



Holy Family Parish

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LET HIM WHO IS
WITHOUT SIN CAST
THE FIRST STONE
Proverb 19:17

Fifth Sunday of Lent – April 7, 2019

PASTORAL COUNCIL

CHAIR: Terry Jerrett (736 2041)

VICE-CHAIR: Stephen MacDougall (736 8419)

SECRETARY: Claire Aucoin

Cecil Snow (736 9350) – Sheila MacCormick (736 6583) –

Rosalind Forrest (736 1887) – Bonnie DiPersio (736 6143) –

Cathy Viva (736 6171) – Victor Jenkins (736 6083) –

Sharon Iannetti (794 8905) – Brenda Walsh (537 1603) –

Iris Sampson (544 0745 – Deacon Greg Murphy (736 6726) –

Fr. Oliver (736 8788) – Bob Blinkhorn (544 0008) –

Frank MacDonald (736 2190)

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEMBERS

CHAIR – Deacon Greg Murphy (736 6726)

SECRETARY – Giselle Pero (736 -0959)

Wilson Carey (736 9726) – Dennis Crosby (736 1248)

– Lorne Penny (736 3601) – Rose Jenkins (736 0802) – Claire

Aucoin – Blowers Mac Lean (736 9688) – Lorena Capstick

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(736 8788)

PARISH SECRETARY

Lorena Capstick (736 8333) or

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OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday from

10 AM - NOON

FAITH FORMATION

Rosalind Forrest (736-1887)

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

To register your child for baptism phone

Georgie Edwards (736-9715) ONE MONTH before.

Baptismal Preparation Classes for parents and godparents take

place on the **first** and **second Tuesdays** of every month at

6:30 PM in the Glebe Meeting Room.

You may attend the classes any month according to your

convenience. If you belong to another Parish please bring a

letter from your Pastor. If you have any serious concerns

please call Fr. Oliver,

at 736- 8788.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Couples planning on marriage are expected to take a Marriage

Preparation Course. Anyone planning marriage please contact

the office at 736-8333.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays from 2:30 - 3:30 PM.

BULLETIN EDITOR

Sandra Haley (736-1314 or smhaley@ns.sympatico.ca)

[Please submit info by **Thursday** noon **at the latest**]

BEREAVEMENT TEAM

Cecil Snow (736 9350) – Iris Sampson (544 0745) – Ann Marie

Gillis (736 3132) – Daryl Burton (736 3342) – Mary Hall (736

9252) – Rachael Smith (736 3908) – Judy Harron (241-2019)



Sunday Gatherings for Eucharist

Saturday – 4 PM

Sunday – 10 AM

Weekday Gatherings

Mass Monday to Friday at 9 AM

(In the glebe chapel)

[In the event of a funeral, the 9AM Mass

will be cancelled –

if school is cancelled due to inclement weather, the week-day Mass
(Monday to Friday) will also be cancelled.]

MEMBERS OF ST. JOSEPH/ST. MARY CEMETERY SOCIETY

Chair – Vic Jenkins (736-6083)

Treasurer – Brenda Blinkhorn (544-0008)

Members-at-large:

Corinne MacDougall (736-3901)

Jake Cantwell (736-9789)

Wilson Carey (736-9726)

Cecil Snow (736-9350)

Clive Hatton (241-2843)

HOLY FAMILY PARISH NEWS



Weekend of March 31

Envelopes and loose \$2665.85
Other and fund-raisers \$239.50
TOTAL \$2905.35

Thank you for your generous support.

CWL NEWS

❖ A reminder to the CWL ladies that Rosary will be said on **April 8, 9, and 10** at 12:30 pm in the church. ❖ On Tuesday, **April 16**, at 1 pm, we will be setting up for the Lenten Luncheon which will be held on Wednesday, April 17.

❖ Our Feast Day celebration will be held on Wednesday, **April 24**. It will begin with Mass at 6 pm, followed by supper at 7 pm at the Royal Canadian Legion in Sydney Mines. More info to follow. Ladies of the parish are welcome to join the members. Please call Gloria (736-3421) by April 17th if you plan to attend.

❖ The CWL Convention will be held on **Saturday, April 27 and Sunday, April 28**, at Our Lady of Fatima Church, Sydney River. If planning to attend, let Gloria know by April 17th.



