

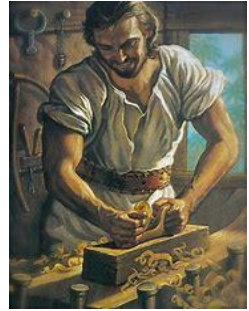


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March 13th, 2022

2nd Sunday of Lent

† MARCH 13TH, 2022 †

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ST. JOSEPH PARISH NEXT WEEK



Date	Location	Time	Details	Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK
Mon. March 14th	Private Mass			For John Organ
Tues. March 15th	Private Mass			For Peter McKeough
Wed. March 16th	Private Mass			For Marguerite Higgins
Thurs. March 17th	Private Mass			For The Homeless
Fri. March 18th	Private Mass			For The Lonely
Sat. March 19th	St. Joseph Church	4pm	St. Joseph, Spouse of The Blessed Virgin Mary	For All Parents
Sun. March 20th	St. Joseph Church	10am		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	Norm Connors	Denise Jardine
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.

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.

Thursdays at 9:00am.

Friday Stations 11:45am Mass 12:10 pm.

St. Joseph Bras D'Or

Thursdays at 6pm (in Hall)

St. Ann Alder Point at 9 am.

Feast of St. Joseph

Next Saturday, March 19th is the Feast of St. Joseph. We will celebrate this feast during both the Saturday and Sunday liturgies.

Change Your Clocks

Daylight savings time begins at 2:00am Sunday, March 13. Don't forget to move your clocks ahead one hour before you go to bed on Saturday – or you might be late for church on Sunday morning

Schedule Of Weekday Masses For Lent

Holy Family

Wednesdays at 6:30pm

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

To Follow Christ's Example

Lord Jesus my friend,
 Help me to be like You,
 Who loved people and died for our salvation.
 Inspire me by Your love,
 And guide me by Your example.
 Change my selfishness into self-giving;
 Free me from every evil
 And help me to serve You with all my heart.
 Keep me from my old and sinful ways
 And help me to continue in the new life
 Of Your grace and love.
 May Your Eucharist renew me
 And bring me to eternal life.
Amen

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

March 6th, 2022

Envelopes		1805.00
Holy Cross		
Special Collection		50.00
Candles		45.00
Faith Formation		
Fuel		480.00
Total		2380.00
Hall Fund		190.00
Preauthorized Debit		
Furnace Fund	March 6th	260.00

DIOCESAN NEWS

Are You Called to the Diaconate?

Understanding the Permanent Deacon as a Minister of the Church: In the early Church, deacons responded to the needs identified by the bishops. Contemporary deacons also have a wide outlook. Ordained for the service of the diocese, they are recognized as collaborative associates of the bishops. The ministry of deacons, in parishes, and in special outreach ministries, by its very nature, calls for a team approach, complimentary to the ministries of others.

Lenten Calendar for your Synod Journey

March 9-15

Fast from Pessimism, Feast on Optimism

What difference will it make?

Sharing our stories may not change the church or the world, but they can transform us and plant seeds in our parishes, diocese, and communities

Almsgiving:

Reflect on the Synod questions. What questions speak to you?

Prayer:

Connect with <http://www.prayforthesynod.va/en/> to engage in worldwide prayers for

Questions, prayer and calendar available at www.antigonishdiocese.com/listeningchurch

Resources:

Lenten Calendar for your Synod Journey

is attached for printing and sharing with your bulletins at Mass, or for emailing/posting on social media

Print version of the Synod questions

is attached to share with your bulletins and/or calendar.

NEW! Print resource for parish or community conversations is attached:

a brief guidebook for hosting and recording a Synod conversation

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

We Hold in Prayer:

Holy Family Parish, Sydney Mines, launching its four-week Synod Lenten Retreat tonight (March 9)

All are invited!

Conversation 7-8 pm Wednesdays on a weekly topic:

March 9: Are we growing as a community of love?

March 16: Journeying together

March 23: Wounds of the church in need of healing

March 30: What is your dream for the church?

(Mass is at 6:30 pm if you wish to attend)

Contact: Norma Blinkhorn, norma@dioceseofantigonish.ca

Calendar:

March

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Mass for Shut-Ins will feature celebrant Fr. Jim Oliver of the diocesan Synod team, offering a homily on the Synod journey.

Mass for Shut-Ins can be seen Sundays 11:30 am on CTV or later on the Diocese of Antigonish YouTube channel.

Synod Conversations with Catechists, Coordinators, and Graduates of the Lay Formation Program:

March 19 in St. Ninian Place, Antigonish

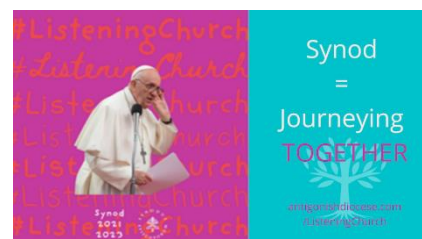
April 2 in Our Lady of Fatima Parish hall, Sydney River

10:30 am - 4 pm, includes lunch, join in person or via Zoom

Contact: Debbie Aker, daker@dioceseofantigonish.ca

Thank you for joining us on this journey!

