

# Immaculate Conception Parish

December 17th, 2017

**3rd Sunday of Advent**

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## MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, Dec 18 (**ICC**) - 7:00pm - Liturgy of Hour

Tuesday, Dec 19 (**ICC**) - 7:00pm - † Kathleen Clark

Wed, Dec 20 (**Millbrook**) - 7:00pm - † Jean MacArthur

Thurs, Dec 21 - **No Mass**

Friday - Dec 22 - **No Mass**

*(The Church will not be available from Wednesday, December 20th until Saturday, December 23rd.)*



## CHRISTMAS OFFICE HOURS

The Parish Office will be closed from December 22nd, 2017 until January 2nd, 2018.

## CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

### Saturday, December 23<sup>rd</sup>

Immaculate Conception, Truro - 4:00 pm

### Sunday, December 24<sup>th</sup>

Immaculate Conception, Truro - 9:00 am

Sacred Heart, Millbrook - 11:30 am

### Christmas Eve Mass (Dec 24<sup>th</sup>)

Immaculate Conception, Truro - 4:00 pm

Immaculate Conception, Truro - 7:00 pm

Immaculate Conception, Truro - 10:00 pm

St. Michael's, Brule - 4:00 pm

Sacred Heart, Millbrook - 12:00 Midnight

Saint Ambrose, Londonderry - No Mass

### Christmas Day Mass, Monday, December 25<sup>th</sup>

Immaculate Conception, Truro - 10:00 am

### Saturday, December 30<sup>th</sup>

Immaculate Conception, Truro - 4:00 pm

### Sunday, December 31<sup>st</sup>

Immaculate Conception, Truro - 9:00 am

Sacred Heart, Millbrook - 11:30 am

St. Michael's, Brule - 11:30 am

### New Year's Day Mass: Monday, January 1<sup>st</sup>

Immaculate Conception, Truro - 10:00 am

**Mondays in Advent - Evening Prayer** - 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.

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

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

## COLLECTION UPDATE

**Dec. 10th Collection** was \$5154.25 (***Budgeted \$4,442.30***) Immaculate Conception = \$4,573.95; St. Michael's = \$216.75; Sacred Heart = \$363.55 & Capital Campaign = \$3,855.00 Total Sanctuary = \$78,867.03

## FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

***Blessings for a very Merry Christmas***

# Announcements

**ICC Parking Safety** - Please be aware that the Emergency Lanes in our parking lot cannot be blocked. Do not park outside the parking lot white lines, on the Grass, or adjacent to the Glebe House next to the hedge. There is extra parking next door in the FYI parking lot.

**Christmas Poinsettias** - Anyone wishing to make an "In Memory" donation for a Christmas Poinsettia is able to do so at the Parish Office.

**Altar Servers** - Those wishing to altar serve at Christmas Masses, please sign up in the Vestry before or after Mass. We would like to have 2-3 servers for each celebration. For more info, please see Cory Lunn.

**Fourth Annual New Year's Day Brunch** - bring a food item & willing hands and join us for our Champagne Brunch immediately following the 10am Mass on Jan. 1st, 2018. Sign up sheet available during the Sunday Social. Contact Gail 895-2433 or Betty [c.bettychapman@gmail.com](mailto:c.bettychapman@gmail.com)

**From the St. Vincent de Paul Society** - We would like to thank everyone in the parish who attended our "Kitchen Ceilidh", purchased goodies from our Christmas Bake Sale, and took a name (or two) off our Christmas tree to buy gifts for a needy family. Your generous support over the past few weeks (and throughout the whole year) have had a tremendous impact on numerous families in our community. We wish you all a very joyous, blessed, and merry Christmas!

**Donations of Candy** are also needed for Kane's Kitchen Christmas Dinner. Candy can be dropped off on Wednesdays at Kane's Kitchen up to 1:00pm or at the Church Office up to December 18th.

**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.

**Dinner Theatre 2018** - 'Must-Go Maddness' Mr. Red Cherry, owner of the local soda shop, cordially invites everyone to his 10th annual dance. It's the biggest bash of the year! Ticket sales are dancing along and with you in attendance, the event will be perfect. See Gail MacKinnon (902-897-2786) for tickets.

**Chase the Ace** - The *Ace of Spades* still hasn't been caught...so our Youth Fundraiser continues! This week's Jackpot starting at **\$5,454.50** and down to **12 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: Anna Wentzell. There will be **no Chase-the-Ace from December 24th until January 7th**.

**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

**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. Veritas will be closed for the Christmas Holidays, from December 23rd until January 4th.

**Refugee Committee** - Many of you will have finished with your monthly \$20 for 12 months donations for the Hrez family. We are so appreciative of your contributions plus the time and effort many of our parishioners have given to help our Syrian family in the last year. As we announced at mass several weeks ago, we will be continuing the support our family at a lower dollar amount for a limited time. This is a usual situation with most refugee families that we have worked with, our family continues to be as independent as possible. The application for Rita's parents was submitted last week and we will wait to see what the result will be. To bring Rita's parents here, we will still need to raise up to \$18,000 to be effective. We will be in Campbell Hall after mass most Saturdays and Sundays in January to answer any of your questions should you decide to support this sponsorship.

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