Sympathy, prayers and condolences are extended to the family and friends of:

**MARY FRANCES (BARDSWICH)
MACNEIL
CATHERINE (TAYLOR) OSMOND**

May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

In Appreciation

We thank those who have generously made the following memorial donations:

To the cemetery:

IMO Annie Mae Tremblett from Georgina Buffett
IMO David Vincent Tobin from Mary C Tobin
IMO Elizabeth MacNeil from Sharon Iannetti
IMO Melvin McKinnon from Mary C Tobin
IMO Mary Elizabeth Hall from Sharon Iannetti
IMO Debbie Blackie from Sophie Mombourquette
IMO Bernard Peck from Grace Peck

For Easter Flowers:

IMO Carl MacRae from Rita MacRae
IMO Carol Ann Guy from mom
IMO Adrian Connolly & Theresa Connolly from Lorraine Connolly & Family

To the Parish::

In Loving Memory of Maisie Walker from husband
Neil J Walker

MISSION SCHEDULE

Father Gary George, a Redemptorist from the United States, returns. **The Mission will begin on Sunday, April 7th and continue to Wednesday, April 10th, beginning each night at 6:30 pm.** Father Gary will celebrate **morning Mass at 9:00 am and Adoration and Rosary at 12:30 pm each day.** On Saturday, April 6, there will be a gathering for youth and young adults starting at 11 am and ending after the 4 pm Mass. (See next page for more details). The theme of each night is as follows:

SUNDAY NIGHT (April 7)

THEME - Our Love and Image of God

MONDAY NIGHT (April 8)

THEME – The Healing Presence of Jesus

TUESDAY NIGHT (April 9)

THEME – The Power of Forgiveness and Reconciliation

WEDNESDAY NIGHT (April 10)

THEME – The Eucharist, the Journey of every Family

Concert

Featuring John and Patti Fukula and Special
Guests

Sunday April 14th, 2019

Holy Family Parish Hall, Sydney Mines, time
7:00pm

Reserved seating for tables of 10

Tea and Cake served plus prize draws

All proceeds go to Chalice and Faith Formation

Cost \$10.00/per person

Sponsored by Holy Family Prayer Group

For tickets contact Harry at 736-2972, Anita at
736-0847 or Terry at 736-2041

MISSION FINALE: This weekend we will be distributing requests for lunch for the final night of the mission, Wednesday, April 10th. That night following the mission, the parish would like to invite everyone to the hall for something to eat. We will post a board at the back of the church that you can choose from. Each note will have an item to bring to the hall, like sandwiches, sweets, etc.. You can drop your items off before heading to church that night. So come out and enjoy our Mission Potluck! If you have any questions please contact Rose at 736-0802 or the Parish Office at 736-8333.



Saturday, April 13 – 4 PM

Altar Server – Reg Dolhanty

Readers – Georgina Buffett, Anne MacKinnon, Anna Martin (Passion)

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion – Blowers MacLean, Dennis Crosby, Sheila MacCormick

Hospitality Ministry – Lola Tobin, (*right door*), Maureen Bobbitt (*middle door*), Dave Bobbitt (*left door*), Georgina Buffett (*left of altar door*)

Sunday, April 14 – 10 AM

Altar Server – Jenna Forrest

Readers – Darlene Gale, Victoria Pero, Terry Jerrett (Passion)

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion – Harry Blinkhorn, Kayla MacDonald, Norma Blinkhorn

Hospitality Ministry – Doris Brown (*right door*), Edie Foster (*middle door*), Louise MacKinnon (*left door*), Rose Jenkins (*left of altar door*)

COMMUNITY NEWS

WANTED: Does anyone have or know somebody that has 2 bunk beds no longer being used? The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is looking for 2 bunk beds for a client who needs them desperately. If you can help please contact Cecil Snow at 902 736 9350.

MEN OF THE DEEPS CONCERT: On Sunday, **April 28th**, the Memorial High School Sr Band will be having a concert at Holy Family Parish with the MEN OF THE DEEPS. They will be performing numbers with the Men of the Deeps, and the Men will be singing on their own. This concert is to help raise funds for the band to travel to a Festival in Halifax and Fredericton on May 1st till 5th. Tickets are 25.00 each and are available at Memorial High School, Buffett's Office Supplies, North Sydney, Curiosity Shop in Sydney and you may contact any band member. The concert begins at 7 pm.

ALL DAY CONFESSION WITH VISITING PRIESTS

The Sacrament of Penance, also known as Confession or Reconciliation will take place Saturday, **April 13th**, from 11 am to 4 pm at St. Joseph Parish in North Sydney. Please come and make your annual confession before Easter.

The schedule is as follows:

- 11 am – Fr Leo Cordeau
- Noon – Fr Varghese
- 1 pm – Fr Angus MacDougall
- 2 pm – Fr Jake Andrea
- 3 pm – Fr Doug

YOU'RE INVITED: A Spring Craft, Bake and Gift Sale will be held at the Millville Community Centre on Saturday, **April 13**, from 10 am until 2 pm. Admission is \$1.00 (children under 12 free). Sponsored by the Millville Ladies Auxiliary.

