

PARISH BULLETIN

HOLY ROSARY PARISH – WESTMOUNT, NS.

PARISH PRIEST – FR. DOUG MURPHY



January 20th & 21st, 2018

THEME: Jesus challenges his followers to have faith in the reign of God, choosing ordinary working people to learn from him to achieve this goal.

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY: January 18th to 25th. We are encouraged to pray together that all Christians may be one, as Christ desires. It also means working for better relations with Islam, Judaism and other non-Christian religions. Please find Bishop Dunn's letter on Ecumenism at the Church entrance.

COLLECTION: \$ 1,820.00

DAILY MASS: Monday to Friday at 9:00 a.m.

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FEASTS THIS WEEK:

Wednesday:	St. Anthony – Abbot
Saturday:	St. Sebastian - Martyr

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: We are in the process of organizing sessions for the children who wish to receive First Communion. Do you know of any children who are eligible in your family or neighbourhood? Please call Anita at 902-539-7833.

MASS: On Sunday, Feb. 11, at 4pm., Father Antolin ASOR, Pastor of St. Peter's parish, in St. Peter's, will be at Holy Redeemer Parish, Whitney Pier, to offer Mass in Tagalog for our people from the Philippines. A pot-luck supper will follow. Please spread the word to your Filipino friends and invite them to come and join in this wonderful opportunity to celebrate Mass in your native language and meet your friends.

THANK YOU: The members of St. Vincent de Paul would like to thank the parishioners of Holy Rosary Parish in Westmount for their generous food donations. We are grateful for the support of the parish to help serve the needs of our community. Many thanks for your assistance!

DIOCESAN YOUTH GATHERING: "Ignite ... your Faith Journey": Saturday, April 14th, Our Lady of Fatima is hosting a day of friendship and faith. Open to all youth preparing for Confirmation and older. 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. with Mass at 4:15 p.m. Register through your Parish Office or contact Allyson Langley at 902-562-3934 or Cathy Walsh at 902-870-9117.

WOMEN ARE PRAYER BREAKFAST: How does faith inform my life? Saturday, February 10th at St. Ninian Place, Antigonish. Guest speaker is Ms. Patricia Fricker Bates, LL.B, LL.M. Auditor, Matrimonial Tribunal, Diocese of Antigonish. Sponsored by St. Ninian's CWL. Tickets are \$15.00 (\$7.50 for students) and are available at St. Ninian Parish Office.

BOOKS WANTED: The Coalition for Social Justice is in need of new and gently used books to help support their Literacy Program. The program is going very well and we are doing a feedback sheet between January 14th and February 28th to determine those who have previously received books and those who might like to receive books. Please help us stock our shelves with books (new or gently used) to help support our literacy outreach. The books could be for both children or youth of all ages as well as books for adult learners. Please call the office of Sr. Franklyn Ferguson Phone: [902-562-0682](tel:902-562-0682) and leave a message. Or you can drop off your book donations at the Cape Breton Coalition for Social Justice Office at 329 George Street, Sydney or you can make other suitable arrangements for pick up.

EXERCISE PROGRAM: The Exercise program which takes place on Mondays and Thursdays at 9:45 a.m. has resumed for the winter at Our Lady of Fatima Parish Hall. Time to follow through on those New Year Resolutions. This program is suitable for all ages. Standing, chairs and weights are used so it is suitable for all fitness levels. For questions, please contact Mary MacLean at 539-04'6 or Barb Boutilier at 562-3036.

EVENING EXERCISE CLASS: Monday and Wednesday at 7:15 p.m. at Our Lady of Fatima Parish Hall. Get in shape in 2018. Bring a mat and some light weights and start your year with fitness!

SILENT DIRECTED RETREAT: April 13th to 15th at St. Joseph Renewal Centre, Mabou. This is a wonderful opportunity to "come aside and rest awhile" in a prayerful atmosphere, facilitated by a team of Spiritual Directors/Prayer Companions. For a brochure or for more information, please contact Lexie MacKinnon at 902-564-4757 or Julia Townsend at 902-562-8423.

OUT ON THE MIRA SUNSHINE HOME FOR FABULOUS SENIORS! Can you imagine the peace of the universe? Maybe somewhere else, but not here. Come meet this interesting cast of characters and enjoy a delicious dinner! It is that time of year again as the Our Lady of Fatima Players present our next fabulous show. Show dates are February 17th & 18th, doors open at 6:00 p.m., Dinner served at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$30.00 and are available at the Our Lady of Fatima Parish office,. Phone 902-562-3934 for yours!!



CWL NOTES:

SOCIA AFTERNOON: Our next social afternoon will be held on January 24th (weather permitting) from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. If you are interested in playing cards or some other fun activity or just shooting the breeze, come and join us.

POP TABS & EYE GLASSES: Our collection Pop tabs and eye glasses is ongoing.

CHURCH LINENS: January – Jo-Anne Currie. February – Georgette Skinner

FUNERAL RECEPTIONS: Group # 4

Prayer is the road to Heaven, but faith opens the door.

NB: If you are reading this bulletin on the web – please take a moment to let me know if it is being read on-line. My email address is stewart.leforte@ns.sympatico.ca - Thank you for your time and cooperation. /Stewart