



PARISH COMMUNITY OF ST. JOSEPH

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November 24th, 2024 Our Lord Jesus Christ King of the Universe

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ST. JOSEPH PARISH NEXT WEEK *Mass Intentions*

Date	Location	Time	Details	FOR THE WEEK 
Mon. Nov.25th	St. Joseph Hall	11am		John Thomas Toomey
Tues. Nov.26th	St. Joseph Hall	11am		Gerald B. Smith
Wed. Nov. 27th	Holy Family (Sydney Mines)			
Thurs. Nov.28th	Holy Family (Sydney Mines)			
Fri. Nov.29th	Holy Family (Sydney Mines)			
Sat. Nov. 30th	St. Joseph Church	4pm	St. Andrew, Apostle	For those suffering from various forms of mental illness
Sun. Dec. 1st	St. Joseph Church	10 am		For All Parishioners

Ministries	4 pm Mass Saturday, Nov. 30th	10 am Mass Sunday, Dec. 1st
SACRISTAIN & LINENS	Deacon Roy Smith, Team	Deacon Roy Smith, Team
CHOIR	St. Joseph Choir	Alan Gale
GREETERS	Kim Dooley, Rebecca Gracie	Yvette Landry, Pam Hall
USHERS	Men and Women of the Parish	Men and Women of the Parish
READERS	Ellen McNamara	Denise Jardine, John Ratchford
PRESENTATION OF GIFTS	Parishioners	Parishioners
EXTRAORDINARY MIN. OF HOLY COMMUNION	Lloyd Brewer, Lisa Brown	Joan Skinner, George Quirk
Interior Church (cleaning)	Volunteer Team	Volunteer Team
EXTERIOR SERVICE (SHOVELING)	Fr. Doug	Hunter Hill
RINGING OF BELLS		Dave Williams

PARISH NEWS

Faith Questions and Answer Group

Would you like to learn more about your faith?

Do you have questions? Consider joining our Church Q&A Group the last Sunday of each month at 11 am in the Church Hall. All are welcome.

Winter Coats

The Parish has new winter coats available for any youth that may need a warm coat for the winter. Sizes range from 7/8 to 14/16. Please

contact the office at 902 794-3951 if we can help you with a warm coat.

Christmas Craft and Bake Sale

On December 7th, St. Joseph Parish will be having our annual Christmas Craft and Bake sale as part of our fundraising for the parish. The Craft Fair starts at 10am and goes to 2pm. in the Parish Hall.. There will be lots of Christmas crafts, ticket draws as well as a bake table to help with your Christmas baking. If anyone has any Christmas items they no longer need, we would be glad to have them for our Fair. We would appreciate if any of our great bakers in the parish could help us with our bake table.

This year we will also be selling Turkey Burgers, coleslaw and dessert for \$10.00. Come and enjoy the day with us. Hope to see everyone there.

Christmas Craft Sale Tickets

Tickets for our Christmas Craft Sale are available at the entrance of the church. First Prize is a \$300.00 Walmart Gift Card, Second Prize is a Christmas Tree with Gift Certificates plus money with a value of \$200.00 and Third Prize is a \$50.00 Sobey's Gift Card. All monies raised go to help support our parish. Thank you in advance for your support.

Christmas Ornaments

The CWL is again offering for sale, Christmas Ornaments for loved ones who are in our thoughts and prayers. The order sheets are in **CWL Christmas Ornaments** envelopes, at the back of the church, and on-line with our Parish bulletin, as a separate attachment. When completed, place your order form with its payment in an envelope marked as **CWL Christmas Ornaments** on week-ends, in the masses' collection basket or drop it off at the church during office hours. If using a personal cheque, please make it payable to "St Joseph's CWL". The cut-off date for acceptance of orders is **Sunday, Dec. 15th**. Our price remains at \$5 for each ornament. The ornaments will be labeled as instructed on your order form and placed on the Parish Christmas tree for Dec. 24th services.

After the conclusion of the Christmas season, those requesting their ornaments will be contacted by phone for their pick-up time & location.

We thank you for your continuing support over the years.

