



# Holy Family Parish

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## Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion – April 14, 2019

### PASTORAL COUNCIL

CHAIR: Terry Jerrett (736 2041)

VICE-CHAIR: Stephen MacDougall (736 8419)

SECRETARY: Claire Aucoin

Cecil Snow (736 9350) – Sheila MacCormick (736 6583) –

Rosalind Forrest (736 1887) – Bonnie DiPersio (736 6143) –

Cathy Viva (736 6171) – Victor Jenkins (736 6083) –

Sharon Iannetti (794 8905) – Brenda Walsh (537 1603) –

Iris Sampson (544 0745 – Deacon Greg Murphy (736 6726) –

Fr. Oliver (736 8788) – Bob Blinkhorn (544 0008) –

Frank MacDonald (736 2190)

### FINANCE COMMITTEE MEMBERS

CHAIR – Deacon Greg Murphy (736 6726)

SECRETARY – Giselle Pero (736 -0959)

Wilson Carey (736 9726) – Dennis Crosby (736 1248)

– Lorne Penny (736 3601) – Rose Jenkins (736 0802) – Claire

Aucoin – Blowers Mac Lean (736 9688) – Lorena Capstick

(Office Secretary) (736 8333) – Fr. Oliver

(736 8788)

### PARISH SECRETARY

Lorena Capstick (736 8333) or

[holyfamilysydneymines2013@gmail.com](mailto:holyfamilysydneymines2013@gmail.com)

### OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday from

10 AM - NOON

### FAITH FORMATION

Rosalind Forrest (736-1887)

### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

To register your child for baptism phone

Georgie Edwards (736-9715) ONE MONTH before.

Baptismal Preparation Classes for parents and godparents take

place on the **first** and **second Tuesdays** of every month at

6:30 PM in the Glebe Meeting Room.

You may attend the classes any month according to your

convenience. If you belong to another Parish please bring a

letter from your Pastor. If you have any serious concerns

please call Fr. Oliver,

at 736- 8788.

### SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Couples planning on marriage are expected to take a Marriage

Preparation Course. Anyone planning marriage please contact

the office at 736-8333.

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays from 2:30 - 3:30 PM.

### BULLETIN EDITOR

Sandra Haley (736-1314 or [smhaley@ns.sympatico.ca](mailto:smhaley@ns.sympatico.ca))

[Please submit info by **Thursday** noon **at the latest**]

### BEREAVEMENT TEAM

Cecil Snow (736 9350) – Iris Sampson (544 0745) – Ann Marie

Gillis (736 3132) – Daryl Burton (736 3342) – Mary Hall (736

9252) – Rachael Smith (736 3908) – Judy Harron (241-2019)



## Sunday Gatherings for Eucharist

Sat: 4 PM / Sun: 10 AM

**See Inside for Easter Services**

## Weekday Gatherings

Mass Monday to Friday at 9 AM

(In the glebe chapel)

[In the event of a funeral, the 9AM Mass

will be cancelled –

if school is cancelled due to inclement weather, the week-day Mass  
(Monday to Friday) will also be cancelled.]

## MEMBERS OF ST. JOSEPH/ST. MARY CEMETERY SOCIETY

Chair – Vic Jenkins (736-6083)

Treasurer – Brenda Blinkhorn (544-0008)

### Members-at-large:

Corinne MacDougall (736-3901)

Jake Cantwell (736-9789)

Wilson Carey (736-9726)

Cecil Snow (736-9350)

Clive Hatton (241-2843)

## HOLY FAMILY PARISH NEWS



### Weekend of April 7

Envelopes and loose ..... \$3735.15  
Other and fund-raisers ..... \$782.40  
**TOTAL ..... \$4517.55**

*Thank you for your generous support.*

### CWL NEWS

❖ CWL ladies are asked to be at the Hall on Tuesday, **April 16**, at 1 pm to set up for the Lenten Luncheon which will be held on Wednesday, April 17.

❖ Our Feast Day celebration will be held on Wednesday, **April 24**, beginning with Rosary at 5:40 PM, followed by Mass at 6 pm, followed by supper at 7 pm at the Royal Canadian Legion in Sydney Mines. Roast beef dinner will be served at a cost of \$18.00. Ladies of the parish are invited to attend. Please call Gloria (736-3421) by April 16<sup>th</sup> if you plan to attend.

❖ The CWL Convention will be held on **Saturday, April 27 and Sunday, April 28**, at Our Lady of Fatima Church, Sydney River. If planning to attend, let Gloria know (736-3421) by April 17<sup>th</sup>.

