

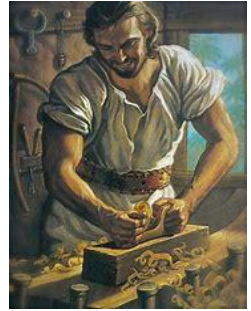


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September 4th, 2022

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

† SEPTEMBER 4TH, 2022 †

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ST. JOSEPH PARISH NEXT WEEK

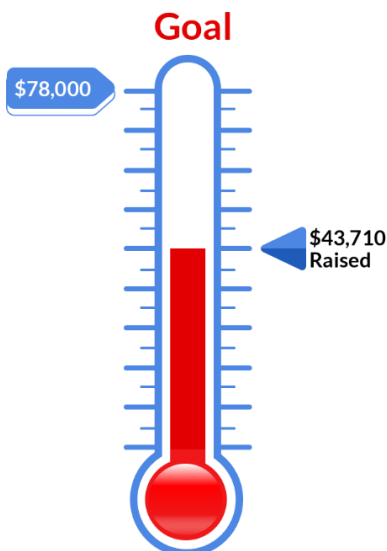
Mass Intentions
FOR THE WEEK

Date	Location	Time	Details	Mass Intentions
Mon. Sept. 5th	Private Mass			For Lina Sodys MacDonald
Tues. Sept. 6th	Private Mass			For All Teachers
Wed. Sept. 7th	Private Mass			For All Students
Thurs. Sept. 8th	Private Mass		The Nativity of The Blessed Virgin Mary	For A Special Intention
Fri. Sept. 9th	Private Mass			For Frank Ongo
Sat. Sept. 10th	St. Joseph Church	4pm		For The Lonely
Sun. Sept. 11th	St. Joseph Church	10am		For All Parishioners

Ministries	4 pm Mass Saturday, September 3rd	10 am Mass Sunday, September 4th
SACRISTAIN & LINENS	Deacon Roy Smith, Team	Deacon Roy Smith, Team
CHOIR		
GREETERS	Ann Sampson, Elaine MacNeil, Sally Ryan	Yvette Landry, Viola Smith, Pam Hall
USHERS		
READERS	Ellen McNamara	Joan Byers
PRESENTATION OF GIFTS		
EXTRAORDINARY MIN. OF HOLY COMMUNION	Deacon Roy Smith, Cathy MacDonald	Deacon Roy Smith, Joan Skinner
Cleaning of Church	Team	Team
PORTER - OPENS CHURCH	Calvin Gracie	Calvin Gracie

PARISH NEW

Furnace Fund



Masses in the Fall

There has been people wondering about weekday masses during the week. If there is sincere interest in weekday masses, please contact the parish office 902-794-3951 or stjoseph2006@ns.aliantzinc.ca with your mass intentions. Fr. Doug will create a schedule based upon the demand. Mass intention cards and envelopes are also available at the back of the church and can be placed in the collection for processing.

Masses are free because God's grace is free, however a small donation of whatever you can afford is usually given if you can afford it. The names of the people or intention will be published in the bulletin which is also available on line. Based on interest and demand a weekday mass schedule will be looked at for the fall. If there is no interest, Fr. Doug will continue to say mass daily in his chapel at the glebehouse and offer ministry at CBU.

Faith Formation Classes

Classes for religious education will begin on September 25th with registration on September 11th and September 18th after the 10 am mass downstairs in the Hall.

New Fee for Hall Receptions

Recently we had to let our custodian go until the winter because we cannot afford the cost. Other churches in the area are closing and downsizing. With the Covid impact the Catholic Church is now forced to find new revenue as well, so starting in September we have a fee of \$200 for Hall receptions after funerals. This includes tea, coffee and beverages, but food needs to be catered.

The Church funerals will always be free because God's grace is free. And just as the funeral home and cemetery have costs to operate, the hall has power bills and costs to function, so we hope the community will understand this unfortunate but necessary change. Cheques can be made out to: St. Joseph Hall.

