

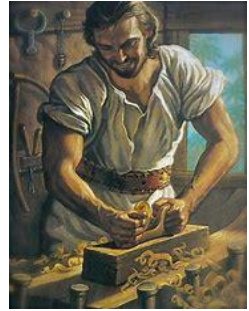


PARISH COMMUNITY OF ST. JOSEPH

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April 24th, 2022
2nd Sunday of Easter
Divine Mercy Sunday

† APRIL 24TH, 2022 †

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roy.smith@hotmail.ca

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Pam Hall- Secretary /Faith Formation, Cavell Young –
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OFFICE HOURS:

TUES., WED., THURS, FRI – 9AM – 1 PM

OPEN TO PUBLIC : TUES. WED. THURS. 9AM -
1PM

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ST. JOSEPH PARISH NEXT WEEK

Mass Intentions
FOR THE WEEK

Date	Location	Time	Details	
Mon. April 25th	Private Mass			For Virginia Walsh
Tues. April 26th	Private Mass			For Maureen Fyfe
Wed. April 27th	Private Mass			For All Volunteers
Thurs. April 28th	Private Mass			For All the Sick
Fri. April 29th	Private Mass		St. Catherine of Siena	For All Seniors
Sat. April 30th	St. Joseph Church		St. Marie DeL'InCarnation	For All the Unemployed
Sun. May 1st	St. Joseph Church			For All Parishioners

Ministries	4 pm Mass Saturday	10 am Mass Sunday
SACRISTAIN & LINENS	Deacon Roy Smith, Team	Deacon Roy Smith, Team
CHOIR		
GREETERS		
USHERS		
READERS	Ellen & Frank McNamara	Joan Byers & Taralee MacInnis
PRESENTATION OF GIFTS		
EXTRAORDINARY MIN. OF HOLY COMMUNION	Deacon Roy	Deacon Roy
Cleaning of Church	Team	Team
PORTER - OPENS CHURCH	George Quirk	Calvin Gracie

PARISH NEWS

Furnace Fund

As you may know, we are in need of a new furnace for our church. Under ordinary circumstances we do not fundraise, but this is an example of extra ordinary circumstance. If you are able to help out during these difficult times, you can place your donation in an envelope with your name and envelope number on it and place it in the collection basket. For those who do not have an envelope number, you can write your name and address on the envelope and a tax receipt will be issued to you. Donations can also be dropped off at the office. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Communion Distribution Back to Old Way

Starting this weekend we will go back to the old way of receiving communion. Three ministers of communion: one in the middle, and one on each side by the stain glass

windows. Then everyone returns the same way down the pillar aisle to their seat.

Thank you 🙏

Collection back to Regular

The collection will begin again in the pews, so people are invited to hold their envelopes until the offertory/presentation of the gifts. The collection baskets will be brought around the Church to each pew and then presented to God before the altar.

Holy Water Fonts

The holy water will return to the fonts on Easter Sunday. For hygiene reasons the bowls placed inside the fonts will be cleaned each weekend. Blessed salt and holy water will be in the Holy water fonts starting in Easter.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY APRIL 24TH, 2022

The Chaplet of Divine Mercy will be recited 30 minutes prior to each mass this coming weekend. Hope that you will be able to join us.

“Eternal Father, I offer you the body, blood, soul and divinity of your dearly beloved Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.

For the sake of his sorrowful passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.”



St. Joseph Awards

Applicants must be a parishioner of St. Joseph Parish in North Sydney or a child or grandchild of a parishioner.

Due to the parish by May 1st:

Name

Address

Plans for the Fall

Welcome to all at Church

We are glad to see so many parishioners returning to church, and so many new faces within our Church community. We are struck at all the youth now coming to Sunday morning mass and participating in Religious Education. We warmly welcome you all!

Starting May 5th we will offer a warm meal to anyone on the first Thursday of every month from noon to 2 pm. We also provide free diapers, baby formula and baby accessories to parents in need. If you want to register your family with the Parish, or support our care for others consider contacting the Parish Office 902-794-3951 or stjoseph2006@ns.aliantzinc.ca

If you wish to get donation envelopes or to sign up for pre-authorized debit we appreciate your support!

Angel's Mobile Soup Kitchen

Those in need can count on a hot meal at different locations on Thursdays. Some with other Churches and some with Angela Iannetti who is assisting those in need with complimentary soup meals on several Thursdays each month.

1st Thursday - St. Joseph's Hall, North Sydney, starting May 5th, noon to 2 pm.

2nd Thursday - Emera Community Centre and other Churches and locations TBA.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

To Serve God Well

Father of mercy, forgive my failings,
keep me in Your peace
and lead me in the way of salvation.
Give me strength in serving You
as a follower of Christ.
May the Eucharist bring me Your forgiveness
and give me freedom to serve You all my life.
May it help me to remain faithful
and give me the grace I need in Your service.
May it teach me the way to eternal life.