### In Appreciation

We thank those who have generously made the following memorial donations:

#### **To the Parish:**

IMO Masie Walker from Neil Walker

#### **To the cemetery:**

IMO Mary Francis MacNeil from Edith Foster

IMO Elizabeth MacNeil from Edith Foster and Family

#### **For Easter Flowers:**

IMO Melinda & Alex Ross from Shirley Fifoot

IMO Elizabeth MacNeil from Theresa Jardine

IMO Milton Jardine from Theresa Jardine

## THOUGHTS ON OUR PARISH MISSION

It is hard to think of the best words to describe the Lenten Mission 2019 here at our Parish and it is hard to sum it up. For those words, we might be at a loss. One thing we can say for sure, we knew we would set aside time to really pray and to be expectant in our Faith, trusting that God would be present with us. The week did not disappoint – emotionally, spiritually and physically we were fed. Here are some thoughts on the Mission... There were tears, some silent in our hearts and some that could not be held back, there were songs, sung with generous voices filling the church, there were people working around the clock, reminding us that not only does God love us but our brothers and sisters in Christ love us too. We heard plenty of laughter and hope-filled messages in our church. We shared stories of hope and belief. We smiled inwardly and outwardly as words don't always describe how we feel. We poured our hearts out during reconciliation. We asked for blessings and prayers. We had quiet time with our Lord during adoration. We prayed for one another. There were new faces to enjoy and reassuring familiar ones to let us know we were welcomed and wanted. And very importantly, we came together to celebrate our faith **with** one another, celebrate our faith **in** one another and **for** one another.

Thank you to everyone who participated in our Mission and helped make it possible.



### SCHEDULE FOR HOLY WEEK

Monday, April 15: 9 am

Tuesday, April 16: 9 am

Wednesday, April 17: 9 am

Holy Thursday, April 18: 7 pm

**Good Friday, April 19: 3 pm**

**Saturday, April 20: 8 pm (VIGIL)**

Easter Sunday, April 21: 10 am

**BINGO:** The next Bingo in the Hall will take place on **FRIDAY APRIL 26, 2019**. Sorry – it has been cancelled the last two weeks due to an illness in the volunteers' family. We will not have Bingo on Good Friday. Thank you for your patience.

## Concert



Featuring John and Patti Fukula and Special  
Guests

**Sunday April 14th, 2019**

Holy Family Parish Hall, Sydney Mines, time  
7:00pm

Reserved seating for tables of 10

Tea and Cake served plus prize draws

All proceeds go to Chalice and Faith Formation

Cost \$10.00/per person

Sponsored by Holy Family Prayer Group

For tickets contact Harry at 736-2972, Anita at  
736-0847 or Terry at 736-2041

**HOLY FAMILY PARISH ITALIAN NIGHT – TICKETS  
ARE NOW AVAILABLE!**



**May 11, 2019 at 7:00 pm**

**Tickets are limited! Cost is \$25.00.**

**Entertainment by TC 5**

**Contact Rose 736-0802 or the office 736-8333.**



**Holy Thursday, April 18, 7 PM:**

*Servers:* Jenna Forrest, Reg Dolhanty, Steve MacKeigan

*Readers:* Lorena Capstick (welcome), Joan Catherine  
Capstick (1<sup>st</sup> reading), Lorena Capstick (2<sup>nd</sup> reading)

*Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:* Anita  
Nicholson, Audrey MacDougall, Ron MacDougall

**Good Friday, April 19, 3 PM:**

*Servers:* Reg Dolhanty, Cecil Snow, Steve MacKeigan

*Readers:* Bob Blinkhorn (welcome), Anna Martin (1<sup>st</sup>  
reading), Ann Marie Gillis (2<sup>nd</sup> reading), Cynthia  
McGean (Passion)

*Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:* Jake Cantwell  
and Michele Keeling

**Holy Saturday (Vigil) , April 20, 8 PM:**

*Servers:* Bobby Joe Gillis, Sheila MacCormick, Cecil  
Snow

*Readers:* Michele Keeling (welcome), Anne MacKinnon  
(1<sup>st</sup> reading), Cynthia McGean (2<sup>nd</sup> reading), Sandra  
Haley (3<sup>rd</sup> reading), Emily Keeling (4<sup>th</sup> reading), Terry  
Jerrett (5<sup>th</sup> reading), Daryl Burton (Epistle)

*Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:* Jim Jessome,  
Terry Jerrett, Wanda Andrea

**EASTER SUNDAY, April 21, 10 AM:**

*Server:* Jenna Forrest

*Readers:* Winnie Burt, Cathy Viva

*Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:* Norma  
Blinkhorn, Harry Blinkhorn, Kayla MacDonald

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## COMMUNITY NEWS

**MEN OF THE DEEPS CONCERT:** On Sunday, **April 28<sup>th</sup>**,  
the Memorial High School Sr Band will be having a  
concert at Holy Family Parish with the MEN OF THE  
DEEPS. They will be performing numbers with the  
Men of the Deeps , and the Men will be singing on  
their own. This concert is to help raise funds for the  
band to travel to a Festival in Halifax and Fredericton  
on May 1st till 5th. Tickets are 25.00 each and are  
available at Memorial High School, Buffett's Office  
Supplies, North Sydney, Curiosity Shop in Sydney and  
you may contact any band member. The concert  
begins at 7 pm.

