

Holy Family Parish

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6th Sunday
of
Ordinary
Time

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time – February 12, 2017

PASTORAL COUNCIL

CHAIR: Terry Jerrett (736 2041)

VICE-CHAIR: Stephen MacDougall (736 8419)

SECRETARY: Winnie Burt (736 2490)

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

Rosalind Forrest (736 3797) – 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 – Gisselle 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

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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]

ABOUT OUR PERMANENT DIACONATE: The ministry of the deacon is threefold: Altar, Word and Service. That means assisting at Eucharist, preaching, celebrations of Baptism, Funerals and weddings as well as a ministry to those who call forth for justice. It is a ministry by God through the Church to men between 35-65 who feel called to the vocation. For further information, contact: Fr. Bedford Doucette, Director of Deacons, 902-539-6188 ext. 235 or toll free 1-800-656-5311, ext. 235, email at bedford@dioceseofantigonish.ca. A new class may be formed if interest warrants.

NET Team Youth Retreats

March 11, Holy Family Parish, Sydney Mines

Contact: Youth Director, Nolan Conrad, ph (902) 539-6188/toll-free 1-800-656-5311, ext 241, or email Nolan@dioceseofantigonish.ca

Holy Family 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)

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

"AM I BEING UNFAIR TO YOU?"

On March 3, 2017 Christians in more than 170 countries and in 2000 communities across Canada will gather to learn about, pray and celebrate in solidarity with the women of the Philippines through the World Day Of Prayer. *Holy Family will host this event on Friday, March 3rd, 2017 at 7:00 pm.* A collection will take place during this service. Special guests will be in attendance.

YES, THERE IS HOT SOUP FOR YOU!

Invite a friend, neighbor or family member along with you and come to our Parish Hall where not only will you enjoy a hot home made bowl of soup and tea biscuit but some wonderful fellowship too. I am sure there will be lots of smiles to go around. We could all use a little break from the cold week we had. Since the days are starting to get a little longer the meal will start after 4pm mass on Saturday. All proceeds from this meal will support our Parish. Thank you and save some soup for me.

Soup and Tea Biscuit Meal

Saturday February 18, 2017 - after 4pm Mass

Holy Family Parish Hall

Price is \$8.00

HELP WANTED: We are looking for a re-match for the carrot peelers! Again kidding, but we would like to have some parishioners come for an hour Saturday morning at 10:30 to peel some vegetables for our fresh home-made soup. Looking forward to enjoying fellowship and peeling.

LENTEN SCHEDULE

Ash Wednesday (March 1) – 7:00 pm

Lenten weekdays:

Monday – Mass at 12:10 pm and 6:30 pm

Tuesday – Mass at 12:10 pm

Wednesday – Mass at 12:10 pm

Thursday – Mass at 12:10 pm

Friday – Stations of the Cross at 11:40am

Friday – Mass at 12:10 pm

All masses will be in the Church for Lent and will not be cancelled for funerals.

In Appreciation

We thank those who have generously made the following donations to the parish.

IMO Murdock Finlayson from Carmelita Lyle

IMO Walter Finlayson from Carmelita Lyle

HOLY FAMILY PARISH NEWS

PARISH SUPPORT

Weekend of February 5

Envelopes and loose	\$4255.20
Heat donations	\$789.00
50/50	\$510.00
Other offerings and donations	\$394.00
TOTAL	\$5948.20
Expenses for the week	\$4800.00
Surplus	+\$1,148.20
Envelopes returned	211

CWL NEWS

- ❖ **Meetings:** Executive Meeting will be held on Sunday, **February 12**, at 1 PM in the Glebe. Regular Meeting will be held on Sunday, **February 12**, at 2 PM in the Glebe. Please use the front door.
- ❖ Members of the CWL will be distributing Christmas stockings to parishioners before and after weekend Masses. Instructions will be included with the stocking.

HELP WANTED

The Parish is hoping to hire an individual who will:

- Prepare an evening meal (simple menu) with clean up.
- Be responsible for picking up groceries.
- Be available 3 days/ times per week.

Please contact Father Oliver at 736-8788 or call the office at 736-8333.

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.

NEXT PARISH HALL FLEA MARKET – February 25th, 2017. To book a table or make a donation to the Parish Table, please call Rose - 736-0802.

CONGRATULATIONS: to Amy Gordon who is on Team Canada in the Special Olympics World Winter Games in Austria from **March 12-24, 2017.** The family would appreciate prayers from the Parish for a safe trip. There will be a party to say good-bye and to wish her well at the Fireman's Hall this Sunday from 2-4 PM. Everyone is welcome!

50/50 DRAW: Congratulations to our 50/50 Winner for January – Pat Hopkins. The ticket was drawn by Constable Ashford and her prize was \$510.00. Thank you to our Parishioners and the community for their continued support. For the month of February we will be selling tickets at the following venues: Credit Union on February 17, Sobeys on February 18, Foodland on February 24. We still have a few spots to fill in. If you would be willing to volunteer for two hours this month, please contact Lorena at 736-8333.

ATTENTION ALL CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES:

Confirmation Classes will resume on Tuesday, **February 21**, at 6 pm in the Church (Faith Formation Room at the back). On February 21, Mass for Shut-Ins will be taped to air on the following Sunday. The congregation will be Holy Family Confirmation Class with Father Oliver.

