



# Holy Family Parish

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For where  
two or three  
are gathered in  
my name,  
there am I  
among them.  
Matthew 18:20

## 23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time – September 10, 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) – 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

(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. **PLEASE NOTE: THERE WILL**

**NO BAPTISMS DURING JULY AND AUGUST.**

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)

### 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, the 9AM Mass will be cancelled]

# HOLY FAMILY PARISH NEWS



*Weekend of August 27*

Envelopes and loose	.....	\$3401.00
Other/fund-raisers	.....	\$1300.00
TOTAL	.....	\$4701.00
Budgeted expenses	.....	\$4800.00
<b>Deficit</b>	.....	<b>-\$99.00</b>

*Weekend of September 3*

Envelopes and loose	.....	\$3,170.10
Other envelopes	.....	\$117.10
TOTAL	.....	\$3,287.20
Budgeted expenses	.....	\$4800.00
<b>Deficit</b>	.....	<b>-\$1,512.80</b>

*Thank you for your generous support.*

## CWL NEWS

✿ **REMINDER TO PARISHIONERS:** Don't forget to keep putting quarters in your Christmas stocking! Stockings should be returned by December 31.

✿ **Executive Meeting:** September 11 at 1:30 PM in the Hall.

✿ **Regular Meeting:** September 13 at 7 PM in the Hall. Hoping for a good attendance because we will be discussing ideas for fund-raisers for 2018. Bring your ideas.

✿ Best wishes to our students, teachers, and school staff for a safe and wonderful year!

**ATTENTION LAY MINISTERS:** Remember to pick up your August - September ministry schedules in the vestry. When serving or reading, please come 15 minutes early to let the altar server know you are there and if you are not able to attend please find a replacement. Thank you for sharing your time in these ministries.

**ANOTHER LUCKY WINNER!** Congratulations to our 50/50 winner for June – Henrietta MacMullin, who took home a prize of \$600.00. Thank you to all who participated in the draw.



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

**CATHERINE TOBIN**  
**JOHN MACDONALD**

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

## AVAILABLE AT THE CHURCH GLEBE

- ✿ Mass Cards
- ✿ IMO Donation cards for Church Cemetery
- ✿ IMO Donation cards for Church
- ✿ IMO Donation cards for St Vincent De Paul
- ✿ IMO Donation cards for Food Bank

## HOLY EUCHARIST AT HOME:

On the first Friday of every month our Parish Priest, Deacon or Lay Ministers distribute Holy Eucharist to sick or shut ins who are not able to attend weekly mass.



There are also parishioners who take communion home to family, neighbours, etc. on the weekends. If you have questions about this, or wish to receive Holy Eucharist at home, please call the parish office (902 736-8333) for more information.

## READING BETWEEN THE LINES

Having learned about subliminal messages at school Bill decided to send this letter home and see if the message got across: Dear Dad, \$chool i\$ really great. I am making lot\$ of friend\$ and \$tudying very hard. With all my \$tuff, I \$imply can't think of anything I need. \$o if you would like, you can ju\$t \$end me a card, a\$ I would love to hear from you. Love, Your \$on.

The reply came quickly. Dear Son, I kNOW that astroNOMy, ecoNOMics, and oceaNOgraphy are eNOugh to keep even an hoNOr student busy. Do NOt forget that the pursuit of kNOwledge is a NOble task, and you can never study eNOugh. Love, Dad

## PARISH NEWS

### FALL FAIR UPDATE

*Whew...where to start???*

Traditionally we made some phone calls for help, but with our summer weather luring us outdoors for some relaxation, time flew. Now it is time to get back to work. We would love extra help any way you can; please call us 736-0802.

Here is what is happening so far:

- ☺ Meeting. Anyone wishing to participate in the fall fair planning, ideas and progress update, please meet us in the hall on September 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm for a short meeting.
- ☺ Some new and nearly new items have been dropped off; we welcome more.
- ☺ While local business are responding we will still be in need of prizes that are suitable for bingo the night of the fair.
- ☺ Food items for our grocery order still needed.
- ☺ A small group has stepped forward and volunteered to add a new event to the fair. Like in the days of past where dunk tanks, kissing booths and mock prisons were regulars and added an element of surprise and fun. This year we will host a Jail and Bail, light hearted fun that is sure to bring some laughter and community building to our fair. You may be surprised to see who's been thrown in the clink!
- ☺ Monkey Around Photo booth for kids will be added to the children's area.
- ☺ Posters are available to place around the community, feel free to take one to your work place or community gathering places to spread the news.

### NO KID-DING

Little Johnny had finished his summer vacation and gone back to school. Two days later his teacher phoned his mother to tell her that he was misbehaving.

"Wait a minute," she said. "I had Johnny with me for three months and I never called you once when he misbehaved."

### UPCOMING MEETINGS/EVENTS

Cemetery Masses: September (dates to be announced)

Finance meeting: September 11, 2017

Prayer Group resumes on September 17, 2017

Liturgy Committee: September 18, 2017

All Committees Meeting: This meeting has been changed from September to October, date to be announced later.

