



PARISH COMMUNITY OF ST. JOSEPH

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Feast of Christ the King


† NOVEMBER 24TH, 2019, 34TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C †

REV. DOUGLAS MACDONALD –
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 GLEBE HOUSE: 902-794-4599
Rev. Mr. Roy Smith, Deacon

Leadership Ministry Team
 Pam Hall-Faith Formation, Cora Pye – Administrative Assistant,
 Cavell Young – Bookkeeping, Janis Rose & Cathy MacDonald-
 Liturgy, Monica Shebib-Baptism, Sonny Guy-Communion to
 Sick, Richard Rose-Finance

OFFICE HOURS:
MON, TUE, THURS, FRI – 8:30 – 12:30 PM
WED, 2:30 – 6:30 PM
 TEL: 902-794-3951

SCHEDULE OF SACRAMENTS

Date	Location	Time	Details	Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK 
Mon., Nov. 25				
Tues., Nov. 26	Cape Breton University		Chaplaincy Mass/Prayer	
Wed., Nov. 27	St. Joseph Church	11:00 am	My Cape Breton Home	
Thur., Nov. 28	St. Joseph Church	10:00 am	Mass	Sheila
Fri., Nov. 29	St. Joseph Church	9:00 am	Exposition	Robert
		10:00 am	Mass	
Sat., Nov. 30	St. Joseph Church	3:15 pm	Confession	
	St. Joseph Church	4:00 pm	Mass	
	St. Andrew Parish, Boisdale	5:30 pm	Mass	
Sun., Dec. 1	St. Joseph Church	9:30 am	Faith Formation	For Parishioners
		10:00 am	Mass	

Ministries Nov. 30 th & Dec. 1	4 pm Mass Saturday	10 am Mass Sunday
SACRISTAIN, & LINENS	Deacon Roy Smith, Team	Deacon Roy Smith, Team
CHOIR	Celebration Choir	Adult Choir
GREETERS & HOSPITALITY	Elaine MacNeil, Tweet Munroe, Florence Wilson	Ben and Rhea Long
ALTAR SERVERS	L. MacLean, L. LeBlanc	L. Green, J. Skinner
READERS	Joan Byers, Norm Connors	Iris Young, Alexandra Young
PRESENTATION OF GIFTS	Mike and Bev White	Joan Skinner, Diane Gillis
EXTRAORDINARY MIN. OF HOLY COMMUNION	Deacon Roy or EMC, Cammie Gillis, Janis Rose, Richard Rose, Diana Steele	Deacon Roy or EMC, Lisa Brown, Armand Forest, Ben Long, Monica Shebib
CLEANING OF CHURCH	Team	Team
PORTER - OPENS CHURCH	George Quirk	Calvin Gracie

PARISH NEWS

How to get a priest for Anointing of the Sick:

- 1st - Call the Parish office 902-794-3951.
- 2nd - After hours call the Glebe house 902-794-4599.
- 3rd - If no one is home, then call our neighbouring parishes in Sydney Mines 902-736-8788 or Bras d'Or 902-736-9633.

Note: Hospitals, Senior Homes and Funeral Homes have the cell phone of the priest for 24 hour a day access. Families are encouraged to call to arrange for an anointing of the sick well in advance.

Winter Office Hours - Starting in advent, this December, the Parish office will be open four days per week for the winter, then reopen fully in the spring. In December the office will be open: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 8:30 am to 12:30 pm.

Give the Gift of Music – with a St. Joseph Celebration Choir Christmas CD. Cost \$10.00 each. Available from Celebration Choir Members before or after Saturday's 4 pm masses.

Expectant Parent Fund - Do you know a pregnant mother in need, or a parent (mother or father) needing assistance with baby food, diapers or baby accessories in the first two years of life? We are here to help you in a non-judgemental way. Call 902-794-3951 or come into the St Joseph Parish office at 34 Archibald Ave. during office hours for free assistance.

We have a new Expectant Parent Room devoted to assisting new parents on the Northside to raise their children with tangible help. We give three types of free baby needs:

1. baby formula, or food
2. diapers
3. Accessories: baby clothes, car seats, baby toys, cremes etc.

Gratitude is extended to the KOC for their generous donation of \$1000 as seed funding to get the program off the ground. We trust as we help parents in need, God will provide. If you want to help

keep our schools and community thriving, we need to help support parents as prices rise. Donations for tax receipts must include the name: St Joseph Parish (Expectant Parent Fund) in memo of cheque. A separate account within our books has been created to track available money for parents.

