



Holy Family Parish

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Second Sunday of Ordinary Time – January 14, 2018

PASTORAL COUNCIL

CHAIR: Terry Jerrett (736 2041)

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SECRETARY: Winnie Burt (736 2490)

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

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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.

PLEASE NOTE: THERE WILL BE NO BAPTISMS DURING LENT.

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)

[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)

[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 January 7

Envelopes and loose	\$3,530.25
Fund-raising & other	\$2,047.05
TOTAL	\$5,577.30
Budgeted expenses	\$4800.00
Surplus	+\$777.30

Thank you for your generous support.



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

Florence Theresa MacKinnon
Theresa Gallant (Cousin of Father JJ MacDonald)

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

HOLY FAMILY CALENDARS: Thanks so much for supporting this endeavor. We hope that Holy Family information, such as mass times, etc. (printed on the calendars) are hanging in many homes. This project was successful and raised **\$989.30** for Religious Education.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Liturgy Committee – Monday, **January 15**, at 6:30 PM in the Glebe Meeting Room

Special Finance Meeting – Monday, **January 22nd**, at 6:00 pm in the Glebe meeting room

Pastoral Council – Monday, **January 22**, at 7 PM in the Glebe Meeting Room

All Parishioners are welcome to attend our Pastoral Council meetings – you do not need to be on the Council to attend and your input is always valued.

Winter Weather Cancellations

Reminding our Parishioners that when school is cancelled our morning mass is also cancelled.

CWL NEWS

✿ The next regular meeting will take place on Sunday, **January 14**, at 2 PM in the Glebe. A good attendance is requested as important issues will be discussed. **Please use the front door.**

✿ A sincere **thank you** is extended to parishioners for their generosity in supporting the CWL **Christmas stocking project.**

DEAR PARISHIONERS:

A most sincere **“thank you”** for your kindness and consideration with your gifts and best wishes this Christmas season. May you receive peace and hope this new year of 2018 and always. God Bless....Deacon Greg and Florence

CALENDAR PRIZE DRAW WINNER: Congratulations to Betty MacNeil. Your purchase of our parish calendar gave each person a chance to win. There are 6 prizes in total. One prize will be drawn for each month. Betty was our January winner! Her prize was \$200.00 Oil Gift Certificate.

A PRAYER FOR THE SICK

Creator of goodness and love, hear our prayers for the sick members of our community and for all who are in need. Amid mental and physical suffering may they find consolation in your healing presence. Show your mercy as you close wounds, cure illness, make broken bodies whole, and free downcast spirits. May these special people find lasting health and deliverance, and join us in thanking you for all your gifts. We ask this through the Lord Jesus who healed those who believed.

Amen

HOLY FAMILY PARISH NEWS

ALPHA PROGRAM: The Churches of Sydney Mines are running **ALPHA**, a video and discussion series on Christianity, starting Tuesday, January 16, at Grace Fellowship. This is a 10 week program to engage in and grow our faith. Please register if you are interested in attending. Meals are provided at each gathering. You can register at Holy Family Parish office by calling 902 736-8333.



Saturday, Jan. 20

Altar Servers: Sheila Mac Cormick
Lectors: Cynthia McGean, Ann Marie Gillis
Extraordinary Ministers of Communion: Blowers MacLean, Frances Gordon
Hospitality: Edie Foster, Betty Smith, Dave Bobbitt, Maureen Bobbitt

Sunday, Jan. 21

Altar Servers: Jenna Forrest and Faith Formation
Lectors: Sheila Bradley, Bob Blinkhorn
Extraordinary Ministers of Communion: Harry Blinkhorn, Kayla Blinkhorn, Geraldine Walker
Hospitality: Doris Brown, Rose Jenkins, Louise MacKinnon, Billy MacDonald

COMMUNITY NEWS

WOMEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST: *How does faith inform my life?* Guest speaker: Ms. Patricia Fricker Bates, LL.B., LL. M., Auditor, Matrimonial Tribunal, Diocese of Antigonish. 8:30 am - 10:30am, Saturday, Feb. 10, 2018 at St. Ninian Place, Antigonish. Sponsored by St. Ninian's CWL. Tickets: \$15.00 (\$7.50 for students) available at St. Ninian Parish Office; call (902-863-2338).

