



# PARISH COMMUNITY OF ST. JOSEPH

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† FEBRUARY 17, 2019, 6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR C †

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

## SCHEDULE OF SACRAMENTS

Date	Location	Time	Details	
Mon., Feb.18	CBU Oasis Room			
Tues., Feb. 19	Cape Breton University	-----	-----	
Wed., Feb. 20	North side Guest Home	-----	-----	
Thur., Feb.21	Hall Chapel			
Fri., Feb. 22	Hall Chapel	-----	-----	
Sat., Feb. 23	St. Joseph Church St. Mary, Frenchvale	3 :15 pm 4 pm 6 pm	<b>CONFESSION</b> <b>MASS</b> <b>MASS</b>	
Sun., Feb. 24	St. Joseph Church	10 am	<b>MASS</b>	For Parishioners

Ministries for Feb. 23 <sup>th</sup> , 24 <sup>th</sup>	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	Rita MacKinnon, Madonna Jackson, Yvonne MacDonald	Ina Taylor, Paulette MacDonald
ALTAR SERVERS	Mike and Mary MacIsaac	B. Ryan, J Ratchford
READERS	Mary MacIsaac, Mike MacKinnon	Fred MacLeod, John Ratchford
PRESENTATION OF GIFTS (OFFERTORY)	Helen Greenwell, Irene Cogan	George and Angela Quirk, Faith Formation
EXTRAORDINARY MIN. OF HOLY COMMUNION	Deacon Roy, David Dooley. Leonard Guy, Diana Steele	Deacon Roy, Armand Forest, Mike MacIsaac, Ann Marie Steele
CLEANING OF CHURCH	Team	Team
PORTER - OPENS CHURCH	George Quirk	Calvin Gracie

**Pastoral Council** – Sunday, Feb. 17<sup>th</sup> at 1 pm in Parish Meeting Room  
**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.*

**Tax Receipts Are Ready at Church** - The 2018 tax receipts are available at the entrance of the church on Feb 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> but after the Feb. 17<sup>th</sup> weekend, donors will need to come into the office to receive their tax receipt.

**Mission Priest from Ireland Coming to St. Joseph in Lent**  
 Did you know that it was once customary for each parish in the diocese to organize a Mission every four years? The purpose was to energize the faith community, instruct the laity on church teaching and bring new and distant Catholics back into the fold.

The Liturgy Committee is pleased to announce that Fr. Sean Coyle from Ireland who is a Columban Father will be offering a Parish Mission right here at St. Joseph Church, North Sydney.

Stay tuned for more details, but for now book Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, March 10-12<sup>th</sup> aside for the three mission talks.

### **Expectant Mother Fund Announcement**

The Expectant Mother Fund committee is announcing they are now accepting donations of diapers, Pentene, baby Vaseline, and monetary donations to buy formula that is needed. The original food-bank room has been repurposed as the Expectant Mother Room. We thank Richard Rose for painting the room and getting it ready.

Diaper, formula etc. donations will be received on Wednesday mornings from 10-11 am. Financial donations may be made to: St Joseph's for tax receipt purposes and that money is put aside in an *Expectant Mother Fund* for buying formula, diapers etc.. God willing, we will be open to all mothers in need on the Northside in May - the month of Mary our Mother.

**Kneelers being fixed** - In the Expectations Box when I arrived last summer, people stated they wanted their kneelers repaired. An anonymous person has come forward offering to fix the broken kneelers in the Church over the next few months. If you notice a broken kneeler, please email or call the Parish Office with the number of the pew e.g. pew 12 centre left or centre right or pew 12 choir side or tabernacle side. The numbers start from the entrance of the Church as pew 1 and counting forward is pew 21.

**My Parish App for St. Joseph Parish** - If there are any parishioners, young and old that are technology savvy, would you be interested in being on a small team to help launch our new parish app? If you can help, email Fr. Doug: [fatherdouglas@gmail.com](mailto:fatherdouglas@gmail.com)

**Collecting old Palms** – We are now receiving old palms to make ashes for Ash Wednesday, Marcy 6<sup>th</sup>. The old palms will be burnt. Please drop off your old palms in the baskets at the entrance of the church.

