The Catholic Communities of St. Joseph's St. Patrick's & St. Paul's

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St. Joseph's Church

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Mass Time:

Saturday 5:00 pm

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Website:

www.saintjosephscatholicchurch.org

St. Patrick's Church

590 Highway 7, Lochaber, NS B2G 2L3 Phone: (902) 783-2631

Mass Time:

Sunday 10:00 am

Parish Council Chairperson: Carol Young: (902) 867-6367 youngcarip@gmail.com

St. Paul's Church

8033 Hwy 7, Sherbrooke, NS B0J 3C0

Mass Time:

Sunday 11:30 am

Parish Council Chairperson: Rennie Beaver: (902) 833-2341 aubrey.carol@ns.sympatico.ca

He is Risen!



Third Sunday of Easter

April 14th, 2024



A Prayer Requests



Father God

We lift up all those who are facing illness today. We ask that you would bring healing, comfort, and peace to their bodies, calm their fears, and let them experience the healing power of your Love.

In Jesus' name. Amen



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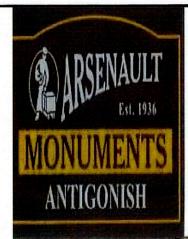
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CEMETERY ASSOCIATION

Established in 2018 under the NS Societies Act
For the long—term care of St. Joseph's cemetery
Main sources of funding are Donations & Bequests.
Charity Registration No:76698 8711 RR0001

Contact: Phone-902867-1160

Email: hillsidecemeteryassociation@gmail.com



St. Joseph's Lakeside Community Center

It's a beautiful facility. Excellent for banquets, weddings, and conferences.

Phone: (902) 867-2626

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St. Joseph's Parish

Revised Covid -19 Protocols

St. Joseph's Parish Council continues to support the wearing of masks and sanitization of hands.

Please be kind and considerate of our many elderly and vulnerable parishioners, and stay home if you are coughing or sneezing, or have any other symptoms of Covid-19.

Collection for April 6th

Regular \$975 (23); Loose \$35; Church Maintenance \$25 (1); Fuel Fund \$25 (1)

Lector

Saturday, April 6th - 5:00 pm - Ann MacDonald

PLEASE NOTE

Change in Mass Times for St. Joseph's

We will be adding a Sunday morning 8:30 am mass to the schedule for the summer months only, starting on May 5th and ending on October 27th.

Saturday 5:00 pm mass will be held as usual.

If the parish priest is away, the substitute priest will be saying mass only on the Saturday, so there will be no mass on that Sunday.

Let Us Pray For You



Praying the rosary together is a comforting and uplifting experience. If you would like us to pray a rosary after any Saturday mass for someone who is sick or for a special intention, please contact Jean Collins at 902-863-2482 or jpcollins@eastlink.ca

Website

Resources for Prayer and Reflection

The bulletin, scripture readings, homily, and other resources for prayer and reflection, are available on our website each week by **Friday** evening.

Recent addition: Seven Ears of Grain, April 8, 2024.

Go to: www.saintjosephscatholicchurch.org

Our Parish Priest

Fr. Tom Stephan

In addition to serving at Mass and on our Parish Councils, Fr. Tom has organized Religious Education programs for First Holy Communion and Confirmation candidates. He is also available for baptisms, weddings, and funerals, to bless your home, to pray for yourself and your loved ones, to hear confessions, to anoint the sick and dying, to visit with those who are isolated and lonely, and to bring communion to those who are unable to attend Mass.

Fr. Tom can be reached at:

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Community Events



Bulletin Submissions

2752 Ohio East Road, Antigonish, NS

902.867-2626

Please send to Jean Collins at jpcollins@eastlink.ca or call 902-863-2482 before Thursday.

Please let me know if you would like to receive a copy of the bulletin each week via email.

Diocese of Antigonish

Applications to the Bishop Power Foundation

Deadline: Wednesday, May 1st, 2024

The late Bishop William E. Power recognized the importance of the laity in strengthening Christian faith in today's modern world.

Bishop Power established the foundation in 2001, assisted by the generosity of his family. Annually, the total amount of funding disbursed by the Foundation is \$25,000.

Diocesan, parish and other non-profit groups are invited to apply for funding if their programs will either a) empower the poor, b) develop the laity for their Christian role within the church, or c) aid the missionary activity of the church. Individual students may apply for financial support for Catholic Studies programs at the university level.

For Application form, criteria and details: https://www.bishoppowerfoundation.ca/application-process

Antigonish Community Living With Grief Group

Monday evenings, April 15th to May 27th, 7:00 - 9:00 pm

Saint Ninian Place

Gladys MacDougall and colleague support individuals who have encountered Grief and or Loss in their lives. They create a welcoming space to gather and feel that you are not alone.

For registration or enquiries: contact:

Gladys MacDougall at 902-870-4884

Email: macdougallgladys@gmail.com

Monique Bond: 902-867-7701

Everybody welcome. No fee to attend.

Community Events

Roots of Hope Traumatic Loss Program

Tuesday evenings, April 16th to June 4th, 6:00 - 8:00 pm

East Coast Community Corner, 257 Main Street, Antigonish

Bereaved Families of NS in partnership with Roots of Hope invite anyone who has experienced the profound loss of a loved one due to suicide or traumatic death.

The program is guided by compassionate trained facilitators, who provide a safe space to support and help individuals move through the grieving process for a better understanding while supporting their mental health and wellbeing.