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**HOMEMADE FISH CAKES AND BEANS:** Friday, April 19,  
2019 – \$12.00 per meal. John J Nugent Fireman's  
Center. 3 pm to 7pm – eat in or take out – No wait!  
Must have Ticket – Phone 902 292-1017 or 902  
371-1315.

## COMMUNITY NEWS

**MASS FOR SHUT-INS:** Every Sunday at 11:30 AM. Mass for Shut-Ins is now available on the Diocese of Antigonish YouTube channel. A new episode will be added each Monday.

**MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER:** Join us on a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend and enrich your relationship for a lifetime of love. **May 3 - 5, 2019** at Between The Hearts Renewal Centre, Amherst, NS. Open to husbands and wives throughout Atlantic Canada. For more information, or to sign up email [renewmarriage@gmail.com](mailto:renewmarriage@gmail.com) or call 902-314-8541.

**SPIRITUAL EXERCISES:** "If you are looking for a clear, simple, and practical approach to developing your prayer life, The First Spiritual Exercises is well worth exploring." We are inviting young adults and young at heart to **First Spiritual Exercises, beginning Wednesday, April 24th, and ending on May 22<sup>nd</sup>** (One evening per week for 5 weeks). This will take place at Our Lady of Fatima, Sydney River. The retreat cost is \$30.00, which covers the cost of the book, written by Fr. Michael Hansen, S.J. For more information you may call Winnie Odo at 902 862-2330 or Norma Blinkhorn at 902 736-2972. Please register by March 25th, 2019 by contacting [youthministry@dioceseofantigonish.ca](mailto:youthministry@dioceseofantigonish.ca).

**SAVE THE DATE:** Divine Mercy Conference, **Our Lady of Grace Monastery, August 30th - September 1st, 2019.** Speakers will include Fr. Seraphim Michalenko, Divine Mercy Centre, Stockbridge, Massachusetts; Fr. Wade Meneze, Fathers of Mercy, Auburn, Kentucky; Fr. Tom Sullivan, Fathers of Mercy, Auburn, Kentucky. Opening Mass Celebrant will be Bishop Brian Dunn and the EMCEE and Music Ministry will be under the capable hands of Al Barbarino. More information on divine Mercy Retreat weekend to come in the weeks to come.

**CURSILLO:** The Cursillo weekend schedule for the spring of 2019 IS as follows:

Men's – May 23 - 26, 2019; Women's – June 6 - 9, 2019. Candidates are needed and if interested in attending, please call Kevin or Karen McSween at (902) 862- 8517, Betty Lahey at (902)270-0891, Burt or Claudia Aucoin at (902) 578-1266 or Gary David (902)631-1734.

Ultreya – last Thursday of each month.

**SPECIAL PRESENTATION:** The Watoto Children's Choir, from Uganda, East Africa, will present their concert "**We Will Go**" on Thursday, May 2nd, beginning at 6:00 pm at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Sydney Mines (643 Main Street). This inspirational, high-energy concert is approximately 1 ½ hours in length and is age appropriate for young and old as well as everyone in between! Admission to this wonderful concert is FREE but there will be a Free Will Offering collected in support of Watoto's mission with children who have been impacted by the AIDS/HIV crisis. So save the date – that's Thursday, May 2nd at 6:00 p.m. at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church in Sydney Mines. If you haven't seen these children before then this is one concert you should attend. For more information, please contact Rita at 902-736-2508.

**HELP REQUESTED:** A group in Sydney is attempting to raise \$200,000 for a homeless shelter in Sydney which will accommodate men, women and youth in separate quarters 24 hours a day 7 days a week. St. Marguerite Bourgeoys Parish has committed itself to raise \$50,000 of this sum over the coming 2 years. Since many of the homeless in Sydney come from other parts of the island we are asking individuals and organizations to consider helping us raise this money. For income tax purposes, a full name and address is required and cheques can be made to St. Marguerite Bourgeoys Parish and Homeless shelter in the memo line.

**ST. F. X. U. ALUMNI:** The annual gathering of alumni of St. Francis Xavier University will take place Dec. 3rd at St. Theresa Parish Hall at 7:00 PM. All alumni, spouses, and friends are invited and encouraged to attend. A short AGM will be held and we are looking for new members for the local chapter of the Alumni Association. Door prizes will be drawn around 8:00 PM. Hope to see y'all there!

**STUDENT SUMMER JOB - DIOCESAN PASTORAL CENTER, SYDNEY:** Administrative assistant / financial clerk; mid-June to late August, 2019. Applicants must be enrolled in a post-secondary program for September 2019. Duties include general office administration, reception duties, and some entry level accounting work. Applicants must have general computer knowledge, communication skills, familiarity of the Diocese of Antigonish. Preference will be given to students enrolled in a Business Program. Please send resumes to Cathy Farrow, [cathy@dioceseofantigonish.ca](mailto:cathy@dioceseofantigonish.ca) or deliver your resume to the Diocesan Pastoral Center at 200 Churchill Drive, Suite 100, Membertou by 4pm on April 26, 2019