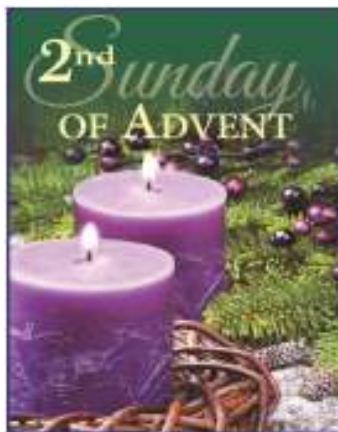


PARISH BULLETIN

HOLY ROSARY PARISH - WESTMOUNT, NS
PARISH PRIEST – FR. DOUG MURPHY

MASS TIMES: SATURDAY – 4:15 P.M. – SUNDAY – 10:00 A.M.



December 7th & 8th, 2019

THEME: Jesus comes to us as a judge who expects to find that we have lived faithfully to the teachings he gives us. The call to conversion is integral to our preparation for the coming of our Lord at Christmas.

COLLECTION: \$ 1,815.00 - Church envelopes for 2020 are at the church entrance. A sincere thank you to all who contribute to the support of the parish each weekend.

SUNDAY MISSALS: Sunday Missals for the new Liturgical Year beginning on the First Sunday of Advent are also at the church entrance for \$5.00.

DAILY MASS: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday at 9:00 a.m.

FEASTS:

Monday: The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary – Mass at 9:00 a.m.	Thursday: Our Lady of Guadalupe – Patroness of the Americas – National Day of Prayer in Solidarity with Indigenous Peoples
Friday: St. Lucy – martyr	Saturday – St. John of the Cross – Priest and doctor.

RECONCILIATION: Opportunity for individual confessions will be held on Monday, Dec. 16th- 6:30 p.m. -8:00 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 18th - 2:00 p.m. -3:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 20th, 8:30 a.m. -10:00 a.m. and Saturday, Dec. 21st from 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. at St. Anne Parish, Glace Bay. There will also be an Advent Reconciliation Service at St. Leonard's Parish, New Waterford at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 17th. Saturday, December 21st 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. – St. Marguerite Bourgeoys Church
Sacrament of Reconciliation – Holy Rosary Church on Saturdays before the 4:15 p.m. Mass.



CHRISTMAS FLOWERS: Anyone wishing to donate to the Christmas Flower Fund in memory of a loved one may do so by putting it in the weekend collection basket marked “Christmas Flowers”.



THE GIVING TREE: Advent is a time to celebrate God’s great gift of love by sharing our gifts with others. The Giving Tree is now located at the back of the church. Please take a gift tag (or two) from the tree and purchase a food donation for those in need at Christmas.

EVENING PRAYER OF THE CHURCH: This Sunday evening at 7:00 p.m.

BULLETIN NOTICES: Bulletin notices can be sent to Donna Lewis by e-mail at donna.lewis@intact.net or by phone at 902-564-2047. It would be appreciated if all notices could be received by Thursday at noon. Thank-you.

PRE-MARRIAGE PROGRAM DATES: February 15th & 16th, 2020 and June 6th & 7th, 2020 at Family Service office, 9 Minto Street, Glace Bay. Participants must call (902) 849-4772 to pre – register.

PAUSE FOR ADVENT: Take a pause during this busy time of the year. On Sunday, December 15th at Holy Family Parish in Sydney Mines at 2:00 p.m. Come join us with Father Oliver to learn more about the Eucharist, and to discuss what it means in our lives.

DIOCESAN LITURGICAL COMMISSION NEWSLETTER: Advent is a time of listening: When we are invited to be still and listen to God’s Word in the scriptures. God’s word is crying out for justice in our world, and to listen to the cries of creation crying out for more ethical care for God’s world. The Season of Advent invites us to take time to listen, to be more reflective and to spend quality time in prayer so that we can as an individual and as communities of faith respond to the cries of God’s people and God’s creation as we do our part to help restore and transform the face of the earth. We have all known “Emmanuel moments” in our lives when we long for a gentle, comforting and strengthening Divine Presence. We have been the receivers of the goodness and providence of God. It is now time for us to return this favor, God’s favor to all who are in need of this presence in our families, communities, parishes and countries. Whenever we seek to serve the needs of the most marginalized in our midst, this is an “Emmanuel moment” for we become the hands, heart and feet of Christ for others. When we try to resolve misunderstandings and conflicts within families and among friends or colleagues, this is an “Emmanuel moment”. Whenever we recognize our need for forgiveness and reconciliation, this too, is an “Emmanuel moment”. Whenever we use our voices to speak out against an injustice this is also an “Emmanuel moment”. Let us go forth and help do our part to help repair our world.

SANTA’S WORKSHOP: Riverview High School is sponsoring Santa’s Workshop December 14th and 15th from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. \$5.00 per child, adults free. Proceeds to go to SPCA



<p>Sunday, December 8th: Holy Family Church – Sydney Mines. Christmas Variety Concert: "They Won't Be Expecting That!" Featuring local musicians & talents and Holy Family's Faith Formation Students. This afternoon hopes to fill our hearts with the beauty of the Season. This concert will be held in the church. Time – 2:00 p.m. Tickets \$ 10.00 with children under 12 admitted free.</p>	<p>Friday, December 20th: Boardmore Playhouse, CBU – CBU Pipe Band's 4th Annual Christmas Concert: Time – 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.: Performers will include both the grade 4 and 5 CBU Pipe Bands, the MacArthur Dancers, Drea Shepherd, Angus MacLeod, and Carol Ann MacDougall. The concert will feature a mix of our Christmas music as well as traditional piping and drumming. Tickets are \$20 regular or \$10 for students. Tickets can be found at the Cape Breton Curiosity Shop or through band members directly. Contact Trevor Kellock at cbupb2014@gmail.com for more details.</p> <p>The CBU Pipe Band also has a Christmas CD for sale. \$10.00 each and available at the CB Curiosity Shop or from any band members.</p>
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CWL:



COLLECTIONS: The CWL is collecting personal items (toothpaste, toothbrushes, shampoo, soap, etc.) plus new underwear (men and women) for both the Men's & Women's Shelters. Also needed are winter jackets, boots, mitts, gloves and socks. All donations are greatly appreciated and can be left in the box located at the church entrance.

JAR FOR THE NEEDY: The Jar for the Needy is at the back of the church. The money collected will go toward Adopt a Family for Christmas.

BAKE SALE: Thank you to all members and parishioners who participated in our Annual Bake Sale. It was a great success again this year!

LOAVES & FISHES: Group # 2

MASS CARDS: Mass cards can be obtained for an offering of \$10.00 from Jo-Anne Currie, Evie O'Rourke, and Kay Henrich. Mass cards are also available at the Glebe House and before and after the weekend Masses.

POP TABS & EYE GLASSES: This collection is ongoing.

FUNERAL RECEPTIONS: Group #3

CHURCH LINENS: December – Lillian Wylde

Mary conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee.

CANCER SUPPORT GROUP: Living with Cancer Support Group, a support group for those who have had a diagnosis of cancer, for their family, caregivers will meet Wednesday, December 18th 1:30 pm – 3:30 pm at Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 128 (Pier), Victoria Road. – For more information contact Alicia at 902-567-8556 (at the Cancer Center)

