



Holy Family Parish

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3rd Sunday of Lent – March 19, 2017

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 3797) – Bunnie 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

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(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

Monday – Mass at 12:10 pm and 6:30 pm

Tuesday – Friday: Mass at 12:10 pm

Friday – Stations of the Cross at 11:40 am

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

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)

DIOCESAN NEWS

AD LIMINA VISIT - PART III

The tradition of ad limina visits finds its roots in the 15-day visit of Paul with Peter (cf. Galatians 1:18) that provided help for their respective ministries. Ad limina visits can be traced back to the fourth century and they contribute to the intimate relationship between the particular Church and the universal Church. While a bishop is head of a particular church, he is also a member of the College of Bishops in union with the Holy Father as the universal Shepherd. By officially meeting with the Roman Pontiff, each bishop implicitly professes his deep relationship with the One who is also the visible principle of unity among the bishops and for the whole Church. During the ad limina visit there will be an opportunity to discuss the various issues that touch the life of the Church today. Please pray for Bishop Dunn as he makes his ad limina visit to Rome.

CALLING TO THE DIACONATE:

Vatican II restored the ancient Order of Permanent Deacons for a threefold ministry of Service, Word and Altar. The Diocese seeks men aged 35-65, married or single, who experience a call to diaconate for a four year formation process to prepare for ordained ministry within the Diocese. If you are interested, please give Fr. Bedford Doucette a call---the sooner the better so we can prepare for a meeting of all those interested. Phone 902-539-6188 ext. 235 or email bedford@dioceseofantigonish.ca

HOLY FAMILY PARISH NEWS

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)

HOLY FAMILY PARISH LENTEN SCHEDULE

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 11:40 am

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RECONCILIATION

Saturday, April 1 at Holy Family Parish
Individual confessions will take place from 9 AM until 3:30 PM, with a different priest each hour.

Sunday, April 2 at St. Joseph's Parish, North Sydney
Communal service of penance with individual confession and absolution.
Time: 2 PM

Holy Family Parish Book Study

Questions and Answers on Vatican II
Sundays, at 7:00 pm in the meeting room in the Church.

It will run each week until April 2nd.
Books are available from Father Oliver or at the office - cost is \$20.00 (for your copy of the book).

PARISH SUPPORT

Weekend of March 12

Envelopes and loose	\$2172.05
Heat donations	\$15.00
Other offerings and donations	\$20.00
Hall rental	\$70.00
TOTAL	\$2277.05
Envelopes returned	152
Surplus last week	+\$ 2031.05
Deficit this week	-\$ 2522.95

HOLY FAMILY PARISH NEWS

CWL NEWS

✿ The CWL will be sponsoring a **Merchandise BINGO** game at the Parish Hall on Wednesday, March 29, at 7:30 PM. Admission is \$2.00 - extra cards \$1.00. Canteen available.

✿ The CWL will be sponsoring a **Pancake Breakfast** at the Parish Hall on Sunday, April 2, from 11 AM until 1 PM. Choice of full breakfast with pancakes, sausages, ham, hash browns, fruit, juice, and tea or coffee for \$8.00 OR the same breakfast as above without any meat for \$5.00. Take out will be available.

✿ The **CWL Diocesan Convention** will be held on April 21, 22, and 23 at St. Theresa's Parish in Sydney. The cost of \$15.00 for registration and \$15.00 for luncheon.

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.

FOOD BANK: Consider placing a non-perishable food item in the baskets/boxes provided at the entrances of the church the last weekend of each month. The items are then donated to the Food Bank and are very much appreciated.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Cemetery Committee Meetings: Last Monday of each month in the Parish Glebe meeting room at 1:00 pm.

Pastoral Council Meeting: Monday, **March 20th**, at 7 PM in the Glebe meeting room.

50/50 DRAW: The winner of February's draw was Sharon Iannetti. The prize was \$615.00. Congratulations! Thank you to everyone who supported this Parish fund-raiser. The venues for this month are Foodland and Sobeys on March 29. If you are interested in working for 2 hours please call 736-8333 for a spot.

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.

Grande Cena! Mangiare Bene!

Holy Family is having an Italian Dinner and entertainment night!

Saturday, April 29, 2017 at 7pm

Holy Family Parish Hall - \$20.00 per person and tickets are limited.

Enjoy an authentic, homemade Italian Dinner. The atmosphere, music and food will have everyone feeling like they spent the evening in Italy.

Call 902 736-0802 or the office at 902 736-8333 for tickets.

Almost sold out! Less than 8 tickets left!

THANK YOU. We have received enough offers to be able to borrow enough bistro sets for our Italian Dinner. Thanks so much for your generosity.

