

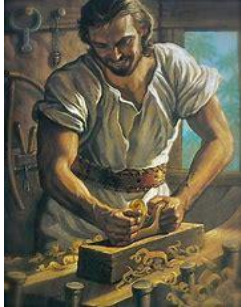


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September 14th, 2025

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Exaltation of the Holy Cross

SEPTEMBER 14TH, 2025 †		
REV. DOUGLAS MACDONALD – PASTOR CHAPLAIN CAPE BRETON UNIVERSITY Rev. Mr. Roy Smith, Deacon roy.smith@hotmail.ca	<u>Leadership Ministry Team</u> Pam Hall- Secretary /Faith Formation, Cavell Young – Bookkeeping, Cathy MacDonald- Liturgy, Monica Shebib- Baptism, / Bereavement/Funeral Team, Lana Verschuren- Finance	OFFICE HOURS: TUES., WED. THURS, – 9AM– 1 PM TEL: 902 -794-3951

ST. JOSEPH PARISH NEXT WEEK				
Date	Location	Time	Details	Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK
Mon. Sept. 15th	St. Joseph Hall	11am	Our Lady of Sorrows	For Sheri Brydedy
Tues. Sept. 16th	St. Joseph Hall	11am	St. Cornelius, Pope	For David Guy
Wed. Sept. 17th	Holy Family (Sydney Mines)	9am		
Thurs. Sept. 18th	Holy Family (Sydney Mines)	9am		
Fri. Sept. 19th	Holy Family (Sydney Mines)	9am		
Sat. Sept. 20th	St. Joseph Church	4pm		For the Conversion of Sinners
Sun. Sept. 21st	St. Joseph Church	10 am		For All Parishioners
Ministries	4 pm Mass Saturday, September 20th		10 am Mass Sunday, September 21st	
SACRISTAIN & LINENS	Deacon Roy Smith, Team		Deacon Roy Smith, Team	
CHOIR	St. Joseph Choir		Alan Gale	
GREETERS	Ann Sampson, Georgie Bonnar		Yvonne MacDonald, Pam Hall	
USHERS	Men and Women of the Parish		Men and Women of the Parish	
LECTORS	Jude Rankin		Joan Byers, Kay Batherson	
PRESENTATION OF GIFTS	Parishioners		Parishioners	
EXTRAORDINARY MIN. OF HOLY COMMUNION	loyd Brewer, Cathy MacDonald		George Quirk, Joan Skinner	
Interior Church (cleaning)	Volunteer Team		Volunteer Team	
EXTERIOR SERVICE (SHOVELING)	Fr. Doug		Hunter Hill	
RINGING OF BELLS			Dave Williams	

PARISH NEWS

Faith FormationClasses

Registration for Faith Formation classes for all levels from Pre Primary to Level 6 will be held on September 21st after the 10am mass downstairs in the Hall. We will be having ice cream and floats for all the children. Our faith is something important we need to pass on to our children, and we hope to see all our young people attend these classes starting on October 5th, 2025.

St. Joseph Fall Fair

Our Fall Fair is fast approaching. The date for this year’s fair is September 27th 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.

Be sure to check out our on- line auction for great items. The web site is: <https://www.facebook.com/share/p/15xfNMsQv3/> There will be Pulled BBQ Chicken Burgers with Dessert for \$10.00 If you have any questions, please feel free to call the office at 902-794-3951. Hope to see everyone at the fair.

Lectors/Readers & Communion Refresher

There is a refresher session from 2-3 pm on Sunday October 19 in the parish hall for all current lectors/readers, ministers of communion and anyone interested in reading at mass or giving communion at Church or to shut ins, need to attend. The new term for Eucharistic minister is extraordinary minister of communion. The latest liturgical guidelines will be shared. Peace Fr. Doug

Old Church organ to give away

There are two old Church organs that require repairs, but are free for the taking. Please call the parish office if your interested. Free delivery. Peace, Fr. Doug

Greeters Schedule

The new schedule from October to December 22nd is now available in the vestry for pick-up.

Visitation to Hospital/Nursing Homes

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

Delivering Meals to Neighbors’

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 them to people you know. Each bagged meal includes a healthy well-balanced lunch.