Free Flu Shot after Church - Get your Flu Shot for free at St. Joseph Parish after mass on **Sat. Nov. 30** in the Parish Hall.

Embrace the Christmas Season - and light a candle on our Parish Advent Wreath. One candle is lit at each Mass during Advent, so sign-up on the sheet at the back of the church, and come as we prepare with great anticipation for the birth of Christ, Our Lord.

Volunteers Needed – We are in need of volunteers to help clean the pews and do some light general dusting. If you have some time to spare to assist in this task on Wednesday Nov. 27 at 9 am please call the office at 902-794-3951. Thank you to anyone willing to participate.

Alarm Codes for Church - All parishioners and organizations have until December 1st to ensure their personalized alarm codes are registered with the parish office. After December 1st, old codes will be purged from the alarm system, and anyone who attempts to use the old codes will trigger the alarm when they enter.

As we update things, we invite you to call the Parish office to ensure you have an active code. Thank you for your cooperation.

Special thanks to Elaine and Fred MacLeod - who drove to Port Hawkesbury, so choir members could partake in this weekends Diocesan Music Workshop.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Faith Formation Classes – Sundays at 9:30 am.

How are the sacraments of the Church divided?

The sacraments are divided into: the sacraments of Christian initiation (Baptism, Confirmation, and Holy Eucharist); the

sacraments of healing (Penance and Anointing of the Sick); and the sacraments at the service of communion and mission (Holy Orders and Matrimony). The sacraments touch all the important moments of Christian life. All of the sacraments are ordered to the Holy Eucharist "as to their end" (Saint Thomas Aquinas). *Further reading: CCC [1210-1211](#)*

HALL NEWS

Hall Envelopes - Donations to the hall are 100% levy free.

COLLECTIONS ~ THANK YOU!

November 16/17	
Envelopes	2139.00
Loose cash	81.00
Fuel	35.00
Special Collections	415.00
Change for Change	25.00
Candles	65.00
Faith Formation	85.00
Missals	150.00
Expectant Mothers	1000.00
Totals	3995.00
Hall Fund	565.00

DIOCESAN NEWS

Third Annual Advent Retreat - Start a new tradition with your family and join the Aucoin family (Claudia, Bert, and Janelle) for an afternoon of reflection and Music at Our Lady of Fatima, in Sydney River, on Sunday, December 1st, 2019 at 2:00 pm.

Calling All Challengers!!!! - A note from Rose Henry, your lay director and servant. We will be holding follow-up on Thursday, Nov 28 at Our Lady of Fatima, 7:30 pm. As we continue to reorganize our challenge movement, we will be forming new committees. These committees will help us recreate who we are as we move forward. The more challengers we can include the better. If you are unable to attend follow-up and want to become involved in upcoming weekends or committees please connect with me at 902-577-1517. I look forward to seeing you and introducing myself in person.

Parish Mission Beloved, Chosen & Appointed: Mark your calendars and plan to join Fr. Mark Cherry who will lead us in a three-day Mission at 6:30 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, & Wednesday, December 9th, 10th & 11th, 2019 at St. Theresa's Parish. This Mission is for anyone seeking meaning and purpose in life.

PAUSE For Advent - Take a PAUSE during this busy time of the year. On Sunday, December 15th, 2019 at Holy Family Parish in Sydney Mines at 2:00 pm come join us with Father Oliver to learn more about the Eucharist, and to discuss what it means in our lives.

Hip Hop Concert on Climate Change - CBU students from around the world will share their experiences of global warming between performances.

Featuring top female hip hop artist: X-Plycit

Aboriginal hip hop artist: Devon Paul (Canada Arts Council)

Winnipeg Hip Hop artist: Shawn Hayze

Local hip hop artist: Import

Dance Competition:

Bhangra (Sikh dancers) vs. Freestyle (Chris Mkandawire)

(\$50 cash prize decided by crowd applause)

Saturday, Nov. 23rd at 7-9 pm, (last bus leaves CBU at 9:30 pm).

The Pit Lounge at Cape Breton University

Free entrance, free Food & free non alcoholic Drinks.

All are welcome. Organized by the Newman Student Society.

