



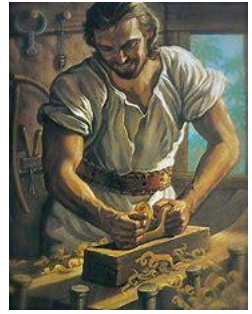
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12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

† JUNE 20TH, 2021 †

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ST. JOSEPH PARISH NEXT WEEK

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

Date	Location	Time	Details
Mon. June 21st	Private Mass		For All Priests
Tues. June 22nd	Private Mass		For All Deacons
Wed. June 23rd	Private Mass		For All The Sick
Thurs. June 24th	Private Mass		For All The Unemployed
Fri. June 25th	Private Mass		For All Fire Fighters
Sat. June 26th	Private Mass		For All Maintenance Workers
Sun. June 27th	Private Mass		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		
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.

Reopening of the Church this weekend

St Joseph Church in North Sydney is now reopened starting Saturday June 19th at 4 pm to a maximum of 50 people. It is on a first come first served basis and no reservations. God bless you all.

Peace, Fr. Doug

Floors Waxed at Church during Lockdown

Special thanks to everyone who helped in the cleaning, sanding and waxing of all the floors in the church, sanctuary and vestry during the lockdown.

Peace, Fr. Doug

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Why must human life be respected?

Human life must be respected because it is *sacred*. From its beginning, human life involves the creative action of God and it remains forever in a special relationship with the Creator, who is its sole end. It is not lawful for anyone directly to destroy an innocent human being. This is gravely contrary to the dignity of the person and holiness of the Creator. “do not slay the innocent and the righteous”(Exodus 23:7)



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June 15, 2021

Pastoral Appointments 2021

I am pleased to announce the following pastoral appointments. The appointments will take effect on Wednesday, August 4, 2021, the feast of St. John Vianney, patron saint of parish priests. I am grateful for the co-operation of our priests and for the assistance of our Personnel Committee.

Rev. Daniel MacLennan, Pastor of St. Mary, Mabou, will become Rector of St. Ninian Cathedral, Antigonish effective August 4, 2021.

Rev. Donald MacGillivray, Rector of St. Ninian Cathedral, Antigonish will become Chaplain for St. Francis Xavier University, Antigonish effective August 4, 2021.

Rev. Daniel J. MacDonald, Pastor of Stella Maris, Inverness will become Pastor of St. Mary, Mabou effective August 4, 2021.

Rev. MacDonald Ibeh, Pastor of St. Michael, East Margaree will become Pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes, Stellarton effective August 4, 2021.

Rev. Barrett Clare-Johnson, Pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes, Stellarton will become Pastor of Stella Maris, Creignish effective August 4, 2021.

Sons of Immaculate Conception CFIC

Rev. Joby Augustin, CFIC, will be the local Superior, new to the diocese will become Pastor of St. Michael, East Margaree, St. Patrick, North East Margaree and St Joseph, South West Margaree and Stella Maris, Inverness, St. Margaret of Scotland, Broad Cove effective August 4, 2021.

Rev. Silvichan Dominic, CFIC, new to the diocese will become Associate Pastor of St. Michael, East Margaree, St. Patrick, North East Margaree and St Joseph, South West Margaree and Stella Maris, Inverness, St. Margaret of Scotland, Broad Cove effective August 4, 2021.

Rev. (Gustave) Daniel Tshimbalanga Musakay, CFIC, bilingual priest new to the diocese will become Associate Pastor of St. Michael, East Margaree, St. Patrick, North East Margaree and St Joseph, South West Margaree and Stella Maris, Inverness, St. Margaret of Scotland, Broad Cove effective August 4, 2021.

Sons of Mary Mother of Mercy, SMMM

Rev. Godwin Obike, SMMM, bilingual priest, new to the diocese will become Administrator, St. Joseph, Little Bras d'Or; St. Anne, Alder Point; St. Joachim, Boularderie effective July 2, 2021.

Rev. Chinonso Francis Alaribe, SMMM, new to the diocese will become Administrator, St. Joseph, Little Bras d'Or; St. Anne, Alder Point; St. Joachim, Boularderie effective July 2, 2021.

Rev. Christian Emeka Ugwu, SMMM, new to the diocese will be transferring from Nigeria and he will arrive later.

Rev. Michel Exalant, CSC, Administrator of St. Joseph, Little Bras d'Or; St. Anne, Alder Point;

St. Joachim, Boularderie will serve at the direction of his Holy Cross Superior effective July 2, 2021.

