



# Holy Family Parish

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## Second Sunday of Easter – April 23, 2017

### PASTORAL COUNCIL

CHAIR: Terry Jerrett (736 2041)

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

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CHAIR – Deacon Greg Murphy (736 6726)

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

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### 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. **There will not be any Baptisms during Lent.**

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

Saturday – 4 PM

Sunday – 10 AM

## Weekday Gatherings

Mass Monday to Friday at 9 AM  
(in the Glebe Chapel)

[In the event of a funeral OR when school is cancelled, the 9AM Mass will 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

## PARISH SUPPORT

*Weekend of April 16*

Envelopes and loose .....	\$7,150.90
Heat donations .....	\$5.00
TOTAL .....	\$7,155.90
<b>Surplus this week .....</b>	<b>+\$2,355.90</b>

*Thank you for your generous support.*

## SPECIAL NOTICE

**RE: WEEK DAY MASS:** Mass will now be celebrated in our Glebe Chapel.

Holy Family Parish  
Sydney Mines



May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017

Time: 7pm

A Congregational Hymn Sing in memory of deceased loved ones will be held again this year. Please join us in remembering those who have gone before us by singing together praises to the Lord our God whose son Jesus Christ died on the Cross for our sins so that all may have eternal life with God in heaven. Joining the Choir for this special evening again will be Richard MacAulay, a sensational flutist and also this year a very well known vocalist to our area, Alan Gale, and let's not forget our own Holy Family Choir with some special selections. Surely there will be something special in the music presented that will bring back some fond memories that you hold close to your heart. Be sure to fill out your information/request forms that are now placed at the church entrances, the office or from any choir member. These forms must be passed in no later than April 27<sup>th</sup> allowing sufficient time to print the programs containing the names of the IMOs that will be read before the hymn selection. Any request given later than this date will be printed on a separate sheet and inserted into the booklet. All proceeds of this event will be given to the church.

Come sing with us and enjoy an evening of music and fellowship. *A light lunch will follow in the Parish Hall.*

## In Appreciation

We thank those who have generously made the following donations:

### *For the cemetery:*

IMO Melvin and Stella McKinnon from  
Mary C Tobin  
IMO David Vincent Tobin from Mary C Tobin  
IMO Mary E Burchell from Mary C Tobin

**THANK YOU:** Thank you to the Knights of Columbus, Santa Maria Council 2024, for the breakfast they so generously donated. The wonderful breakfast was enjoyed after the Ecumenical Sunrise service on Easter Sunday Morning. The Breakfast was offered free of charge and served by the Knights of Columbus at Holy Family Parish Hall. Thank you from all who attended.

**50/50 DRAW REQUEST:** ON WEDNESDAY THE 26th WE ABSOLUTELY NEED 2 MORE VOLUNTEERS TO WORK AT OUR TWO VENUES FOR TWO HOURS. Our regular volunteers have other commitments that day. Please call the office if you can help on this date.

**MASS TIME CHANGE FOR APRIL 26:** Mass will not be celebrated in the morning due to an evening mass scheduled for CWL Feast Day at 6:00 pm. Rosary will be said starting at 5:40pm.

## UPCOMING MEETINGS

- Rescheduled Finance Committee Meeting: Monday, **April 24**, at 7 PM in the Glebe Meeting Room.
- Pastoral Council Meeting: Monday, **May 1**, at 7 PM in the Glebe Meeting Room.
- Liturgy Committee Meeting: Monday, **May 8**, at 6:30 PM, in Glebe meeting room.

**EUCHARIST AND MISSION VIDEOCONFERENCE:** **May 13**, 10 am -1 pm at NSCC campuses in Sydney, Port Hawkesbury and Stellarton. Presented by the Liturgy Office of the Diocese of Antigonish with presenter Marilyn J. Sweet, M.Div. See the Liturgy page on our website for registration and details: [www.antigonishdiocese.com](http://www.antigonishdiocese.com)

# HOLY FAMILY PARISH NEWS

## CWL NEWS

✿ The **CWL Diocesan Convention** will be held on April 21, 22, and 23 at St. Theresa's Parish in Sydney. The cost of \$15.00 for registration and \$15.00 for luncheon.

