



PARISH COMMUNITY OF ST. JOSEPH

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May 8th, 2022
4th Sunday of Easter

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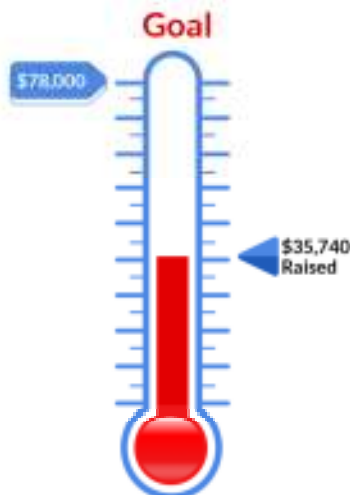
ST. JOSEPH PARISH NEXT WEEK

Date	Location	Time	Details	Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK
Mon. May 9th	Private Mass			For Karen MacNeil
Tues. May 10th	Private Mass			For Karen MacNeil
Wed. May 11th	Private Mass			For All Firefighters
Thurs. May 12th	Private Mass			For The Lonely
Fri. May 13th	Private Mass			For All Health Care Workers
Sat May 14th	St. Joseph Church		St. Matthias, Apostle	For Rod Chisholm
Sun. May 15th	St. Joseph Church			For All Parishioners

Ministries	4 pm Mass Saturday	10 am Mass Sunday
SACRISTAIN & USHERS	Deacon Roy Smith, Team	Deacon Roy Smith, Team
CHOIR		
GREETERS	Kim Dooley	Taralee MacInnis
USHERS		
READERS	Kay Batherson	Fred MacLeod
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



Day of Recognition for Deacon Roy Smith

Sunday May 15th, we will recognize Deacon Roy Smith for his contribution to the Parish. We also thank his wife Viola for her sacrifice and commitment to the people as well.

Month of Mary

May is the month of Mary. Celebrate all of our mothers, including Mary, Mother of the church.

Happy Mother's Day

With May being the month of Our Lady, it is fitting for our parish to celebrate motherhood. We honour all mothers and all women this weekend with a flower, for only women can bring life into this world.

"The most important person on earth is a mother. She cannot claim the honour of having built Notre Dame Cathedral. She need not. She has built something more magnificent than any cathedral—a dwelling for an immortal soul, the tiny perfection of her baby's body. The angels have not been blessed with such a grace. They cannot share in God's creative miracle to bring new saints to Heaven. Only a human mother can. Mothers are

closer to God the Creator than any other creature; God joins forces with mothers in performing this act of creation. . . What on God's good earth is more glorious than this; to be a mother?"
Jozsef Cardinal Mindszent

Burned \$10,000 in oil in one month

Last month between weekend masses, numerous funerals, meetings and hall receptions, the parish was forced to spend \$10,000 in oil in one month. If you would like to contribute to the health of your community, please consider a donation to your Church.

Farewell message to V-Team

On behalf of the Church, I thank you all for your tremendous service during a very uncertain time in our history. May God bless you all abundantly. Peace, Fr. Doug

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

To Be Grateful for God's Gifts

Lord Jesus Christ,
 I believe in You as my God and Savior.
 Make me more faithful to Your Gospel.
 by sharing in the Eucharist often
 may I come to live more fully
 The life of grace You have given me.
 Keep Your love alive in my heart
 that I may become worthy of You.
 Teach me to value Your gifts
 and ever be grateful for them.
 Help me to strive for 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 30TH & MAY 1ST 2022

Envelopes		1890.00
Holy Cross		
Special Collection		260.00
Candles		35.00
Fuel		40.00
Expectant Mothers		
Total		2225.00
Hall Fund		290.00
Furnace		
Preauthorized Debit	Mar. 3009.00	April 3009.00

DIOCESAN NEWS

Understanding what the Permanent Deacon and the Commitment to Chastity:

At the time of ordination, a permanent deacon commits himself to the Church within the context of his present marital situation. Single and widowed candidates commit themselves to perpetual celibate chastity and married candidates commit themselves to continuing to live chastely within their married state (and, if later widowed, to live with a commitment to perpetual celibate chastity).

