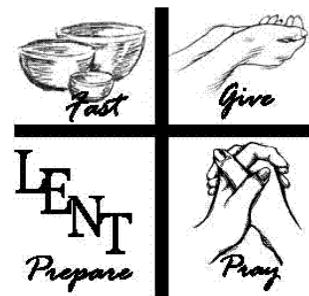


**HOLY ROSARY PARISH
WESTMOUNT, NS**
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**PARISH PRIEST – FR. DOUG MURPHY
SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT**

March 11th & 12th, 2017

THEME The story of the Transfiguration of Our Lord is for us, as it was for Peter and James and John, a moment of vision, offering us the promise of how our own journey with Christ through his cross and resurrection will lead to our being transformed as the beloved followers on whom God's saving favour rests.

COLLECTIONS: \$ 1, 568.00

THIS SUNDAY: Evening Prayer of the Church – 7:00 p.m.

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

DATES TO REMEMBER:

May 5 th – 6 th :	Commemoration of the Closure of the Church of the Incarnation
May 13 th :	Nova Voce Mens' Provincial Choir Concert

BULLETIN NOTICES: Parish bulletin notices can be called in to Donna Lewis at 902-564-2047 or sent by e-mail to donna.lewis@intact.net. It would be appreciated if all notices could be sent by Thursday at noon. Bulletins will also be posted on our parish website at [holyyrosaryparish.info](http://www.holyrosaryparish.info)

PRE-MARRIAGE PROGRAM DATES: April 29th & 30th and June 24th and 25th at Our Lady of Fatima. The fee for the program is \$100 per couple. Pre-registration is required. Phone 902-849-4772 to pre-register.

LENTEN MISSION: "Words of Wisdom for an Age of Anxiety": The Parish of Saint Leonard is offering a Lenten Mission from April 1st -5th at the Parish Church of Saint Leonard, Mount Carmel Avenue, New Waterford. Father Ray Huntley will lead the Mission, which will focus on some insights from contemporary spiritual writers which offer consolation and hope during difficult and uncertain times. The Mission will begin with homilies at weekend Masses on Saturday, April 1st at 4:00 p.m. and Sunday, April 2nd at 9:00 & 11:00 a.m. The Mission will continue with a Mission Session & Healing Service on Monday, April 3rd at 6:30 p.m.; Mission Session & Reconciliation Service on Tuesday, April 4th at 6:30 p.m. and conclude on Wednesday, April 5th at 6:30 p.m. with a Mission Session and Closing Mass. This will be followed by a social at the Parish Hall (Convent Street). Everyone is welcome!

C.W.L. NOTES: One Heart, One Voice, One Mission



Executive Meeting: The Executive meeting of the CWL will be held on Wednesday, March 15th at 2:00 p.m. in the Glebe.

General Meeting: The regular general meeting will be held on Sunday, March 19th in the basement of the Glebe. Members are reminded we will have our blind auction for MaterCare as this meeting.

Pop Tabs & Eye Glasses: The collection of pop tabs and eye glasses is ongoing. They can be left at the back of the church.

Spring Conference: CWL Spring Conference will be hosted by St. Theresa's Parish CWL on April 21st, 22nd, and 23rd.

Palliative Care – Twelve hours of prayer for Palliative care will be on May 4 2017.

Nova Scotia Provincial Conference: Hosted by St. Vincent de Paul Parish in Dartmouth on the weekend of June 9th.

Steak & Lobster Fundraiser: Our Steak & Lobster tickets are available at the back of the church or from any CWL member. You may put your money and ticket stubs in an envelope and put it in the regular collection marked "CWL". Your continued support is appreciated in our endeavours.

Church Linens: March – Margie Wadden.

Funeral Receptions: Group # 1

KOC NOTES:

Flea Market: We will continue to collect material for our Flea Market on May 27th. If you have any material that you may wish to have picked up, you may call Francis @ 562-3606 or 565-3609 or any member of the KOC.

Ticket Sale: The KOC now have their annual ticket on sale. First Prize is \$25,000. Ticket price is \$2 each or 3 for \$5 Tickets may be purchase by calling Francis at 562-3606 or 565-3609; or any member of the KOC.

Meetings: The next meeting will be held on Sunday, March 12th at 7:00 p.m. The executive meeting will be held at 6:00 p.m. on the same day.

CONCERT: "Songs from the Heart" An afternoon of Gospel Music at United Heritage Church, 500 Charlotte St., Sydney, Sunday, March 19th at 2:00 p.m. Featuring the Cape Breton Chordsmen, Ken Chisholm. Sheldon Chant & Aaron Lewis, Shauna Doolan with combined Hospital & Sacred Heart Choirs, Keltic Gospel Male Chorus and Quattro. Tickets \$20/ea. available at the church office.

