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SCHEDULE OF SACRAMENTS

Date	Location	Time	Details	
Mon., Sept. 23	St. Joseph Church			
Tues., Sept. 24	Cape Breton University		Chaplaincy Mass/Prayer	
Wed., Sept. 25	St. Joseph Church	1:30 pm	My Cape Breton Home	
Thur., Sept. 26	St. Joseph Church	10:00 am	Mass	Roddie Bennett
Fri., Sept. 27	St. Joseph Church	10:00 am	Mass	
Sat., Sept. 28	St. Joseph Church	3:15 pm	Confession	
	St. Joseph Church	4:00 pm	Mass	
	St. Andrew Parish, Boisdale	5:30 pm	Mass	
Sun., Sept. 29	St. Joseph Church	10:00 am	Mass	For Parishioners

Ministries for Sept. 28th and 29th	4 pm Mass Saturday	10 am Mass Sunday
SACRISTAN, & LINENS	Deacon Roy Smith, Irene Cogan	Deacon Roy Smith, Irene Cogan
CHOIR	Celebration Choir	Adult Choir
GREETERS & HOSPITALITY	Alberta Devoe, Barb Williams, Florence Wilson	Yvette Landry, Louise Ivey
ALTAR SERVERS	L. Guy, M. Maclsaac	J. Ross, L. Aker
READERS	Charlotte Monroe, Frank McNamara	Crystal Winter, Mike MacKinnon
PRESENTATION OF GIFTS (OFFERTORY)	Joe and Marlene Barron	Eric Power and Family
EXTRAORDINARY MIN. OF HOLY COMMUNION	Deacon Roy or EMC, David Dooley, Leonard Guy, Lawrence Jellow, Cathy MacDonald	Deacon Roy or EMC, Lisa Brown, Mike Maclsaac, George Quirk, Ann Marie Steele
CLEANING OF CHURCH	Team	Team
PORTER - OPENS CHURCH	George Quirk	Calvin Gracie

PARISH NEWS

Extraordinary Ministers of Communion Schedule – is now available for pick up in the vestry.

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.”*

Rosary Before Mass - During Oct. there will be a rosary before mass on Sundays at 9:30 am.

Technology Helping with Heat - Special thanks to Lloyd Cox who installed a WIFI thermostat in the Church. This enables us to adjust the heat, program unique heating schedules that will ensure all parish events are warm and comfortable. Heat will be on in October.

We are also offering WIFI to visitors of the church, and this feature may assist youth. Presentations, Religious Education, choirs, CWL, KOC, AA and other groups may find WIFI helpful for their organization. All you need to do is “like” our St Joseph Parish Facebook page and you are in as our guest for 2 hours.

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.

Sacred Music Concert – at St. Joseph Church, North Sydney on Oct., 6 at 7 pm. Donations split between the Holy Cross Cemetery fund and St. Joseph Church fuel fund. Admission is by good will donation at the door. The concert will feature local musician, vocalists and dancers. Sound will be provided by Railroad Recording Productions. For more information call Kay at 902-794-3772.

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

Cardinal Newman to be canonized a Saint on October 13TH - For further information please follow the link:
<https://www.newmancanonisation.com/>

Donations for the food bank - Thanksgiving is quickly approaching and we are seeking donations for the local Food Bank. If you are able to donate any non-perishable items to the food bank please drop off your donation at the entrance of the church. Any help is greatly appreciated.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

“Even our soul itself becomes more beautiful when beauty meets us, takes hold of us, and fires us with enthusiasm.” - Dietrich von Hildebrand.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Faith Formation Classes – begin Sept. 29, 2019.