Amen

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!

APRIL 16TH & 17TH 2022

Envelopes		2320.00
Holy Cross		
Special Collection		630.00
Candles		
Faith Formation		
Fuel		55.00
Expectant Mothers		
Total		3055.00
Hall Fund		905.00
Furnace		

DIOCESAN NEWS

Understanding what the Permanent Deacon does: As disciples of Christ and members of the church a deacon's ministry evolves in response to specific needs and his God-given talents. There are three dimensions of diaconal service: ministry of Love and justice, Ministry of the Word of God, and the Ministry within the Liturgy. They care for the disadvantaged, the bereaved, the divorced, the dying and the imprisoned, those pushed to the fringes of society by sickness and poverty, crime or age. Deacons prepare the faithful to receive the sacraments and to carry out their vocations as spiritual guidance. They assist bishop and priests in liturgical celebrations. They baptize, witness marriages and preside at funerals. Whatever they do, deacons are acting on behalf of the servant Christ. Normally, this service that the deacon undertakes on behalf of the church is done free of charge and without pay.

Synod Update

If you could be Bishop's advisor for the day, what would you offer as suggestions for him to do, change, or continue in our diocese to support your journey and those of your family and friends?

Now through the end of May, at the invitation of Pope Francis, our diocese is among those worldwide engaged in Synod consultations and conversations, asking our faithful to share their stories, ideas and dreams for the church moving forward. Information gathered will be compiled in a report for review by regional and national bishops to be part of a national submission to the Synod of Bishops in 2023.

How can you engage in the Synod?

- visit our website: antigonishdiocese.com/listeningchurch
- complete the online survey (link on the web page)
- send a submission to listeningchurch@dioceseofantigonish.ca or mail to : Listening Church, Diocesan Pastoral Centre, PO Box 100, Stn. A Sydney NS. B1P 6G9

Questions or comments? Contact Communications Officer, Jennifer Hatt

jennifer@dioceseofantigonish.ca, phone 902-759-2181

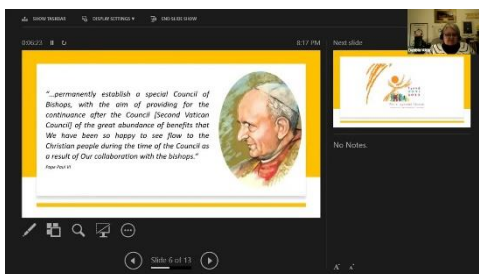
Thank you for journeying with us.

Synod in Action:

CBU Chaplaincy Synod day via Zoom

Cape Breton University students offer personal reflections on what needs to happen in the Church today:

<https://youtu.be/3CpD7JvvRW4>



[Synod Discussion with CBU Students on March 22, 2022](#)

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Upcoming Events:

Synod Conversation:

Our Lady of Fatima Parish

Saturday April 23, 1:30pm - 3:30pm

to learn about the Synod and more importantly to share our thoughts and ideas around Pope Francis' questions.

TO REGISTER: Contact the parish office, by phone, 902-562-3934 or email: olfsydneyriver@gmail.com

Synod Conversation

April 25, 6:30-8:30 pm

St. John the Baptist Church, New Glasgow

Hosted by the Pictou Deanery of the Diocese of Antigonish, including the parishes of

St. Mary's (Lismore); Our Lady of Lourdes (Stellarion); Holy Name (Westville); Stella Maris (Pictou); Our Lady of Perpetual Help (Pictou Landing); St. John the Baptist (New Glasgow).

How are we journeying together as Church today?

What is your hope for the Church moving forward?

All are welcome to participate in this sharing and listening experience.

Contact: Jennifer Hatt, Communications Officer

jennifer@dioceseofantigonish.ca

www.antigonishdiocese.com/listeningchurch

Resources:

Create a Listening Box for Synod prayer intentions and submissions

Place a shoebox or similar container in a visible space in your church and/or office, hall and other spaces where it may be seen and used. Provide prayer cards, pens, and index cards with an invitation for worshippers or visitors to share with the Synod their prayer intentions, dreams for the church, experiences and stories of faith, and areas in need of healing. Index cards can be filled out on the spot or taken home and returned to the shoebox. Invite a parishioner to serve as collector and notetaker to collect submissions and compile a report.

Submit the completed report to the Synod process:

listeningchurch@dioceseofantigonish.ca

or mail to Listening Church, Diocesan Pastoral Centre, PO Box 100, Stn. A Sydney NS. B1P 6G9

Synod Posters and Prayer Cards

are available in both English and French, free of charge.

Does your parish need some, or need more?