See you next Wednesday.



Synod = Journey Together

Pray Connect Share Your Story

www.antigonishdiocese.com/ListeningChurch

CWL AND KOC NEWS

CWL Meeting

The next CWL general meeting will be held March 14th at 7 pm.

Thank you, Maureen King

KOC

KOC 4th degree Assembly 0797 will be having a General Meeting at Our Lady of Fatima Sunday March 27th at 2:00 pm. to 3:00 pm

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

The Society of St Vincent de Paul, Northside Council, is reopening the clothing and small appliances depot in the Sydney Mines Food Bank on the 1st 3 Thursdays of each month. We open from 1 to 3 pm with all Covid protocols in place including physical distancing and limited numbers inside the building at one time.

We began on February 17, 2022 with the next Depot being March 3. All items are free of charge to those in need.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

“Neutrality is the essence of journalism.”

- Fr. Bernie A. MacDonald (deceased priest professor at St.FXU. who refused a salary because he did not want to support abortion with his tax dollars).

- Fr B.A. recommended independent journalists who sought truth, not the big tech corporate legacy media which promotes the fixed narratives of the elites and their rich owners.

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 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>

PEACE BE WITH YOU AND HAVE A GREAT WEEK!

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WHAT IS A DEACON?

An ordained minister of the Church, called by God to share in Christ's identity and mission as servant.

FORMATION PROCESS

is a discernment process to uncover God's call to the deacon candidate. With the support of his wife and family, his parish, diocese, and a spiritual director, the candidate will discover if he is called to the Diaconate.

- online and classroom courses, study sessions and group discussions
- weekend gatherings to facilitate diaconate community-building and to share the journey experience
- theological formation: scripture, spirituality, liturgy, morality, church, history, diaconate
- human development: self knowledge, aids to growth
- pastoral ministry: preaching, team approach, rituals for sacraments; qualities for ministry, Canon Law
- spiritual formation: relationship with the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, Mary, prayer, growth in the Christian life

SERVICE OF MINISTRY

Based on Acts 6:2, deacons were to "wait on tables," take care of the sick, assist the marginalized, be an expression of the Community's desire to minister to those in any need and to live out and help others to be aware of the social justice teachings of the Church.

- hospital and nursing home visitation
- home visits -palliative care
- street ministry - the homeless
- Youth
- bereaved
- catechetics and sacramental preparations
- St. Vincent DePaul - clothing drives
- Meals -School breakfast programs
- Correctional centers
- Restorative justice and advocacy
- diocesan committees
- assisting laity to be more involved



Deacon Berkley ministering to those in need

SERVICE OF THE WORD

In view of the deacons' service ministry he is now enabled to assist the community in its faith life by proclaiming the Word and preaching. He is called to lead in Liturgies of the Word, ecumenical activities, Sacramental Preparation for Initiation, marriage, funerals, assist laity to take their rightful role.



Deacon Wally ministering through the Word

"Receive the Gospel of Christ whose herald you are now. Believe what you read, teach what you believe, and practice what you teach."

Ordination Rite

SERVICE OF THE ALTAR



Deacon Fernand ministers at the Altar

The Church is made concrete when the laity, religious, deacons, and priests gather around their bishop to celebrate Eucharist. Thus, the deacon has a role:

- to assist the Celebrant
- to proclaim the Gospel
- to preach
- to pray the General Intercessions
- to prepare the gifts
- to model gestures to the community
- to be the "minister of the Cup"
- to dismiss the congregation

The deacon is called upon to bless, to solemnly baptize, marry and bury the faithful, as well as, to lead in Liturgy of the Word in the Absence of a Priest.

CRITERIA

- Practicing Roman Catholic
- Healthy, male, 35-65 of age
- Married or single
- Experience in pastoral ministry
- A good reputation
- Wife willing to participate
- Ability to follow university level courses
- Able to work collaboratively
- A good prayer life
- Openness to growth



Deacon Tom ministers to a parishioner

Contact Director of Deacons
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902-539-6188 ext. 235
Email: Bedford@dioceseofantigonish.ca

PERMANENT DIACONATE

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"Those, who from ancient times, have been called bishops, priests and deacons exercise the divinely instituted ecclesiastical ministry in different degrees: of Christ the Shepherd; of Christ the Priest, and of Christ the Servant. The diaconate is a distinct permanent Order. It is a ministry which enhances the vitality of the church and which sacramentalizes the primacy of service and charity in the Church."



#1, Manual for Deacons,