



Holy Family Parish

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5th Sunday of Lent – April 2, 2017

PASTORAL COUNCIL

CHAIR: Terry Jerrett (736 2041)

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

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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 – Gisselle Pero (736 -0959)

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

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

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PARISH SECRETARY

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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)

[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

Mon. – Mass at 12:10 pm and 6:30 pm

Mon. To Friday - Mass: 12:10 PM

Friday – Stations of the Cross at 11:40 am

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



Holy Family Parish Concert
 Please come out and enjoy a wonderful evening.
**Featuring: John & Patti Fukula
 and Special Guests**
SUNDAY, APRIL 9, 2017
 Tea and Cake Served – Auction
 \$10.00 per person at Holy Family Parish Hall
All proceeds go to Chalice and Faith Formation
*Sponsored by Holy Family Confirmation Class & Prayer
 Group*
 Please get your tickets for this event early as there is a
 limited amount available. (Tickets may not be available
 at the door)
 For tickets, call Harry (736-2972) or Anita (736-0847) or
 Terry (736-2041) or Lola (736-8862) or Lorena (736-8333).

HOLY WEEK MASS SCHEDULE
 (Please note changes to the daily mass times)
 Monday, April 10 at 9 am - NO 6:30 pm mass
 Tuesday, April 11 at 9 am
 Wednesday, April 12 at 9 am
Holy Thursday at 7pm
Good Friday at 3 pm
Holy Saturday Vigil at 9 pm
Easter Sunday at 10am

RECONCILIATION
**Sunday, April 2 at St. Joseph’s Parish, North
 Sydney**
**Communal service of penance with individual
 confession and absolution.**
Time: 2 PM

PARISH SUPPORT
Weekend of March 26

Envelopes and loose	.....	\$3113.95
Heat donations	.....	\$75.00
Other offerings and donations	.....	\$117.00
Hall rental	.....	\$100.00
TOTAL	.....	\$ 3405.95
Envelopes returned	.....	189
Deficit this week	.....	\$1394.05

May 7th ,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 27th
 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.*

LENTEN LUNCH SCHEDULE
 Each day from 12:10 pm to 12:50 pm with a guest
 speaker each day.
Monday, April 10: Trinity Anglican with Rick Barnes
Tuesday, April 11: Carmen United with Briain
 Barron
Wednesday, April 12: Grace Fellowship with Jim
 Oliver
Thursday, April 13: Clyde Ave Baptist with Stacey
 LeMoine
Friday, April 14 (Good Friday): NO Lenten lunch
Sunday, April 16: Sunrise service at Indian Beach,
 North Sydney (weather permitting); alternate
 location will be Holy Family Parish, 905 Main St,
 Sydney Mines. The service will start at 6:45 am with
 speaker Marion Barclay-MacKay.
 Free Breakfast will be served at 7:30am at Holy
 Family Parish Hall, sponsored by the Knights of
 Columbus.

ATTENTION LAY MINISTERS: Look for upcoming
 ministry schedules for Easter and Holy Week.

HOLY FAMILY PARISH NEWS

CWL NEWS

☘ The CWL will be sponsoring a **Pancake Breakfast** at the Parish Hall on Sunday, **April 2**, from 11 AM until 1 PM. Choice of full breakfast with pancakes, sausages, ham, hash browns, fruit, juice, and tea or coffee for \$8.00 OR the same breakfast as above without any meat for \$5.00. Take out will be available. CWL ladies are asked to be at the hall on April 1 at 11 AM for set-up and on April 2 at 9 AM for set-up.

☘ 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 CWL regular meeting will be held on **Monday, April 3**, at 7 PM in the hall. **PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE IN DAY AND DATE.** There will be no Executive meeting.

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.

FOOD BANK: Consider placing a non-perishable food item in the baskets/boxes provided at the entrances of the church the last weekend of each month. The items are then donated to the Food Bank and are very much appreciated.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Finance Committee Meeting: Monday, April 3, at 7 PM in the Glebe Meeting Room.

INCOME TAX RECEIPTS FOR 2016: are available at the back of the church; please contact the office if you have any corrections to your name, address etc. Thank you.

ATTENTION ALL PARISHIONERS who volunteer in our various Ministries: There will be a Holy Week Practice on Tuesday, April 11th, at 7:15pm in the Church. If you are involved in a ministry for Holy week, you are asked to attend this practice.

