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



February 29th & March 1st, 2020

THEME On this First Sunday of Lent, we are invited to enter a journey of discovery or re-discovery of what it means to be a baptised Christian. Originally designed as a time of preparation for those preparing for baptism at Easter. Lent can be a time of “back to basics” for each of us. Call it what you will – repentance, renewal, returning, reawakening – if we are honest with ourselves, we know that we need it. We thank God and we thank the Church for this Season of Blessing.

COLLECTION: \$1,675.00 - Income Tax receipts for contributions for 2019 are now available at the church entrance.

DAILY MASS: Monday to Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. –Thursday to Friday at 9:00 a.m.

COMMUNION: Communion will be brought to our sick and shut ins on Friday.

NEXT SUNDAY: Evening Prayer of the church at 7:00 p.m.

BULLETIN NOTICES: Bulletin notices can be sent to Donna Lewis by e-mail at 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.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER: Salvation Army Citadel. A day for Christians to pause and pray together ecumenically to be responsible and more authentic Christians to there concerns of our world, our country and our community. It is celebrated in approximately 163 countries.

PRE-MARRIAGE PROGRAM DATES: June 6th & 7th, 2020 at Family Service office, 9 Minto Street, Glace Bay. Participants must call (902) 849-4772 to pre – register.

SHOUT FOR JOY YOUTH RALLY: The Diocese of Antigonish Youth Ministry Presents **Shout for Joy Youth Rally** - Sunday, April 26th at 1:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at St. Leonard's Pastoral Center 5310 Union Highway, River Ryan, New Waterford. Free admission to the hottest Event of the Season for youth Please register by April 1st by contacting Norma Blinkhorn at norma@dioceseofantigonish.ca

OSTOMY SUPPORT GROUP: The Cape Breton Ostomy support group will meet on Thursday, March 12th at 2pm – 4 pm at the South Bar Fire Hall, South Bar. Guest Speaker will be Avery Tremblett – Dietitian with Sobeys. This group is for those who have an ostomy, will be having an ostomy and their support person. For more information, contact Stasia at 902-562-1367 – Please note if school is cancelled due to weather, the support group meeting will be cancelled.

SHARE LENT WORKSHOP: March 21st 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Parish of St. Leonard, 5310 Union Highway. Potluck lunch – For further info contact Winnie Odo at twinnieodo@seaside.ns.ca or by phone at 902-862-2330. Please join us as we reflect on the theme « *For Our Common Home* » with a focus on the Amazon region and the threats that the mining and other extractive industries pose to its' inhabitants. We hope to exchange ideas by working together to help these Indigenous people who are the guardians and protectors of the Amazon and its' vital eco-system and to help all of us protect « Our Common Home ».

FR. GREG MACLEOD LECTURE SERIES: Bringing the University and Community together through faith and reason. Community or Corporatization: Does the University have a future? Monday, March 8th at 7:00 p.m. Vershuren Lecture Hall (CS104) CBU. Light refreshments provided. Sponsored by: CBU Chaplaincy and the Newman Society. In a world of increasing polarization, how can universities promote a culture of dialogue?



CWL: **Caring for Our Common Home.**

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER: World Day of Prayer will be held on Friday, March 6th at 2:00 p.m. at the Salvation Army Community Church, 55 Inglis Street.

SOCIAL AFTERNOON: Our next Social Afternoon will be held on Wednesday, March 4th in the glebe basement at 1:00 p.m. All ladies welcome.

GENERAL MEETING: Sunday, March 1st at 2:00 p.m. the Glebe basement. Our Annual Blind Auction will take place at this meeting and a good attendance is appreciated.

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

POP TABS & EYEGLASSES: This collection is ongoing.

FUNERAL RECEPTIONS: Group #3

LOAVES & FISHES: Group #1

CHURCH LINENS: March – Margie Wadden

May this season of repentance bring us the blessings of your forgiveness and the gift of your light.

CURSILLO: Women's - May 14th -17th, Men's May 21st -24th, openings are available if interested in attending please call Kevin or Karen McSween at (902) 862- 8517, Sean or Roberta O'Leary at (902) 539-4692, Burt or Claudia Aucoin at (902) 578-1266 or Gary David (902) 631-1734.

