

Holy Family Parish

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Third Sunday of Easter – April 30, 2017

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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

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



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)

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

12 HOURS OF PRAYER FOR PALLIATIVE CARE

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.

An Invitation to Prayer

The [Catholic Women’s League of Canada](#) is calling all people of faith to join nationwide in a 12 hour Prayer for Palliative Care on **Thursday, May 4**, during National Hospice Palliative Care Week. All are invited to join St. Marguerite Bourgeoys CWL at their church on Cabot Street from 7 AM until 7 PM on that day. Below is a schedule for the day; refreshments will be available in the foyer. As well there will be an opportunity to give a free will offering in support of Cape Breton Regional Palliative Care. Please join us in person or in prayer.

7 AM:	Rosary
8 AM:	Stations of the Cross
9 AM:	Rosary
10 AM:	Stations of the Cross
11 AM:	Speaker (Dr. Anne Frances D’Intino)
11:45 AM:	Speaker (Lynette Sawchuck, RN)
12:30 PM:	Lisa Campbell (Palliative Care Volunteers)
1:15 PM:	Debbie Lewis (Women of Peace and Hope)
2:00 PM:	Hospice/Palliative Care Society
3:00 PM:	Rosary
4:00 PM:	Stations of the Cross
5:00 PM:	Rosary
6:00 PM:	Mass with Fr. Bill Burke

12 HOURS OF PRAYER FOR PALLIATIVE CARE AT HOLY

FAMILY PARISH: 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.

Parishioners are encouraged to say the prayer included here throughout the day on May 4 along with other prayers of their own.

HOLY FAMILY PARISH NEWS

Holy Family Parish
Sydney Mines



PARISH SUPPORT

Weekend of April 23

Envelopes and loose	\$2,660.65
Heat donations	\$50.00
Hall rental	\$130.00
Fund-raisers and other	\$2,119.00
TOTAL	\$4,959.65
Surplus this week	\$159.65

Thank you for your generous support.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

- ☛ 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.

All parishioners are welcome to attend any of any parish meetings.

CWL NEWS

- ☛ The March BINGO game which was cancelled due to poor weather is rescheduled for **May 3** at the Hall at 7:30 PM. A reminder that those selling cards should be at the hall by 6:15 PM. Don't forget to bring in items for the grocery order.
- ☛ Our CWL ladies have been invited to St. Marguerite Bourgeoys Parish, Cabot Street, Sydney, on **May 4** from 7 AM until 7 PM for Mass and Rosary. There will be Guest Speakers from 11 AM until 2 PM, beginning with Dr. Ann D'Intino. 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.
- ☛ The CWL will be doing the Crowning of Mary at the 10 AM Mass on Sunday, **May 7**.
- ☛ Executive Meeting: **May 8**, at 1:30PM in the Glebe.
- ☛ Regular Meeting: **May 10**, at 7:30 PM in the Hall.

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.*

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.

With Heartfelt
Sympathy

Sympathy, prayers and condolences are extended to the family and friends of:

Anna McGean

May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

COMMUNITY NEWS

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

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.

CURSILLO: The Cursillo Movement is a Catholic Christian movement which caters to the spiritual needs of adults. Cursillo is for everyone, whether you're getting introduced to the faith or are looking to grow in your faith. On this weekend, you will learn about starting or maintaining your relationship with the Lord, and you will definitely not go hungry. It includes adult team leading, a fun-filled, friendly atmosphere and a weekend of prayer, good food, and music. 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 902-736-8333, and Richmond County area, call Gary David at 902-631-1734 or pick up application forms at the back of the church.

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 Mens' Challenge: May 12-14, 2017

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



VARIETY CONCERT AT OUR LADY OF FATIMA CHURCH:
Sunday, May 7, 2017, from 2 to 4 pm. Cost: \$15.00.

Performances by Aaron Lewis, Sheldon Chant, The Bisson Sisters, Marilyn MacDonald, Ronnie Martin, Kalolin Johnson, Shaun MacDonald, Cora Cantabile, The Cape Breton Chordsmen. Tickets available through the Parish Office or by calling Wanda Fedora 567-2621 or Ann Frances Gillis 539-2228. **All proceeds to aid in building homes for the poor in Honduras.**

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 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.

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 Baldric and arrive NLT 1045 am.

4TH ANNUAL LITURGY VIDEOCONFERENCE: EUCHARIST

AND MISSION: May 13, 2017 from 10:00 am - 1:00 pm at NSCC Campuses: Sydney, Port Hawkesbury, New Glasgow. \$20.00 per participant. Registration required by phoning 902-539-6188 (extension 237). Tea and coffee will be provided but you are encouraged to bring your own brown bag lunch. In the Eucharistic liturgy and our prayer before the Blessed Sacrament, we encounter God's presence in personal and profound ways. The Eucharist, celebrated as a community, teaches us about human dignity, calls us to right relationship with God, ourselves and others, invites us to community and solidarity, and sends us on mission to help transform our communities, neighbourhoods and world. Church teaching, rooted in both Scripture and Tradition, emphasizes both the personal and social natures of the Eucharist. On May 13th our the Liturgy Office of the Diocese of Antigonish presents our 4th Annual Liturgy Videoconference: Eucharist and Mission. With presenter Marilyn J. Sweet we will explore this theme