



# Holy Family Parish

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## Fourth Sunday of Easter – May 7, 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

[holyfamilysydneymines2013@gmail.com](mailto:holyfamilysydneymines2013@gmail.com)

### 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](mailto: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]

# HOLY FAMILY PARISH NEWS

## PARISH SUPPORT

Weekend of April 30

Envelopes and loose .....	\$3121.20
Heat donations .....	\$115.00
Other .....	\$50.00
TOTAL .....	\$3286.00
<b>Deficit this week .....</b>	<b>-\$1514.00</b>
Envelopes returned .....	180

*Thank you for your generous support.*

## UPCOMING MEETINGS

☛ Liturgy Committee Meeting: Monday, **May 8**, at 6:30 PM, in Glebe meeting room.

☛ Cemetery Committee Meeting: Monday, **June 5** at 1 PM in the Glebe.

***All parishioners are welcome to attend any of any parish meetings.***

## CWL NEWS

☛ Our CWL ladies are invited to Our Lady of Fatima Parish on **May 24** for a Fashion Show. Tickets are \$20.00 per person. Proceeds to be donated to Hospice/Palliative Care. For tickets, contact Linda at the Parish Office.

☛ The CWL will be doing the Crowning of Mary at the 10 AM Mass on Sunday, **May 7**.

☛ Executive Meeting: **May 8**, at 1:30PM in the Glebe.

☛ Regular Meeting: **May 10**, at 7:30 PM in the Hall.

☛ The CWL is offering a Memorial High School Scholarship. Applications are available at the school and can be dropped off at the Parish Office in care of Winnie Burt.

**BIRTHDAY PARTY:** Parishioners are invited to a birthday party of 100 years for Annie Mae MacKinnon on Saturday, **May 13th** from 2pm - 4pm at Holy family Parish Hall. Everyone is welcome!

**FLEA MARKET:** Saturday, **June 3**, 2017 at Holy Family Parish Hall from 10 am to noon. Admission is \$1.00. To book a table, please contact Rose at 736-0802 or the Parish office at 736-8333.

## HYMN SING

Don't forget the Congregational Hymn Sing to be held this Sunday, May 7, at 7 PM in the Church. Please join us in remembering those who have gone before us. Joining the Choir for this special evening again will be Richard MacAulay, a sensational flutist and also this year a very well known vocalist to our area, Alan Gale, and let's not forget our own Holy Family Choir with some special selections. Surely there will be something special in the music presented that will bring back some fond memories that you hold close to your heart. Come sing with us and enjoy an evening of music and fellowship. *A light lunch will follow in the Parish Hall.*

**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.

With Heartfelt  
*Sympathy*

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

**Leo MacIntosh**

**Melvin Vincent Hall**

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

**HOLY FAMILY PARISH BURSARY:** Applications available through Memorial High School. Deadline on the applications states May 1 but the deadline for submissions for this year will be May 15. Please contact the Parish office (736-8333) if you have any questions.

**50/50 DRAW:** Congratulations to our 50/50 winner for April, Michele Dean. Her prize was \$580.00. Thank you to the volunteers who continue to support this fundraiser as well as some new volunteers and to everyone who purchased tickets. Job well done.

## HOLY FAMILY PARISH NEWS

**GRAZIE! THANK YOU!** Italian Night was truly an evening that felt like we were transported to a bistro in Italy! The atmosphere was exactly what we hoped for with music, conversations, laughter and, of course, the sounds and smells from kitchen travelling through the bistro. Some of the extra touches that made the evening so special were the music (courtesy of TC5) with live and recorded music, the waiters, especially with their Italian berets (thank you, Lois, for those), the beverages served up by our bar staff, the joyous sounds coming from the wonderful efforts of the kitchen staff. Thank you to the people that came in to help set up the Bistro/restaurant, the people who donated supplies of candles, bistro sets, wineglasses, tablecloths and dishes. The menu was just perfect (the appetizer, rolls, SPA-ghet-tee, colorful presentation of dessert and beverages.) Thank you to everyone who indulged our fake Italian accents and enjoyed the night right along with us. Thank you again to all; see at the next one!

