



Holy Family Parish

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Third Sunday of Ordinary Time – January 26, 2020

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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.

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) – 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, Tuesday and 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:

Jake Cantwell (736-9789)

Wilson Carey (736-9726)

Cecil Snow (736-9350)

HOLY FAMILY PARISH NEWS



January 19

NOT AVAILABLE

Thank you for your generous support.

CWL NEWS

✿ **CWL LADIES:** a reminder that dues should now be in. If you haven't yet paid up, please do so as soon as possible.

✿ **TICKETS:** Anyone wanting tickets on the Valentine basket, please contact Gloria at 736-3421 or any CWL member. Draw date will be February 13.



SATURDAY, February 1, 4 PM:

Servers: Sheila MacCormick

Readers: Dennis Crosby, Daryl Burton

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:

Michelle Keeling, Dennis Crosby, Marguerite MacLean

Hospitality Ministers: Marguerite MacLean (right door), Rosalie Dolhanty (middle door), Cynthia MacGean (left door), Betty Smith (left of altar door)

SUNDAY, February 2, 10 AM:

Servers: Jillian Scott and Maia MacDougall

Readers: Sheila Bradley, Victoria Pero

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Jake Cantwell, Ron MacDougall, Terry Jerrett

Hospitality Ministers: Doris Brown (right door), Jake Cantwell (middle door), Billy MacDonald (left door), Billy Blinkhorn (left of altar door)

In Appreciation

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

Donations to Cemetery

IMO Bertha Jessome from Charlie and Ruth Anne Williams

IMO Sadie Boutilier from Betty MacLean

IMO Tots Cordy from Betty MacLean

Donations to Church

IMO Father JJ MacDonald from George and Geraldine Walker

YOUTH MINISTRY IS JOINING BELL "LET'S TALK" AWARENESS DAY

– January 29th, 7:00 - 8:30 pm, Holy Family Parish Hall, Sydney Mines. Mental illness isn't always easy to see: 2 out of 3 people suffering from mental illness suffer in silence. If you are a young person, a parent or someone who is interested in learning more about Mental Well Being and want to break the ice, join us in a conversation with Allan MacDonald and John Ratchford to create a positive change and to empower young people to be Champions of Mental Health. For more information, contact Norma Blinkhorn at 902 202 2972 or norma@dioceseofantigonish.ca

*With Heartfelt
Sympathy*

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

**Geraldine 'Gerry' Raylene Bennett
Carolyn 'Sis' Mary (Tobin) Groves**

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

ODDS AND ENDS:

☛ If anyone has palms at home that they wish to bring to the church to prepare the ashes for February 26th, Ash Wednesday, please drop them off at the church.

☛ Oh – what a winter! Please take your time entering and leaving the church. The walkway and steps are kept as clear as possible.

☛ Daily Mass will now be held on **Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays** in the Chapel in the Glebe.

DIOCESAN NEWS

SAVE THE DATE

Installation Ceremony for Bishop Wayne Kirkpatrick



The Installation Ceremony for Bishop Wayne Kirkpatrick will be held on Monday, February 3, 2020, at 3 pm at St. Ninian Cathedral. Evening prayer will be held at 7pm on Sunday, February 2, 2020 at St. Ninian Cathedral. A reception will follow each event. All are welcome!

Diocesan Prayer for Our New Bishop

Gracious God, Giver of all spiritual gifts, we are thankful for the gift of our new Bishop, Most Rev. Wayne Kirkpatrick. We, the Community of Believers of the Diocese of Antigonish, trust deeply in your Divine Providence and in your desire to provide for the needs of our diocesan family. May he be filled with zeal for the Gospel as he ministers as one who is gentle, wise, merciful and devoted in love for your people. May we, your Community of Disciples, receive the grace to welcome our new Bishop as our Brother in Christ. As he begins his new Ministry as Bishop of the Diocese of Antigonish, we pray that he be filled with gospel courage, wisdom and discernment. May we welcome him and assure him of our prayer, presence and support as we begin our new journey of faith together.

St. Ninian, Pray for Us.

EUCCHARISTIC CONGRESS 2020

June 12-14

Membertou, Sydney

In September, 2019, following the celebration to end our amazing 175th Anniversary year, Archbishop Dunn announced, for the diocese, a focus on the Eucharist culminating with a Eucharistic Congress. For the next few months leading up to the Congress, the Eucharistic Congress Planning Committee has asked us to reserve this space in our bulletin to inform us of the ins and outs of what this all means for each of us.

What does it mean to designate a 'Year of the Eucharist'?

