



Holy Family Parish

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Baptism of the Lord – January 12, 2020

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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) – 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, Tuesday and Friday at
9 AM (In the GLEBE)

[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:

Jake Cantwell (736-9789)

Wilson Carey (736-9726)

Cecil Snow (736-9350)

HOLY FAMILY PARISH NEWS



January 1

Envelopes and loose \$1985.80

January 5

Envelopes and loose \$3159.50

Heat 337.00

TOTAL:..... \$3496.50

Thank you for your generous support.

CWL NEWS

✿ **CWL LADIES:** a reminder that dues should now be in. If you haven't yet paid up, please do so as soon as possible.

✿ **MEETINGS:** Our CWL Executive Meeting will be held in the Glebe on Sunday, January 12, at 1:30 PM followed by the regular meeting at 2 PM.

✿ **TICKETS:** Anyone wanting tickets on the Valentine basket, please contact Gloria at 736-3421 or any CWL member.

✿ The CWL offer their deepest condolence to the family of Rev JJ Mac Donald.

✿ A sincere thank you is extended to all parishioners who donated food for Fr. JJ's reception. It was overwhelming and deeply appreciated.

A NOTE OF APPRECIATION: Thank you to all who helped with the funeral of Father JJ MacDonald. It was much appreciated. We are thankful for the great ministry that he provided for so many years to the church and to the community of Sydney Mines.

A NOTE OF SYMPATHY: Condolences to the Parishioners of Holy Family on the death of Father JJ MacDonald. Rev. J. J. was a great help for me and also a great Pastor for all at Sydney Mines. My heart felt condolences and prayers. May he rest in Peace. Praying for you all. *Rev. Thomas John IMS.*

SATURDAY, January 18, 4 PM:

Servers: Reg Dolhanty

Readers: Georgina Buffett and Michele Keeling

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Michele Keeling, Dennis Crosby, Marguerite MacLean

Hospitality Ministers: Betty Smith (right door), Cynthia MacGean (middle door), Marguerite MacLean (left door), Rosalie Dolhanty (left of altar door)

SUNDAY, January 19, 10 AM:

Servers: Jillian Scott and Maia MacDougall

Readers: Lorena Capstick

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Audrey MacDougall, Anita Nicholson, Jimmy Jessome

Hospitality Ministers: Doris Brown (right door), Bobby Blinkhorn (middle door), Jodi Forrest (left door), Lynette Sampson (left of altar door)

TEST YOUR KNOWLEDGE!

Here's a collection of questions about Catholicism.
How many can you answer?

1. Name the nine ranks of angels.
2. What are the Precepts of the Church?
3. Name the three longest-reigning popes.
4. Who was the first apostle to be martyred?
5. How many people appear by name in the Stations of the Cross?
6. Only three angels appear by name in the Bible. Name them.
7. What is the shortest book in the Old Testament?
8. What is the shortest book in the New Testament?
9. What saint's name was added to the Canon of the Mass by Pope John XXIII during the Second Vatican Council?
10. What is the name of the pope's cathedral, and what was its original name?

(Answers next week)

HOLY FAMILY PARISH NEWS

SPECIAL NOTICE:

✓ Daily Mass will now be held on Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays in the Chapel in the Glebe.

FREE CALENDARS FOR 2020: As part of our preparations during this Year of the Eucharist, leading to the June 2020 Eucharistic Congress, the planning committee has prepared a 2020 calendar to be distributed to parish. This calendar has photos of the Holy Land, short reflections attached to the monthly photo, dates of all the parish named saints, and other important liturgical dates. We have a limited amount. The Calendars as well as prayer cards will be at the back of the church.

FOR SALE: New missals are available at the back of the church and envelopes are provided; the cost is 5.00 each.

CHURCH ENVELOPES FOR 2020: The envelopes for next year will be at the back of the church in the candle room. Please do not use them before the new year. Each year the envelope numbers do change as our list goes in alphabetical order. Once the new Year starts please recycle your 2019 envelopes. If your name has been missed we apologize and have some extra envelope boxes available.

