

## EXPLORING OUR FAITH ~ Questions for Reflection

### First Reading

[Jeremiah 20:7-9](#)

- Jeremiah couldn't ignore the call to prophecy even though it brought him much ridicule. Who today speaks out about injustice in areas like human trafficking, racial discrimination, police profiling, gun violence, climate change, the death penalty?
- What social or economic structure of injustice would you like to transform that you can't keep quiet about it?

### Second Reading

[Romans 12:1-2](#)

- How do you discern God's will? Does certainty about the will of God's come suddenly? Can it emerge gradually? Do you imagine you have made the decision and then check for feelings of consolation or desolation?
- Do you think Christ will use your suffering for the salvation of the world if you unite your trials with his?

### Gospel

[Matthew 16:21-27](#)

- You cannot take your money and possessions with you when you die. If you "lose your life" in love for others, does that give you something to take with you? Is it the love in your heart that goes with you when you die?
- According to Pope Francis, if we want to be his disciples, how do we imitate Christ?

*Thus the task of "taking up the cross" becomes participating with Christ in the salvation of the world. Considering this, let us make sure that the cross hanging on the wall at home, or that little one that we wear around our neck, is a sign of our wish to be united with Christ in lovingly serving our brothers and sisters, especially the littlest and most fragile (...)*

*Each time we fix our gaze on the image of Christ crucified, let us contemplate that he, as the true Servant of the Lord, has accomplished his mission, giving life, spilling his blood for the pardoning of sins. .... Therefore, if we want to be his disciples, we are called to imitate him, expending our life unreservedly out of love of God and neighbor.*

Pope Francis, Aug 30, 2020

[Angelus for the 22nd Sun A](#)

# Our Lady of Hope Pastoral Unit

22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
3 September 2023

Immaculate Conception Church, Rexton



St-Peter's Church, South Branch



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### Office Hours:

Tuesday 4:00 pm - 8:00 pm,

Wednesday & Thursday – 8:30 am - 12:30 pm

**Priest-Moderator:** Fr. Bernard Gauthier, C.Ss.R. 523-9788 Cell Phone: 889-0344

### Immaculate Conception Mass Times

Sunday – 11:00 am

Tuesday – 4:00 pm (Sacristy)

### St. Peter's Mass Time

Saturday – 4:00 pm

### Scripture Readings for Upcoming Week

<b>Mon</b>	I Thessalonians 4:13-18	Ps 96	Luke 4:16-30
<b>Tue</b>	I Thessalonians 5:1-11	Ps 27	Luke 4:31-37
<b>Wed</b>	Colossians 1:1-8	Ps 52	Luke 4:38-44
<b>Thu</b>	Colossians 1:9-14	Ps 98	Luke 5:1-11
<b>Fri</b>	Micah 5:1-4	Ps 13	Matthew 1:1-23
<b>Sat</b>	Colossians 1:21-23	Ps 54	Luke 6:1-5
<b>Sun</b>	Ezekiel 33:7-9 Romans 13:8-10	Ps 95	Matthew 18:15-20



## PARISH CONTRIBUTIONS FROM LAST WEEK

### Immaculate Conception

Loose: \$117.50; Envelopes: \$960.00; **TOTAL: \$1,077.50**

### St. Peter's

Loose: \$31.00; Envelopes: \$245.00; **TOTAL: \$276.00**

### Immaculate Conception Cemetery

Donation IMO Helen & Raymond Hudson: **\$300.00**

## THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED GENEROSITY!

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR UPCOMING WEEK

Sat	2	SP	4:00 pm	Herman & Teresa Warman †	Daneen & Family
Sun	3	IC	11:00 am	Raymond Perry †	Nancy Perry
Tue	5	IC	4:00 pm	Raymond Perry †	A Parishioner
Sat	9	SP	4:00 pm	Russell & Marguerite Little †	Dwight & Jeannette
Sun	10	IC	11:00 am	Jimmy Curwin †	Shirley Curwin