A reading from *The Day Is Now Far Spent* - Given the surge of sins in the ranks of the Church, we are tempted to try to take things into our own hands. We are tempted to try to purify the Church by our own strength. That would be a mistake. What would we do? Form a party? A movement? That is the most serious temptation: the showy disguise of division. Under the pretext of doing good, people become divided, they criticize each other, they tear each other apart. And the devil snickers. He has succeeded in tempting good people under the appearance of good. We do not reform the Church by division and hatred. We reform the Church when we start by changing ourselves! Let us not hesitate, each one in his place, to denounce sin, starting with our own.

What is the center of the liturgical season? - The center of the liturgical season is Sunday which is the foundation and kernel of the entire liturgical year and has its culmination in the annual celebration of Easter, the feast of feasts.

Further reading: CCC [1163-1167](#), [1193](#)

HALL NEWS

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!

Sept. 14/15 including envelopes marked the 8th	
Envelopes	4377.05
Loose cash/coin	284.60
Fuel Special collections	368.75
Change for Change	0.00
Candles	90.95
Totals	5121.35
Hall Fund	430.00
Expectant Mothers	86.00
Check -0-Matic for Aug.	2454.00

DIOCESAN NEWS

175th Diocesan Anniversary Closing Celebrations - Much appreciation is given for the celebrations surrounding the 175th Anniversary closing weekend, September 13 – 15, 2019. Gratitude is extended to the parishes of St. Marguerite Bourgeoys (Sydney), St. Joseph (Port Hawkesbury), and St. Ninian Cathedral (Antigonish) for their gracious hospitality; to all who were involved in planning and preparations, welcoming and hospitality, ministries and liturgies; to all who contributed to the Diocesan Quilt and Missionary Disciple Banners; to all who came to hear Dr. Anne Jamieson who reminded us that **“I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me”**. Thank you to the parishioners involved in the emotionally moving narration of our history and presentation of symbols. It was a grand gathering for our Diocesan family! May God’s abundant blessings continue to shower upon the Diocese of Antigonish.
The 175th Diocesan Anniversary Committee

“Appreciation and Farewell to Bishop Brian Dunn” - on Sunday, October 6, 2019. The gathering begins with Mass at 4pm at St. Ninian Cathedral followed by a reception in St. Ninian’s Place. This is an open invitation for all the people of the Diocese. RSVP’s to Mae Rowe by September 20, 2019. mae@dioceseofantigonish.ca.

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

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

St. Joseph Parish Bras d’Or Fall Fair -on Wed. Sept., 25, 2019. Doors open at 3:30 pm. Hot turkey supper from 4-6 pm (cost is \$14.00) eat in. Take out available at the *Bras d’Or Seniors & Pensioners Club*, Main St. Bras d’Or, 4 – 6 pm. Fall Fair Bingo will be at 7pm at the Bras d’Or Hall. Children’s fair on Thursday, Sept., 26th 3 pm at the Bras d’Or Hall with a fishpond, bingo, Hot dogs and cake walk. Lots of fun!

Holy Family Parish will be having their annual Fall Fair Sept 29 - from 11 am - 2 pm. followed by Bingo at 7.30 pm at Holy Family Parish Hall Main Street, Sydney Mines. Some attractions will be a bake table, craft table, a mini auction, children and adult games, a luncheon (eat in or take out) etc.

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 20th, and ending on Nov. 17th, 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.

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 -20th 2020. Flights from Halifax to Toronto: \$1300.00 PLUS ground fees: \$800.00. Contact/Leader: Fr. Andrew Gillies – fr.gillies@yahoo.ca – (902) 863-4846.

Principles of Healthy Aging workshop – Thursday Sept., 24th, 9 am – 4 pm at the Cape Breton Health and Recreation Complex (CBU) Sydney. There will be no cost for this workshop but participants are asked to bring a lunch. Tea, coffee and snacks will be provided.

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.

36th 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, & 3rd 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 or Text. 45645

Canadian Sport Abuse Help Line

Call/text: 1-888-837-7678

info@abuse-free-sport.ca

www.abuse-free-sport.ca

PEACE BE WITH YOU AND HAVE A GREAT WEEK!