Thank you for your understanding. Peace, Fr. Doug

Furnace Fundraising

The parish needs to continue fundraising to pay for the furnace. There are four events planned in the fall, one each month until years end and will need the broader communities support.

1. **September**- Tickets on \$500 in Sobeys's gift cards and tickets on a tool set from Homehardware.
2. **October** - Fall Fair on Oct. 1st.
3. **November**- Concert at Firehall on Sunday, Nov. 13th.
4. 50/50 ticket draw this fall to be drawn in **December** before Christmas.

We need the communities support if we are going to pay our bills. Thank you for your help.

Fall Fair

As a fund raiser for the parish, we are planning a fall fair on October 1st and we need your help. We are collecting items you may no longer have use for that we could use at our flea market table. Anyone that can knit or crochet or would like to make crafts your help would be greatly appreciated. We have many great bakers in the parish and we are hoping you will be willing to share your talents at our bake table. Thank you.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

What is the moral conscience?

Moral conscience, present in the heart of the person, is a judgment of reason which at the appropriate moment enjoins him to do good and to avoid evil. Thanks to moral conscience, the human person perceives the moral quality of an act to be done or which has already been done, permitting him to assume responsibility for the act. When attentive to moral conscience, the prudent person can hear the voice of God who speaks to him or her.

Further reading: CCC 1776-1780, 1795-1797

Open Letter

I am Hassan Rakhshani. I am here with my wife Simin and our 16 year old son, Arian. As Christians in Iran we suffered religious persecution from the government and it's Muslim citizens, becoming refugees in Turkey under the authority of the United Nations. For seven years life in Turkey was very difficult. Living conditions were very bad and we still were experiencing prejudice.

While in Turkey, a representative got in touch with the Universalist Unitarian Church of Halifax and through a private sponsorship agreement we were able to stay with a Cape Breton resident. After arrangements were finalized, we came to Cape Breton in July 2022.

Unfortunately, the sponsor had some challenges and we were left looking for a place to stay while looking for work. We have permanent residency so we are able to work. I am an electrician and my wife can cook, work in a retail store or factory.

We are currently staying in a co-sponsors home, but there will be no room once their daughter returns next week and an exchange student arrives on September 5th. I would like to thank this family for taking us in for the last month.

We are desperate for help to find a place to stay and assistance to find work so we can be independent and self-sufficient. We want to provide a home for our son so he can go to school.

We ask for strength from God during our time of need and help from those parishioners who are able to assist us in any way so that we can get settled and help others who are in need. God bless everyone. Amen

Hassan, Simin and Arian

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!

AUG. 20TH&21ST AUG. 27TH&28TH

Envelopes	1825.00	1610.00
Candles	35.00	60.00
Holy Cross		
Fuel		
Special Collections	5.00	10.00
Total	1865.00	1680.00
Faith Formation		
Hall Fund	115.00	275.00
Furnace	30.00	
Pre- Authorized Debit		

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Annual Celebration for Mother of Sorrows Pioneer Shrine in Mabou will take place on Sunday September 11th.

The Continuous Rosary starts at 1:00 pm at the Shrine.

Mass will be offered at St. Mary's Church at 4:00 pm with Father Dan MacDonald officiating.

There will be refreshments at the Parish Hall after Mass Compliments of St. Mary's CWL For inquiries please call

902-945-2221

The Gift Shop at the Shrine is open every day from 10:00 am until 4:00 pm."

CBU Students Looking to Rent

A married couple from India are going to CBU and looking to rent a room or apartment on the northside. If you have space and can help this couple, while making some rent money please call the parish office 794-3951

Holy Family Bingo

Holy Family CWL will be having a bingo game, September 11th, 2022 at Holy Family Parish Hall, Main Street Sydney Mines at 7:30pm. Admission is \$1:00,extra cards \$1:00. Please bring your own treats as there is no canteen.

News Story

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THE WEEK QUOTE OF

"The secret to your success is found in your daily routine."

John C. Maxwell

PEACE BE WITH YOU AND HAVE A GREAT WEEK!
