

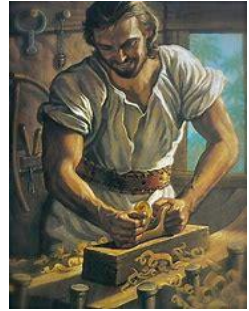


# PARISH COMMUNITY OF ST. JOSEPH

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## February 13th, 2022

### 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

† FEBRUARY 13TH, 2022 †

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#### Leadership Ministry Team

Pam Hall- Secretary /Faith Formation, Cavell Young –  
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Bereavement/Funeral Team, Richard Rose-Finance

#### OFFICE HOURS:

TUES., WED., THURS, FRI – 9AM – 1 PM

OPEN TO PUBLIC WEDNESDAYS 9AM- 1PM

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#### ST. JOSEPH PARISH NEXT WEEK

**Mass Intentions**  
FOR THE WEEK

Date	Location	Time	Details	
Mon. Feb. 14th	Private Mass		St. Cyril Monk & St. Methodius, Bishop	For The Truckers
Tues. Feb. 15th	Private Mass			For The Lonely
Wed. Feb. 16th	Private Mass			For The Health Care Workers
Thurs. Feb. 17th	Private Mass			For All Volunteers
Fri. Feb. 18th	Private Mass			For All Deacons
Sat. Feb. 19th	St. Joseph Church	4pm		For All Priests
Sun. Feb. 20th	St. Joseph Church	10am		For All Parishioners
<b>Ministries</b>	<b>4 pm Mass Saturday</b>	<b>10 am Mass Sunday</b>		
SACRISTAIN & LINENS	Deacon Roy Smith, Team	Deacon Roy Smith, Team		
CHOIR				
GREETERS				
USHERS				
READERS	Norm Connors	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

#### Tax Receipts

Tax receipts are now available at the entrance of the church.

#### Celebration of St. Blaise & World Day of the Sick

At the week-end masses of Feb 12th & 13th, St. Joseph Parish will hold a combined celebration of St. Blaise (Feb 3rd) & World Day of the Sick (Feb 11th) with prayers to Our Lady of Lourdes and with a congregational blessing of the throats. Due to pandemic restrictions, no individual blessings will be done.

#### World Day of the Sick

Thirty years ago, Saint John Paul II instituted the World Day of the Sick on February 11<sup>th</sup>, the memorial of Our Lady of Lourdes, to encourage the people of God, Catholic health institutions and civil society to be increasingly attentive to the sick and to those who care for them.

At this week-end masses, the following Prayer for the Sick will be prayed and the Blessing of the Throats will be done en masse.

#### Prayer for the Sick

O' Blessed Lady of Lourdes,  
You gave us the spring of life.  
Your waters have cured the sick  
And those who suffer from strife.  
In times of worry and doubt  
You refresh us with your hope,  
When relief seems far from sight  
You teach us how to cope.  
O lovely Lady in white,  
Stay beside us, this we pray.  
Send your Son to heal us  
And be with us each day.

Amen

## 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.

## **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

### For God's Guidance

Father in heaven,  
you made me Your child  
and call me to walk in the light of Christ.  
Free me from darkness  
and keep me in the light of the truth.  
The light of Jesus  
has scattered the darkness of hatred and sin.  
Called to that light I ask for Your guidance.  
Form my life in Your truth,  
My heart in Your love.  
Through the Holy Eucharist  
give me the power of Your grace  
that I may walk in the light of Jesus  
and serve Him faithfully.  
Amen.

## **HALL NEWS**

**Hall Envelopes** - Donations to the hall are 100% levy free.

The finance committee created *new hall envelopes* that are available. For tax receipts write: *St. Joseph Hall* on your cheque.

## **COLLECTIONS ~ THANK YOU**

February 6<sup>th</sup>, 2022

Envelopes		490.00
Holy Cross		
Special Collection		
Candles		10.00
Faith Formation		
Fuel		120.00
Total		620.00
Hall Fund		190.00
Preauthorized Debit		
Furnace Fund	February 6th	370.00

## **DIOCESAN NEWS**

### Pray - Connect - Share Your Story

is the invitation to engage in the Synod. It starts with prayer. "We stand before you, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in your name." is the beginning of the Synod prayer.

We invite you to pray for and with the Synod in our diocese and worldwide:  
[www.antigonishdiocese.com/listeningchurch](http://www.antigonishdiocese.com/listeningchurch).

You can join the global prayers for the Synod at [prayforthesynod.va](http://prayforthesynod.va)

**Remember ...**

## Synod Posters and Prayer Cards

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

Does your parish need some, or need more?

Contact Jennifer with your order: 902-759-2181

or [jennifer@dioceseofantigonish.ca](mailto:jennifer@dioceseofantigonish.ca)

### New!

### **Synod survey now available in both French and English**

The 10-question surveys are anonymous, inviting you to share your experiences and ideas with the Synod.

