



# Holy Family Parish

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## 31<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time – November 3, 2019

### PASTORAL COUNCIL

CHAIR: Terry Jerrett (736 2041)

VICE-CHAIR: Stephen MacDougall (736 8419)

SECRETARY: Claire Aucoin

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) –  
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 – Giselle 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. 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) – 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:

Jake Cantwell (736-9789)

Wilson Carey (736-9726)

Cecil Snow (736-9350)

# HOLY FAMILY PARISH NEWS



## Weekend of October 27

Envelopes and loose ..... \$2928.00  
Other/Fundraisers ..... \$1484.61  
**TOTAL:..... \$4412.61**

*Thank you for your generous support.*

## CWL NEWS

✿ Executive Meeting: Wednesday, November 13 at 6 PM in the Hall, followed by a regular meeting at 7 PM.

### SERVICE FOR THE COMMEMORATION OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED:

Each year during the month of November, the parish of Holy Family remembers those from our parish who have passed away during the past year by hosting a Memorial Service for the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed. Families of those who have passed away are invited to attend this service. (This will be a service only - not a Mass) The name of your loved one will be called during this service and a family member (or several if desired) will be invited to come forward and light a candle that is provided for you. After the service this candle may be taken home as a keepsake. Following the service, everyone is cordially invited to the Parish Hall for a light lunch and fellowship. Letters will be sent to applicable family members; however it is best to let people know in as many ways as possible. Please contact the Parish Office (736-8333) if you have any questions. **This service will take place on Sunday, November 3, at 2 PM in Holy Family Parish Church.** Everyone is welcome to attend.

### REGISTRATION FOR CONFIRMATION;

November 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm in the church on both dates.

ATTENTION LITURGICAL MINISTERS: Ministry schedules are available at the back of the church.

SUPPLIES NEEDED FOR A CHRISTMAS PROJECT: If anyone has a white Christmas tree they no longer want, we are looking for 2-3 trees.

### SATURDAY, November 9, 4 PM:

*Server:* Reg Dolhanty

*Readers:* Daryl Burton, Emily Keeling

*Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:* Frances Gordon, Cecil Snow

*Hospitality Ministers:* Cynthia MacGean (right door), Marguerite MacLean (middle door), Betty Smith (left door), Sheila Finney (left of altar door)

### SUNDAY, November 10, 10 AM:

*Servers:* Jillian Scott and Mia MacDonald

*Readers:* Winnie Burt, Sheila Bradley

*Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:* Bobby Joe Gillis, Anita Nicholson, Jimmy Jessome

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

### *In Appreciation*

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

#### *Donations to the cemetery*

IMO Thelma MacIntyre from Pauline MacKeigan

**IMPORTANT NOTICE:** The Parish Hall will be closed on **November 9, 10, 11, 12 and the morning of the 13** for maintenance; all meetings scheduled during those days will be moved to the back room of the church. Please contact the office if you have any questions.

**50/50:** This time of year is busy for many organizations; respectfully, the Legions and Salvation Army Kettles use this time of year as their main support for their organizations. This means that we will not be able to sell our tickets in our usual venues. For the next couple of months the only tickets we will be selling are those bought or sold by our Parishioners. Thank you for your support.

**BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE:** During the month of November, you will find at the main entrance of the church a Book of Remembrance to honour those who have gone before us. You are invited to **write in the book the name of a deceased person you wish to remember** and will be prayed for during the month the November. The book will be available for the month of November.

## HOLY FAMILY PARISH NEWS

**YOU ARE INVITED:** The parish will be hosting a small adult event in November at our hall. This event is similar to a paint night (for those who are familiar). This craft night will be working on making a 3' soldier that we will paint and take home. The wood, paint and remaining supplies will be provided. There will be a small charge which will cover those costs. This is not a fundraiser, just an opportunity to get together. Any skill level is fine. The project should be completed that night and hopefully you will take home your project and share in a few laughs. Registration will be needed in order to have enough soldiers ready to paint. Date, cost and other details will follow in the upcoming weeks. Call to register, express interest or to ask any questions (902 736-8333).

