



Holy Family Parish

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Christ the King – November 24, 2019

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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 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 November 17

Envelopes and loose \$2705.05

TOTAL:..... \$2705.05

Thank you for your generous support.

CWL NEWS

✿ The taping of Mass for Shut-ins will take place on Tuesday, **November 26**. We are requested to be there at 5:15 PM. We will meet at the Hall at 4:30 PM. Anyone needing a drive can call Gloria or Lola.

✿ The CWL will be having a Merchandise BINGO on Wednesday, **November 27**, at 7:30 PM in the Hall. Set up will be on Wednesday at 10 AM. Members who can help out are requested to be there at that time. Please remember to bring groceries for grocery order.

✿ The CWL Christmas supper will be held on Wednesday, **December 11**, at the Royal Canadian Legion in Sydney Mines. A hot turkey supper will be served at 6 PM. Cost is \$18.00. All ladies of the parish are welcome to attend. Anyone attending is asked to please bring a BINGO prize.

✿ Annual dues (\$22.00) can be paid to Claire Aucoin. Please place in an envelope and include your name.

In Appreciation

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

Donations to the cemetery

IMO Marjorie MacMullen from Mr & Mrs Charles Williams

CEMETERY NOTICE: Please remove any plastic items (lights, flowers, etc.) from the graveyard. These items will only blow around in the winter months.

FOR SALE: New missals are available at the back of the church and envelopes are provided; the cost is 5.00 each.

SATURDAY, November 30, 4 PM:

Server: Bobby Joe Gillis

Readers: Sharon McGeen, Dennis Crosby

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Cecil Snow, Jimmy Jessome, Reg Dolhanty

Hospitality Ministers: Lola Tobin (right door), Maureen Bobbitt (middle door), Dave Bobbitt (left door), Georgina Buffett (left of altar door)

SUNDAY, December 1, 10 AM:

Servers: Jillian Scott and Maia MacDougall

Readers: Darlene Gale, Michelle Handley

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Ron MacDougall, Terry Jerrett, Anita Nicholson

Hospitality Ministers: Doris Brown, Edie Foster, Billy MacDonald



THEY WON'T BE EXPECTING THAT!

Christmas Variety Concert

Holy Family Parish Church

Sunday, December 8th, at 2:00 pm

Featuring local talents and musicians and the Faith Formation Students.

Tickets are \$10.00 each and children 12 and under are admitted free. To purchase tickets, please call 902 736-8333 or 902 736-2972.



50/50: Winner for October is **Art MacMullin** and the prize was 415.00. Congratulations!

HOLY FAMILY PARISH NEWS

With Heartfelt *Sympathy*

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

Janice Anne STEELE

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

I CARE ABOUT YOU TREE: For Christmas the Parish is planning to give gifts to 30 less privileged children. The tree has been placed at the front of the church. Tags have been placed on the tree for families that Holy Family Parish has adopted plus L'Arche community in Orangedale.



1. Pick a symbol.
2. Take the symbol home.
3. Buy and wrap the suggested gift.
4. Attach symbol (Tag) to gift.
5. Return gift and place under the tree by December 15th

The L'Arche community will welcome any bed linen (twin size). It does not have to be new but in good condition. Thank you.

IN APPRECIATION: Thank you for the Christmas Tea – it was a huge success. We loved hosting our traditional tea at our hall this year. It gives us such a nice chance to pause for an afternoon and enjoy some delicious treats but most importantly, the company of one another. Thank you to the people who work tirelessly to ensure every detail is taken care of and every treat is baked to perfection.

PAUSE FOR ADVENT: Take a PAUSE during this busy time of the year. On Sunday, **December 15th**, 2019 at Holy Family Parish in Sydney Mines at 2:00 pm come join us with Father Oliver to learn more about the Eucharist and to discuss what it means in our lives.

YOUTH NEWS

CALLING ALL CHALLENGERS!!!! A note from Rose Henry, your lay director and servant. We will be holding follow-up on Thursday, **November 28**, at Our Lady of Fatima at 7:30 pm. As we continue to reorganize our challenge movement we 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

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 or Nick Vince at nick@dioceseofantigonish.ca

THIRD ANNUAL ADVENT RETREAT: Start a new tradition with your family and join the Aucoin family (Claudia, Bert, and Janelle) for an afternoon of reflection and music at Our Lady of Fatima, in Sydney River, on Sunday, December 1st, 2019 at 2:00 pm.

DIOCESAN/COMMUNITY NEWS

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE: In 2015 Pope Francis made us aware of the need to protect the environment in his encyclical "*Laudato Si'*". His message has stirred Development & Peace to choose "*For our Common Home*" at its theme for the next two years. You can "Defend the Defenders" by signing a Solidarity Letter addressed to two communities threatened by 'mining and logging' in Brazil or you may want to take the intergenerational pledge by visiting the D & P website and choose your own personal commitment for taking better care of our Earth. Please don't hesitate to consult the Action Sheet, the Campaign Guide and the D & P website to learn more!!

COMMUNITY NEWS

CBU WINTER CLOTHING DRIVE: Some students are in need of winter clothing and CBU Chaplaincy will be accepting donations of used winter clothing throughout the month of November. Donations can be brought to the Campus Centre at CBU, Chaplaincy office Monday to Friday from 10-4 pm. If necessary, arrangements may be made for pick up at your parish by calling Chaplaincy at 902-563-1173. Winter clothing needed: Male and female winter coats, winter shoes, sweaters, shirts, pants, jackets, hats, gloves, scarfs and blankets. Thank you for your consideration. Peace, Fr. Doug (CBU Chaplain)

CAROL SERVICE:

The 40th Anniversary of the Northside Festival of Carols Service will be held on



Sunday, **December 1st**, 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.



LIGHTS FOR HEALTH:

It is time to start the season bright at the "Lights for Health" light up. This event will take place at Northside General on

December 6th at 7 pm. The evening will include entertainment by Jason Kempt and maybe a visitor from the North Pole, hot chocolate and cookies and our wonderful fireworks display. This a celebration of our fund-raising event for the Northside/Harbourview Hospital Foundation. All are welcome.

UNDER ONE UMBRELLA: On behalf of the UOU committee 2019, I want to thank your parish for participating and donating used clothing and bedding to the Under One Umbrella event this past October 5th. The event was a great success and much needed in the area.

ST. F. X. U. ALUMNI: The annual gathering of alumni of St. Francis Xavier University will take place December 3rd at St. Theresa Parish Hall at 7:00 PM. All alumni, spouses, and friends are invited and encouraged to attend. Mass to celebrate the feast day of St. Francis Xavier will be followed by a short AGM. Of course, there will be something to eat and then door prizes will be drawn around 8:00 PM. Hope to see y'all there!

WE NEED YOUR HELP: Cold weather is here and requests for winter clothing have increased. If you, other family members or friends, have winter clothing and boots no longer being used, please consider donating same to St. Vincent de Paul Clothing Depot located at 1 Cottage St., Sydney Mines. Donations for men, women and children are needed. We are open every Thursday except the last Thursday of each month. There are St. Vincent de Paul members in each parish. Christmas decorations also a priority if you have extra. Thanks to everyone helping us to help others in our communities. We really appreciate it !

FLEA MARKET AND BAKE

SALE: To be held at the North Sydney Pensioners Club on November 30th from 10 am - 1 pm.



FISHCAKE & BEAN SUPPER will be held on Friday, **November 29th**, at St. Matthew Wesley United Church, 2 Peppett St., North Sydney from 4:30 - 6:30 p.m. \$10.00 - Dessert included! 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. (Last one til next year!)