



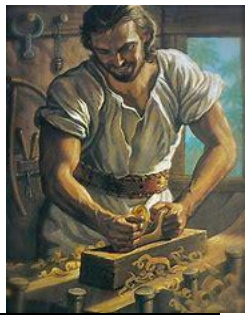
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3rd Sunday In Ordinary Time


† JANUARY 26TH 2020, ORDINARY TIME YEAR A †

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OFFICE HOURS:
 MON, TUE, THURS, FRI – 8:30 – 12:30 PM
 WED.-CLOSED
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ST. JOSEPH PARISH NEXT WEEK

Date	Location	Time	Details	Mass Intentions 
Mon. Jan. 27th				FOR THE WEEK
Tues. Jan. 28th				
Wed. Jan. 29th				
Thurs. Jan 30th	St. Joseph Hall	10:00 am		Father Joe Gillis
Fri, Jan. 31st	St. Joseph Hall	9:00 am	Exposition	Eileen Fyfe
		10:00 am	MASS	
Sat. Feb.1st	St. Joseph	3:15 pm	Confessions	
	St. Joseph	4:00 pm	Mass	
	St. Andrew, Boisdale	5:30 pm	Mass	
Sun. Feb.2nd	St. Joseph Church	10:00 am	Mass	For Parishioners

Ministries Feb.1 st , 2nd	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	Barb Williams, Jean Landry, Alberta Devoe	Matt and Kay Batherson
ALTAR SERVERS	L. LeBlanc, E. MacLean	J. Skinner, L. Green
READERS	Mike MacKinnon, Iris Young	Denise Jardine, Alexandra Young
PRESENTATION OF GIFTS	Joe and Marlene Barron	Faith Formation
EXTRAORDINARY MIN. OF HOLY COMMUNION	Deacon Roy or EMC, Clare Bishop, David Dooley, Lawrence Jellow, Ann Marie Steele	Deacon Roy or EMC, Armand Forest, Ben Long, Monica Shebib, George Quirk
Cleaning of Church	Team	Team
PORTER - OPENS CHURCH	George Quirk	Calvin Gracie

PARISH NEWS.

Finance Committee Meeting – Tues., Jan. 28th at 7 pm in the Glebe House.

What is an extraordinary minister of communion? This is a formal title given to lay people in the parish, who distribute the Eucharist, offered under the forms of consecrated bread and wine, during Mass. The “EMCs” also go into the community to distribute Holy Communion to the faithful who are sick at home, in the hospital, or living in homes for special care, and nursing homes. We serve dozens of parishioners weekly in this capacity, however, the number of EMCs available for this important task continues to dwindle due to their retirement, illness, etc.

As a result, our parish is in dire need of parishioners to undertake this vital role. We are also encouraging family members of loved ones and/or neighbours to consider signing up to bring Holy Communion to those that they know who are unable to join us for the celebration of the Eucharist.

In preparation for this ministry, you will receive training so you can confidentially fulfill your position with knowledge and reverence. Such preparation addresses appropriate attire, demeanor, and manner in which to handle the consecrated bread and wine.

If interested, please contact the Parish Office with your name and contact information. Thank you and God bless.

Blessing of the Throats – will occur on Feb. 1st and 2nd after Mass.

PYXS Needed- We are in need of Pyxs to hold the Blessed Host when visiting the sick. If anyone has a Pyx they are not using, please drop it at the office. Thank you.

Mass for Seniors in their Homes- For the winter months when it is difficult for some to get to mass, Fr. Doug will offer mass at Senior's apartments. We are grateful to Rev. John Hannan for his warm reception to use the facility at Central Court. Mass will be celebrated in the common room on Wed., Jan. 29th at 2 pm. All are welcome.

Week of Prayer For Christian Unity – Sun. Jan. 26th Ecumenical Church Service, Seventh Day Adventist, Peppett St., at 3:00 pm.

Collecting old palm for Ash Wednesday – Please bring in your old palm for use on Ash Wed. and leave it in the basket provided at the back of the Church. Thank you.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Faith Formation Classes – Sundays at 9:30 am

First Communion Modules – will begin for First Communion Candidates on Sun. Jan. 5th and continue to Sun., Jan. 26th after the 10:00 am Mass downstairs in the Hall.

It is important your child/children attend these modules in preparation for the sacrament of First Eucharist.

What times are more suitable for prayer? Any time is suitable for prayer but the Church proposes to the faithful certain rhythms of praying intended to nourish continual prayer: morning and evening prayer, prayer before and after meals, the Liturgy of the Hours, Sunday Eucharist, the Rosary, and feasts of the liturgical year. "We must remember God more often than we draw breath." Further reading: CCC [2697-2698, 2720](#).

HALL NEWS

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.

COLLECTIONS ~ THANK YOU!