✿ The March **BINGO** game which was cancelled due to poor weather is rescheduled for **May 3** at the Hall at 7:30 PM.

✿ Our CWL ladies have been invited to St. Marguerite Bourgeois Parish, Cabot Street, Sydney, on **May 4** from 7 AM until 7 PM for Mass, Rosary, and Guest Speakers throughout the day. Refreshments will be available in foyer.

✿ Our CWL ladies are invited to Our Lady of Fatima parish on **May 3** for turkey salad and dessert, starting at 12:30 PM. Cost of meal is \$10.00. Proceeds will go to their school scholarship.

✿ Our CWL ladies are invited to Our Lady of Fatima Parish on **May 24** for a Fashion Show. Tickets are \$20.00 per person. Proceeds to be donated to Hospice/Palliative Care. For tickets, contact Linda at the Parish Office.

**PRAYERS FOR VOCATIONS:** If there are any families in our Parish who wish to take the Chalice home for the week to pray for vocations, please contact Norma Blinkhorn at (902) 736-2972.

**PRAYER GROUP:** This meets on Sunday evenings at 7 PM in the Glebe. Everyone is welcome, including other denominations.

**12 HOURS OF PRAYER FOR PALLIATIVE CARE:** The Catholic Women's League of Canada calls all people of faith to join nationwide in 12 Hours of Prayer for Palliative Care on May 4, 2017. This is designed to take place as a powerful lead-in to the National Hospice Palliative Care Week of May 7 to 13, 2017, (organized by the Canadian Hospice Palliative Care Association) as a profound witness to the sanctity of human life. All parishioners, family and friends are invited to join our CWL in prayer and solidarity and find some way to support this day of prayer, either on May 4th or on a day during the week of May 7 to 13.

## WHAT IS PALLIATIVE CARE?

Palliative care is a special kind of health care for individuals and families who are living with a life-limiting illness that is usually at an advanced stage. The goal of palliative care is to provide comfort and dignity for the person living with the illness as well as the best quality of life for both this person and his or her family. A "family" is whoever the person says his or her family is. It may include relatives, partners and friends. An important objective of palliative care is relief of pain and other symptoms. Palliative care meets not only physical needs, but also psychological, social, cultural, emotional and spiritual needs of each person and family. Palliative care may be the main focus of care when a cure for the illness is no longer possible. Palliative care services help people in later life who are ill to live out their remaining time in comfort and dignity. Palliative care services are helpful not only when a person is approaching death but also during the earlier stages of an illness. Palliative care may be combined with other treatments aimed at reducing or curing the illness, such as chemotherapy. Families also benefit from support when their loved one is dying and after his or her death.

Good and Gracious God,

You have been so good to us.  
We come to you in our great need,  
trusting in your Divine Mercy.

We ask St. Joseph, patron of Canada,  
and our patroness Our Lady of Good Counsel  
to intercede on our behalf,  
to move the hearts of parliamentarians,  
to improve and initiate good palliative care  
for those persons nearing the end of their lives  
across our great country.

Heavenly Father, bless those responsible for  
providing health care in our country.  
May they continue to serve with a generous heart  
– inspired by the merciful example of the Great  
Physician – Our Saviour himself.

We make all our prayers through our Lord Jesus  
Christ,  
Your son, who lives and reigns with You,  
in the Unity of the Holy Spirit...One God, forever  
and ever. Amen.

## COMMUNITY NEWS

**MASS FOR SHUT-INS:** Sundays at 11:30 AM on ATV.

**MOM PROM:** A night filled with reminiscing and memories..... walking down memory lane with decor that will trigger the fun times of years ago. Join us for our first ever "Mom Prom" at the Hotel North Ballroom on Saturday, **April 29**, for a fun night out! Sponsored by the Northside/Harbourview Hospital Foundation. Tickets are \$25.00 each and available at the Foundation Office; call 902-794-5402.

**LOOKING FOR NOMINATIONS:** The Northside Sports Hall of Fame Association is asking the public to nominate individuals and sports teams who in the past have brought fame and recognition to themselves and the Northside Community. Nominations for the next induction ceremony ( Oct. 7, 2017 ) close **May 16, 2017** and forms can be picked up at the Emera Centre Northside.