In Appreciation

We thank those who have generously made the following donations:

Memorial Donations to the Parish

IMO Henry MacKinnon from Jean Robertson Crouse

LOOKING FOR TAPER CANDLES: If anyone has taper candles at home that they no longer want, we are looking for some for an upcoming project. It does not matter what colour they are or if they are used or new. You can drop them off at the church in the candle room at the back or at the Glebe. Thank you.

ADMINISTRATIVE MEETING FOR PARISH VOLUNTEERS: A warm welcome and invitation is extended to any person who is assisting or administering in their parish. The next Administrative support meeting will take place on **April 5th**. At this meeting we will hear from Jennifer Hatt, our Communications Officer. Jennifer will be sharing a new communications workshop she has developed for deaneries and parish communities, including communications planning, bulletin production and social media. She looks forward to hearing your best practices and insights on these topics as well. Thank you, Jennifer, in advance for speaking to our group. We look forward to meeting you. One of the great things we are experiencing from our meetings is a sense of unity in our Parish Administration. The meeting will take place at the Pastoral Center in Membertou on Wednesday, **April 5**, from 1:30 to 3:30 pm. If anyone is interested in bringing snacks or light lunch item please let me know. Thank you, Lorena.

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.

TURN UP THE HEAT: Evening of Music, Conversation and Refreshments; Country Artist Brandon Collier will share his talents and thoughts on being a musician. March 24 from 7-9 pm. Community Cares Building, 55 King Street. Donation at the door. All proceeds will support Community Cares.

LENTEN LUNCHESES: St. John the Baptist Anglican Church, 28 King Street, North Sydney is once again offering their Lenten Lunches. A minimum donation of \$5.00 is requested. Upcoming guest speakers are as follows:

March 22nd: Terri Dennis - Northside Hospital Foundation

March 29th: Pastor David Sawlor Lighthouse & Undercurrents Youth Programs

April 5th: Jean MacAdam, CB Regional Police Service - Relay Program Youth at Risk

April 12th: Earlene MacMullin, CBRM Councillor

SPAGHETTI & MEATBALL DINNER: Friday, **March 24th**, at the Sydney Mines Firemen's Centre – Take out only. Pickup Time: 11am – 6pm. Tickets: \$10 each. Delivery available. For more information phone Lt. Lauren Hall at 902-371-4446. In support of 1917 Vimy Ridge Army Cadets and 602 McCurdy Air Cadets attending the 100th Anniversary Celebration of the Battle of Vimy Ridge In Vimy, France, April 2017. Thank you for your support!

MOM PROM: A night filled with reminiscing and memories..... walking down memory lane with decor that will trigger the fun times of years ago. Join us for our first ever "Mom Prom" at the Hotel North Ballroom on Saturday, **April 29**, for a fun night out! Sponsored by the Northside/Harbourview Hospital Foundation. Tickets are \$25.00 each and available at the Foundation Office; call 902-794-5402.

ATTENTION ALL SINGERS AND CHOIR MEMBERS: A mass choir is needed for a Mini Tattoo being sponsored by the three Northside Legions on Sunday, June 4, at 2 pm at the Emera Centre Northside. First practice will be at St. John's Anglican Church, 28 King Street, North Sydney on Sunday, ***March 26***, at 2 pm. All singers welcomed.

ANNUAL DINNER THEATRE: "The Taint'd Saints of St. John the Baptist Anglican Church, 28 King Street, North Sydney once again will be presenting their Annual Dinner Theater, ***"The Case of the Missing Treasure"***!!! This year's shows will be Fri., April 28th, Sat., April 29th, 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. Box Office dates are Sat., March 4th from 1:00 pm until 3:00 and Thurs., March from 7:00 until 8:00 p. After the final box office, 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.

YOGA: Free Chair Yoga classes resume on Monday, March 13th, from noon—1pm (note time change) at St. Stephen's Community Hall, Florence. Everyone welcome! Sponsored by Northside the Lakes Community Health Board & Florence Conf. St. Vincent de Paul.

VARIETY CONCERT: A Variety Concert, sponsored by Florence SSVDP, will be held on Sunday, **March 26**, from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm at St Stephen's Community Hall, Florence. Local Talent – MC Hugh MacDonald. Admission - \$5.00.

KOC MEETING: The monthly meeting of the 4th Degree Knights of Columbus will be held Sunday, **26 March**, at 2pm sharp at Coady House, Sydney River.

LEARN TO PAINT NIGHT FUNDRAISER : St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church will be having a paint night on Wednesday, March 22nd, from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. in the church hall. Dawn Macdonald will be guiding you through a beautiful lily and ladybug painting that is just magical. You don't even have to know how to paint – it's fun and easy to do. Coffee, tea and cookies will be served through the evening. The cost is \$40 per person which includes all supplies. There are only 40 spots available so please call Sherri Stewart at 902-736-8279 or Rita Johnston at 902-736-2508 to reserve your seat.

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