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† JANUARY 27TH, 2019, 3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR C †

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Leadership Ministry Team = Roy Smith-Deacon, Pam Hall-Faith Formation, Rebecca Gracie-Liturgy, Monica Shebib-Baptism, Sonny Guy-Communion to Sick, Richard Rose-Parish Pastoral Council and Fr. Doug-Garbage/recycling.

OFFICE HOURS:
 MON, WED, THURS, FRI –
 8:30 – 12:30 PM
 TEL: 902 – 794 – 3951

SCHEDULE OF SACRAMENTS

Date	Location	Time	Details	Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK 
Tues., Jan. 29	Cape Breton University	Noon		
Wed., Jan. 30	Hall Chapel	6:30 pm	MASS	Expecting Mothers
Thur., Jan. 31	Hall Chapel	9 am	MASS & ROSARY FOR PRIESTS	Father Joe Gillis
Fri., Feb. 1	No Public Mass			
Sat., Feb. 2	St. Joseph Church St. Mary, Frenchvale	3:15 pm 4 pm 6 pm	CONFESSION MASS MASS	
Sun., Feb. 3	St. Joseph Church	10 am	MASS	For Parishioners

Ministries for Feb. 2 nd -3 rd	4 pm Mass Saturday	10 am Mass Sunday
SACRISTAN, AND LINENS	Deacon Roy Smith, Irene Cogan	Deacon Roy Smith, Irene Cogan
CHOIR	Celebration choir	Adult Choir
GREETERS & HOSPITALITY	Ann Sampson, Rebecca Gracie, Caroline Campbell	Yvette Landry, Louise Ivey
ALTAR SERVERS	L LeBlanc, E. MacLean	L. Green, J. Skinner
READERS	Iris Young, Frank McNamara	Crystal Winter, Charlotte Monroe
PRESENTATION OF GIFTS (OFFERTORY)	Irene and John Cogan	Diane Gillis, Janet Stanford, Faith Formation
EXTRAORDINARY MIN. OF HOLY COMMUNION	EMC, David Dooley, Leonard Guy, Diana Steele	Deacon Roy, Armand Forest, Mike MacIsaac, Ann Marie Steele
CLEANING OF CHURCH	Team	Team
PORTER - OPENS CHURCH		

PARISH NEWS

KOC Meeting Sunday, Feb. 10th at 2pm

CWL Meeting Monday, Feb. 11th at 7 pm

Social Justice & Expectant Mothers – Wed., Jan. 30th at 7 pm

Pastoral Council – Sunday, Feb. 10th at 1 pm in Parish Meeting Room.

Liturgy Committee – Feb. 14th 10:30 am Parish Meeting Room.

Week of Christian Unity Prayer Services and Meetings:

Closing Service Sun. 3 pm – St. Joseph Church. *Everyone is encouraged and welcome to all services. Reception to follow in Hall.

Bulletin Announcements: Going forward any person or organization requesting a notice in the bulletin are asked to email the exact wording to the parish office, maximum 100 words, or one paragraph.

Expectant Mothers & Social Justice: If you are interested in helping single pregnant women with free diapers, formula and baby accessories, consider serving on this committee. An anonymous person has donated \$100 to this new special fund. Contact Fr. Doug and come to the meeting to serve in this ministry. ☺

Office Hours - For now the office will be open four days per week instead of the usual five days on: *Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday 8:30 am to 12:30 pm.*

Boxes of Envelopes – People are asked to retrieve their church envelopes by the end of January at the entrance of the Church, then they will be available in the office for pick up. In February some unused envelope numbers may need to be reassigned for those seeking a box of envelopes. Each year the church spends over \$2300. on these boxed envelopes, but we can reduce that amount by cleaning up the parish database.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Faith Formation – 9:30 am before Sunday mass.

First Penance (Confession) – Modules for First Penance begins Jan. 20th and continues until Sunday, Feb. 10th. These sessions will be held after Mass on Sunday downstairs in the hall.

Faith is the supernatural virtue which is necessary for salvation. It is a *free gift* of God and is accessible to all who humbly seek it. The act of faith is a *human act*, that is, an act of the intellect of a person - prompted by the will moved by God - who freely assents to divine truth. Faith is also *certain* because it is founded on the Word of God; it *works* "through charity" (*Galatians 5:6*); and it *continually grows* through listening to the Word of God and through prayer. It is, even now, a *foretaste* of the joys of heaven.

