

Immaculate Conception Parish



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Weekend Mass: Sunday: 10:00 am

Weekday Mass: Monday: 7:00 pm

JUNE 6TH, 2010 BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

Confessions: Last Monday of each month at 6:30 pm. **Weddings:** 6 months notice and a marriage course. **Baptisms:** 2 weeks notice. **Choir:** Those wishing to join our choir may speak to our Choir Director, Mrs. Rhonda Ashby, or simply come and lend your voice and rejoice with us. **Bulletin Notices:** To have your notices included in the bulletin, please leave a message at the parish office (466-5912) or email to: immaculate.church@sympatico.ca or lynniempower@aol.com

Body and Blood of Christ. Jesus' command is clear: we are to feed others. We give others not from the "deserted place" of our own hearts but from the "leftover fragments" of God's blessings. God's abundant nourishment is most startlingly given in the handing over of Jesus' life on the cross, in the bread and wine, and in our own self-gift to others. Like last Sunday, this Solemnity celebrates our participation in divine life: we eat the Bread of blessing and drink the Wine of self-gift, the risen Lord's very presence. We tend to narrow our consideration of the Eucharist to the sacramental elements of bread and wine. Eucharist is more—our own commitment to give ourselves to others as Jesus gives himself to us.

REMINDER – SUMMER MASS TIME - 10:30am.

Sacrament of Baptism This afternoon we welcome Ethan Donald Edison Misener, son of Corey and Wendy, into the Christian community through the Sacrament of Baptism. Please pray for Ethan and his family that they will always walk as children of the light.

Chalice Thank you to all sponsors for agreeing to help in sponsorship through Chalice. **May God Bless you all for helping to change the life of a child of God. Sponsors are asked to please submit their payment of \$33 in the collection over the next few weeks marking your envelope Chalice with your contact information enclosed including email if available.** Information on sponsorship is available on Chalice's website: www.chalice.ca and you can also see the poster the Grade 7 Religious Education girls made for this project at the entrance.

Fundraising Committee will meet tomorrow evening, June 7th, following the 7:00pm Mass. We will be making final preparations for our upcoming BBQ/Family Fun Day. There is a great need for more members to join this Committee. Without your help we will not be able to reach our goal and repay the total amount paid out for our new roof. Hope to see you at the meeting tomorrow evening.

St. Vincent de Paul Society Your support is requested to help fill the shelves with food so the St. Vincent de Paul Society can provide food to those in need. Please place donations of non-perishable food items in the box provided at the entrance to the Church. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

3rd Annual BBQ/Family Fun Day is now less than 2 weeks away, on Saturday June 19th, 2010 - 10:00am to 3:00pm. This Annual Event will take place here on the Parish grounds - rain or shine. We are fortunate again this year to have The Metro Fiddlers perform for us from 11:30am to 1:00pm. It will be a great day for all who attend. In order to make the day a success we will need the generous support of our parishioners. Baked goods, fudge, and new items for the Penny Auction will be gratefully accepted. Penny Auction items can be dropped off on Tuesday or Friday mornings to the Parish Office or any time to Thelma Burta at the Rectory. All proceeds will go towards repaying for our new roof.

Congratulations to Joe & June L'Oiseau on their 50th Wedding Anniversary. Family and friends are invited to an Open House on Saturday, June 12th, 2-4pm at the South Woodside Community Centre, Osborne Ave., Parking on South Woodside School Yard (Everette St.). 'Best Wishes' only please.

Thank You The celebration for Fr. Jim's 40th Anniversary of Ordination was a great success. So many people showed their love and support on this special celebration. Sincere thanks are extended to all the parishioners and committee members for donations of food, their time and talents. Your generosity has not gone unnoticed. Thank you so very much!

Upcoming Noteworthy Dates

June 7th Fundraising Committee Meeting – 7:30pm (following Monday evening Mass)

June 16th&17th Defensive Driving Course – 6:30-9:30pm

June 19th **BBQ/FAMILY FUN DAY – 10:00 am to 3:00 pm**

Wasn't that a party!

Dear members of Saint Peter's and Immaculate Conception Parishes,

I express my gratitude to all for the many acts of kindness and generosity as you celebrated my 40th anniversary of priesthood with me. It was a joy to have so many gather for the celebration of the Eucharist last Sunday and share in the reception in the parish centre. Many parishioners shared in the preparation of the celebration with the pastoral staff giving good direction. I acknowledge the work of Deacon Jack, Sister Cecelia, Sherri, Greg and Craig for their coordinating efforts. The Immaculate Conception parish council, Saint Peter's administrative council, liturgical ministers, the Catholic Women's League and many other parishioners were there in many ways. As well, I am deeply grateful for your generous gifts and other expressions of congratulations. I have read every card and though I would like to respond individually, I hope that you will accept this as my expression of thanks to all. (I still have a box of thank you cards from my ordination that didn't get sent.) Along with making my upcoming pilgrimage to Rome go even better, I will also make another donation to the "Casa Santa Angela" in Chiclayo, Peru. For this, for your continued support of my ministry and for helping our parish communities flourish, may you know God's blessing and peace. Fr. Jim

*"God speaks to all of us;
some people are just listening better than others."*