Find the surveys on our website:

[www.antigonishdiocese.com/listeningchurch](http://www.antigonishdiocese.com/listeningchurch)

### Links to use or share

Synod

Survey:

<https://fs26.formsite.com/DioceseofAntigonish/codp3edovo/index.html>

sondage synodale:

<https://fs26.formsite.com/DioceseofAntigonish/hqw4kowsnk/index.html>

### **Engagement resources for hosting parish and community conversations.**

A facilitator's guide and sample conversation tool are now available.

These tools can be used for virtual or in-person conversations.

The presentations have been creating in our diocesan online learning platform, the same system being used for the Finding God Online catechetical program and our virtual mental health and Advent resources.

### **To view the Synod presentation tools:**

- Navigate to: <https://dioceseofantigonish.constantlearning.net/redeem>
- Enter your email address and password (create one if you're new to the system)
- Enter the code: 4VKICDIM

If you need help logging in or have questions about the resources, contact Debbie Aker, [daker@dioceseofantigonish.ca](mailto:daker@dioceseofantigonish.ca) or Norma Blinkhorn, [norma@dioceseofantigonish.ca](mailto:norma@dioceseofantigonish.ca)

More presentation tools are being developed and will be released in the coming weeks.

### **How Do We Walk Together as Church?**

Embracing Pope Francis' New Call to Synodality

Online event with speakers Dr. Moira McQueen and Dr.

Massimo Faggioli

**Wed., Feb. 16, 12 -1 pm (Atlantic time)**

What is synodality, and why does it matter to ordinary Catholics today?

Join authors Moira McQueen and Massimo Faggioli for a robust conversation on the topic of Synodality and how the faithful at all levels can participate in Pope Francis' call to solidarity and contribute to a rich reflection on a vibrant future for the Catholic Church.

**Event is free with registration:**

[https://mailchi.mp/bayard-inc/explore-bidens-first-100-days-rsvp-today-830723?e=\[UNIQID\]](https://mailchi.mp/bayard-inc/explore-bidens-first-100-days-rsvp-today-830723?e=[UNIQID])

### **Companions on the Journey**

is a video reflection on the opportunities for the Synod to build community

Watch it on YouTube:

[https://youtu.be/N\\_tcgEk7oS4](https://youtu.be/N_tcgEk7oS4)

**Pick-Up of Christmas Ornaments**

The CWL would like to thank everyone who made a purchase during our 2021 Christmas Ornament Campaign. These funds allow us to meet parish and community commitments. The packaged ornaments have been grouped alphabetically, and are ready for pick-up at the back of the church. Please note that any orders not picked up by the end of February, the beginning of Lent, will have their tags removed and will be donated to the local Food Bank for 2022 Christmas distribution.

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL**

The Depot of St. Vincent De Paul will be closed until further notice.

**COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Holy Cross Cemetery**-would like to advise the public that due to the extreme icy roads at Holy Cross Cemetery, chains have been put up to stop traffic for the safety of all concerned.

Daniel MacKeough  
Chair Holy Cross Cemetery

**QUOTE OF THE WEEK**

“ In 1942 poet CS Lewis wrote this on the human condition...

Young man to the devil:

"How did you manage to send so many people to hell?" • The devil said: "Through fear" • The young man: - Good for you! And what were they afraid of? Wars? Hunger? • The devil: - No. . Illness. • The young man: "Did they get sick? Did they die? Was there no cure?" • The devil: "They didn't get sick. They just died. And there was a cure. The young man: - "I do not understand.. The devil: "They believed that the only thing they had to keep at all costs was Life!" • They stopped hugging, stopped greeting each other. They left all human contacts ... They left everything that was human! They ran out of money. They lost their jobs. They chose to fear for their lives, even if they had nothing to eat. They believed what they heard, read newspapers, and blindly believed they were reading the truth. They gave up their freedom. They never left their home again. They didn't go anywhere, They never visited friends and family again. The whole world has become a huge prison with \*convicted volunteers\* They voluntarily accepted everything! All this to experience another miserable day ... They did not live, they died every day! It was too easy to take away their miserable souls ...”

~ CS Lewis, "Letters to the Soulmaster" (1942)

**“The crudest form of clericalism”**

The reason for a Church government (as leaders, rather than sacrificial priests) is found in the community of faithful for which such government exists. Government exists per se for the protection of society and its way of life, so that society may achieve the ends for which human communities are formed; government is not the creator of society.

So too, the pope and bishops are mandated to guard and pass on the tradition that has been handed down to them (2 Thess. [2:15](#)), and are not to repudiate or abrogate it, or concoct their own novel version.

The Church’s tradition, both belief and practice, is not theirs, with which they may do as they wish. The Church’s tradition belongs to the whole faithful.

Of this tradition, the bishops (including the pope) are the guardians and servants.

They can never be the creators nor the owners of the Church’s doctrine, practice or liturgical life, but are charged with protecting and promulgating the common religious inheritance of the whole faithful.

For popes and bishops to behave as if the Church’s tradition is their belonging, with which they may do as they please, with the rest of the faithful just having to accept it, marks the crudest form of clericalism.

—**Sebastian Morello**, “Revolution and Repudiation: Governance Gone Awry”

**Community Compassionate Care**

**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](mailto:info@abuse-free-sport.ca) [www.abuse-free-sport.ca](http://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/>

