

PARISH BULLETIN

# HOLY ROSARY PARISH

WESTMOUNT, NS

PARISH PRIEST – FR. DOUG MURPHY

MASS TIMES: SATURDAY – 4:15 P.M. – SUNDAY – 10:00 A.M.



## December 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup>, 2018

**THEME:** The Scriptures remind us that the Coming of the Messiah in Jesus was, and is, the turning point in history. Just as his preaching and ministry challenged those who heard it in that special time so also today this Word of God and this Eucharist invites us to hear again this call to discipleship so that we too may prepare the way for others to discover the Lord and God’s saving love.

**SEASON OF ADVENT:** Advent has two-fold nature – It prepares us for Christmas when we recall Christ’s first coming among us and it is also a time when we look forward to his second coming at the end of the ages. Advent is a season of joyful expectation.

**DAILY MASS:** Wednesday, Thursday and Friday at 9:00 a.m.

**EVENING PRAYER OF THE CHURCH:** Tonight, Sunday, December 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.

### CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE:

<b>Sacrament of Reconciliation:</b>	<b>Saturday – December 22<sup>nd</sup> 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.</b> <b>St. Marguerite Bourgeoys Church</b>
	<b>Holy Rosary: Saturdays – 3:00 p.m.</b> <b>Christmas Eve – 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.</b>
<b>Christmas Masses:</b>	<b>Christmas Eve – 7:00 p.m. &amp; 10:00 p.m.</b> <b>Christmas Day – 10:00 a.m.</b>

### FEASTS THIS WEEK:

Wednesday:	Our Lady of Guadalupe – Patroness of the Americas
Thursday:	St. Lucy – Virgin & Martyr
Friday:	St. John of the Cross – Priest and doctor

**COLLECTIONS:** Regular: \$ 2,073.00      Our Lady of Grace Monastery: \$ 1,145.00

**CHRISTMAS FLOWERS:** Parishioners wishing to make a memorial donation for Christmas flowers may do so through the Sunday collection. We acknowledge with thanks the following Memorial Donations for Christmas flowers:

IMO Catherine Boudreau – Theresa MacLean	Deceased Members of Family – Joanne & Tom Currie
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**BULLETIN NOTICES:** Bulletin notices can be sent to Donna Lewis by e-mail at [donna.lewis@intact.net](mailto:donna.lewis@intact.net) or by phone at 902-564-2047. It would be appreciated if all notices could be received by Thursday at noon. Thank-you.

**MISSALS:** Living with Christ Sunday Missal is available at the Church entrance for \$5.00.

**PRESENTATION:** The newly formed Spiritual Life Centre will sponsor a presentation by Jeff Ward of Membertou entitled 'Sharing Mi'kmaq Spiritual Teachings in a Good Way' on Wednesday, Dec. 12<sup>th</sup> 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. at the Elders Room, Heritage Building, Membertou. This is the first public event for the SLC which endeavors to raise awareness about spiritual life, support ways to enrich one's spirituality and to network with others who search and yearn for spiritual vitality. Contact: Fr Anthony O'Connor by e-mail at: [aconnor@bellaliant.com](mailto:aconnor@bellaliant.com)

**ADVENT RETREAT:** Our Lady of Fatima CWL is hosting an Advent Retreat on Saturday, December 15<sup>th</sup> at OLF Parish. The theme will be "Emmanuel God with us". We will start with Holy Mass, Rosary, Talk, group discussions and concluding with an Interactive prayer service. ALL local CWL members in the area are invited. Retreat is open for anyone (men and women) not just CWL. Come join us as we pray and prepare during Advent.

**CALLING ALL YOUTH & CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES:** Join us as we celebrate Advent at Our Lady of Fatima Parish Hall, Sydney River, on Thursday December 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. There will be Music, Praise & Worship, Baked Goods, Open Mic and Fellowship. Donations to St. Vincent de Paul Food Bank welcomed.

**PRE-MARRIAGE PROGRAM DATES:** February 16<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup>, April 27<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup>, June 22<sup>nd</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup>. All programs are held at the Family Service Office, 9 Minto Street, Glace Bay. Pre-registration is required by calling 902-449-4772.

**CWL:** .

**SOCIAL AFTERNOON:** Our last Social Afternoon for this year is Wednesday, December 12<sup>th</sup> from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. in the Glebe.

**MEN'S SHELTER:** The Men's Shelter is still in need of underwear **\*new only please\*** and winter boots. The Shelter is currently open 24 hours daily. Items can be dropped off there or here in the foyer of our Church.

**BAKE SALE:** Our Annual Bake Sale will be held this weekend after both Masses. Parishioners are invited to donate baked items.

**MASS CARDS:** Mass cards can be obtained for an offering of \$10.00 from Jo-Anne Currie, Evie O'Rourke and Kay Henrich. Mass cards are also available at the Glebe House and before and after the weekend Masses.

**POP TABS & EYE GLASSES:** This collection is ongoing.

**FUNERAL RECEPTIONS:** Group # 2

**CHURCH LINENS:** November – Kay MacDonald December – Ann MacDonald & Jackie Burton



**Blessed be the Holy and Immaculate Conception of the most Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God.**



December 9 <sup>th</sup> : 7:00 p.m. Holy Family – Sydney Mines	"A Glimpse of Christmas" - \$ 10.00
December 9 <sup>th</sup> : 2:00 p.m. Our Lady of Fatima	Choirs under the direction of Shauna Doolan - \$ 15.00