



PARISH COMMUNITY OF ST. JOSEPH

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August 2nd, 2026

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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REV. DOUGLAS MACDONALD – PASTOR CHAPLAIN CAPE BRETON UNIVERSITY Rev. Mr. Roy Smith, Deacon roy.smith@hotmail.ca		<u>Leadership Ministry Team & Committees</u> Pam Hall- Secretary / Faith Formation Cavell Young – Bookkeeping, Pastoral Council Cathy MacDonald- Liturgy, Cemetery Monica Shebib-Baptism, / Bereavement/Funeral Team Lana Verschuren- Finance Bulletin Deadline is Wednesday at midnight!			OFFICE HOURS: TUES., WED. THURS.-9AM- 1 PM TEL: 902 -794-3951
ST. JOSEPH PARISH NEXT WEEK					Mass Intentions 
Date	Location	Time	Details	FOR THE WEEK	
Mon. Aug.3rd	St. Joseph Church	11am	Funeral	Rebecca Gracie	
Tues. Aug. 4th	St. Joseph Church		St. Jean-Marie Vianney		
Wed. Aug.5th	Personal Mass				
Thurs. Aug.6th	Personal Mass		The Transfiguration of the Lord		
Fri. Aug7th	Personal Mass				
Sat. Aug.8th	St. Joseph Church	4pm	St.Dominic		
Sun. Aug. 9th	St. Joseph Church	10 am		For All Parishioners	
Ministries		4 pm Mass Saturday, Aug.8th		10 am Mass Sunday, Aug.9th	
SACRISTAIN & LIENS		Deacon Roy Smith, Team		Deacon Roy Smith, Team	
CHOIR		St. Joseph Choir		Alan Gale	
GREETERS		Ellen McNamara, Sally Ryan		Susan & Gary Burton, Pam Hall	
USHERS		Men and Women of the Parish		Men and Women of the Parish	
LECTORS		Paula LeBlanc, Ellen McNamara		Kasom Nzelu, Difu Nzelu	
PRESENTATION OF GIFTS		Parishioners		Parishioners	
EXTRAORDINARY MIN. OF HOLY COMMUNION		Lloyd Brewer, Joe Tobin		George Quirk, Joan Skinner	
Interior Church (cleaning)		Volunteer Team		Volunteer Team	
EXTÉRIEUR SERVICE (EXTÉRIEUR)		Fr. Doug		Hunter Hill	
RIGGING OF BELLS				Dave Williams	

PARISH NEWS

St. Joseph Fall Fair

Our Fall Fair is fast approaching. The date for this year’s fair is October 3rd from 10am to 2pm. We depend on the generous support of the parishioners to make this event a success. If you have any items you may want to give a new home to, we will gladly take them. Our bake sale was well received last year, and we hope parishioners will be willing to help us again this year. If you have any questions, please feel free to call the office at 902-794-3951.

Seminarian Joe MacMaster

Seminarian Joe MacMaster will be ordained a deacon on Thursday August 6th at 2pm at Holy Family Parish, Sydney Mines. All are invited.

St. Joseph Parish Annual Cemetery Mass

Holy Cross Cemetery, 6 pm Sunday, August 30th, 2026

This year’s orders for individual roses, may be placed by using the labelled envelopes containing an order form that is available at all entrances to the church. Orders, with payment, may be dropped off at the Parish Office during usual open hours, or on the weekends, be

placed in the collection basket. If using a cheque, make it payable to “St. Joseph Church”. Orders must be placed by Sunday, August 9th, to ensure delivery. Please note no on-site sales.

COLLECTIONS~ THANK YOU! JUNE27TH & 28TH			
Envelopes			1585.00
Loose Cash			295.00
Candles			10.00
Initial Offering			10.00
Holy Cross			15.00
Church Maintenance			15.00
Pre- Authorized Debit			750.00
Total			2680.00
Hall			630.00
Church Improvement			70.00

Ways to Donate:

P.O. Box 338 34 Archibald Ave. North Sydney, N.S. B2A 3M4

E-transfer: Email a donation to the parish email address: stjoseph2006@ns.aliantzinc.ca **Credit card, or debit card:** Please come into the parish office to complete your donation.

Parish Envelopes: Please see the office or ask us at mass for your own personal box of donation envelopes.

Hall Fund Envelopes: 100% of Donations to the St. Joseph Hall Fund stay in North Sydney and are spent locally. They are available throughout the Church.

Pre-Authorized Debit: Please bring a void cheque and call the office to get started.

Cash Donations: All cash donations given directly at the office get a tax receipt. Loose cash donated at mass is locked in security bags by two screened volunteers and the total amount is posted each week in the bulletin.

COLLECTIONS~ THANK YOU! JULY 4TH & 5TH			
Envelopes			1690.00
Loose Cash			425.00
Candles			50.00
Holy Cross			40.00
Expectant Mothers			25.00
Church Maintenance			20.00
Pre-Authorized Debit			750.00
Total			3000.00
Hall			820.00
Church Improvement			300.00

COLLECTIONS~ THANK YOU! JULY 11TH & 12TH			
Envelopes			1640.00
Loose Cash			330.00
Candles			15.00
Holy Cross			760.00
Pre-Authorized Debit			750.00
Total			3495.00
Hall			525.00
Church Improvement			90.00

COLLECTIONS~ THANK YOU! JULY 18TH & 19TH			
Envelopes			1710.00
Loose Cash			350.00
Candles			5.00
Holy Cross			295.00
Pre-Authorized Debit			750.00
Total			3110.00
Hall			460.00
Church Improvement			90.00

COLLECTIONS~ THANK YOU! JULY 25TH & 26TH			
Envelopes			1145.00
Loose Cash			290.00
Candles			25.00
Holy Cross			30.00
Pre-Authorized Debit			750.00
Total			2240.00
Hall			540.00
Church Improvement			50.00

Community

The Mother of Sorrows Pioneer Shrine in Mabou has been a place of prayer, peace, and comfort for countless visitors, families, and pilgrims throughout the years. Many come seeking quiet reflection, healing, and spiritual connection, and the Shrine continues to be a cherished part of our faith community. At this time, the Shrine is in need of repairs and maintenance to ensure it remains safe, welcoming, and able to serve all who visit. Structural repairs, upkeep of the grounds, and restoration of weathered areas are needed. In addition, the cost of devotional candles has risen significantly, and keeping them available to visitors has become a financial challenge. We humbly ask for your support. Any donation, no matter the size, would make a meaningful difference and help preserve this sacred place for future generations.

Your generosity will directly support a place that has touched the hearts and continues to be a source of faith and comfort for people near and far.

Mother of Sorrows Pioneer Shrine, 45 Southwest Ridge Road, Mabou, N. S. B0E 1x0

Cemetery Mass

Sacred Heart Parish, Johnstown, Annual Cemetery Mass, Sunday August 9th, in the lower graveyard - 15290 Highway 4, Johnstown - Start time: 9:00 am. Please bring your own chair

You're Invited!

August 3, 11 am - 3 pm, Open House and Welcome Day

Our Lady of Grace Monastery

Join us on the holiday Monday for an afternoon of celebration, featuring music by Ty Wallace, a local farm/artisan market, bbq and pizza, and the opportunity to explore the Monastery and outdoor Shrine. Our Lady of Grace Monastery is in its 201st year of serving as a sacred space and an oasis of history and nature. We look forward to welcoming you, and welcoming you back! 940 Monastery Rd., Monastery, off Exit 37 Trans-Canada Highway 104

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Quote of the Week

“He who prays most receives most.”

St. Alphonsus de Liguori

Peace Be With You and Have A Great Week