MEETING: A meeting of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul Council will be held on Wednesday, **April 10th**, at 2 pm, at St. Stephen's Community Hall, Pitt St., Florence.

COMMUNITY NEWS

MASS FOR SHUT-INS: Every Sunday at 11:30 AM. Mass for Shut-Ins is now available on the Diocese of Antigonish YouTube channel. A new episode will be added each Monday.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER: Join us on a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend and enrich your relationship for a lifetime of love. **May 3 - 5, 2019** at Between The Hearts Renewal Centre, Amherst, NS. Open to husbands and wives throughout Atlantic Canada. For more information, or to sign up email renewmarriage@gmail.com or call 902-314-8541.

SPIRITUAL EXERCISES: "If you are looking for a clear, simple, and practical approach to developing your prayer life, The First Spiritual Exercises is well worth exploring." We are inviting young adults and young at heart to **First Spiritual Exercises, beginning Wednesday, April 24th, and ending on May 22nd** (One evening per week for 5 weeks). This will take place at Our Lady of Fatima, Sydney River. The retreat cost is \$30.00, which covers the cost of the book, written by Fr. Michael Hansen, S.J. For more information you may call Winnie Odo at 902 862-2330 or Norma Blinkhorn at 902 736-2972. Please register by March 25th, 2019 by contacting youthministry@dioceseofantigonish.ca.

SAVE THE DATE: Divine Mercy Conference, **Our Lady of Grace Monastery, August 30th - September 1st, 2019.** Speakers will include Fr. Seraphim Michalenko, Divine Mercy Centre, Stockbridge, Massachusetts; Fr. Wade Meneze, Fathers of Mercy, Auburn, Kentucky; Fr. Tom Sullivan, Fathers of Mercy, Auburn, Kentucky. Opening Mass Celebrant will be Bishop Brian Dunn and the EMCEE and Music Ministry will be under the capable hands of Al Barbarino. More information on divine Mercy Retreat weekend to come in the weeks to come.

CURSILLO: The Cursillo weekend schedule for the spring of 2019 is as follows:

Men's – May 23 - 26, 2019; Women's – June 6 - 9, 2019. Candidates are needed and if interested in attending, please call Kevin or Karen McSween at (902) 862-8517, Betty Lahey at (902) 270-0891, Burt or Claudia Aucoin at (902) 578-1266 or Gary David (902) 631-1734.

Ultreya – last Thursday of each month.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION: The Watoto Children's Choir, from Uganda, East Africa, will present their concert "**We Will Go**" on Thursday, May 2nd, beginning at 6:00 pm at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Sydney Mines (643 Main Street). This inspirational, high-energy concert is approximately 1 ½ hours in length and is age appropriate for young and old as well as everyone in between! Admission to this wonderful concert is FREE but there will be a Free Will Offering collected in support of Watoto's mission with children who have been impacted by the AIDS/HIV crisis. So save the date – that's Thursday, May 2nd at 6:00 p.m. at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church in Sydney Mines. If you haven't seen these children before then this is one concert you should attend. For more information, please contact Rita at 902-736-2508.

HELP REQUESTED: A group in Sydney is attempting to raise \$200,000 for a homeless shelter in Sydney which will accommodate men, women and youth in separate quarters 24 hours a day 7 days a week. St. Marguerite Bourgeoys Parish has committed itself to raise \$50,000 of this sum over the coming 2 years. Since many of the homeless in Sydney come from other parts of the island we are asking individuals and organizations to consider helping us raise this money. For income tax purposes, a full name and address is required and cheques can be made to St. Marguerite Bourgeoys Parish and Homeless shelter in the memo line.

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. A short AGM will be held and we are looking for new members for the local chapter of the Alumni Association. Door prizes will be drawn around 8:00 PM. Hope to see y'all there!

STUDENT SUMMER JOB - DIOCESAN PASTORAL CENTER, SYDNEY: Administrative assistant / financial clerk; mid-June to late August, 2019. Applicants must be enrolled in a post-secondary program for September 2019. Duties include general office administration, reception duties, and some entry level accounting work. Applicants must have general computer knowledge, communication skills, familiarity of the Diocese of Antigonish. Preference will be given to students enrolled in a Business Program. Please send resumes to Cathy Farrow, cathy@dioceseofantigonish.ca or deliver your resume to the Diocesan Pastoral Center at 200 Churchill Drive, Suite 100, Membertou by 4pm on April 26, 2019