Collections~ Thank You September 6th & 7th		
Envelopes		2050.00
Loose Cash		310.00
Expectant Mothers		25.00
Candles		25.00
Pre-Authorized Debit		750.00
Totals		3160.00
Hall Fund		992.00
Church Improvement		60.00

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

Ways to Donate

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

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

Come to the office to use our debit or credit card machine

Diocesan

Mother of Sorrows Pioneer Shrine

Save the date SEPTEMBER 14 and plan to attend the Annual Celebration at Mother of Sorrows Pioneer Shrine. It all starts at the Shrine at 1:00 pm with the Continuous Rosary, continuing until 4:00pm mass in St. Mary’s Church here in Mabou, Cape Breton.

Many prayers will be said for many intentions. Please join with us in prayer from home if you are unable to attend. Lunch at the Parish Hall after Mass compliments of St. Mary’s CWL. The gift shop is open every day from 10 am until 4 pm until mid- October. Cash only.

Inquiries? Call 902-945-2221 The Shrine is open year round.

Thank-you for your continued support.

Board of Mother of Sorrows Pioneer Shrine

Do you receive our diocesan newsletters?

Seven Ears of Grain is emailed each Monday morning, with news and events from our diocese and parishes, plus news and resources from the Vatican and national offices.

Witness of Hope is our seasonal newsletter.

To subscribe, visit <https://www.antigonishdiocese.com/newsletter/> or email jennifer@dioceseofantigonish.ca

A Day of Care for our Common Home

Saturday, Oct. 4Our Lady of Grace Monastery

10 am: Mass for Care of Creation celebrated by Bishop Wayne Kirkpatrick

Followed by light refreshments, then a screening of the documentary Laudato Si' 10th Anniversary and a conversation with the filmmaker, Kevin Moynihan. The day will conclude with small table discussions guided by Dr. Darlene O'Leary, Martha Justice Ministry, on options and actions we can choose for home and parish to help heal and nurture our common home.

This Jubilee event is free and open to all ages: individuals, families, parish volunteers, catechists, and everyone interested in learning more about how to care for our common home.

For more information, contact Jennifer Hatt, jennifer@dioceseofantigonish.ca or <https://www.antigonishdiocese.com/living-laudato-si-10/>

Parish Mission

Please mark your calendar for the Parish Mission in St. Peter’s Parish Port Hood, from Saturday, October 25 to Tuesday 28, 2025 preached by Archbishop Martin Curry, Archbishop Emeritus of St. John's NL. The mission will begin with the Holy Mass on Saturday at 4.00pm. Details to follow.

Community

Sydney Tuesday, September 16th, 2025 1:30 -3:30 pm. An invitation to join with other women to share. TEA and TALK at Holy Redeemer Convent 24 Neville St. 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.

Celtic Concert

Sunday Sept. 21st. 2:00 p.m. \$10.00 per person at door. Howie MacDonald, Beverly MacLean, Mike Cavanaugh. MC Joe Gillis. St. Margaret's Community Hall. 2353 Grand Mira South Road . Tea n Oatcakes Served Profits to support Adopt a Family for Christmas

LESLEY CREWE BOOK SIGNING

1PM MONDAY, SEPT. 22 @ BUFFETT'S OFFICE SUPPLIES, NORTH SYDNEY In support of her newest release, The Spirit of Scatarie, author Lesley Crewe will be holding a book signing. Books will be available for purchase, with refreshments provided.

Bras D’ OR Fall Fair

CWL Fall Fair will be held on Wednesday September 24th from 11am to 2pm at the Bras D’Or Hall. Lunch \$15 Eat in or Take Out! Turkey Burger or Hamburger Soup, Tea Biscuit, Strawberry Shortcake, tea or coffee. There will be Bake Tables, Flea market, CWL Thanksgiving Basket with Turkey Dinner and all the trimmings. Gift Cards.

Healing Manger Farm Walk a thon & Open House

On Saturday October 11, 2025 at 7003 Kempt Head Road, there is an open house and optional walk a thon from 10 am – 2 pm to raise money for mental health treatment. The Manger offers immediate therapy in two ways:

- 1. From the comfort of your home with online counselling by a certified Canadian Counsellor, and/or
- 2. In person animal therapy at the Healing Manger for nature heals.

Attached to this bulletin is the Walk a thon poster and sign up. Please bring any donations to the event or drop by the parish office. Debit and credit machine available. Free chili, music and come see the animals.

Visit our mental health non-profit website: healingmangerfarm.com

Quote of the Week

“Holiness is not something for some privileged few. God calls everyone; from everyone He waits for Love: from everyone, wherever they may be; from everyone, whatever may be their state in life, profession, or occupation.” St. Josemaria Escriva

Peace Be with You and Have a Great Week