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

**Faith Formation** – 9:30 am before Sunday mass.

**First Eucharist** - Modules for First Eucharist will start Feb. 24<sup>th</sup> and continue for the next three Sundays ending March 24<sup>th</sup>. Breeding making session will be Sun..March 31<sup>st</sup>.

**Why Does God Permit Evil?** Faith gives us the certainty that God would not permit evil if he did not cause a good to come from that very evil. This was realized in a wondrous way by God in the death and resurrection of Christ. In fact, from the greatest of all moral evils (the murder of his Son) he has brought forth the greatest of all good (the glorification of Christ and our redemption).

**Holy Family Parish, Sydney Mines** is hosting the amazing Grace Youth Rally on April 6<sup>th</sup>, 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. 6<sup>th</sup>, 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 8<sup>th</sup> by emailing Norma Blinkhorn at [norma@dioceseofantigonish.ca](mailto:norma@dioceseofantigonish.ca). The cost is \$10.00 per person.

**Hall Envelopes:** Donations to the hall 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, March 4<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm

### COLLECTIONS ~ THANK YOU!

February 10, 2019		
Envelopes		2227.85
Loose cash/coin		171.80
Fuel & Other		200.00
Special Collections		
Change for Change		11.15
PAR Remittance		
Totals		2610.80
Hall Fund		133.95
Thank you for your offering to God and generous support.		

### DIOCESAN NEWS

**Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend** – Join us on a World wide Marriage Encounter Weekend and enrich your relationship for a lifetime of love. May 3<sup>rd</sup> -5<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at Between the Hearts Retreat Centre, Amherst, N.S. Open to husbands and wives throughout Atlantic Canada. For more information call (902) 314-8541 or email [renewmarriage@gmail.com](mailto:renewmarriage@gmail.com)

**The Bishop William E. Power Charitable Foundation** – disburses \$20,000. each year to individuals for courses, conferences that they can use to strengthen our faith communities. Could you or someone in your parish use this support? Visit our website for details: [www.bishoppowerfoundation.ca](http://www.bishoppowerfoundation.ca).

### COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS.

**Living With Cancer Support Group** – A support group for those who have had a diagnosis of cancer, for their family, caregivers will meet Wed. Feb. 20<sup>th</sup>, 2019, 1:30 pm – 3:30 pm at the Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 128 (Pier), Victoria Road – weather permitting.

**Bras d'Or Hall ~ 24 Villa Drive** Turkey Burger Sale, Take out ONLY. Friday, Feb 22<sup>nd</sup>, 11 am to 1:00 pm \$8.00 each, dessert included, For tickets please phone Jane 902-736-3802, Parish Office 902-736-9633. Sponsored by the CWL.

**Striking a Chord** – Community groups in Boularderie are holding a fund raising concert for a new piano for Boularderie Elementary School. The concert, Striking a Chord will take place at the school on Sun, Feb. 24<sup>th</sup> at 3 pm. admission is by donation.

**Exercise Classes** – Low impact Cardio Weight Training, Mon. and Wed. at 7:15 pm and Saturdays at 9:00 am in Our Lady of Fatima Parish Hall. Cost is \$7.00.

Exercise Program – Mondays and Thursdays at 9:45 am has resumed for the winter at Our Lady of Fatima Parish Hall. Contact Mary MacLean at 539-0416 or Barb Boutilier at 562-3036.

Exercise Class – Dr. Jennifer Maher of Island Chiropractic will be holding an exercise class in Our Lady of Fatima Hall on Wednesdays at 10:45 am. Bring your yoga mat. On Fridays at 9:15 am, there are “Chair Yoga” Classes.

**Merchandise Bingo** – at Holy Family Parish Hall, 855 Main St., Sydney Mines on Wed. Feb 27<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm. Admission \$2.00, extra cards \$1.00. Canteen available.

PEACE BE WITH YOU AND HAVE A GREAT WEEK!