Holy Family Parish, Sydney Mines is hosting the amazing Grace Youth Rally on April 6th, 2019. Invitation is extended to Youth in Grades 9, 10, 11, 12, Confirmation Candidates, their catechists, deacons and priests are invited to join Holy Family Parish confirmation group for an Amazing Confirmation Retreat on Apr. 6th, 2019 in Sydney Mines. Father Gary George, CSSR, will be leading the retreat. The Retreat will begin at 11 am and will end after the 4:00 pm Mass. Register by March 8th by emailing Norma Blinkhorn at norma@dioceseofantigonish.ca. The cost is \$10.00 per person.

Hall News

New Hall Zone: The two new zones to the furnace are installed, and groups using the hall are asked to arrive 30 minutes early and turn the heat up and the hall heats up instantly because it is steam heat (not hot water). Reminder to turn down the heat when leaving.

Hall Envelopes: Diocesan policy states donations to halls, cemeteries, building Funds and bequests to the parish are 100% levy free. The finance committee created *new hall envelopes* that are available in the pews. For tax receipts write: *St. Joseph Hall* on your cheque.

CWL AND KOC NEWS

CWL Meeting : Monday, Feb. 11th at 7 pm in the Hall.

The CWL would like to thank everyone who helped with our 2018 Christmas Ornament Campaign. The funds raised will be used for various projects in our Church and Community. The packaged ornaments have been grouped alphabetically and are ready for pick-up at the back of the Church. Please note, that any orders not picked up by the beginning of Lent will have the tags removed and will be donated to the local Food Bank for distribution next Christmas.

COLLECTIONS ~ THANK YOU!

January 20, 2019		
Envelopes		2253.10
Loose cash/coin		156
Fuel & Other		
Special Collections		235.00
Change for Change		23.90
PAR Remittance		
Totals		2668.00
Hall Fund		
Thank you for your offering to God and generous support.		

DIOCESAN NEWS

Diocesan 175th Holy Land Pilgrimage Have you ever desired to visit Jerusalem, Church of the Holy Sepulcher, Bethlehem, Cana, Galilee, Nazareth, etc.? The Holy Land is often described as the Fifth Gospel, because it helps others to discover Jesus is a deeper way. Bishop Dunn will be leading a group of people to the Holy Land in September. The trip will take place from Sept. 1 – 12, 2019. Cost will be around \$4,000. Brochures are available at the Emmaus Centre and at the Chancery Office. The Diocesan website has registration forms. Half the registration is due on March 1st. Limited space is available so register soon. This pilgrimage will give participants an opportunity to grow tremendously in their relationship of faith.

Pilgrimage to Montreal for Youth – Cathy Walsh director of Youth Ministry for the Diocese is organizing a pilgrimage to Montreal for any high school youth in the parish who want to attend. The dates are March 18-22, 2019. Free sponsorship available, see Fr. Doug

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Healthy Minds This event is rescheduled to Tues. 5th, 2 – 4pm.

St. John the Baptist Mothers' Union will host a Valentine's Roast Beef Dinner. It will take place on Friday, February 8th at 6:00 pm at St. John the Baptist Anglican Church Hall, 28 King St. North Sydney. There will be door prizes and entertainment. Tickets are \$15.00 each. Tickets are available at the Parish office or by calling Debbie Moore at 902-544-1018 or 902-371-2807.

Come and see afternoon - The Vocations Committee is sponsoring a "Come and See" Weekend for anyone interested in becoming a priest. This event will take place on Sun., Feb 10 at 2pm at Wellspring at St. FX University. Contact Fr. Dan MacDonald if you have someone interested.

Music Therapy For Cancer Patients and their support is held at the Pier Legion, Victoria Rd., Sydney every Friday afternoon from 1:15 – 2:15 pm with music therapist Shelley Allen. For more information contact Alicia at 902 567-6622.

Youth Pilgrimage to Montreal 175th Anniversary Youth Pilgrimage to Montreal. Deadline for registration is Jan 29, 2019. Registration form is available on Diocesan website, youth page. Call Cathy Walsh at 902-863-3335 for more details.

Mass for Shut-Ins Invitation is extended to Confirmation Candidates to join Bishop Brian Dunn to form the congregation for Mass for Shut-Ins on Sun. Feb. 3rd, at 11:00 am at the CTV station, 1283 George Street, Sydney. Lunch and dialogue with the Bishop after Mass. Participants are requested to register by Jan. 30th, by emailing Norma Blinkhorn at norma@dioceseofantigonish.ca

PEACE E WITH YOU AND HAVE A GREAT WEEK!