### TRADITIONAL TEA

**Sunday, November 17, at 2 PM**

Tickets \$15.00 (Limited number of tickets)

Before the hustle of Christmas begins, sit down and relax for a Traditional English Style Tea. This would be a wonderful opportunity to take a friend, neighbour,

mother, daughter, sister, niece, aunt, or simply someone special to you. Enjoy your English tea and a leisurely afternoon, where time is forgotten and socializing is the highest priority of the day. Each table will be served tea with a delightful assortment of sandwiches and sweets. Your ticket also includes some special prize draws and you will have a chance to browse some tables of new or gently used purses, scarves or jewellery which are available for sale.

Sponsored by the Hall Committee with all proceeds going to Holy Family Parish.

Tickets are available by contacting Catherine at 736-8803 or Rose at 736-0802.

**SALE DURING TEA:** There will be a small sale at the tea. If you have any new or gently used purses, scarves or jewelry that you wish to donate to the tea you can do so by contacting Rose at 736-0802 or the Parish office at 736-8333.

**THEY WON'T BE EXPECTING THAT CONCERT...** Holy Family will be hosting a Christmas concert in December. We are inviting anyone interested in helping to plan, organize, or contribute in any way to attend an initial planning meeting on November 6th at 2:30 pm. Please contact Norma for more information 736-2972.

## DIOCESAN NEWS

**FINANCIAL WORKSHOP:** Please note that the Diocesan Business Office will be holding a workshop on **November 20th** (Our Lady of Fatima in Sydney River at 1 pm) and **November 21st** in Port Hawkesbury at 9:30 am (more details will be sent closer to the date) to discuss pertinent financial issues for parishes. We hope to discuss the Diocesan Financial Report, the Public Body Service Rebate, CRA Charity Return, Insurance, some updated financial policies, automatic withdrawal from Parishes for payroll invoices and any other items you wish to discuss.... so if you have an issue you would like to see on the agenda, please contact Cathy Farrow at [cathy@dioceseofantigonish.ca](mailto:cathy@dioceseofantigonish.ca) or by phone at 902-539-6188 ext 230 or cell: 902-578-0430. We will be in touch again the first week of November. I would like to extend this invitation to all pastors, deacons, staff, finance/pastoral council committee members and anyone else that volunteers or works for parishes in parish offices and anyone that would benefit from this workshop. The staff enjoy reaching out to provide better information and communication from the Business Office.

**SINGING THE LITURGY:** All diocesan liturgical music ministers (and anyone with an interest in liturgy) are invited to join us for a workshop *Singing the Liturgy* on Saturday, November 23, at St. Joseph Church, Port

Hawkesbury. The workshop will begin at 10 am and finish at 2 pm with a break for lunch. Participants are asked to bring their own "brown bag" lunch (tea and coffee will be provided). The workshop, led by Rosemary McGhee, will include music and choral skills and touch on topics of Psalm Cantors, Liturgical Best Practices, Mass Setting, and more. Looking forward to seeing you there!

**DREAM CATCHER MAKING AND CULTURAL EXPERIENCE FOR YOUTH:** November 12th, 6:30 pm –

Heritage Park in Membertou. Ages 13 and older. To register, call Anne Stubbart at 902 574-4385 or email Anne Stubbart at [annestubbart@icloud.com](mailto:annestubbart@icloud.com).



## COMMUNITY NEWS

### **CHRISTMAS TREASURES & BAKED GOODIES SALE:**

Join our CWL in the Church Hall (basement) North Sydney, on Saturday, **Nov 23rd**, from 10 am to noon. Check out the bargains on an assortment of Christmas items, purchase even-split tickets, or participate in a silent auction. Then, get an early start on your preparations for the festive season by purchasing some sweet-treats from among the available baked items. Come on down – one and all. Admission is no charge; free, that is!

**FALL BAZAAR:** The Ladies Auxiliary of Harbour View hospital are having their Fall Bazaar on the **6th & 7th of November** at Harbourview Hospital. Doors open at 9:15 am. Event takes place all day. Open to the public, everyone welcome.

**SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL:** St. Vincent de Paul consists of two groups on the Northside: Holy Family, Sydney Mines and St. Joseph, Bras d'Or. We have approximately twenty-five active members along with several other volunteers. Our members come from Bras d'Or, Florence, North Sydney and Sydney Mines. We are also in contact with other groups in industrial Cape Breton and throughout the province. Last year, through our depot, we distributed to those in need good used furniture, appliances, small household items and clothing worth an estimated value of \$50,000. Along with the above, the Bras d'Or group delivered about \$15,000 in groceries. All of these things are donated and free to those who need them. Our St. Vincent de Paul Society welcomes new faces, young or old, to join with us in this important work. See you next week for our last message.

### **NOTICE FOR REGISTRATION:**

**Christmas Cheer Registration 2019** will be held on the following dates at Sydney Mines Food Bank, Cottage St. Sydney Mines:

Thursday, Nov. 7, 12:30 - 3 pm

Thursday, Nov. 14, 12:30 - 3 pm & 6:30 - 8 pm

Thursday, Nov. 21, 12:30 - 3 pm

Please register by November 7th to be considered for the Adoption Program.

Health Cards are required for all family members.

### **DREAM CATCHER MAKING AND CULTURAL EXPERIENCE FOR YOUTH:**

November 12th, 6:30 pm – Heritage Park in Membertou. Ages 13 and older. To register, call Anne Stubbart at 902 574-4385 or email Anne Stubbart at [annestubbart@icloud.com](mailto:annestubbart@icloud.com).

**TEACHING MASS:** Calling all youth, parents and grandparents to attend a teaching mass with Father Patrick on November 24th, 2019 at 6:00 PM at Our Lady of Fatima, Sydney River. Social to follow. Everyone is welcome. For more details contact Norma Blinkhorn at [norma@dioceseofantigonish.ca](mailto:norma@dioceseofantigonish.ca) or Nick Vince at [nick@dioceseofantigonish.ca](mailto:nick@dioceseofantigonish.ca)

### **WORKSHOP: HEARING THE VOICE OF GOD IN A BUSY WORLD:**

Dr. Margaret Schlientz will be presenting a two day workshop on *Hearing the Voice of God*. Dr. Schlientz is an expert on the Ignatius exercises and has a Ph.D. in Psychiatric Nursing along with a Masters degree in Spirituality and a Masters degree in Theology. The workshop will take place at the Claymore Inn in Antigonish on **November 16th and 17th**. For further information please call Cathy at 902-318-4988. Early bird registration is \$60.00 by **November 11<sup>th</sup>**. Registration will be done by phone.

**WORLD DAY OF THE POOR:** Once again Pope Francis has declared that we hold "World Day of The Poor" on the 34th Sunday of Ordinary Time. St Vincent de Paul across Canada are once again spearheading observance of this very special day as a project – that is a drive to raise money for our people in need. **The day will be celebrated on Nov 17th, 2019.** On the Northside, we have designed a special SSVP envelope, which will be placed in the pews on the weekend of Nov 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> and Nov 16th & 17th. Along with this we are encouraging parishioners to bring in some non-perishable food items, which we will forward to our local food bank. **All monies collected will be set aside to assist those in need in our Northside communities.** The Society of St Vincent de Paul will issue income tax receipts to all those who give a donation. You were most generous last year to our "World Day of the Poor" and we are most grateful. We encourage you to continue your support this year.

**CAROL SERVICE:** The 40th Anniversary of the Northside Festival of Carols Service will be held on Sunday, **December 1<sup>st</sup>**, at 7 pm at St Andrew's Presbyterian Church in Sydney Mines. In celebration of our special anniversary we will be featuring the Cape Breton Chordsmen. All choir and former choir members who would like to participate in our celebration are invited to join us on Sunday, November 17, at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church for a practice at 2 pm. Hope to see you there. Any questions? Please speak to your church organist or call Reid at 902-544-1018.