**ANNUAL DINNER THEATRE:** "The Taint'd Saints of St. John the Baptist Anglican Church, North Sydney, once again will be presenting their Annual Dinner Theater, "**The Case of the Missing Treasure**"!!! This year's shows will be Fri., April 28th, Sat., April 29th, Sun., April 30th, Fri., May 5th & Sat., May 6th. Doors open at 6:30 pm and the performance begins at 7:00 pm each night. Tickets are \$30.00 per person and this includes Salad, Roast Beef Supper, Dessert, tea/coffee & Entertainment!!! Advance tickets sales & Reserve seats only! Tickets cannot be refunded or exchanged! **TICKETS ARE NOT AVAILABLE AT THE PARISH OFFICE.** Wine available Pre-show and Intermission at an extra cost of \$5.00 per glass. Please contact M. Ramsey at 902-794-3326 for tickets. Tickets will only be held for 3 days after you call to have them held.

**CHALLENGE:** The Challenge Movement is a Catholic Christian movement which caters to **the spiritual needs of youth ages 15 - 21**. Just like Cursillo, Challenge is for everyone, new to the faith or just looking for a boost. On this weekend, you will learn how to start and/or maintain your relationship with the Lord and you will definitely not go hungry. Youth team leading. Lots of fun. Great food and music. New friends guaranteed. The next Challenge weekends:

**Young Womens' Challenge: April 28-30, 2017**

**Young Mens' Challenge: May 12-14, 2017**

Visit <http://www.cb cursillo.com> for information and applications.

**ATTENTION CURSILLISTAS AND CHALLENGERS:** The next Ultreya/Follow-up will be held **April 27, 2017**, at 7:30 PM at Our Lady of Fatima Church, Sydney River. The next Men's Cursillo will be held on the long weekend of **May 19-21, 2017** and the Womens' Cursillo will be held from June 8-11. There are openings. If you would like more information, please contact the following: New Waterford /Glace Bay area, call Kevin or Karen McSween at 902-862-8517, Sydney/Sydney River area, call Betty Lahey at 902-577-3604 or Marie Burke at 902-549-3866, North Sydney/Sydney Mines/Bras'd'or area, call Lorena Capstick at 902-736-0843, and Richmond County area, call Gary David at 902-631-1734.

**VENDOR'S SPRING FLING:** St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church is hosting a Vendor's Spring Fling at the John J. Nugent Fire Hall in Sydney Mines on Saturday, **April 29th**, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Want to get a nice Mother's Day Gift or something special? Well, this is the place to come. We have a variety of vendors from whom you can buy everything from Jewellery, homemade fudge, Scentsy, Lipsense, 31 Gifts, Paintings, homemade crafts and, of course, a Bake Table, just to name a few. Admission is \$2 and all names will go into a draw for a basket of goodies. So come on down and take a peek; you just might find a real treasure. So save the date **SATURDAY, APRIL 29TH** 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Fire Hall in Sydney Mines.

**A DAY OF CHALLENGE: RESISTING STRUCTURAL EVIL:** This workshop is being sponsored by the Sisters of Charity. Workers for justice and peace, students of life and ethics, and people searching for renewed purpose are invited. Come join us in a conversation on the systems in which we live and our response to them. **How do we care for OUR EARTH?** **Date:** Saturday, April 29, 2017 **Time:** 9:30am-3:30pm - **Place:** Holy Cross Hall, Seaview St., Glace Bay, NS- **Facilitator:** Sister Marie Elena **\*\*Please bring a bag lunch. Tea will be provided. RSVP by April 7 to:** Sr. Ellen Donovan [ellen.donovan@ns.sympatico.ca](mailto:ellen.donovan@ns.sympatico.ca) - (902) 849-3209 or Sr. Agnes Burrows [agnesargyle@outlook.com](mailto:agnesargyle@outlook.com) - (902) 849-7569. Please leave your name and a contact email or phone. There is no charge for this session.

**KOC MEETING:** There will be a meeting of the 4th Degree Knights of Columbus on Sunday, April 30, at 2pm, at Coady House, Sydney River. All members are urged to attend; tickets for the June dinner will be on sale at this time. Also, reminder of our Mass for Shut Ins on Sunday, May 7, at 1130 am. All members are to wear their Social Baldrick and arrive NLT 1045 am.