Contact Debbie at the Emmaus Centre with your order: 902-539-6188 or toll-free 1-800-656-5311 ext. 226

or daker@dioceseofantigonish.ca

www.antigonishdiocese.com/listeningchurch



[Pray-Connect - Share Your Story - Diocese of Antigonish](#)

Welcome and invitation from Bishop Wayne Kirkpatrick: Synod = Journeying Together Now through May 2022, our diocese is engaged in the Synod journey, inviting individuals and groups to share their stories, opinions, and thoughts on the church past, present and future. Information gathered during this time will be compiled into a 10-page report

www.antigonishdiocese.com

Thank you for joining us on this journey!

See you next Wednesday.



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CWL AND KOC NEWS

Our CWL Meeting for April is canceled due to the high cost of oil to heat the basement. Hopefully we will not need to put the heat on in May. That being said our May meeting will be held 9 May at 7 pm. I hope to see you all there.

KOC MEETING There will be a meeting on Thursday, April 28th at 7 p.m. in the Church Hall.

KOC 4th degree Assembly 0797 will hold their general meeting Sunday, April 24th at 2:00 to 3:00 pm Our Lady of Fatima church hall. Masks are strongly encouraged. Membership cards will be available for dues payments \$30. and tickets for our 77th anniversary dinner May 7th \$20. per person. Thank You.

Kyte Power

The Knights of Columbus 4th Degree Fr. William B. MacLeod Assembly 0797 Sydney will be hosting their 77th Charter Anniversary in Memory and Honor of Faithful Friar Sir Knight Fr. Frank Abbass on Saturday 7 May 2022. Celebration of the Eucharist will be 4:15 at Saint Theresa’s Parish. Wine and Cheese at 5:30 followed by dinner at 6:00pm which will take place at the Steelworker’s and Pensioners Club. Tickets are \$20.00 per person for all 4th Degree Knights and spouses. Dress: Social Baldric or Black Suit with Jewells. Tickets are available by contacting the following Sir Knights.

Kyte Power – 902 561-5891

Francis Gillis – 902 371-1940

Joe Tobin – 902 578-3518

Reginald Bonner – 902 736-6736

Cecil Saccary – 902 849-2803

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Songs of Mary

“Songs Of Mary” You are invited to our Marian Hymn Sing to be held at St. Mary’s church in Port Morien on Sunday, May 1st, 2022 at 7 pm. This program will feature readings and musical selections by special guests: Marilyn MacDonald-MacKinnon, Cindy Price, Patsy Murgatroyd, Debbie Levangie, Arlene Stevens, Vivian Jeddore, Ramona Gould, Pat Moore, Ronnie Martin, Meaghan Keating (violin), Angela Strickland (flute), and Debbie Keating (piano). All are invited to attend this wonderful evening devoted to our Blessed Mother Mary. For information, contact Debbie Keating at 902-578-9152.

Mother of Sorrows Pioneer Shrine

The Mother of Sorrows Pioneer Shrine has been open for visitation throughout the winter.

The gift shop will be open from 1:00 to 4:00 pm every day starting on Sunday, May 1. Hours for the gift shop will be extended as of June 1 to 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. The Shrine remains open daily for visitation.

CWL FUNDRAISER

Bras d’Or Hall ~ 24 Villa Drive

Turkey Burger Sale

Thursday, April 28th

11:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M.

Drive Thru Take Out Only

\$10.00 each, dessert included

For tickets please phone

Jane 902.736.3802 Jeanie 902.736.6513

Pauline 902.241.2470 Office 902.736.9633

NEW STORY

https://youtu.be/ITAu_XvzpOs

Movie Fr. Stu playing in Sydney

<https://www.ncregister.com/features/father-stu-and-the-gift-of-divine-mercy>

Accepting the Love of the Saviour and Prophet

<https://www.catholiceducation.org/en/religion-and-philosophy/spiritual-life/accepting-the-love-of-the-saviour-and-prophet.html>

- Fr Stuart Long’s Testimony (Fr Stu)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=X2cK8e5Nt1g>

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QUOTE OF THE WEEK

“God whispers to us in our pleasures
God speaks to us in our conscience
And God shouts to us in our pain.”
C.S. Lewis

Community Compassionate Care

Kids Help Phone – 1-800-668-6868

Canada Suicide Prevention Service

1-833-456-4566 or Text. 4564

Canadian Sport Abuse Help Line: Call/text: 1-888-837-7678

info@abuse-free-sport.ca

www.abuse-free-sport.ca

Compassionate Community Care 1- 855-675-8749

Euthanasia Prevention Advice, Support, Confidential and Free

End Human Trafficking

<https://blocktraffik.org/>

Vaccine Injury Support Program

1-833-489-0839 info@vaccineinjurysupport.ca

<https://vaccineinjurysupport.ca/en>

Parenting Resources:

<https://axis.org/resources/>

www.CatholicMomsGroup.com

www.DynamicWomenFaith.com

