



# PARISH COMMUNITY OF ST. JOSEPH

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## Blessings for Our 175th Anniversary Celebrations!

† SEPTEMBER 15TH, 2019, 24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C †

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 Faith Formation, Cora Pye – Administrative Assistant, Cavell  
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OFFICE HOURS:  
 MON, TUE, THURS, FRI – 8:30 – 12:30 PM  
 WED, 2:30 – 6:30 PM  
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### SCHEDULE OF SACRAMENTS

Date	Location	Time	Details	
Mon., Sept. 16	St. Joseph Church			Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK
Tues., Sept. 17	Cape Breton University		Chaplaincy	
Wed., Sept. 18	St. Joseph Church	6:30 pm	Mass	
Thur., Sept. 19	St. Joseph Church	10:00 am	Mass	Roddie Bennett
Fri., Sept. 20	St. Joseph Church	10:00 am	Mass	Lucy MacKenzie
Sat., Sept. 21	St. Joseph Church	3:15 pm	Confession	Mary Evoy Clarke
	St. Joseph Church	4:00 pm	Mass	Leah Harris Gabrielle
	St. Andrew Parish, Boisdale	5:30 pm	Mass	Barbara Aucoin Pearl
Sun., Sept. 22	St. Joseph Church	10:00 am	Mass	For Parishioners

Ministries for Sept. 21st and 22nd	4 pm Mass Saturday	10 am Mass Sunday
SACRISTAN, AND LINENS	Deacon Roy Smith, Irene Cogan	Deacon Roy Smith, Irene Cogan
CHOIR	Celebration Choir	Adult Choir
GREETERS & HOSPITALITY	Ken and Loretta Byrne	Ina Taylor, Paulette MacDonald
ALTAR SERVERS	E. MacLean, L. LeBlanc	J. Skinner, L. Green
READERS	Joan Byers, Fred MacLeod	Taralee McInnis, Iris Young
PRESENTATION OF GIFTS (OFFERTORY)	Caroline Campbell, Arlene Lyle	Julie Green, Janet Stanford
EXTRAORDINARY MIN. OF HOLY COMMUNION	Deacon Roy or EMC, Lawrence Jellow, Cathy MacDonald, Janis Rose, Richard Rose	Deacon Roy or EMC, Armand Forest, Cammie Gillis, Doreen Lewis, Mike MacIsaac
CLEANING OF CHURCH	Team	Team
PORTER - OPENS CHURCH	George Quirk	Calvin Gracie

### PARISH NEWS

**Adult Choir Practice** – will be held Wednesday evenings at 7 pm after the Wednesday evening mass.

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** - The Liturgy Committee is pleased to announce that Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament begins on Friday September 27th at 9 am. *“Come and adore him.”*

**Finance Committee** - Wednesday, Sept. 18th at 7 pm at Parish Office.

**Locking Doors?** - This summer the locks were adjusted and doors given maintenance. Recently a new key got stuck in the front door locks; this is because the front doors can only be opened or locked by the interior Allen key. The new key opens all exterior doors like the hall, ramp and side door, but not the front doors. Also, may I take this moment to say when people leave the church and exit the front doors, please push the door shut from the outside to ensure it is locked. Thank you all for your cooperation, Fr. Doug

**Student needs a dresser** - Over 5000 students are attending CBU this year and there are many students in need. One female student needs a dresser to put her clothes in, as she has been living from her suitcase. If you would like to donate a dresser, please call the office or Fr. Doug 794-4599 or email him at: [fatherdouglas@gmail.com](mailto:fatherdouglas@gmail.com) and he will pick it up and take it to the student on your behalf.

**Deacon Appreciation** - Next weekend we will honour the two deacons, Rev Mr. Roy Smith and the newly minted Rev Mr. Dave Lewis who will be appointed to serve in Sydney Mines. At both weekend masses the ritual for Deacon Appreciation will take place.

Then on Sunday after mass, a special party to celebrate the ordination of Rev Mr. Dave Lewis will take place. A congratulations basket will be present and all are welcome.

**Fundraising & Concert** - Last year we discussed living within our means, thus trusting God will provide in the collection without relying on weekly fundraising. Back then I stated there will still be fundraising for extraordinary special cases from time to time, just not ordinary fundraising or regular weekly fundraising. So once or twice a year as needed we will do some fundraising for special situations.