## LITURGY SCHEDULE FOR UPCOMING WEEK

				Lectors		Eucharistic Ministers
Sat	9	SP	4:00 pm	1 <sup>st</sup> Reading & Psalm: 2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading / Intentions:	Lois	Stella
Sun	10	IC	11:00 am	1 <sup>st</sup> Reading & Psalm: 2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading & Intentions:	Corinne Judi / Rose Ann	Louise

## ROSARY SCHEDULE FOR IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

				Leader	Intentions
Sun	10	IC	10:30 am	Vina	1st Decade: For our clergy
Sun	17	IC	10:30 am	Gail	2nd Decade: For our parishioners
Sun	24	IC	10:30 am	Vina	3rd Decade: For our youth
					4th Decade: For peace in our world
					5th Decade: For the intentions of parishioner



### WE PRAY FOR STRENGTH FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK:

**ALVERIE ROBICHAUD. CHRISTIAN ROBICHAUD**

**ROGER MAZEROLLE**

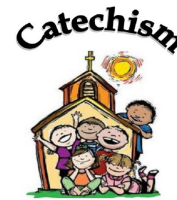
**ALL RESIDENTS LIVING IN SPECIAL CARE HOMES**



### ST- PATRICK'S - CHAPEL POINT

A number of issues have arisen with St. Patrick's church building and cemetery at Chapel Point. In light of this, all those interested in discussing a path for the future of Chapel Point are invited to a meeting to be held at the Immaculate Conception Parish Hall on Saturday, September 9th at 10:00 am.

A COMMEMORATIVE SERVICE for patients who died at the Stella-Maris-de-Kent Hospital during 2022 will be held on Sunday, September 17 at 2:00 p.m. at the Sainte-Anne Church (7611 Route 134, Sainte-Anne-de-Kent). Family members and friends are welcome. To remember the deceased is to pray for them and with them, to hope and believe that they have entered the life of God.



**CATECHISM FOR 2023-2024** Fr. Bernard plans to offer catechism later this fall, so if you have children of catechetical age (school age) please contact the Parish Office or speak with Fr. Bernard. If you will be seeking sacraments for your child this year (first communion, confirmation, reconciliation) please contact either the Parish Office or Fr. Bernard as soon as possible to assist us with the planning. **If you are able to assist in any way with the parish catechism program, please contact either the Parish Office or Fr. Bernard.**

## FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE

**TENDING THE SOIL, TENDING THE SOWER 2023 CATECHIST FORMATION** will take place on Saturday, September 16th from 8:30 am – 2:00 pm (brunch provided) at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in Riverview. This year's facilitator will be Charlene Peters from the Diocese of Charlottetown who will offer a session entitled "He Restores my Soul." This formation is open anyone serving in parish ministry. Contact Trevor at 857-4879 or trevord.diocese@gmail.com to register, or register online by going to [www.diomoncton.ca](http://www.diomoncton.ca) → Children's Catechesis → Formation Opportunities and click on the poster for "Tending the Soil, Tending the Sower 2023."

**BEING PRESENT: CAREGIVERS AND THE PEOPLE THEY CARE FOR** The Committee Looking at End of Life Pastoral Care will re-offer a session designed for those who provide care to the sick / infirm, facilitated by Louise Ongo of Immaculate Conception Parish in Rexton. **The session will take place on Thursday, September 28<sup>th</sup> at St. Bernard's Church (43 Botsford Street) in Moncton, from 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm.** Contact Trevor at 857-4879 or trevord.diocese@gmail.com to register, or register online by going to [www.diomoncton.ca](http://www.diomoncton.ca) → Adult Faith → Formation Opportunities and click on the poster for "Being Present."



**JOB POSTING - FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATOR (24 TO 35) HOURS PER WEEK** The Archdiocese of Moncton is seeking a Financial Administrator. Interested candidates must demonstrate financial management, project management, decision-making skills and be bilingual. Candidates may submit their CV to the Archdiocese of Moncton reception office, 224 St-George Street, Moncton, to the attention of Mgr Valéry Vienneau, no later than September 5, 2023. A job description is available at [annettel.diocese@gmail.com](mailto:annettel.diocese@gmail.com)

