

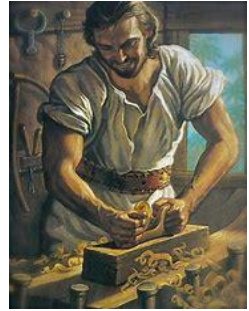


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February 9th, 2025
5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

FEBRUARY 9TH, 2025 †		
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ST. JOSEPH PARISH NEXT WEEK



Date	Location	Time	Details	FOR THE WEEK
Mon. Feb.10th	St. Joseph Hall	11am	St. Scholastica	For Deceased members of the Forrest Family
Tues. Feb.11th	St. Joseph Hall	11am	World Day of the Sick	For Deceased of the Apesteguy Family
Wed. Feb.12th	Holy Family (Sydney Mines)	9am		
Thurs. Feb.13th	Holy Family (Sydney Mines)	9am		
Fri. Feb.14th	Holy Family (Sydney Mines)	9am	St. Cyril, Monk	
Sat. Feb.15th	St. Joseph Hall	4pm		For the return of non-practising Catholics
Sun. Feb.16h	St. Joseph Church	10 am		For All Parishioners

Ministries	4 pm Mass Saturday, Feb. 15th	10 am Mass Sunday, Feb.16th
SACRISTAIN & LINENS	Deacon Roy Smith, Team	Deacon Roy Smith, Team
CHOIR	St. Joseph Choir	Alan Gale
GREETERS	Ellen McNamara, Georgie Bonnar	Bob Jardine, Viola Smith
USHERS	Men and Women of the Parish	Men and Women of the Parish
LECTORS	Ellen McNamara	John Ratchford, Joan Byers
PRESENTATION OF GIFTS	Parishioners	Parishioners
EXTRAORDINARY MIN. OF HOLY COMMUNION	Cathy MacDonald	George Quirk
Interior Church (cleaning)	Volunteer Team	Volunteer Team
EXTERIOR SERVICE (SHOVELING)	Fr. Doug	Hunter Hill
RINGING OF BELLS		Dave Williams

PARISH NEWS

Visitation to Hospital/Nursing Homes

Relatives or friends of persons in hospital or nursing homes are asked to contact the parish to arrange for care.

Blessing of the Throats

For World Day of the Sick - Anointing of the sick and blessing of the throats will take place after each mass this weekend.

Thank You

We would like to thank the CWL of our parish for purchasing a new Lectionary to replace the old one which was in need of replacing.

Delivering Meals to Neighbours

Do you know a neighbor or relative or person that could use a meal? Consider coming to St Joseph Hall the 4th Wednesday of each month and picking up meals and bringing to people you know. Each bagged meal includes a healthy well balanced lunch.

Altar Servers Workshop & Pizza

Saturday Feb. 15th after the 4 pm mass.

Any new and seasoned altar servers are asked to attend the 4 pm mass which will be followed by a brief altar server workshop and pizza party in the hall. Altar servers must have received their first communion.

Please show up for the training. Thank you 🙏 Peace Fr. Doug

Parish Meetings:

CWL Meeting

There will be a CWL meeting on Monday February 10th, at 7pm in the Parish Hall.

KOC

There will be a KOC meeting on Wednesday February 12th at 7pm in the Parish Hall.

Liturgy

There will be a Liturgy Committee meeting on Thursday, February 13th at 11am in the Parish Hall.

Pastoral Council

There will be a Pastoral Council meeting on Saturday February 22nd at 5 pm after mass.

Holy Cross Cemetery

The two access roads at Holy Cross Cemetery now have chains up, preventing access to the cemetery, until the spring.

Tax Receipts

Tax receipts for the tax year 2024 are now available for pick up at the office or during weekend masses.

Recitation of the Rosary

On the first weekend of the month, for February and March, have been **cancelled** while we are in the hall. We will resume again on the weekend of April 5th and 6th. 🙏

Celebration of the Feast of St. Blaise & World Day of the Sick

At the week-end masses, of Feb. 8th and 9th, St. Joseph Parish will hold a combined celebration of the Feast of St. Blaise (Feb. 3rd) and World Day of the Sick (Feb. 11th) with prayers to Our Lady of Lourdes and blessing of the throats, for those who would like to have it done. The following prayer for the sick will be prayed and the Blessing of the Throats will be done after mass.

Prayer for the Sick

O' Blessed Lady of Lourdes, You gave us the spring of life.

Your waters have cured the sick and those who suffer from strife.

In times of worry and doubt You refresh us with your hope.

When relief seems far from sight, You teach us how to cope.

O lovely Lady in white, stay beside us, this we pray.

Send your Son to heal us and be with us each day. **Amen**

COLLECTIONS~ THANK YOU! FEBRUARY 2ND

Envelopes		1455.00
Loose Cash		240.00
Candles		
Fuel		
Initial Offering		5.00
Expectant Mothers		25.00
Pre-Authorized		750.00
Total		2475.00
Hall		670.00
Church Improvement		50.00

Ways to Donate

Pre-Authorized Debit: please call the office to get started.

To donate by credit card, google pay or PayPal click:

<https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/st-josephs-parish-north-sydney/>

Diocesan

Jubilee Year: Dec. 29, 2024 through Dec. 28, 2025

"May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, *Pilgrims of Hope* a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth."

- Pope Francis, from the Prayer for the Jubilee. Now through Dec. 28, 2025, we are invited to be 'Pilgrims of Hope'.

Prayer Cards Available

Prayer cards are now available free of charge from our Diocesan Pastoral Centre and Chancery Office.

Printable posters and prayer cards are available on our website.

For these resources and to learn more of the Jubilee year:

<https://www.antigonishdiocese.com/jubilee-2025/>

Tuesday, February 18, 1:30 -3:30 pm Tea and Talk

Holy Redeemer Convent, Whitney Pier

just behind the Pier Post Office. This invitation is open to women of all ages. This is an attempt to provide an opportunity for women to join with others to simply share a cup of tea and to experience the joy of being together. For further information phone

902 270 4840 or 902 539 6331.

Vatican Sessions

The study sessions on the documents of Vatican II with Fr. Bill Burke will resume with session 3 starting this Sunday, February 9, continuing every Sunday in February.

St. Marguerite Bourgeoys Parish, Cabot Street in Sydney from 2-4pm. All are welcome and no charge.

Quote of the Week

"Nothing created has ever been able to fill the heart of man. God alone can fill it infinitely." St. Thomas Aquinas

Community Compassionate Cares

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 Group

1-833-489-0839 info@vaccineinjurysupport.ca

<https://vaccineinjurysupport.ca/en>

Parenting Resources:

<https://axis.org/resources/>

Expectant Mothers Fund

For assistance phone- 902- 794 -3951

Reporting Sexual Abuse or Cover up by a Bishop

1-866-892-3737. or <https://bishopreportingsystem.ca/>

Peace Be with You and Have a Great Week