ST. PATRICK'S VARIETY CONCERT: Northside Firemen's Club, Sunday, March 15th at 2:00 p.m. Admission – Free Will Offering – 50/50 draw and Toonie Sweet Bag. Loonie bottled water and free tea & coffee. Featuring: Singers, dancers, fiddlers & musicians. Sponsored by St. Joseph's CWL. Phone 794-3772 for more information.

FUNDRAISER: Atlantic Memorial Park – The AMP Society presents a Variety Concert Fund Raiser at Holy Family Parish Hall, Sydney Mines on March 28th from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Tickets \$ 20.00. Fabulous entertainment for a wonderful cause! For tickets phone 902-736-0802.

CONCERT: Cape Breton Chordsmen & United Heritage church present “Great is Thy Faithfulness. Featuring, Cape Breton Chordsmen, Keltic Gospel Male chorus, Quarter Deck, Ken Chisholm, Quattro, Helles Belles, Shauna Doolan & Choir, Mike Finnigan, Audience Sing-a-long. Sunday, March 15th at 2:00 p.m. Admission \$ 20.00. United Heritage Church is located at the corner of Townsend & Charlotte Streets,

SUPPORT GROUP: Living with Cancer Support Group, a support group for those who have had a diagnosis of cancer, for their family, caregivers will meet Wednesday, March 18th, 2020 1:30 pm – 3:30 pm at Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 128 (Pier), Victoria Road. – For more information contact Alicia at 902-567-8556 (at the Cancer Center)

LENTEN ACTIVITIES AT ST. MARGUERITE BOURGEOYS: Every Sunday at 6:30 – Evening Prayer. Every **Wednesday** at 7:00 p.m, from March 3rd - 31st. A scriptural study focusing on the scriptures of the sacred Triduum, Holy Thursday to Easter Sunday - the themes, the meaning and the reasons these readings were chosen for the Triduum. Every **Tuesday** at 7:00 p.m. from March 4th – April 1st: A study session on the encyclical Laudato Si and its implications for ecology, social justice and spirituality.

ULTREYA: Ultreya will be held March 26th at 7:30 p.m. at Our Lady of Fatima Church. This month we welcome Bishop Kirkpatrick. All Cursillistas, please feel free to come and welcome our new Bishop to our Cursillo Community. Your support will be greatly appreciated.

EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS 2020:

What does Pope Francis mean by Eucharist Culture attitudes?

COMMUNION: Pope Francis says that communion is established with the Lord and among the faithful at Mass where we are nourished by His body and blood. Archbishop Dunn stated Christ is present in our gathering (thus the importance of the ministry of hospitality), in the Word (thus the importance of the ministry of lector), in the ministry of the priest (thus the importance of ministers of service) and in his Body and Blood (thus, the importance of communion ministers). The Second Vatican Council proclaimed that the Eucharistic sacrifice is “the sources and summit of the Christian life” for we all draw our very life from the Eucharist. From the Eucharist, we receive our spiritual power as Church and are then sent of mission to “go therefore and make disciples” (Mt 28:19)

SERVICE: The Pope explained that the attitude of service impels the Eucharistic community to be present in places of frailty, under the shadow of the cross, in order to share and to bring healing. He said that through spiritual and corporal works, the balm of mercy can be poured in numerous places and situations, such as families in difficulty, young people and adults without work, the sick and the elderly who are abandoned, migrants experiencing hardship and acts of violence and many other forms of poverty. In these places of wounded humanity, the Pope said Christians celebrate the memorial of the Cross and make living and present the Gospel of Jesus the Servant, by spreading the seeds of a Eucharistic culture by becoming servants of the poor.

MERCY: The Pope said we complain about the “corrosive river of misery” flowing through our society, such as oppression, arrogance, cruelty, hatred, forms of rejection and lack of concern for the environment. But, he said, this swollen river is powerless against the “ocean of mercy” that inundates our world. The Eucharist, he said, is the wellspring of this ocean of mercy that helps form the image and structure of the People of God suited to our modern age. The Holy Father hopes that a Eucharistic culture would be capable of inspiring men and women of good will in the fields of charity, solidarity, peace, family life and care for creation.