SUPPORT GROUP: Living With Cancer Support Group, a support group for those who have had a diagnosis of cancer or for their family and caregivers will meet Wednesday, March 15th, 2017, 1:30 pm – 3:30 pm at Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 128 (Pier), Victoria Road. Facilitator- Tom McNeil, CBCC Social Worker."

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: Volunteer Services at the Cape Breton Regional Hospital is currently seeking new volunteers for our Cancer Center Lunch Program. Volunteers provide light snacks and refreshments to patients/families waiting for treatment (Tuesday

and Thursday mornings). For more information, please phone Lisa McNeil-Campbell, Volunteer Resources Consultant, at 902-567-8160 or Stasia Digou, Cancer Center Volunteer, at 902-562-1367

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND is planned for April 7th to 9th in Our Lady of Hope Retreat House, PEI. This worldwide movement of married couples offers an opportunity to enrich your relationship to "make a good marriage a great marriage". After informative talks by the presenting team couples are challenged to dialogue with their spouse in the privacy of their rooms. This newly constructed retreat in Hope River offers a great opportunity for couples through the encouragement of presenting team who have found a new richness in their relationship through the technique of "dialogue" offered by WWME. For information contact James and Connie McNeill 902 314 8541 or Father Charles Cameron 902 863 4373 or email for information renewmarriage@gmail.com

CANCER TRANSITIONS: Moving Beyond Treatment – A free seven-week program for people who have completed cancer treatment will begin on Tuesday, April 25th, 2017 and run consecutive Tuesdays from 12:45 – 3:30 pm at the YMCA, Charlotte St., Sydney. Topics include Taking Control of your Survivorship, Exercise for Wellness, Emotional Health and Well-Being, Medical Management beyond Cancer, and Moving beyond Cancer. For more information and to **pre-register** contact Caren Fortune or Dawn Carey at the Cape Breton Cancer Center at 902-567-8074

BISHOP DUNN'S AD LIMINA VISIT BEGINS THIS WEEKEND: In order for the Bishop of Rome to fulfill his special role of ensuring the unity of the church, he needs reliable and authoritative information on the actual situation of the various Churches, including their problems, initiatives undertaken, difficulties encountered and the results of any projects that have been completed. Each bishop prepares a report regarding at least twenty different areas of ministry within the diocese, e.g. Priests, laity, consecrated life, vocations, consultative councils, finances, social justice issues, ecumenism, etc. This report makes an effort to identify the bishop's experience regarding the principal issues concerning the diocese, how these issues have been addressed and some of the conclusions that have emerged. Numerous people throughout the diocese provided some assistance in completing the report which was sent to Rome last October. During the Ad Limina visit, the bishops visit numerous offices in Rome to discuss various sections of the report. These visits will take place from March 13th to the 21st. Please pray for Bishop Dunn as he makes his Ad Limina visit to Rome. Also, see his blog posts on the diocese's website: www.antigonishdiocese.com

ATLANTIC CATECHETICAL Conference: The Diocese of Antigonish is hosting the Atlantic Episcopal Assembly (the bishops of Atlantic Canada), which 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. The Conference will be held in October of 2017.

INTERESTING: Of the 1.3 billion Catholics in the world, 70 million are in the United States. It is the fourth largest Catholic nation after Brazil, Mexico and the Philippines. The United States represents 6% of the global Catholic population. Two thirds of the Catholic population live outside of the West. There are 4,000 foreign born nuns studying or serving in the US. One quarter of the diocesan priests in the US are from foreign countries. The future of pastoral ministry in the US is increasingly in the hands of non-native Americans. We are observing the same trends here in Canada.



GIVE UP

GIVE UP grumbling! Instead, "In everything give thanks." Constructive criticism is OK, but "moaning, groaning and complaining" are not Christian disciplines.

GIVE UP 10 to 15 minutes in bed! Instead, use that time in prayer, Bible study and personal devotion.

GIVE UP looking at other people's worst points. Instead concentrate on their best points. We all have faults. It is a lot easier to have people overlook our own shortcomings when we overlook theirs first.

GIVE UP speaking unkindly. Instead, let your speech be generous and understanding. It costs so little to say something kind and uplifting. Why not check that sharp tongue at the door?

GIVE UP your hatred of anyone or anything! Instead, learn the discipline of love. "Love covers a multitude of sins."

GIVE UP your worries and anxieties! Instead, trust God with them. Anxiety is spending emotional energy on something we can do nothing about: like tomorrow! Live today and let God's grace be sufficient.

GIVE UP TV one evening a week! Instead, visit some lonely or sick person. There are those who are isolated by illness or age. Why isolate yourself in front of the tube? Give someone a precious gift, your time!

GIVE UP buying anything but essential for yourself! Instead, give the money to God. The money you would spend on the luxuries could help someone meet basic needs. We are called to be stewards of God's riches, not consumers.

GIVE UP judging by appearances and by the standard of the world! Instead, learn to give up yourself to God. There is only one who has the right to judge, Jesus Christ.

(Craig Gates – Jackson –MS (What to Give up for Lent)