



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH
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33rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

November 16, 2025

MASSES FOR NOVEMBER 18TH – NOVEMBER 23RD

English Rosary: Saturday 4:10 p.m. / Sunday 9:10 a.m. / Polish Rosary: Sunday 10:30 a.m.

Tuesday, Nov. 18 th	8:30 a.m.	+	Alphéda Gagnon-Murphy and her parents, req. by the Estate
Wednesday, Nov. 19 th	8:30 a.m.	+	Jim & Loretta Shaughnessy, requested by their grandchildren
Thursday, Nov. 20 th	8:30 a.m.	+	Alphéda Gagnon-Murphy and her parents, req. by the Estate
Friday, Nov. 21 st	8:30 a.m.	+	Andy MacDonald, requested by Mom & Dad
Saturday, Nov. 22 nd	4:30 p.m.	+	Tali Nolan, requested by Lynn & Terr Nolan
Sunday, Nov. 23 rd	9:30 a.m.	—	Laura Christine Keuler, req. by John Bovie & Marie Moser
	11:00 a.m.	+	Marian Wejman, requested by his family

+ Mass for the Deceased / – Mass for the Living

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Andrew Morrison, Bonnie Morley, Brian Eberle, Cathy Lochner, Dan Selby, Dave Worr, Donna Ellis, Evelyn Crook, Francine Leger-Gillard, Gerard & Wanda Byrne, Jason Ayotte, Jo Morrison, Joanna Carlberg, John Dawson, Julianna & Mary Hauer, Kathy Hiltz, Keith Mathieson, Lauren Carey, Linda vanTol, M.J.B., Marian Dlugosz, Marie Green, Marilyn MacKeigan, Michael Dawson, Mike Sullivan, Neave Alderson, Pat D., Paul Rigby, Paul Scott, Peter McCarthy, Renie (Zeyen) Place, Rose Marie Vitarelli, Sawyer Growden, Shelly Appleton, Tim Ayotte, Zita Lightfoot and those who have no one to pray for them. MAY GOD BLESS YOU AND KEEP YOU CLOSE TO HIS HEART.



COMMUNION BREAKFAST: In recognition of the **World Day of the Poor**, the Knights of Columbus will be holding a Communion Breakfast **this Sunday, November 16th** following the 9:30 a.m. Mass, and donating the proceeds to the Saint Vincent de Paul Society. There is no charge, rather, a freewill collection.

See you there! *(There will be no Polish Mass that day.)*

[World Day of the Poor Message from the Holy Father](#)

SAVE THE DATE—PARISH FEAST DAY POTLUCK BRUNCH: The *Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary* is on Monday, December 8th. **Therefore, Bishop Daniel Miehms will celebrate both the Saturday, and Sunday Masses that weekend (December 6/7).** To celebrate our Feast Day, the Bishop will join us in the Parish Hall for a **Potluck Brunch** following the Sunday, 9:30 a.m. Mass (no 11:00 a.m. Polish Mass that day). Please plan to attend and bring your favourite dish, if able.



ST. PAUL'S LAKEFIELD CHRISTMAS MARKET: Start your Christmas shopping early at the St. Paul's Christmas Makers Market, Saturday, **November 15th** from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. This event will feature local artisans and their handmade products, as well as showcase young people from our community who make and sell beautiful products. There will be a basket raffle, and food & refreshments will be available for purchase. Proceeds from the event will support programs at our church.

MARIOLOGY 101—AN INTRODUCTION TO MARY: There is still time to join this course being sponsored by Sacred Heart College Centre for Evangelization, through the Diocese of Peterborough. Presentation dates: **November 17th & 24th, December 1st, 8th, and 15th**. Cost is \$50.00. For more information or to register, please contact Sister Dorothy Nzekwe: srdorothy@solisisters.ca. or call **705-313-6905**.



LITURGY NOTES—MAKE A GOOD ADVENT, AND YOU WILL HAVE THE BEST CHRISTMAS

Resist the temptation to rush the season and put up all the Christmas decorations right away and start playing all the Christmas music. Christmas didn't come the first time without centuries of waiting, of longing for a Messiah and a Saviour. Jesus will return again at the end of time, and the only fitting way to spend our time on Earth is in longing for Jesus to appear and to bring us to our true homeland. At the start of the great prayer of the Mass, the Eucharistic Prayer, the priest stands before God, and asks on our behalf (in the Preface of Advent I) that *"when he comes again in glory and majesty, and all is at last made manifest, we who watch for that day may inherit the great promise in which we now dare to hope"*.

Dare we hope for this joy of an eternal reward, when we cling to so many sins, and continue to hurt one another in so many ways? Yes, but only because we throw ourselves on the mercy of God, and trusting in his mercy, dare to hope that we will be delivered from the consequences of our sins. But we can only know the depths of God's mercy if we long for it. So, keep a good Advent; hold off on all things Christmas as much as you can, but long for them, and tune your heart to that longing deep within for union with God and dare to hope for the celebration in Heaven that our Christmas celebrations foreshadow. Advent is God's gift every year of a chance to have a fresh start to our lives and begin to think again about a world lost without a Saviour, when the Messiah was only a rumour, and each one of us is invited to start a new spiritual journey of longing for God. For our longing has only just begun.

SEMINAR AT IMMACULATE: The *Missionary Families of Christ* will be holding a free *Christian Life* seminar in our parish hall Saturday, **November 15th** and **November 29th** from 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. This seminar is open to all adults, single or married, widows and widowers. Feel free to bring your children, as they will have their own program. This FREE seminar will be held in our parish hall. For details, call Oscar or Symphony Llacuna at **(416) 697-5707**.



ADVENT CONCERT, ST. JOSEPH'S, DOURO: You are warmly invited to St. Joseph's parish in Douro for an uplifting celebration that carries us from the anticipation of Advent into the joy of Christmas! Gather with family and friends on Sunday, **November 30th**, from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m., for an afternoon of festive music, community, and sharing. **Help Us Enhance Our Church:** Every note played, and dollar donated will help. All funds raised will go directly toward purchasing a much-needed new sound system for the church. Come enjoy the music and support a great cause.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION SCHOOL KNICK KNACK SALE: Immaculate Conception School Council is holding a Knick Knack sale fundraiser. Students get to purchase Knick Knacks and have them gift wrapped to give as Christmas gifts. The students enjoy this special day, and it is an opportunity for them to give gifts. Do you have any Knick Knacks that you would like to donate, such as picture frames, candles, books, children's toys, jewellery, decorations, Christmas items, etc.? If so, please bring them into the school office by **December 10th**. The school can also use wrapping paper, gift bags, tape and Christmas tags and thank you in advance for your generous donations!

Financial Corner - October

We appreciate your continued support to get us out of this unsustainable position.

Offertory Income: \$12,006.74 | **Expenses:** \$17,794.54 | **LOSS:** \$5,787.80

[VIEW TOP TEN OCTOBER EXPENSES](#)

*You will see that we were so close to breaking even,
except for the Catholic Mutual insurance payment!*



*"Amid life's trials, our hope is inspired by the firm and reassuring certainty of God's love,
poured into our hearts by the Holy Spirit. That hope does not disappoint." —Pope Leo XIV*