook page or call Gail at 902-897-2786.

**Chase the Ace** - Our Youth Fundraiser continues as the *Ace of Spades* hasn't been caught! This week's Jackpot starting at **\$5,018.00** and down to **14 cards left** in the deck. Ticket sales on Saturday from 5-5:30pm; and Sunday from 10-10:45am. Draw time is Sunday at 11am - **no need to be present**. Congratulations to last week's winner: Dion Rowsell.

**Knights of Columbus Sweepstake** - **Win \$25,000** in the K of C Sweepstakes. Nova Scotia only! Tickets on sale each week, after the 9:00am Mass in Campbell Hall at the Knights of Columbus table. \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00

**Kane's Kitchen Accepting Donations** - Kane's Kitchen are looking for donations of bags of Potatoes, Onions, 2 lbs. bags of peas and carrots, for their Christmas Dinner.

**Veritas Catholic Books & Gifts** - Veritas Catholic Books and Gifts are open each **Thursday 11am - 4pm, Friday 10am to 5pm & Saturday 10am - 1pm**. Advent and Christmas items are arriving weekly. Entrance located in the Prince Street foyer.




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