ROAST BEEF DINNER:

St. John's Anglican Church Mothers' Union will host their Annual Valentine Roast Beef Dinner on Friday, February 9th, 2018. It will be held at St.



John's Anglican Church Hall, 28 King Street, North Sydney. There will be Music and Door Prizes. The meal will Served at 6:00 pm. Tickets are \$15.00 per person. Wine bar available for \$5.00 per glass. Tickets are available at the Church Office during office hours (call 902-794-3392 or by calling Debbie Moore at 902-544-1018. Thanks so much for your continual support.



FAMILY LIFE MINISTRY OF DIOCESE OF ANTIGONISH PARENTING TIP.

Parents have the primary influence on their children's values.

Your kids are watching you, they look to you to guide them in how they think and act. They especially watch what you do, more than what you say. They learn from how you use pills and medications, how you use or don't use alcohol, and from how you treat others. They also watch and observe your spiritual self by observing what you say and do. Are you living the life you want your children to live?

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IGNITE...YOUR FAITH JOURNEY!

Diocesan Youth Gathering - Saturday, April 14, 2018. Our Lady of



Fatima is hosting a day of friendship and faith. Open to youth preparing for Confirmation and older. 11 am - 4 pm, with Mass at 4:15 pm. Register through your Parish Office or contact Allyson Langley at 902-562-3934 or Cathy Walsh at 902-870-9117.

COMMUNITY NEWS

MASS FOR SHUT-INS: Just a note to remind people that Mass for Shut-Ins is now back on CTV on Sundays at 11:30 am.

NORTHSIDE ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY: 

Clothing Depot (located in Sydney Mines Food Bank building) is badly in need of good used warm winter clothing; all sizes, male, female, children, adults, boots, hats, mitts, sweaters etc. In North Sydney these can be dropped off to Estelle at St. Joseph's parish office. Also, Sydney Mines Food Bank is open the first three Fridays of every month and will accept donations from 10 am - 2 pm.

NEW BEGINNINGS WEEKEND: Apr 6-8, 2018 – *"I have been separated for three years and have been struggling to move on from the guilt and feelings of failure. This weekend has granted me the peace of finally feeling God's love for me."* New Beginnings is a weekend of reflection and healing for those who are divorced, separated, or bereaved. Our next weekend will be **April 6-8**, 2018 at the St. Joseph Renewal Centre, Mabou. For information and to register, please contact Ron Curry: ph 1-902-564-0788.

EXERCISE CLASSES: The Heart and Stroke Foundation Exercise Class takes place every Monday at 1:30 at the Sydney Mines Pensioners Club, 6 Fraser Ave.

FREE BREAKFAST

Salvation Army will host a free breakfast at the Food Bank on the first Wednesday of each month from 9:30 to 11:00 am.



Week of Prayer for Christian Unity North Sydney – January 22-26, 2018

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2018 will take place from January 22 - 26. Each morning at 10 am in one of the churches we come together to celebrate a week of prayer for the unity of all Christians — a short worship — discussion and fellowship. We close our week by having an ecumenical church service on Sunday, January 28. Hope to see you at this celebration. If you need more info, call Marjorie at 794-2410.

Schedule

January 22 (Monday) at St. Giles Presbyterian
January 23 (Tuesday) at St. Matthew Wesley United
January 24 (Wednesday) at St. John the Baptist Anglican
January 25 (Thursday) at St. Joseph Roman Catholic
January 26 (Friday) at Seventh Day Adventist
January 28 (Sunday) at 3pm – Ecumenical Church Service at St. Matthew Wesley United, 1 Peppett St. (Hall entrance)

ECUMENICAL SERVICE: On Sunday, January 14th, there will be an ecumenical service at St. Marguerite Bourgeoys Church, 40 Cabot St. Sydney, at 3 PM in honour of Church Unity Week.

FYI: An Ecumenical Service for the week of Prayer for Christian Unity will be held on Sunday, January 21st, at 3 pm at Grace Fellowship Church. Holy Family was the host last year and is invited to participate this year at Grace Fellowship.