The Cemetery fund is very low, actually they are in the red; thus, this is one of those extraordinary situations we need to fundraise for. Half the donations from the concert will go directly to the cemetery fund and half to Cogan's for oil to heat the church.

Kay Batherson has organized an incredible concert with sacred music and liturgical dance of the youth. It will be very powerful, honouring Our Lady with the Ave Maria in Latin, using the main church organ and many first-class musicians. We hope everyone comes out to fill their soul with a sacred experience of music & dance, while also assisting those who rest in peace at the cemetery. Thank you for your understanding and support while we fundraise for a special cause.

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

**Registration for Faith Formation Classes** - (Preschool through to Grade 6) will be held on Sunday Sept. 15th after the 10 am mass downstairs in the Parish Hall and Sept., 22nd at the back of the church after the 10 am mass. For further information, please contact Pam at (902)577-4553.

**We are seeking Cathectists** – to help with our Faith Formation Program. Anyone interested in helping with these young children, please contact Pam at (902)577-4553.

**What is the purpose of holy images?** - The image of Christ is the liturgical icon *par excellence*. Other images, representations of Our Lady and of the Saints, signify Christ who is glorified in them. They proclaim the same Gospel message that Sacred Scripture communicates by the word and they help to awaken and nourish the faith of believers.

Further reading: CCC [1159-1161](#), [1192](#)

#### HALL NEWS

**The Hall Fund** - is used to pay the Hall's portion of expenses, since they are in the same building as the Church. This helps reduce Church costs, as expenses are now shared with the hall. However, we can only continue to take advantage of this morally legal loophole if donations continue to come to the hall fund.

If you know of any person who has stopped supporting the church because they don't want their hard-earned money going to the Diocese, then the Hall Fund is also for them. Consider inviting them to make a donation to the: [St Joseph Hall Fund](#).

The Hall Fund is also a great way to get a tax receipt if you have excess income that you may not want to pay taxes on. Tax receipts for donations throughout 2019 will be issued. Thank you for your consideration.

**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!

**No Collection Sept 8th Weekend** - Since there were no collections on the weekend of September 8th due to loss of power from the hurricane; we are inviting parishioners to consider placing their offering in the Sept. 15th collection. Thank you for your consideration, The Parish.

Envelopes	
Loose cash/coin	
Fuel	
Special collections	
Change for Change	
Candles	
Totals	
Hall Fund	
Holy Cross	

#### DIOCESAN NEWS

**Marriage Preparation Course** – is scheduled to be held in the Monsignor Donnelly Hall, in St. Peters Parish, Tracadie on Saturday, October 26<sup>th</sup> from 8:30 am – 4:30 pm.

**Celebration of our 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary** - of our Diocese on September 15<sup>th</sup> 2019, at St. Ninian's Cathedral. The Anniversary Mass will be at 4:00 pm.

**"The Diocese of Antigonish Youth Ministry team invites your parish to participate in the Alpha for Youth series** - starting September 20<sup>th</sup>. Young people in the Sydney Deanery making their Confirmation in the 2020 year are encouraged to attend. This year will be hosted by Our Lady of Fatima Parish in Sydney River. If you would like to register your parish or youth to participate as a part of your confirmation program please contact Nick Vince, Youth Minister, at (902) 317 6279 or Allyson Langely, Our Lady of Fatima, at (902) 562 3934 by September 18<sup>th</sup>."

**A Thanksgiving Dinner of Gratitude** - Youth and Young Adults are invited to join us with Most Reverend Apostolic Administrator Brian Dunn on Wednesday October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2019, at 6:30 pm at Holy Family Parish in Sydney Mines. RSVP by emailing [youthministry@dioceseofantigonish.ca](mailto:youthministry@dioceseofantigonish.ca) by September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2019.