Rev. J. Cosmas Epifano, OSB, Chaplain to the Augustinian Sisters of Our Lady of Grace Monastery will return to St. Peter's Abbey in Muenster, Saskatchewan.

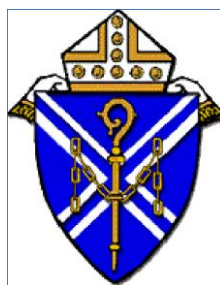
Retirement

Deacon Greg Murphy serving at Holy Family Parish, Sydney Mines has retired.

Seminarians

Following his summer work at the Pastoral Centre, seminarian **David Rankin** will begin a pastoral internship year at St. John the Baptist, New Glasgow with Father Thomas MacNeil effective September 2021.

A new seminarian, **Joseph MacMaster** will enter St. Augustine Seminary, Toronto in September 2021.



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(Pastoral note 11 / 2021)

June 15, 2021

My Dear People,

In providing a COVID -19 update today, Premier Iain Rankin and Dr. Robert Strang, Chief Medical Officer of Health announced that the province will enter Phase Two, effective tomorrow, June 16. We will need to continue wearing masks and maintain physical distancing.

<https://novascotia.ca/reopening-plan/phase-two/#gatherings-and-social-contacts>

Phase Two allows for in-person faith gatherings in the province for 25% capacity up to 50 people. As Bishop, I support this directive and I instruct that our churches now be reopened. Once again, our parish offices, like our diocesan offices may be reopened to the public.

We are cautious about the Delta variant of this pandemic but with the vaccination rate up and many more eligible for a second dose of vaccine we are on the right path to a much better summer. We all agree that our faith is essential to us. Please continue to pray for those who are sick and for those who care for them. We hope that as we celebrate Canada Day, we will be able to enter Phase Three which will enable greater numbers of people for indoors faith gatherings.

In keeping with the celebration of the Year of Saint Joseph, the CCCB National Liturgy Office has composed a *Novena* and an *Act of Entrustment to Saint Joseph*. The *Novena* begins on June

22 and ends on June 30, and is followed by the *Act of Entrustment* on Thursday, 1 July 2021 Canada Day. I have attached the links to these documents.

English: <https://www.cccb.ca/evangelization-catechesis-catholic-education/celebrating-the-year-of-saint-joseph/novena-and-act-of-entrustment-to-saint-joseph/>

French: <https://www.cccb.ca/fr/evangelisation-catechese-et-education/celebrons-lannee-de-saint-joseph/neuvaine-et-acte-de-confiance-a-saint-joseph/>

We pray that St. Joseph, patron saint and protector of the universal Church and the principal patron saint of Canada will guide us in the path of life. Stay safe and keep well.

Fraternally,

+ *Wayne Kirkpatrick*

(Most Rev.) Wayne Kirkpatrick



CCCB Statement – Delegation to the Holy See

Thursday, June 10, 2021

The Catholic Bishops in Canada have genuinely heard the sincere invitation to engage wholeheartedly with the past and are deeply committed to take truly meaningful active steps together with Indigenous Peoples in view of a future filled with greater respect and cooperation. The recent discovery of children’s remains at a burial site of a former residential school in Kamloops, British Columbia remind us of a tragic legacy still felt today. With the strong encouragement of Pope Francis, the Bishops of Canada have pledged true and deep commitment to renewing and strengthening relationships with Indigenous Peoples across the land. In recent years, regional and diocesan listening circles have taken place across the country in order to hear the stories from local Indigenous communities and their hopes for the future. Mutual listening is the beginning of our common efforts to bring about shared and long-lasting reconciliation, authentic healing and bridge building.

In conversation with Indigenous people and communities, both at the local and national levels, and bilaterally with the First Nations, Métis and Inuit national organizations, the Bishops, sponsors of this project, have been preparing, for over two years now, a delegation of Indigenous people to meet with the Holy Father to foster meaningful encounters of dialogue and healing. This pastoral visit will include the participation of a diverse group of Elders/Knowledge Keepers, residential school survivors and youth from across the country. The event will likewise provide Pope Francis with a unique opportunity to hear directly from Indigenous Peoples, express his heartfelt closeness, address the impact of colonization and the implication of the Church in the residential schools, so as to respond to the suffering of Indigenous Peoples and the ongoing effects of intergenerational trauma.

The global pandemic caused by COVID-19 has stalled this project; however, the Bishops remain committed to moving forward with the delegation prior to the end of 2021, in compliance with international travel guidelines.

