

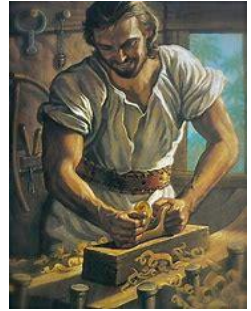


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February 16th, 2025
6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

FEBRUARY 16TH, 2025 †		
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ST. JOSEPH PARISH NEXT WEEK

Date	Location	Time	Details	 Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK
Mon. Feb.17th	St. Joseph Hall	_____	No Mass	
Tues. Feb.18th	St. Joseph Hall	_____	No Mass	
Wed. Feb.19th	Holy Family (Sydney Mines)	9am		
Thurs. Feb.20th	Holy Family (Sydney Mines)	9am		
Fri. Feb.21st	Holy Family (Sydney Mines)	9am		
Sat. Feb.22nd	St. Joseph Hall	4pm		For those who will die during the coming year
Sun. Feb.23rd	St. Joseph Church	10 am		For All Parishioners

Ministries	4 pm Mass Saturday, Feb. 22nd	10 am Mass Sunday, Feb.23rd
SACRISTAIN & LINENS	Deacon Roy Smith, Team	Deacon Roy Smith, Team
CHOIR	St. Joseph Choir	Alan Gale
GREETERS	Kim Dooley, Sally Ryan	Yvette Landry, Pam Hall
USHERS	Men and Women of the Parish	Men and Women of the Parish
LECTORS	Carolyn Aker	Denise Jardine, Alexandra Young
PRESENTATION OF GIFTS	Parishioners	Parishioners
EXTRAORDINARY MIN. OF HOLY COMMUNION	Lloyd Brewer	Joan Skinner
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.

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

Confirmation Inscription February 23rd

All candidates must be present next Sunday, Feb. 23 at the 10 am mass for the Inscription ceremony. They must stay after mass for preparation classes which end Sunday March 23rd. Retreat is Saturday, April 5th and Confirmation is Friday May 2nd, 2025 at 6:30 pm with the Bishop.

Pastoral Council

The meeting is cancelled until a later date.

World Day of Prayer 2025

St. Joseph Church, in North Sydney, invites you to celebrate World Day of Prayer, Friday, March 7th at 2 p.m. in the church hall at 34 Archibald Avenue.

Refreshments and fellowship to follow. All are welcome to attend. Free Will Offering.

Holy Cross Cemetery

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

COLLECTIONS~ THANK YOU! FEBRUARY 9TH

Envelopes		1710.00
Loose Cash		325.00
Candles		
Fuel		
Initial Offering		20.00
Expectant Mothers		
Pre-Authorized		750.00
Total		2805.00
Hall		492.00
Church Improvement		1150.00

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

Healing Masses

at Our Lady of Grace Monastery
with Fr Albert MacPherson

Next Mass: Saturday, February 22, 1:30 pm

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/>

MAiD

Have you or someone you know had an experience in healthcare where MAiD was offered without a request?

The Christian Medical and Dental Association of Canada (CMDA Canada) want you to be heard in a safe and confidential setting.

Please contact:

Brad MacKinnon bmackinnon@cmdacanada.org or by phone 902-406-2955 or toll free 1-888-256-8653. CMDA Canada is a Christian organization that supports doctors and dentists in integrating their faith into their professional practice.

Dying with Christ – Living with Hope

is a three-video series seeking to demystify the dying process, making way for a new approach to end of life questions. The discussion, led by theologians and healthcare professionals, will give timeless perspectives on suffering, grief, dying, and our duty to care. Offered by the Christian Medical and Dental Association of Canada via Zoom on February 20, 27 and March 6, 2025 at 1 pm (Atlantic) For details and to register:

<https://www.antigonishdiocese.com/providing-hope/>

THE MANY FACES OF CHRISTIAN PRAYER

You are invited to join us for two sessions on prayer and the many ways we can come to God in our prayer.

1. **Saturday, March 22, 2025 from 10:00 until 12:00**
2. **Saturday, March 29, 2025 from 10:00 until 12:00**
3. **(Weather Date if needed) Saturday, April 12, 2025 from 10:00 until 12:00**

**Sessions will be held at Bethel Presbyterian Church Hall,
9 Brookland St, Sydney.**

Sessions are facilitated by members of the Cape Breton Local of the Atlantic Association of Spiritual Directors. There is no fee although a donation is welcomed. **Registration is required to reserve your space.**

To register, please contact:

Gary Fancey (gafancey@netscape.net) (902-862-7580) or

Julia Townsend (juliat@eastlink.ca) (902-562-8423)

Community

SPECIAL EVENING SERVICE AND FUNDRAISER

WHERE: Calvary Baptist Church
6 Beech Street, North Sydney

WHEN: Sunday, February 16th @ 6:00PM

Please join us for a special evening service to support Souls Harbour in Sydney Mines. There will be an offering collected to help fundraise for the upcoming "Coldest Night of the Year" event, in which all proceeds go to support Souls Harbour. For more information about the event, please visit cnoy.org/location/sydney.



Coldest Night of the Year

Soul's Harbour Rescue Mission on Feb. 22, 2025, The Coldest Night of the Year is a fundraiser from which many charities across the country benefit. Beginning at 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm at the Ashby Legion, teams and individuals will walk 1km down Prince Street.

At the end of the walk, there will be a food truck sponsored by Starbucks and treats from Home Depot. Afterwards, a hot meal will be provided at the Ashby Legion with local band Chalkdust playing.

Family Friendly event. No cost to attend. All are welcome.

You can register online or in person at the event.

Visit <https://cnoy.org/location/sydney> for more details.

Quote of the Week

"Life is short; death is certain, and the world to come is everlasting."

Blessed John Henry Cardinal Newman

News Story

<https://zenit.org/2025/02/08/caitlin-clark-basketballs-new-star-is-catholic/>

Peace Be with You and Have a Great Week