**Diaconate Ordinations** - On Friday September 20<sup>th</sup> 4 pm St. Ninian Cathedral, 8 candidates will be ordained to the Order of Deacon. Please keep these men in your prayers:  
Shawn Bigley St. Anne, Glace Bay,

Fernand Boivin Stella Maris, Pictou,  
Sander Burke St. Mary, Lismore,  
David Lewis St. Joseph, North Sydney,  
Duncan MacMaster Stella Maris, Inverness,  
Barry Miller Stella Maris, Inverness,  
Tom Sylliboy Holy Family, Eskasoni,  
Henry VandeWiel St. Andrew, St. Andrews.

#### COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Workshop For Parishioners** - Saturday, Sept. 21 10 am – 3 pm, lunch included Pastoral office of St. Leonard's Parish (formerly St. Michael's Hall) 5308 Union Highway, River Ryan We will discuss the history of social justice action in the diocese of Antigonish and the new Development and Peace campaign "FOR OUR COMMON HOME" inspired by Pope Francis's powerful encyclical letter, Laudato Si.

**Inner Peace Spiritual Exercises** – If you are looking to connect with youth, young adults and adults please join us for an unforgettable 5-week retreat, beginning Sunday, October 20<sup>th</sup>, and ending on Nov. 17<sup>th</sup>, at Our Lady of Fatima, Sydney River, from 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm. The retreat cost is \$30.00 which covers the cost of the book. For more information you may call Winnie Odo at (902)862-2330. Please register by Oct., 7, 2019 by contacting Winnie Odo at [twinnieodo@seaside.ns.ca](mailto:twinnieodo@seaside.ns.ca).

**The Cursillo weekend schedule for the fall 2019** - Men's: October 17-20, 2019; Women's: November 7-10, 2019. Candidates are needed and if interested in attending please call Kevin or Karen McSween at (902) 862- 8517, Sean or Roberta O'Leary at (902) 539-4692, Burt or Claudia Aucoin at (902) 578-1266 or Gary David (902) 631-1734. Ultreya - starts again September 26, 2019 at 7:30 pm Our Lady of Fatima church, hope to see you there.

**2020 Colombia Mission Trip** – Mission to Home for children who have been abandoned. PLUS: 3-Day tour of Caribbean Coastal city of Cartagena. Jan. 10 -20<sup>th</sup> 2020. Flights from Halifax to Toronto: \$1300.00 PLUS ground fees: \$800.00. Contact/Leader: Fr. Andrew Gillies – [fr.gillies@yahoo.ca](mailto:fr.gillies@yahoo.ca) – (902) 863-4846.

**Free Chair Yoga** – Come join us for free chair yoga classes, Wednesdays. Beginning Sept. 11<sup>th</sup>, 12:30 – 1:30 at the Florence Legion, Bras d'Or Rd. Note the change of venue. Sponsored by St. Vincent de Paul Society. Grant provided by Community Health Board.

**Under One Umbrella-Cape Breton Winter Wear Donations Request** – we are looking for warm winter wear for all ages including mitts, gloves, winter hats, jackets, boots or other foot wear (winter boots are in high demand). Bed linen, especially warm blankets are also needed. Last year, a total of over 900 men, women & children were able to benefit from this event. We will be collecting donated items beginning Sept 23rd with an end date of Oct. 1st. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call, Ken Bickerton, Coordinator Under One Umbrella at (902)565-7220 or Diane Gillis, Clothing Chair at (902)862-8065 or (902)574-1748. You can also email [underoneumbrella@nshealth.ca](mailto:underoneumbrella@nshealth.ca).

**36<sup>th</sup> Cape Breton Ecumenical Conference for Women** – "Finding Peace and Joy in our World" will take place at the Inverary Inn, Baddeck on November 1, 2, & 3<sup>rd</sup> 2019. It is a weekend of personal enrichment and support to celebrate god's presence in our midst and deepen our Faith. For more information or to register please contact Josephine Aucoin at 902-849-0275 or Judy Cechetto at 902-539-6268.

**Kids Help Phone** – 1-800-668-6868

**Canada Suicide Prevention Service**

1-833-456-4566  
Text. 45645

**Canadian Sport Abuse Help Line**

Call/text: 1-888-837-7678  
[info@abuse-free-sport.ca](mailto:info@abuse-free-sport.ca)  
[www.abuse-free-sport.ca](http://www.abuse-free-sport.ca)

**PEACE BE WITH YOU AND HAVE A GREAT WEEK!**