KOC

KOC Roast Turkey Dinner - Each year at this time, the Fr. Wm. Kiley Council of the KOC presents an opportunity for deceased members spouses to come together for a Roast Turkey Dinner. This year the dinner will be held on Dec. 16, beginning at 5:30 pm with dinner at 6 pm. Every effort will be made to contact each widow. However, for various reasons, some are difficult to contact. Therefore, if you, or someone you know has not been contacted, PLEASE call either myself at 794-4427, or Tom Gaskell at 736-1267, no later than Dec. 7th. Also, if you require transportation, please let us know. Looking forward to seeing a good turnout, Joseph Howell, Grand Knight.

Cash Calendars for 2020 - are available for purchase by calling George Mullins at 902-578-2233. Price remains 20.00 but cash giveaways have increased to over \$27000. The biggest single draw being \$5000. There are

only 500 Calendars available this year so get them quickly. Calendars can be delivered upon request.

CWL

The CWL Memorial Ornaments - order sheets are in envelopes at the back of the church, and in the Parish Office. If using a personal cheque, make it payable to "St Joseph CWL"

Completed order forms & payment may be dropped off at the Parish Office during office hours or on week-ends, placed in the masses' collection basket.

The CWL will have members at the back of the church **30 minutes before** the weekend Masses on Dec 7&8 and Dec 14&15, to help any parishioners who have questions and/or desire assistance with the order forms. The cut-off date for acceptance of orders is Dec. 15th.

The ornaments will be labeled as instructed on the order form, and placed on our Parish Christmas tree during its decorating.

Following the Christmas Season, when the decorations are removed, the ornaments will be repackaged and made available for pickup by those persons who desire to take them home. Further details will be made available on this topic after Christmas.

Mass for Shut Ins - Parishioners are cordially invited to join the CWL/KOC, and their spouses in celebrating Mass, at the recording of Mass for Shut-Ins, on Tuesday, Nov 26th, at the Sydney CTV Station on top of George Street. This Mass will be aired on the First Sunday of Advent - Dec 1st. **Note** that access to the studio ends at 5:30 pm, so please arrive prior to that time if you wish to attend.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"With Christians, a poetical view of things is a duty. We are bid to color all things with hues of faith, to see a divine meaning in every event." - Saint John Henry Newman

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Cold weather is here & request for winter clothing has increased. If you, other family members or friends, have winter clothing, boots no longer being used, please consider donating same to St. Vincent de Paul Clothing Depot located @ 1 Cottage St. Sydney Mines. Men, Women's & children's needed. Open every Thursday except last Thursday of each month. There are St. Vincent de Paul members in each parish. Christmas decorations also a priority if you have extra. Thanks to everyone helping us to help others in our communities. We really appreciate it!

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

17th Annual Christmas Craft Show & Sale - ONE DAY ONLY

St. Anne Church is pleased to help you get a jump on your Christmas shopping while supporting local crafters and your local church. Lunch is available, soup, tea biscuit, squares, tea or coffee for \$6.00. Saturday, November 30th, 2019 from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm at the Bras d'Or Hall (24 Villa Dr.). Admission is \$2.00 per person. Lots of door prizes!!!

St. F. X. U. Alumni - The annual gathering of alumni of St. Francis Xavier University will take place Dec. 3rd at St. Theresa Parish Hall at 7:00 PM. All alumni, spouses, and friends are invited and encouraged to attend. Mass to celebrate the feast day of St. Francis Xavier will be followed by a short AGM. Of course, there will be something to eat and then door prizes will be drawn around 8:00 PM.!

Flea Market & Bake Sale - will be held at the North Sydney Seniors and Pensioners on Nov. 30 from 10 am to 1 pm.

Holy Family CWL will be hosting a Bingo Game - Nov. 27, 2019 at 7:30 pm at the Holy Family Parish Hall, Main St. Sydney Mines. Admission is \$2.00, extra cards are \$1.00 each.

Community Compassionate Care

Kids Help Phone - 1-800-668-6868

Prevention Through Action - Reporting and healing incidents of abuse or misconduct in our diocese. Rev. Charles Cameron 1-902-863-4373 or email: charleshugh7@gmail.com.

Canada Suicide Prevention Service
1-833-456-4566 or Text. 45645

Canadian Sport Abuse Help Line: Call/text: 1-888-837-7678
info@abuse-free-sport.ca www.abuse-free-sport.ca

Compassionate Community Care
Euthanasia Prevention Advice, Support, Confidential and Free 1-855-675-8749

PEACE BE WITH YOU AND HAVE A GREAT WEEK!