The delegation to the Holy See represents an important step on the journey of reconciliation and shared healing for Indigenous Peoples and the Church in Canada. Pope Francis, in his 6 June 2021 Angelus message, spoke about the shocking discovery of children’s remains at the former Kamloops residential school and, while conveying sorrow and solidarity, emphasized the importance of “*walking side by side in dialogue and in mutual respect in the recognition of the rights and cultural values of all the sons and daughters of Canada*”. It is our hope that these forthcoming encounters – and the important collaboration and partnership that has supported the planning – will lead to a shared future of peace and harmony between Indigenous Peoples and the Catholic Church in Canada.

10 June 2021

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Editorial: Truth brings justice

BY CATHOLIC REGISTER EDITORIAL

• June 10, 2021

“Sorry” is a powerful word, but it is only a start to heal the deep wound inflicted by residential schools.

We know that until the whole truth of the history of residential schools — from governments, the Church, religious orders and all those connected to the schools — is laid bare, true reconciliation cannot be attained.

In the case of the Kamloops Indian Residential school, truth lies within the graves of those 215 children. Every effort must be made to identify the remains and return them to their families. To that end, all records that will aid the investigation must be examined, of course, as with the records at other schools.

Whatever impediments there have been to uncovering the true scope of this tragedy, whatever foot-dragging has gone on over the years, whatever legal entanglements exist — it must all end

if we are to do justice to these children and continue to build on the efforts to reconcile with Canada's Indigenous peoples.

Certainly, there seems to at least be the will for this to happen from many corners.

Pope Francis, speaking in St. Peter's Square last Sunday, asked governments and Church leaders "to continue to work together with determination to shed light on this sad event and to commit themselves humbly to a path of reconciliation and healing."

Vancouver Archbishop J. Michael Miller vowed to be "fully transparent with our archives and records regarding all residential schools, and strongly urge all other Catholic and government organizations to do the same."

The Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate, which ran the Kamloops schools and had formally apologized for its involvement in 1991, has again expressed its sorrow and "committed to participating in ongoing efforts toward reconciliation for our role in this painful part of our shared history."

As for the federal government, whose policy of assimilation in the 19th century led to the creation of these schools, they share in the responsibility of reconciliation. It was puzzling to hear the prime minister suggest the Church is not being fully transparent when the government itself was responsible for the destruction of thousands of residential school records.

There can be no more finger-pointing. The truth must be found, the consequences dealt with, the path to healing continued. No one in the Church is trying to excuse its role in the horrific legacy of residential schools. Bishops across Canada have offered formal apologies, and Pope Benedict met personally with Canada's Indigenous leaders in 2009 to express his sorrow over abuse at the schools.

Catholics, and indeed all Canadians, want a full reckoning on this tragic past, and all efforts must be pointed in that direction — for these lost children and for the future of reconciliation with our first peoples.

As Cardinal Thomas Collins has noted: "The real scandal is when evil festers in the darkness. Once in the open, evil can be rooted out. That must happen. Then new life can begin."

Prayer for Healing

(adapted from USCCB.org)

God of endless love,
ever caring, ever strong,
always present, always just:
You gave your only Son
to save us by the blood of his cross.

Gentle Jesus, shepherd of peace,
join to your own suffering
the pain of all who have been hurt
in body, mind, and spirit
by those who betrayed the trust placed in them.

Hear the cries of our brothers and sisters
who have been gravely harmed,
and the cries of those who love them.
Soothe their restless hearts with hope,
steady their shaken spirits with faith.
Grant them justice for their cause,
enlightened by your truth.

Holy Spirit, comforter of hearts,
heal your people's wounds
and transform brokenness into wholeness.
Grant us the courage and wisdom,
humility and grace, to act with justice.
Breathe wisdom into our prayers and labors.
Grant that all harmed by abuse may find peace in justice.
We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"You could tell much about a man's character by how much truth he could tolerate."

Nietzsche

Community Compassionate Care

Kids Help Phone – 1-800-668-6868

Prevention Through Action – Reporting and healing incidents of abuse or misconduct in our diocese. Rev. Charles Cameron 1-902-863-4373 or email: charleshugh7@gmail.com.

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

Compassionate Community Care – 1-855-675-8749

Euthanasia Prevention Advice, Support, Confidential and Free.

Expectant mother Fund-diapers, formula, and baby accessories for parents in need. Phone 902 794 03951

PEACE BE WITH YOU AND HAVE A GREAT WEEK!
