



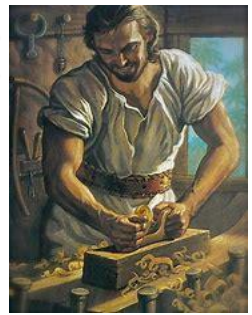
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31st Sunday In Ordinary Time ALL SAINTS AND SOULS


† NOV. 1ST, 2020, ORDINARY TIME YEAR A †

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ST. JOSEPH PARISH NEXT WEEK

Date	Location	Time	Details	Mass Intentions 
Mon. Nov. 2nd	Private Mass			FOR THE WEEK
Tues. Nov. 3rd	Private Mass			For All Volunteers
Wed. Nov. 4th	Private Mass			For All Students
Thurs. Nov. 5th	Private Mass			For The Unemployed
Fri. Nov. 6th	Private Mass			For All Seniors
Sat. Nov. 7th	St. Joseph Church St. Joseph Church	3:15 pm 4:00 pm	Confessions Mass	For Police Officers
Sun. Nov. 8th	St. Joseph Church	10:00 am	Mass	For Parishioners

Ministries	4 pm Mass Saturday, Nov. 7th	10 am Mass Sunday, Nov. 8th
SACRISTAIN & LINENS	Deacon Roy Smith, Team	Deacon Roy Smith, Team
CHOIR		
GREETERS	Sally Ryan, Debbie Reashore	Pam Hall, TaraLee MacInnis
USHERS	Irene Cogan, George Mullins, Joe Howell	Cavell Young, Yvonne MacDonald, Susan Spurrell
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.

Feast of All Souls Day

This feast day will be observed during the week-end masses of Oct 31st & Nov 1st. The names of this year's deceased parishioners will be read at both masses. Families of the deceased will be called to invite them to attend mass on Saturday or Sunday. This weekend we will remember everyone who has died, and naming those who died in the past year. We often visit the cemetery, and in Mexico's day of the dead they make their deceased loved ones favourite foods because they believe their loved one's spirit will visit them on All Souls. Perhaps this weekend you can make your loved ones favourite meal. May the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Peace, Fr. Doug

Bishop Kirkpatrick Permits Limited Hall Use

Parish groups can now return to use the hall again starting in November with new mandatory protocols:

1. Groups use only the hall entrance and then ensure each person attending their meeting, signs in with their phone number or email address.
2. The group leader saves the contact forms for confidentiality and for possible contact tracing if necessary.
3. Use hand sanitizer when signing in, maintain physical

distancing, avoid sharing materials, and wear masks inside. No group singing is permitted in the hall at this time, so organizations will have to read, rather than sing traditional practices.

4. Cleaning- after the meeting wipe down any high touch surfaces eg. chairs and tables, door handles etc. with the cleaning materials provided.
5. If a parish group plans to book the hall, they will need to notify the office in advance.
6. There is no food or drink permitted at this time in the Hall, unless it is served.

Thank you all for your cooperation, Peace, Fr. Doug

Barriers to Open Pews Removed

Parish Pastoral Council decided it is safe to remove the barrier on open pews. Now both entrances to each pew are open to move in and out of.

This means people sitting on the sides of the church next to the stain glass windows (sections 1 & 4) can come forward for communion and then more easily return to their seat. People sitting in the centre sections (2 & 3) will still need to walk around the loop, but not as far since the other end of their pew is now open.

We trust this will help and we are continuing to monitor our numbers and re-evaluate as health guidance and our bishop's directives come in. Parish Pastoral Council

Dear CWL, KOC, and AA Groups,

Good news. Parish groups can return to use the hall again starting in November.

1. Groups must sign in with their phone number or email address.
2. The group leader saves the forms for confidentiality and possible contact tracing if necessary. Since the Parish Pastoral Council is a public group with names in the bulletin, I shared their names from our meeting to show you what we expect from groups each time they come here.
3. Use hand sanitizer and after the meeting wipe down any high touch surfaces eg. chairs and tables, door handles etc.
4. If a group plans to book the hall, they will need to notify the office and secondly me to ensure the heat is on. Text messages are preferred 902-217-6770 with date and time of your meeting, 5 days before the meeting.

Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes

The designated location for the return of filled shoeboxes is a table in the bell tower area. These will also sit for 72 hours before being packed for shipment. **Please return your shoeboxes no later than Sunday, November 8th.** The shipping crates will be collected by Samaritan's Purse, so they can arrive at their destination before Christmas. The CWL thanks you for your ongoing support.

Letters to Santa dropped off at Church

During COVID-19 the Church will be accepting and delivering letters to Santa. A new "Santa's Letters" box is in the church near the baptismal font for your convenience.

Please write on the letter:

Santa Claus, North Pole, HOHOHO

And your return address on the letter, so Santa can respond.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

First Communion

Since large group gatherings for first Holy Communion are not permitted in the Diocese at this time due to the pandemic, individuals are asked to book their Sunday to make their First Holy Communion starting Sunday, Oct 18 and continuing every Sunday at 10 am throughout the fall.

First Penance (Confession)

Any children who are ready to make their first confession are asked to book a time with Director of Religious Education Pam Hall at your convenience. I will be hearing first confessions throughout the fall. Peace Fr. Doug

All events are free, including a free meal paid by the Parish. Parents are asked to contact Religious Ed Coordinator Pam Hall to sign up. 902-794-3951 or email stjoseph2006@ns.aliantzinc.ca

Thank you all for your understanding

When is it morally permitted to use military force?

The use of military force is morally justified when the following conditions are simultaneously present: the suffering inflicted by the aggressor must be lasting, grave and certain;

- all other peaceful means must have been shown to be ineffective;
- there are well founded prospects of success;
- the use of arms, especially given the power of modern weapons of mass destruction, must not produce evils graver than the evil to be eliminated.

Further reading: CCC 2307-2310

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.

		Oct. 24th & 25th
Envelopes		1358.50
Loose cash		
Fuel		48.75
Holy Cross		20.00
Special Collection		320.00
Candles		10.00
Faith Formation		47.75
Totals		1805.00
Hall Fund		55.00

DIOCESAN NEWS

Augustinian Contemplative Community

We offer prayers and congratulations to the Augustinian Contemplative Community in Monastery and Sr Maria Rosa Gomez, OSA on her solemn profession of vows taking place Sunday, Nov. 1 at Mass officiated by Bishop Wayne Kirkpatrick. Due to pandemic protocols, the Mass is not open to the public, but we are invited to watch the livestream on the Diocese of Antigonish Facebook page, Nov. 1 at 10 am

KOC

The KOC will meet on Sunday Nov., 15th at 2pm in the Church Hall

CWL

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Food Bank Notice

Since Christmas is only a few weeks away, we at the foodbank are preparing to gather groceries for our annual Christmas Dinners. This year we are asking our churches for help with the following three items; can milk, can cranberries, and stove top dressing. Thank you all for your kindness. We appreciate all your help. North Sydney Foodbank.

Remembrance Day

Due to the pandemic the Legion wants people to know there is no Remembrance Day Service this year. A private service for Legionaries will take place at the cenotaph, and people may still support the Legion by purchasing a wreath and laying it on their own time on Remembrance Day. You can buy a wreath at the Legion by dropping into the local Legion between 10 am and midnight daily - \$35 to \$45 each.

Special Collections

The weekend of November 14 and 15, the World Day of the Poor, there will be a collection for the Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace—Caritas Canada. In the wake of COVID-19, Development and Peace has launched a campaign **Recovering Together** to meet the urgent needs of our brothers and sisters in the global south. Your generosity will support Development and Peace partners to develop responses with their communities to provide:

- ❖ immediate aid and information on health and safety,
- ❖ access to services,
- ❖ assurance that human rights are respected,
- ❖ help to build resilience.

Please bring your own envelopes from your envelope boxes marked, "Development and Peace" for the basket which will be at the back of the church. You can also donate at www.devpo.org and choose the "Give Now" tab. If you prefer to donate by phone, please call 1-888-234-8533. Pope Francis implores us to live out the "civilization of love" and to "find within us the necessary antibodies of justice, charity and solidarity." Thank you for your generosity on this World Day of the Poor. Sincerely yours in Christ,
+ Wayne Kirkpatrick, Bishop of Antigonish

Community Compassionate Care

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"Eyes, ears, and mouth are the doors of the soul." St Francis de Sales

PEACE BE WITH YOU AND HAVE A GREAT WEEK!