Advent Wreath

During Advent, the candles on the Advent Wreath are lit at each mass. If you are interested in doing this, please tell the office or the Greeter as you enter the church. They will inform a Sacristan who will take you and your partner/family to the altar for instruction and practice prior to the start of mass. The lightening will be at the beginning of mass and Father will request the lighter(s) of the candle to come forth.

What is forbidden by the eighth commandment?

The eighth commandment forbids: false witness, perjury, and lying, the gravity of which is measured by the truth it deforms, the circumstances, the intentions of the one who lies, and the harm suffered by its victims; rash judgment, slander, defamation and calumny which diminish or destroy the good reputation and honor to which every person has a right; flattery, adulation, or complaisance, especially if directed to serious sins or toward the achievement of illicit advantages. A sin committed against truth demands reparation if it has caused harm to others. Further reading: CCC 2475-2487, 2507-2509

COLLECTIONS~ THANK YOU! NOV.16TH & NOV. 17TH

Envelopes		2685.00
Loose Cash		335.00
Candles		10.00
Fuel		715.00
Faith Formation		100.00
Pre-Authorized		750.00
Total		4595.00
Hall		240.00
Church Improvement		

Ways to Donate

E-transfers: (stjoseph2006@ns.aliantzinc.ca) please specify the fund in which you would like your donation to go. If not, it will be credited to the regular operating fund.

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

Dec. 9-11 Advent Mission with Father Bill Burke, OSA , Our Lady of Grace Monastery

Mission will begin with Holy Mass at 7 pm each evening.

Father Burke, a native of Main-a-Dieu, has an MA in liturgical theology from the University of Notre Dame. After 29 years in the diocese, he was appointed director of the National Liturgy Office for the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops in 2006. In September 2013, he returned to become pastor of St. Marguerite Bourgeoys parish in Sydney. Light refreshments available in the Retreat House Dining Room following each presentation. Anyone wishing accommodations may contact Lucille Fougere at (902) 623-0075 or by e-mail:

ladyofgracemonastery@gmail.com

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, usually held in January, is scheduled this year for the week of Mon. Jan. 20th through to Friday Jan. 24th, 2025 Venue TBA.

Community

No Options, No Choice

November 26 is Election Day in Nova Scotia. As candidates seek your vote, it is an opportunity to ask them about Medical Assistance in Dying (MAiD). The Christian Medical and Dental Association of Canada has compiled a list of topics, suggested questions and background information. Read and download them here:

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

CWL

Operation Christmas Child

CWL would like to thank parishioners for their continuing support of Operation Christmas Child. Parishioners had the option of returning their filled shoeboxes to the church by Nov 15th, or going on-line to purchase a filled shoebox(es), as well as choosing the items for their shoebox(es). Our 20 collected shoeboxes were dropped-off at Westside Bible Chapel for shipment.

News Story

[Lisa Power Lecture at CBU](#)

https://youtu.be/Eb_gsdP2LLO?si=hOGgHckldHVBgDi3

[Pope Francis sparks debate with call to investigate Gaza genocide allegations - ZENIT - English](#)

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Quote of the Week

"When our Lord inspires us with some good deed, He also gives the strength to do it." St. Margaret Mary Alacoque

Cape Breton Regional Police Service

November 19, 2024 Police continue to investigate disappearance of Justin MacDonald: As a result of ongoing investigation into the disappearance of Kenneth "Justin" MacDonald, Cape Breton Regional Police are now treating this case as a homicide. Justin MacDonald – described as 5'9" tall and 240 pounds, with sandy blond hair and blue eyes – was last seen on July 7th, 2024 at approximately 11 PM at the Irving gas station located at 183 Commercial Street, North Sydney, where he was captured on store video. Police later located Justin's vehicle, a blue Kia Forte, NS License Plate #FYZ-715 approximately 25 km away in the Ormond Crescent area of Mira Road, in CBRM. Police have been actively investigating his disappearance and have followed up on several leads, including multiple searches with K9 and Drone teams and Ground Search and Rescue. Investigators believe there are people with critical information who have not yet spoken to police and remind the public that even the smallest piece of information might be what is needed to further the investigation. It is never too late to come forward; anyone with information that can help determine the circumstances of Justin's disappearance is asked to contact our Major Crime investigators directly at 902-563-5151.

Peace Be with You and Have a Great Week