**HAM AND SALAD LUNCH:** CWL is hosting a Ham and Salad Lunch on Wednesday, May 31, 2017. This meal will be eat in or take out it and includes dessert. Time is from 11 AM until 2 PM. The meals will be \$10 each. If anyone would like to donate to help with the expenses of this fundraiser, please contact the CWL or the Parish. Some items needed are: rolls, mayo, egg and loaves for dessert. Tickets for the meal can be picked up from any member of the CWL, Parish Council, Hall committee or at the office 736-8333. Proceeds are going to the parish. Thank you for your continued support.

**VOCATION SUNDAY:** On this Vocation

Sunday, we are all encouraged to say this prayer for vocations: Heavenly Father, bless your Church, with an abundance of holy and dedicated priests, deacons, brothers and sisters. Give those you have called to the married state and those you have chosen to live as single persons in the world the special graces that their lives require. Form us all in the likeness of your Son as that in him, with him and through him, we may love you more deeply and serve you more faithfully, always and everywhere. With Mary we ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.



## COMMUNITY NEWS

**“CELEBRATING GOD’S MERCY” WEEKEND RETREAT:**

May 26-29, Claymore Conference Centre, Antigonish. The retreat director will be Father Gary MacPherson assisted by his sister Sister Jovita MacPherson CSM. The three-day experience will emphasize Jesus' desire to share His divine mercy with each of us: *“I have opened my heart as a living fountain of mercy.”* This divine mercy message as revealed to Sister Faustina demands of us as response in our living the spiritual and corporal works of mercy. Father Gary will develop the theme of mercy accenting it as a “A Gift and a Task”. For more information contact Cathy M c D o u g a l l 9 0 2 - 8 6 3 - 1 5 6 0 (mcmacdougall@hotmail.com) or Father Charles Cameron 902-863 4373 ([charleshugh7@gmail.com](mailto:charleshugh7@gmail.com)). To download a brochure and registration form, see the Retreat Centres page on our website: <http://www.antigonishdiocese.com/index.php/our-diocese/retreat-centres>

**4TH ANNUAL LITURGY VIDEOCONFERENCE:**

**EUCHARIST AND**

**MISSION:** May 13, 2017

from 10:00 am - 1:00

pm at NSCC Campuses:

S y d n e y , P o r t

Hawkesbury, New

Glasgow. \$20.00 per

participant. Registration required by phoning

902-539-6188 (extension 237). Tea and coffee will

be provided but you are encouraged to bring your

own brown bag lunch. In the Eucharistic liturgy and

our prayer before the Blessed Sacrament, we

encounter God’s presence in personal and profound

ways. The Eucharist, celebrated as a community,

teaches us about human dignity, calls us to right

relationship with God, ourselves and others, invites

us to community and solidarity, and sends us on

mission to help transform our communities,

neighbourhoods and world. Church teaching, rooted

in both Scripture and Tradition, emphasizes both the

personal and social natures of the Eucharist. On May

13th our the Liturgy Office of the Diocese of

Antigonish presents our 4th Annual Liturgy

Videoconference: Eucharist and Mission. With

presenter Marilyn J. Sweet we will explore this

theme and its implications for the living out of our

faith.



## COMMUNITY NEWS

**MASS FOR SHUT-INS:** Sundays at 11:30 AM on ATV.

**LOOKING FOR NOMINATIONS:** The Northside Sports Hall of Fame Association is asking the public to nominate individuals and sports teams who in the past have brought fame and recognition to themselves and the Northside Community. Nominations for the next induction ceremony ( Oct. 7, 2017 ) close **May 16, 2017** and forms can be picked up at the Emera Centre Northside.