In Appreciation

We thank those who have generously made the following donation for Easter Flowers:

IMO Adrian Connolly and Theresa Connolly from Lorraine Connolly and Family

ADMINISTRATIVE MEETING FOR PARISH VOLUNTEERS: A warm welcome and invitation is extended to any person who is assisting or administering in their parish. The next Administrative support meeting will take place on **April 5th**. At this meeting we will hear from Jennifer Hatt, our Communications Officer. Jennifer will be sharing a new communications workshop she has developed for deaneries and parish communities, including communications planning, bulletin production and social media. She looks forward to hearing your best practices and insights on these topics as well. Thank you, Jennifer, in advance for speaking to our group. We look forward to meeting you. One of the great things we are experiencing from our meetings is a sense of unity in our Parish Administration. The meeting will take place at the Pastoral Center in Membertou on Wednesday, **April 5**, from 1:30 to 3:30 pm. If anyone is interested in bringing snacks or light lunch item please let me know. Thank you, Lorena.

GOOD FRIDAY PAGEANT: **April 14** at 8 pm at St. Joseph Church, Little Bras d'Or. A depiction of the life of Jesus from his birth to his resurrection. It includes narration, appropriate music and realistic depictions of the life of Jesus, Prophet and Saviour. Everyone is invited. Come early for a good seat. To help defray expenses, a container for freewill offerings will be located near the entrances. **Some of our Holy Family Parish Youth will be participating in the play.**

HOORAY FOR AIMEE!!!

Congratulations are extended to Aimee Gordon for winning a Gold and a Bronze Medal at the Special Olympics World Winter Games Austria. Way to go, Aimee. We are proud of you!



COMMUNITY NEWS

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

LENTEN LUNCHESES: St. John the Baptist Anglican Church, 28 King Street, North Sydney is once again offering their Lenten Lunches. A minimum donation of \$5.00 is requested. Upcoming guest speakers are as follows:

April 5th: Jean MacAdam, CB Regional Police Service - Relay Program Youth at Risk

April 12th: Earlene MacMullin, CBRM Councillor

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.

WORKSHOP: St. John the Baptist, North Sydney Mothers' Union Branch, 28 King Street, North Sydney, invites you to join us **Monday, April 3rd** at 7:00 PM for a special workshop on Gender-Based Violence. ALL ARE WELCOME (women & men, young or not so young) & encouraged to join us as this workshop looks at gender-based violence in today's world. The voices of abused women will be the basis for our discussions which will conclude with a moving and hopeful look at one woman's story.

SILENT DIRECTED RETREAT: **April 7-9, 2017.** St. Joseph Renewal Centre, Mabou. A prayerful atmosphere for the retreat is facilitated by a team of spiritual directors/prayer companions and is assisted by the silence which team and retreatants alike maintain. Communal liturgies are also a part of the directed retreat experience. The retreat team consists of members from the Atlantic Association of the Spiritual Exercises Apostolate (AASEA). Cost: \$170, includes registration, room and board. Details and Brochure: see the Retreat Centres page on our website: www.antigonishdiocese.com. Contact: Gary Fancey, gafancey@netscape.net

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. Box Office dates are Sat., March 4th from 1:00 pm until 3:00 and Thurs., March from 7:00 until 8:00 p. After the final box office, 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.

EASTER CRAFT, BAKE AND GIFT SALE: Saturday, **April 8**, from noon until 3 PM at the Millville Community Center. Free admission. Canteen services available.

ATLANTIC CATECHETICAL CONFERENCE: October **20-22**, Membertou NS. Did you know the Diocese of Antigonish is hosting the Atlantic Catechetical Conference in October 2017? The Atlantic Catechetical Association (ACA), approved by the Atlantic Episcopal Assembly (the bishops of Atlantic Canada), is a group of diocesan representatives who are at the service of the children, youth and adults for catechesis in the Roman Catholic Church in Atlantic Canada. For details and to register go to <http://www.antigonishdiocese.com/index.php/news-to-you/upcoming-events/90-atlantic-catechetical-conference>

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.cbcurisillo.com> for information and applications.

CONCERT: St. Matthew-Wesley United Church, 2 Peppett Street, North Sydney, presents "***Godsent Reunion Concert***" on Sunday, April 23rd, at 7p.m. Also performing: The Cape Breton Chordsmen, Colin Grant & Cecil Clarke. PRICE \$10.00 at the door. Refreshments to follow the Concert.