Registration is required. For more information, contact us at 902-564-6795. Email: info@bereavedfamiliesns.ca

Participation is free.

Diocese of Antigonish

A Message From Bishop Wayne Kirkpatrick

Most current Public Health restrictions and mandates have ended, but this does not mean that the risk of infection has ended. It will be important to use personal public health measures, both individually and collectively, to help keep each other safe, especially those who are at risk of severe disease due to age and/or underlying health issues.

Masking and social distancing are no longer required. However, we still encourage masking and social distancing in our churches. We need time to make the adjustment to the "new-normal" as we learn to live with COVID.

Those who may not be able to attend church for health reasons or due to other COVID-19 restrictions are dispensed from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass.

Online Masses

Weekly Mass - Livestream (Video)

From St. Ninian's Cathedral

Every Sunday - 10:30 am

On our website: https://www.saintninian.ca

On our Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/

stninian.cathedral/

Mass for Shut-Ins

Now airing on **Sunday mornings** on the CTV channel. Recorded Masses can also be viewed anytime on our Diocese of Antigonish YouTube channel.

Diocese of Antigonish YouTube Channel

https://www.youtube.com/channel/ UCPYevnyrNU6zIWHDh8KJ71w

Churches Online

https://www.antigonishdiocese.com/churches-online/

Daily TV Mass:

from the National Catholic Broadcasting Council https://dailytvmass.com/

An Act of Spiritual Communion

My Dearest Jesus, I believe that You are present in the most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot, at this moment, receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

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Tu		Pope Francis
	2	Bishop Wayne Kirkpatrick
We	3	Seminarians
Th	4	Candidates to Permanent Diaconate
\mathbf{Fr}	5	Fr. Barrett Clare-Johnson
Sa	6	Deacon Robert Coleman
Su	7	Fr. William Crispo
Mo	8	Fr. John DeCoste
Tu	9	Fr. Duaine Devereaux
We	10	Fr. Evo DiPierro
Th	11	Fr. Silvichin Dominic
\mathbf{Fr}	12	Fr. Daniel Doucet
Sa	13	Fr. Bedford Doucette
Su	14	Deacon Michael Doyle
Mo	15	Fr. Conrad Edwards
Tu	16	Fr. Andrew Gillies
We	17	Deacon Berkley Guthro
Th	18	Fr. Raymond Huntley
\mathbf{Fr}	19	Fr. Macdonald Ibeh
Sa	20	Fr. Fabian Ihunegbo
Su	21	Deacon Walter Ivany
Mo	22	Fr. Alphonsus Iwuji
Tu	23	Fr. Godwin Kalu
We	24	Fr. Dennis Lamey
Th	25	Fr. Peter LeBlanc
\mathbf{Fr}	26	Deacon David Lewis
Sa	27	Fr. Bernard MacAdam
Su	28	Fr. Daniel G. MacDonald
Mo	29	Fr. Daniel J. MacDonald
Tu	30	Fr. Douglas MacDonald



Daily Prayers

Diocese of Antigonish

Please Pray for a Clergy and Community Each Day

Let us pray for priests and deacons:

The Holy Father

Fill him with your grace, Lord.

Our Bishop
Give him your gifts, Lord
Diocesan Priests and Deacons
Never leave them, Lord
Priests in seminary work
Give them your wisdom, Lord

Those in hospital work
Give them constancy, Lord
Those who are ill
Heal them, Lord.
Those who are in danger
Deliver them, Lord.
Those who are weak
Strengthen them, Lord.
Those who are poor
Relieve them, Lord
Those who are zealous
Help them, Lord.

Those who are worried Give them peace, Lord Those who are old Sustain them, Lord. Those who are young Impel them for your glory, Lord. Those who are alone Accompany them, Lord. **Missionary Priests** Protect them, Lord. Those who preach Enlighten them, Lord. Those who direct souls Instruct them, Lord. Parish priests

Give them prudence, Lord.

On all the Church

---Lord, have mercy

April 2024 - Our Communities 1 Maryvale Mo 2 East Margaree Tu 3 North East Margaree We 4 South West Margaree Th Fr 5 Membertou Sa 6 Monastery Mulgrave Su New Glasgow Mo 9 New Waterford Tu We 10 North Sydney Th 11 Paqtnkek 12 Petit de Grat Fr 13 Pictou Sa 14 Pictou Landing Su 15 Pomquet Mo Tu 16 Port Felix Port Hawkesbury We 18 Port Hood Th 19 Port Morien Fr 20 Potlotek Sa Su 21 Queensport Мо 22 Reserve Mines Tu 23 River Bourgeois 24 Salmon River We 25 Sherbrooke Th 26 St. Andrew's Fr 27 St. Francis Harbour Sa Su 28 St. Joseph du Moine 29 St. Joseph's Мо 30 St. Margaret's Village



Embracing Father,

You grace each of us with equal measure in your love.

Let us learn to love our neighbours more deeply,
so that we can create
peaceful and just communities.

Inspire us to use our creative energies
to build the structures we need
to overcome the obstacles
of intolerance and indifference.
May Jesus provide us the example needed
and send the Spirit to warm our hearts for the journey.
Amen

—from Being Neighbor: The Catechism and Social Justice https://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/prayers-and-devotions/prayers/prayer-for-community

We invite you to use these prayers, offer your own prayers, or offer up Mass, Fasting, Eucharistic Exposition, Rosary. Holy Hour or other devotions. Thank you for helping to spread God's healing love.