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Saturday 5:00 pm

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www.saintjosephscatholicchurch.org

St. Patrick's Church

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Mass Time:

Sunday 10:00 am

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St. Paul's Church

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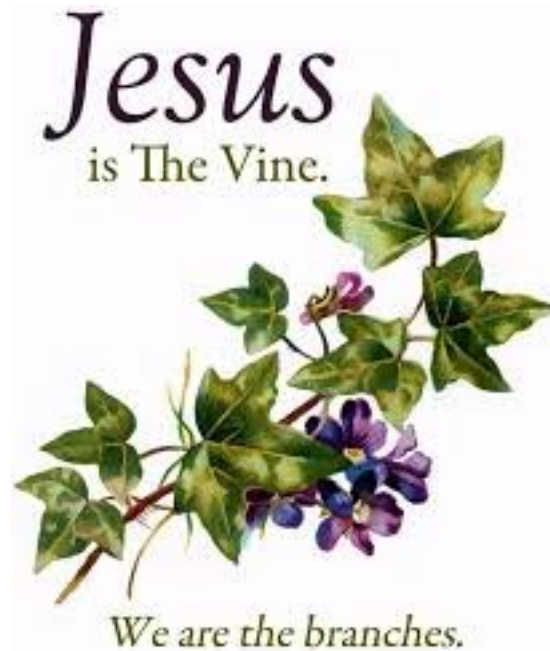
Mass Time:

Sunday 11:30 am

Parish Council Chairperson:

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Fifth Sunday of Easter

April 28th, 2024

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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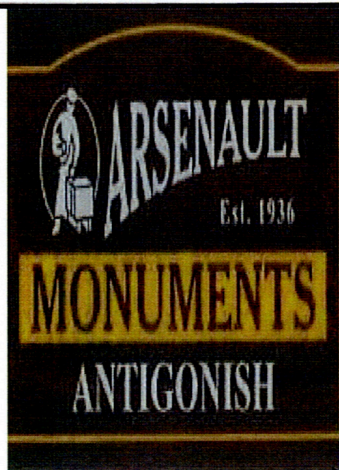
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Established in 2018 under the NS Societies Act
For the long-term care of St. Joseph's cemetery
Main sources of funding are Donations & Bequests.
Charity Registration No: 76698 8711 RR0001
Contact: Phone- 902867-1160
Email: hillsidecemeteryassociation@gmail.com



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 20th

Regular \$565 (2?); Loose \$50

Lector

Saturday, April 27th - 5:00 pm - Jean Collins

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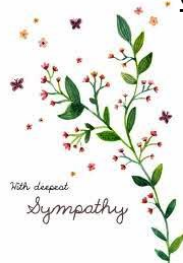
Change in Mass Times for St. Joseph's

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.

Our Deepest Sympathy



To the family and friends of
Mary Anne MacDougall
who died recently.

She will be greatly missed
Please keep them in your thoughts and prayers during this very difficult time.

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

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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and tomstephan1june@gmail.com

St. Paul's Parish

PLEASE NOTE

Sherbrooke Ecumenical Service

Sunday May 5th at 11:00 am

A few times a year the community of Sherbrooke holds an ecumenical service and St. Paul's is invited to attend. The first service this year is being held on **May 5th** at the Lions Club Hall at **11:00 am**.

We are fortunate to have an ecumenical community that supports activities of all churches and we wish to continue to foster this community spirit.



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 22, 2024.

Go to: www.saintjosephscatholicchurch.org

Bulletin Submissions

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>

Ordination to the Priesthood of Deacon David Rankin

St. Ninian Cathedral, Antigonish

Friday, May 31st, 3:00 pm

Deacon David Rankin warmly invites all to his ordination to the priesthood by Bishop Wayne Joseph Kirkpatrick on the Feast of the Visitation. There will be a light reception to follow at St. Ninian Place.

All are also invited to his First Mass on Saturday, June 1st at 4:00 pm at his home parish, St. Mary's in Mabou.

RSVP Here: <https://docs.google.com/forms>

Steubenville Atlantic July 5th -7th, 2024

This annual gathering of youth provides three days of worship, prayer, music, friendship and learning of their Catholic faith for youth. This year's event will be held at Dalhousie University in Halifax. The theme is 'Illuminate', from John 1:5, 'The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.'

For more information: www.steubenville.ca

Community Events

Sausage and Pancake Breakfast

Antigonish Lions Club, Highland Drive Extension

Sunday, April 28th, 9:00 am - 12 noon

Donations at the door will go to support Antigonish Challenger Baseball.

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.