**CURSILLO:** The Cursillo Movement is a Catholic Christian movement which caters to the spiritual needs of adults. Cursillo is for everyone, whether you're getting introduced to the faith or are looking to grow in your faith. On this weekend, you will learn about starting or maintaining your relationship with the Lord, and you will definitely not go hungry. It includes adult team leading, a fun-filled, friendly atmosphere and a weekend of prayer, good food, and music. The next Men's Cursillo will be held on the long weekend of **May 19-21, 2017** and the Womens' Cursillo will be held from **June 8-11**. There are openings. If you would like more information, please contact the following: New Waterford /Glace Bay area, call Kevin or Karen McSween at 902-862-8517, Sydney/Sydney River area, call Betty Lahey at 902-577-3604 or Marie Burke at 902-549-3866, North Sydney/Sydney Mines/Bras d'or area, call Lorena Capstick at 902-736-8333, and Richmond County area, call Gary David at 902-631-1734 or pick up application forms at the back of the church.

**CHALLENGE:** The Challenge Movement is a Catholic Christian movement which caters to the spiritual needs of youth ages 15 - 21. Just like Cursillo, Challenge is for everyone, new to the faith or just looking for a boost. On this weekend, you will learn how to start and/or maintain your relationship with the Lord and you will definitely not go hungry. Youth team leading. Lots of fun. Great food and music. New friends guaranteed. The next Challenge weekends:

***Young Mens' Challenge: May 12-14, 2017***

Visit <http://www.cb cursillo.com> for information and applications.

**FRENCH MASS:** The Mass in French at the Centre Communautaire Étoile de L'Acadie scheduled for Saturday, **May 13, 2017** is unfortunately **CANCELLED** due to unforeseen circumstances! The Mass will resume on the second Saturday in June.

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL:** Northside Council, Society of St. Vincent de Paul, will host a meeting on Wednesday, May 10th , at 2 p.m. at St. Stephen's Community Hall, Pitt St. Florence.

**WHAT'S OLD IS NEW AGAIN:** St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church in Sydney Mines will be having a TUPPERWARE PARTY on Saturday, **May 13**, from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Come and join us to see what's new in TUPPERWARE and have a chat. If you are interested please contact Rita Johnston at [f.johnston@bellaliant.net](mailto:f.johnston@bellaliant.net)

**VARIETY CONCERT AT OUR LADY OF FATIMA CHURCH:**  
**Sunday, May 7, 2017, from 2 to 4 pm. Cost: \$15.00.** Performances by Aaron Lewis, Sheldon Chant, The Bisson Sisters, Marilyn MacDonald, Ronnie Martin, Kalolin Johnson, Shaun MacDonald, Cora Cantabile, The Cape Breton Chordsmen. Tickets available through the Parish Office or by calling Wanda Fedora 567-2621 or Ann Frances Gillis 539-2228. **All proceeds to aid in building homes for the poor in Honduras.**

**ADOLESCENT GRIEF PROGRAM:** Bereaved Families of Cape Breton will be offering an Adolescent Grief Program beginning **May 9th**. The program is open to kids in grades 5 to 8 who are grieving as the result of the death of someone they love. The six week program is free of charge but registration is required. You may register by phoning Lindsay Latham at Schools Plus: 902-563-4551 or by emailing [llatham@gnsps.ca](mailto:llatham@gnsps.ca).

**MEDITATION CLASS:** Bereaved Families of Cape Breton is offering a beginners meditation class, Thursday, May 11<sup>th</sup>, in Sydney. The class, designed to help you move through and beyond your grief, is open to anyone 18 years and older who is grieving as the result of the death of someone they love. The class is free of charge but you must register as space is limited. To register or for more information, contact Bereaved Families of Cape Breton at 902-564-6795.

**BOOKS NEEDED:** The Literacy Project of the Cape Breton Coalition for Social Justice is in need of gently used books for pre-school and children's books for their literacy campaign. Please consider re-gifting any books that your children and grandchildren may have



outgrown. This will help the coalition restock their book shelves and continue to share these books with children and families who participate in literacy support programs. Please call 902-562-0682 and Sr. Franklyn Ferguson or one of the coalition members will pick up the books.