FOODBANK: The Food Bank is open to serve those in need this month. The demand can increase in the winter months. There are boxes at the entrances of the church which you can use to donate non-perishables at any time; it is picked up weekly by a Food Bank volunteer.

50/50 WINNER for Dec 2019 was Donna Colburn; her prize was 480.00. Thank you for your continued support with this endeavor.

PRAYER GROUP: Prayer Group will take place this week at the Chapel in Holy Family Glebe House. All are welcome on Sunday evenings at 7:00 pm. Please use the Chapel Entrance at the back. Weather permitting.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Liturgy Committee Meeting: Monday, January 13, at 6:30 PM in the Glebe Meeting Room.

In Appreciation

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

Donations to Church

IMO Rev. JJ MacDonald from Sheila MacCormick
IMO Rev. JJ MacDonald from Paul MacCormick
IMO Rev. JJ MacDonald from Donna & Jimmy Brown

IMO Rev. JJ MacDonald from Gloria Reid
IMO Theresa Stewart from children
IMO Heather Archer Devoe from Donna & Jimmy Brown
IMO Melinda & Alex Ross from Jimmy & Donna Brown

Donations to Flowers

IMO Sid & Dorthy Vickers
IMO Ad & Jerome MacDonald from Debbie & George Podetz & family
IMO Anna & Steve Podetz from Debbie & George Podetz & family

Donations to Cemetery

IMO Jerry MacGillivray from Carolyn MacGillivray
IMO Cathy Morrison Forrest from Ron & Lynn Donovan
IMO Cathy Morrison Forrest from Elizabeth, Max & Nicholas Sehl
IMO Frank McKenna from Barb Evans

thank you

With Heartfelt
Sympathy

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

JOSEPH W. WALSH
SARAH JANE BOUTILIER

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

COMMUNITY NEWS

WE NEED YOUR HELP: Cold weather is here and requests for winter clothing have increased. If you, other family members or friends, have winter clothing and boots no longer being used, please consider donating same to St. Vincent de Paul Clothing Depot located at 1 Cottage St., Sydney Mines. Donations for men, women and children are needed. We are open every Thursday except the 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 !

TAI CHI: Beginner classes in Taoist Tai Chi® arts start on Wednesday, January 8th, at Bras d'Or Hall, 24 Villa Dr. at 6:30pm. ALL WELCOME. For information, please call 902-567-0525.

CURSILLO DATES: The following Cursillos will take place in Mabou:

Women's – 13-16 February 2020.

Men's – 27 February - March 1 2020.

Contact Information Eddy or AnnaLee MacEachern 902 258 2089.

Baptism: Covenant, Call, Commission

Jesus' baptism reminds us of the meaning of our own. Baptism helps us remember that we are part of the whole family of Christ. It begins a close personal relationship with God, but it doesn't end there. Because of our baptism, we are called to reach out to other people in our congregation, and beyond the walls of the church. Baptism not only draws us in toward God, it sends us out to care for God's people around the world. In our baptism, we are called beyond ourselves, just as Jesus was called beyond His heavenly home to seek us here on earth.

His Baptism: a Trifold Sign

The baptism of Jesus is a three-fold sign to his church:

An *anointing* of Jesus as He begins His messianic ministry

A *revelation* of God as Trinity: Father, Son and Holy Spirit

A *preview* of our baptism, where Christians are anointed and share in Jesus' work

SAVE THE DATE **Installation Ceremony for** **Bishop Wayne Kirkpatrick**



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 7pm 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, Giver of all spiritual gifts, 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 Divine Providence and in your desire to provide for the needs of our diocesan family. May he 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 Community of Disciples, receive the grace to welcome our new Bishop as our Brother in Christ. As he begins his new Ministry as Bishop of the Diocese of Antigonish, we pray that he be filled with gospel courage, wisdom and discernment. May we welcome him and assure him of our prayer, presence and unconditional support as we begin our new journey of faith together.

St. Ninian, Pray for Us.