Pastoral Council: September 25, 2017

**Fall Fair: October 1, 2017**

### In Appreciation

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

IMO Bernard Saunders from Brenda Blinkhorn

IMO Louis Cantwell from David, Al, Jean Taylor

IMO Bernard Saunders from Jacqueline Cantwell

IMO Bernice King from Martina Andrea

IMO Lou Cantwell from Mary Patricia Hall

IMO Bernice King from Jacqueline Cantwell

IMO Lou Cantwell from Annie May Higgins

IMO Bernice King from Mary Patricia Hall

IMO Bernice King from Sharon Iannetti

IMO Samuel S MacLean from Betty MacLean

IMO Lou Cantwell from Conrad & Rosella MacDonald

### CATECHETICAL BEATITUDES

BLESSED ARE THE CHILDREN who are taught to see beauty in all things around them...for their world will be a place of grace and wonder.

BLESSED ARE THE CHILDREN who are led with patience and understanding...for they will learn the strength of endurance and the gift of tolerance.

BLESSED ARE THE CHILDREN who are taught the value and power of truth...for they shall search for knowledge and use it with wisdom and discernment.

BLESSED ARE THE CHILDREN who are guided by those with faith in a loving God...for they will find Him early and will walk with Him through life.

# COMMUNITY NEWS

## **EVERYBODY NEEDS HELP**

**SOMETIMES:** To find the community or social services



you need for you or someone you care for, dial 211 or visit ns.211.ca. Trouble finds you. Problems arise. Questions need answers. Over 4000 Nova Scotia resources. Communication in over 100 languages. Highly trained specialists. Guidance is here. 211 is standing by. This is province wide 24/7. FREE. CONFIDENTIAL. 211 reduces confusion, frustration, and delay.

## **ATLANTIC CATECHETICAL CONFERENCE**

**October 20-22, Membertou, NS**

NEW EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION DATE:  
SEPT. 15, 2017

Did you know the Diocese of Antigonish is hosting the Atlantic Catechetical Conference in October 2017? The Atlantic Catechetical Association, (ACA), approved by the Atlantic Episcopal Assembly (the bishops of Atlantic Canada), is a group of diocesan representatives who are at the service of the children, youth and adults for catechesis in the Roman Catholic Church in Atlantic Canada.

For details and to register:

<http://www.antigonishdiocese.com/index.php/news-to-you/upcoming-events/90-atlantic-catechetical-conference>

**AUCTION:** St. Matthew Wesley United Church, North Sydney, will be holding their Annual Auction on Friday, **September 29<sup>th</sup>** at the North Sydney Firemen's Club with Auctioneer MLA Alfie MacLeod. There will be a Chili Supper from 4-6 p.m. at a cost of \$7.00 – Eat In or Take Out, dessert included. Music by The Family Tree; Silent Auction from 4-7 p.m., Balloon Burst at 7:15 p.m. followed by the Live Auction. There will also be a Home Bake Table! Free admission! All are welcome!

**PILGRIMAGE to LOURDES, FATIMA and SPAIN:**  
(with Father Patrick O'Neill, parish priest at St Joseph, North Sydney).

**JOIN ME** on a **Spiritual Pilgrimage** from April 22nd – May 1st, 2018, to Fatima, Lourdes and Spain.

**PILGRIMAGE NOW CONFIRMED** and we have people already committed to book I am excited that we have pricing for the Pilgrimage to Fatima, Lourdes and Spain for April 22- May 1st, 2018, including the group exclusive tour to San Sebastian de Garabandal. CALL Margaret at Maritime Travel and book now (902) 794-7251 during business hours. Price based on Double Occupancy (2 guests per room) is \$4229.00 CAD taxes included. Price includes Roundtrip Airfare from SYDNEY (including air taxes/fees and surcharges), hotel transfers, the **EXCLUSIVE** tour to San Sebastian de Garabandal and an Early Booking Discount of \$200.00 per person.

Single Supplement for travellers wishing to have their own accommodations is an additional \$580.00 CAD (Total \$4809.00 CAD).

**YOGA:** Free chair yoga classes for men and women will start on Monday, **September 18<sup>th</sup>**, from 12 noon until 1 p.m. at St. Stephen Community Hall, Pitt St., Florence. Co-sponsored by the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, Florence Conference and Northside the Lakes Community Health Board.

**UPCOMING MEETING:** The Northside Council of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul will be having a meeting on Wednesday, **Sept. 13<sup>th</sup>**, at 2 p.m. at St. Joseph Church Hall, Bras d'Or.

**GIANT YARD SALE:** St Andrew's Presbyterian Church in Sydney Mines will be having a congregational Yard Sale on Saturday, **September 23<sup>rd</sup>**, from 9 a.m to 1 p.m. There will be lots for you to see, so invite a friend and come and see what treasures you will find.

**TAI CHI CLASSES:** Tai Chi is a gentle set of exercises designed to improve all aspects of your life including balance, sleep and digestion. No special equipment is required for these classes. FLK Taoist Tai Chi is having an Open House on **Sept 13<sup>th</sup>** at 6:30 PM at Bras d'Or Hall, 24 Villa Drive, Bras d'Or. Come see what it's all about. ALL ARE WELCOME.