

HOLY ROSARY PARISH BULLETIN

Westmount, NS

Parish Priest – Fr. Doug Murphy

Mass – Saturday 4:15 p.m. & Sunday 10:00 a.m.



December 17th & 18th, 2022

THEME: Joseph is assured by the angel that the child Mary will give birth to is the long-awaited saviour. It is the main theme of our Christian faith that Jesus is the living presence of God in the world.

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

COLLECTIONS: \$ 1,995.00 - Church Envelopes for 2023 are now at the church entrance. Anyone who does not have an assigned envelope number is asked to take a box and we will add your name to the list of contributing parishioners. Thank you to all who contribute to the maintenance of the church and the parish.

DIOCESAN DIACONATE FORMATION PROGRAM: The program is accepting interested men, married or single, into a new program. These people will be formed into an ordained minister of the church with a three-fold ministry: (1) Service to the church and community – feeding the hungry, clothing the naked, visiting the sick and shut-in, all the corporal works of mercy. (2) Assisting the community celebrate Eucharist: solemnizing Baptism, Marriage, Funerals and assisting in the liturgical life of the parish. (3) Proclaiming the Word: Faith formation, preaching, religious education and development of the laity. If you feel a call to enter into a new relationship with God, church and community, just ask what the program is all about. Call Fr. Bedford Doucette, Director of Deacons at 902-578-4375 or email at bedford@dioceseofantigonish.ca or you may wish to contact Deacon Berkley Guthrie at deaconberkley@gmail.com or phone 902-631-0041.

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE: Saturday – Christmas Eve at 7:00 p.m. and Sunday Christmas Day at 10:00 a.m.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS: Anyone wishing to donate to the parish Christmas Flower Fund in memory of a loved one may do so by putting your donation in the collection basket with your name the name of your deceased family member/members. We acknowledge and thank parishioners for the donations received last weekend.

IMO Jack, Francie & David O'Brien – Jackie & Brenda O'Brien	IMO Sarah & Angus MacDonald – The Family
IMO Dennis Kaiser – Margaret Kaiser	IMO Bernie Lind – Phyllis Lind
IMO Dorothy & Faith MacGillivray – Hope MacLean	IMO Deceased members of Cuddithy/Warren Family
IMO Merrill & Jenny Lewis – The Family	IMO Stan Henrich & Kathy Cua – Kay & Joanne Henrich

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Christmas Eve from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

PARISH BULLETIN: Notices can be called in to Donna Lewis at 902-564-2047 or sent via e-mail to grahamanddonna@hotmail.com. It would be appreciated if all notices could be sent by Thursday afternoon. Thank you.

HEATING COST ASSISTANCE: Worried about heating costs this winter? Heating oil has doubled in price since last year and this will cause a real hardship. The HomeWarming Program (www.homewarming.ca) from Efficiency Nova Scotia is designed to assist qualified homeowners upgrade the energy efficiency of their home. HomeWarming projects usually focus on reducing drafts and increasing insulation thereby lowering energy costs and increasing comfort. HomeWarming is *totally without cost to qualified homeowners*. Do you Qualify? 1. Do you own your own home? 2. Does the household net income below these thresholds: One person in the home - \$27,250; two - four people in the house - \$50,625. Call Kevin at (902) 202-5700 for additional information and assistance with the HomeWarming application.



CWL:

DUES: CWL dues (\$ 34.00) are now due. Dues can be given to Jackie Burton or put in an envelope labelled CWL and placed in the collection.

ADOPT A FAMILY: We will be once again adopting a family for Christmas. A jar will be available at the church entrance for Adopt a Family donations.

COLLECTIONS: We are once again collecting the plastic cover tops from beverage bottles and medication tops. We also continue to collect the pop tabs and eyeglasses.

CHURCH LINENS: December – Lillian Wylde January- Joanne Currie

FUNERAL RECEPTIONS: Group # 2

LOAVES & FISHES: Will resume following the Holidays.