Archbishop Dunn, in his November 17, 2019 letter to all parishioners, said, *"through these celebrations [175th Anniversary] we rediscovered how God is always faithful to us. One of the signs of this faithfulness is the Eucharist and this is why we called for a focus on the Eucharist leading up to a Diocesan Eucharistic Congress. Our hope is that we can engage in strengthening our faith in the Eucharist, be led deeper into understanding and appreciating this gift of the Eucharist and grow together in sharing this gift through word and action.*

When we celebrate the Eucharist, we not only attend an event but we are drawn into the great mystery of love that Jesus revealed when he died for us because of his love. To draw us more deeply into this mystery, this Year of the Eucharist invites each of us to a deeper experience of encounter with Christ.

My hope for this Year of the Eucharist is that the hearts of all Catholics might awaken in the Diocese so that we may come to a deeper understanding, appreciation, and experience of the gift of the Eucharist. We will organize a variety of events and experiences so that we might reach this goal."

COMMUNITY NEWS

CALLING ALL CHALLENGERS!!!! A note from Rose Henry, your Lay Director and servant – We will be holding follow-up on Thursday, January 30, at Our Lady of Fatima, at 7:30 pm. As we move into a new year we continue to reorganize our challenge movement and will be forming new committees. These committees will help us recreate who we are as we move forward. The more Challengers we can include the better. If you are unable to attend follow-up and want to become involved in upcoming weekends or committees please connect with me at 902-577-1517. I look forward to seeing you and introducing myself in person. Easy Come Easy Go

STEBENVILLE: It seems a little strange to be thinking about July already... but registration for Steubenville Atlantic 2020 opens on Wednesday, January 15! Our new venue, the McInnes Room in the Dalhousie Student Union Building, has fewer seats than the Rebecca Cohn Auditorium. So, group leaders, don't wait to book your spots! Remember, all registration for Steubenville Atlantic is done in groups. If you, or someone you know, would like to attend the conference but there is no local group to go with, contact the Parish office and we can help you out! —The Steubenville Atlantic Team

FISHCAKE & BAKED BEAN SUPPER will be held on Friday, February 7th, at St. Matthew Wesley United Church, 2 Peppett St., North Sydney from 4:30-6:30 p.m. Cost: \$10.00. Dessert included! A second Choice of Ham & Scalloped Potato Supper will be offered as an alternative by a pre-purchased ticket only until Wednesday, February 5th! Live Music during the supper! Eat in or Take-out available. Tickets available at the Church Office 902-794-3651 or phone Charlie MacLean 902-794-3573.

ROAST BEEF DINNER: St. John the Baptist Mothers' Union will host a Valentine's Roast Beef Dinner. It will take place on Friday, February 14th, at 6:00 pm at 28 King Street, North Sydney. Doors open at 5:30 pm. There will be door prizes and entertainment. Tickets are \$15.00 each. Tickets are available at the Parish office (call 902-794-3392) or by calling Debbie Moore at 902-544-1018 or 902-371-2807.

FOODBANK: The Food Bank is open to serve those in need this month. The demand can increase in the winter months. There are boxes at the entrances of the church which you can use to donate non-perishables at any time; it is picked up weekly by a Food Bank volunteer.

DID YOU KNOW ... The Bishop William E. Power Family Charitable Foundation disburses up to \$20,000 each year to individuals for courses and conferences that they can use to strengthen our faith communities? Could someone in your parish use this support? Visit our website for details: www.bishoppowerfoundation.ca

GREETINGS MEMBERS AND SUPPORTERS OF DEVELOPMENT & PEACE AND HAPPY NEW YEAR:

Please join us as we reflect on the theme *For Our Common Home* with a focus on the Amazon region and the threats that the mining and other extractive industries pose to its' inhabitants. We hope to exchange ideas by working together to help these Indigenous people who are the guardians and protectors of the Amazon and its' vital eco-system and to help all of us protect *Our Common Home*. A Development and Peace – Caritas Canada **SHARE LENT WORKSHOP** will be held on Saturday, February 8th (snow date February 9th), at St. Leonard Pastoral Centre, 5310 Union Highway, New Waterford NS. Pot-luck meeting 10 :00 am ~ 2 :30 pm. Please respond to twinnieodo@seaside.ns.ca or 902-862-2330. For more info contact aogbe@devp.org.

CAN YOU HELP? Community Volunteer Income Tax Program — Every year, hundreds of thousands of those in need rely on volunteers at free tax clinics to help them access important benefits and credits to which they may be entitled. You don't need to be a tax expert. You'll receive training and support and how often you volunteer is up to you! To volunteer or for information on participating local organizations, go to Canada.ca/taxes-volunteer

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