



Holy Family Parish

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Third Sunday of Ordinary Time – January 21, 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) –

Rosalind Forrest (736 1887) – 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

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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 14

Envelopes and loose \$2,910.65
Fund-raising & other \$615.00
TOTAL \$3,510.80

Thank you for your generous support.



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

Robert Shebib, brother-in-law of Judy Shebib
Jim & Gwen MacIntyre (brother and sister-in-law of Madonna Romeo & Mary Hall)
David Kerr
Hamilton "Hammie" MacNeil
Roxanne Tremblett
Betty Jenkins

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

UPCOMING MEETINGS

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.

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.

YOU ARE INVITED

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.

ATTENTION - MINISTERS OF THE WORD. Some important reminders! **PLEASE call a replacement** if you are unable to attend Mass; arrive **15 minutes before** Mass; **let the Altar Server know** you are present and if you are replacing someone; and **please adjust the microphone!**

In Appreciation

We thank those who have generously made the following memorial donations:

For the Cemetery

IMO Hector DiPersio from Edith Foster and Family
IMO Hector DiPersio from Sharon Iannetti
IMO Hector DiPersio from Martina Andrea
IMO Deceased CWL members from The CWL
IMO David Kerr from Martina Andrea

IMPORTANT DATES COMING UP

February 14 — Ash Wednesday
Lent runs from Ash Wednesday until Easter Sunday
Holy Week — March 26 to March 31
Mass of Chrism — Monday, March 26
Good Friday — March 30
Easter Sunday — April 1

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, January 27:

Altar Server: Bobby Joe Gillis

Lectors: Theresa Power, Sandra Haley

Extraordinary Ministers of Communion: Cecil Snow, Cynthia MacGean, Frances Gordon

Hospitality: Lola Tobin, Georgina Buffett, Brenda Walsh, Mary Jenkins

Sunday, January 28:

Altar Servers: Jenna Forrest and Faith Formation

Lectors: Faith Formation

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Norma Blinkhorn, Terry Jerrett, Anita Nicholson

Hospitality: Bobby Blinkhorn, Laurie Gouthro, Cathy Viva, Alicia Buffett

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.

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.

BOOKS NEEDED: The Coalition for Social Justice is in need of new and gently used books to help support their Literacy Program. The program is going very well and we are doing a feedback sheet between January 14 and February 28 to determine those who have previously received books and those who might like to receive books. Please help us stock our shelves with books (new or gently used) to help support our literacy outreach. The books could be for both children or youth of all ages as well as books for adult learners. Now that Christmas is over, maybe people have books they can donate. Please call the office of Sr. Franklyn Ferguson at 902-562-0682 and leave a message. Or you can drop off your book donations @ at my office: Cape Breton Coalition for Social Justice, 329 George Street, Sydney, Nova Scotia, B1P 1J7. Or you can make other suitable arrangements for pick-up. Thanking you in advance for your support and donations. Franklyn Ferguson, Coordinator

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.

SPECIAL MASS: On Sunday, Feb. 11, at 4 pm., Father Antolin ASOR, Pastor of St. Peter's parish in St. Peter's, will be at Holy Redeemer Parish, Whitney Pier, to offer Mass in Tagalog for our people from the Philippines. A pot-luck supper will follow. Please spread the word to your Filipino friends and invite them to come and join in this wonderful opportunity to celebrate Mass in your native language and meet your friends.

OUT ON THE MIRA SUNSHINE HOME FOR FABULOUS SENIORS!

Can you imagine the peace of the universe? Maybe somewhere else, but not here. Come meet this interesting cast of characters and enjoy a delicious dinner! It is that time of year again as the Our Lady of Fatima Players present their next fabulous show. Show dates are February 17 & 18, doors open at 6:00 pm, dinner served at 6:30 pm. Tickets are \$30.00 and are available at the Our Lady of Fatima Parish office; phone 902-562-3934 for yours!!

SAVE THE DATE

Inspiring Communities Northside

January 25th, 6:30 PM - Community CARES, 55 King Street, Sydney Mines

You are invited to join us for a conversation about **Inspiring Communities**, a new Provincial initiative that supports community-led development in communities that are struggling, and yet demonstrate a readiness to tackle complex social problems. This emerging Provincial movement includes the communities of Dartmouth North and Northside Cape Breton. Details about this work can be seen on the website, <https://inspiringcommunities.ca>. Through broad community engagement we will identify shared priorities and vision for resident-led change. In 2017 over 500 residents completed surveys. Prior to a larger community meeting, we would like to share the survey findings with the Faith Community, and give you the opportunity to provide input and reflections. The Northside work recently received an extended commitment from the Province to at least the end of March 2021. This is a sign of hope for the community, providing some real space to develop new relationships and capacity for new ways of working. RSVP to me at 544-0049. Hope to see you on the 25th! Dorothy Halliday - Project Lead