LAST CHANCE to purchase Pewter Ornaments of Immaculate Conception Church, Sydney Mines, NS. These ornaments are available at a cost of \$10.00 each.

If you know someone who is away that may want one please let them know. To purchase one call 902 - 736 - 8333 or email holyfamilysydneymines2013@gmail.com.

UPCOMING EVENTS: OR *Wow, that's going on at my Parish!* Wondering what event has us saying " Grande Cena! and Mangiare Bene!" Well yes, we are too. Hint: It will involve fun and some fine dining! Watch for more information in upcoming bulletins.

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.

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

UPCOMING MEETINGS

- ✓ **February 13:** Liturgy Committee Meeting at 6:30 PM in the Glebe meeting room
- ✓ **February 20:** Special Finance meeting at 6 pm in the Glebe meeting room
- ✓ **February 20:** Special Pastoral Council Meeting at 7pm in the Glebe meeting room

COMMUNITY NEWS

MASS FOR SHUT-INS: Sundays at 11:30 AM on ATV.
AL-ANON. If your life is or has been affected by someone else's drinking, AL-ANON may be able to help. Contact phone number is 564-5188 or contact freewebs.com/alanonmaritimes.

TAI CHI CLASSES: Tai Chi is a gentle set of exercises designed to improve all aspects of your life including balance, sleep and digestion. No special equipment is required. FLK Taoist Tai Chi is having an OPEN HOUSE. Come see what it is all about. Bras d'Or Hall, 24 Villa Dr, Wednesday, **February 15**, at 6:30 pm. ALL ARE WELCOME.

STEBENVILLE ATLANTIC: July seems a long way away, but we're hard at work preparing for the Steubenville Atlantic conference on July 7-9, 2017. Steubenville Atlantic is the annual high school youth conference at Dalhousie University. This year's conference theme is "**Elevate.**" Steubenville is a conference for high school students aged 14- 18. If you are interested in attending or sending someone to join us, or for more info, please email nolan@dioceseofantigonish.ca or call at 1-902-539-6188 Ext. 241. Steubenville is an unforgettable experience, we hope that you'll join us!

MARRIAGE PREPARATION FOR ENGAGED COUPLES

The following courses are being offered by Family Service of Eastern NS and our local deaneries. Fee: \$100. Register by calling 902-849-4772.

February 18 & 19, 2017 at Our Lady of Fatima, Sydney River

April 29 & 30, 2017 at Our Lady of Fatima, Sydney River

June 24 & 25, 2017 at Our Lady of Fatima, Sydney River

ULTREYA AND FOLLOWUP FOR CURSILLISTAS AND CHALLENGERS: Feb. 23, 7:30 pm, Our Lady of Fatima Church, Sydney River. Hope to see you there.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER: April 7 -9, 2017 at Our Lady of Hope Centre, Hope River PEI – a brand new Retreat House. Contact Jamie and Connie at 902 314 0498; jamconmcneill@gmail.com

TYPE 2 DIABETES: A COMMUNITY CONVERSATION: Do you have or support someone living with type 2 diabetes? Do you live in Sydney or the surrounding area? The Canadian Diabetes Association (CDA) invites you to participate in a conversation about living with type 2 diabetes in your community. We want to learn more about the community supports and challenges that impact you as a person living with diabetes. Participants will also learn more about the local diabetes education and support programs. Light refreshments will be served. Time: 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. – Date: March 2, 2017 – Place: Holiday Inn, 300 Esplanade St., Sydney – For more information or to register, contact: 1-800-326-7712 or nsinfo@diabetes.ca

PILGRIMAGE TO ST. ANNE DE BEAUPRE WITH FR. PATRICK O'NEILL

Come on pilgrimage **June 15th -21st, 2017 (NOTE CHANGE IN DATE!)** We will stop at the Monastery on the way up and back for Mass. In addition to St. Anne de Beaupre, we will also visit St. Joseph Oratory, Montreal. Cost per person is \$650.00 (\$850.00 if you want a private room). Costs cover overnight stays in Fredericton on the way up and return at the Holiday Inn Express, accommodations at St. Anne de Beaupre and 6 breakfasts and 6 lunches. If you wish to join us, we ask for a \$200.00 down payment by **February 28th**, 2017 and remaining \$450.00 to be paid by May 15th, 2017. Call Estelle Penny at church office (902) 794-3951. Please leave your name, phone number and email address if you have one. Checks to be made out to St. Joseph Parish.

EVANS AND DOHERTY CONCERT: St. Andrew's is pleased to announce the upcoming Irish Concert featuring Evans and Doherty on Friday, **March 10th**, at 7 p.m at St. Andrew's Presbyterian church in Sydney Mines. This delightful duo will take a lively blend of traditional songs and add a liberal sprinkling of stories and humour and all you have to do is sit back and enjoy these fine entertainers. Tickets are \$25 each and will be available at Shoppers Drug Mart in North Sydney or Sexton's Pharmasave in Sydney Mines, or if you want to reserve your tickets just call Rita Johnston @ 736-2508. Get your green on and come on in for a evening of song and laughter.

GRIEF SUPPORT SESSIONS: Six weeks, starting February 16. Bereaved Families of Cape Breton will be offering a grief support program in North Sydney. The sessions are open to anyone, 18 years and older, who is grieving as the result of the death of someone they love. Sessions are free of charge but you must register. For more information or to register phone the office at 902-564-6795.