Antigonish Diocesan Society

The Antigonish Diocesan Society will be hosting its annual general meeting virtually on Sunday evening May 15 at 7 pm. All parishioners from across the diocese are welcome to attend and

learn more about how the society operates and supports seminarians in our diocese. You can attend through the following link to the Zoom meeting. Questions can be directed to Brian Lazzuri 902-714-3871. Meeting link <https://tinyurl.com/ADS-AGM>

Synod Update

"I don't know if anything will change, but it was nice to see people again and hear what everyone had to say."

- Synod conversation participant

Our conversations have a long way to travel to reach the Synod of Bishops in Rome. But it is important to remember that engaging in conversation locally has great value the moment it is shared – value to you, given a voice in the Synod process. Value to us who are privileged to hear it. Value to your faith community and our diocese as we move forward in the ‘new normal.’

Submissions to the Synod will be accepted until June 3. The Synod team stands ready to assist .

Contact Communications Officer, Jennifer Hatt
jennifer@dioceseofantigonish.ca, ph.902-759-2181

or visit www.antigonishdiocese.com/listeningchurch

Upcoming Events

Save The Date!

Sunday, June 5, 3 pm

St. Ninian Cathedral

Closing celebration for the diocesan listening phase of the Synod of Bishops

Mass celebrated by Bishop Wayne Kirkpatrick, followed by a light reception

Stay tuned for details!

May 15, 2 pm

St. Michael's Hall, East Margaree

Synod conversation hosted by the Margaree Family of Churches

Share your experience of Church and your hopes for the future with your fellow parishioners. There will be small group discussion as well as large group sharing. It will be an experience of listening to what others have to say with no judgment or critique in a safe environment. Your input is important for our Synod journey as a Diocese. All are welcomed to attend.

Friday, June 3

Deadline in our diocese for individual and group submissions to the Synod

Email: ListeningChurch@dioceseofantigonish.ca or jennifer@dioceseofantigonish.ca

Mail: Listening Church, Diocesan Pastoral Centre, PO Box 100, Stn. A Sydney NS. B1P 6G9

Phone: Jennifer Hatt, 902-759-2181

Resources

Need prayer cards or posters?

Contact Debbie Aker,
daker@dioceseofantigonish.ca
 or 902-539-6188/toll free 1-800-656-5311 ext. 226

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

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Thank you for joining us on this journey!

See you next Wednesday.

Jennifer Hatt, Communications Officer

Diocese of Antigonish



Synod = Journey Together

Pray Connect Share Your Story

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CWL AND KOC NEWS

There will be a CWL meeting Monday May 9th at 7pm.

There will be a KOC meeting May 19th at 7pm.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul Northside Particular Council will hold a meeting of all members on Monday, May 9th at 2 pm in the Sydney Mines Food Bank. Everyone is welcome to attend. Thank You, Ann Nader

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Cape Breton Ostomy Support Group

Cape Breton Ostomy Support Group will meet on Thursday, May 12th at the South Bar Fire Hall, South Bar from 2pm – 4pm. This is a support group for those with an ostomy or may be getting an ostomy and their support person. Guest speaker will be Kevin Aurenburg, Hollister rep. For more information contact Stasia at 902-562-1367. Masking will be required. Thank You.

Stasia Digou, President Cape Breton Ostomy Society



NEW STORY

<https://www.catholicregister.org/item/34338-canadians-cherish-freedom-of-conscience-but-view-catholicism-in-poor-light-poll>

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

One drop of truth can outweigh an ocean of lies. ALEKSANDR SOLZHENITSYN

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



PEACE BE WITH YOU AND HAVE A GREAT WEEK!