		Jan 18 th , 19 th
Envelopes		2193.20
Loose cash		110.00
Fuel		35.00
Special Collections		150.00
Change for Change		20.80
Candles		28.00
Other		
Totals		2537.00
Hall Fund		740.00

DIOCESAN NEWS

Save The Date- The Installation Ceremony for Bishop Wayne Kirkpatrick will be held on Monday, February 3, 2020, at 3 pm at St. Ninian Cathedral. Evening prayer will be held at 7 pm on Sunday, February 2, 2020 at St. Ninian Cathedral. A reception will follow each event. All are welcome.

Diocesan Prayer for Our New Bishop – Gracious God we are thankful for the gift of our new Bishop, Most Rev. Wayne Kirkpatrick.

We, the Community of Believers of the Diocese of Antigonish, trust deeply in your Devine Providence and in your desire to provide for the needs of our diocesan family. May Bishop Wayne Kirkpatrick be filled with zeal for the Gospel as he ministers as one who is gentle, wise, merciful and devoted in love for your people. May we, your family receive the grace to welcome our new Bishop as our Brother in Christ.

As he Begins his new Ministry as Bishop of Antigonish, we pray that he be filled with gospel courage, wisdom and a deep spirit of consolation. May we welcome him and assure him of our prayer, presence and support as we begin our new journey of faith together. St. Ninian, Pray for Us. Amen.

The Bishop William E. Power Family Charitable Foundation - disburses up to \$20,000 each year to individuals for courses and conferences that they can use to strengthen our faith communities. Could someone in your parish use this support? Visit our website for details: www.bishoppowerfoundation.ca

Calling All Challengers -We will be holding follow-up on Thurs., Jan. 30th at Our Lady of Fatima, at 7:30 pm. We continue to reorganize our movement and will be forming new committees. 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 contact Rose at 902-577-1517.

Share Lent Workshop – Sat, Feb. 8th (Feb. 9th storm date) Parish of St. Leonard, Pastoral Centre, 5310 Union Highway, New Waterford, 10:00 am to 2:30 pm. Pot Luck lunch will be served. For further info contact Winnie Odo twinnieodo@seaside.ns.ca 902-862-2330 or aogbe@devp.org.

Eucharistic Congress- What does it mean to designate a 'Year of the Eucharist'? Archbishop Dunn, in his November 17, 2019 letter to all parishioners, said, "through these celebrations [175th Anniversary] we rediscovered how God is always faithful to us. One of the signs of his faithfulness is the Eucharist and this is why we called for a focus on the Eucharist leading up to a diocesan Eucharistic Congress. Our hope is that we can engage in

strengthening our faith in the Eucharist, be led deeper into understanding and appreciating this gift of the Eucharist and grow together in sharing this gift through word and action. When we celebrate the Eucharist, we not only attend an event but we are drawn into the great mystery of love that Jesus revealed when he died for us because of his love. To draw us more deeply into this mystery, this Year of the Eucharist invites each of us to a deeper experience of encounter with Christ. My hope for this Year of the Eucharist is that the hearts of all Catholics might awaken in the Diocese so that we may come to a deeper understanding, appreciation, and experience of the gift of the Eucharist. We will organize a variety of events and experiences so that we might reach this goal."

EUCCHARISTIC CONGRESS 2020

June 12 - 14
Membertou, Sydney

Pre-Marriage Program 2020- dates for the next pre-marriage program with Family Services of Eastern Nova Scotia is as follows: Feb. 15th and 16th and June 6th and 7th. Participants must call 902-849-4772 to pre-register.

Cursillos- will take place in Mabou as follows:

For Women Feb. 13th – 16th, 2020

For Men Feb. 27th – Mar 1st, 2020 For information contact Eddy or AnnaLee MacEachern at 902-258-2089.

KOC

CWL

Christmas decorations will be removed on Jan. 29th at 10:00 am. We are looking for volunteers to assist with the removal and storage of our Christmas decorations. If a funeral occurs, our work will commence at 1:00 pm. The re-assembly of Christmas Ornaments will occur during the removal and storage of our Christmas decorations. All are welcome.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Valentine's Roast Beef Dinner- St. John the Baptist Mother's Union will host this dinner on Fri., Feb. 14th at 6:00 pm. at 28 King Street, North Sydney. Doors open at 5:30 pm – door prizes and entertainment. Tickets \$15.00 are available at the office 902-794-3392 or Debbie Moore at 902-544-1018.

Youth Ministry is joining Bell "Lets Talk" Awareness Day
Jan. 29th, 7- 8:30 pm Holy Family Parish Sydney Mines

Mental illness isn't always easy to see: 2 out of 3 people suffering from mental illness suffer in silence. If you are a young person, a parent or someone who is interested in learning more about Mental Well Being and want to break the ice, join us in a conversation with Allan MacDonald and John Ratchford to create a positive change and to empower young people to be Champions of Mental Health. For more information contact Norma Blinkhorn at 902-202-2972 or norma@dioceseofantigonish.ca

Keltic Dancercise Classes – have started and will continue until mid-June. From 10:00 am – 11:00 am. For information. Call Kay 902-794-3772 or email malcolmbatherson@belliant.net

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

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

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"Whoever does not seek the cross of Christ doesn't seek the glory of Christ."

PEACE BE WITH YOU AND HAVE A GREAT WEEK!