



SAINT NINIAN CATHEDRAL PARISH

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MASS TIMES

Tue-Fri: 9:00AM
Saturday: 4:00PM
Sunday: 8:30AM and 10:30AM

CONFESSIONS:

Saturdays: 3:15PM - 3:45PM

BAPTISMS:

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Our Mission Statement

"St. Ninian Cathedral is the Episcopal Seat for the Diocese of Antigonish, Nova Scotia. We humbly welcome all who wish to nurture their faith through sharing the Word, breaking the Bread, and celebrating God's love for us. Guided by the Holy Spirit, our mission is to worship and serve God through prayer and service to God's people, and by striving to live our lives in the likeness and image of God."



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Mary, Holy Mother of God January 1st, 2023

COLLECTION INFORMATION

December 25th	
Christmas Offering	\$16,773.80
Loose Money	\$ 2,167.20
Total Collection	<u>\$18,941.00</u>
Other	
Memorial Bows:	\$ 730.00
Christmas Flowers:	\$ 25.00
C.A.R.E.:	\$ 50.00
Cemetery Mass:	\$ 100.00
Religious Education:	\$ 25.00

of Envelopes Received 323

Pre-Authorized Debit:

For the month of December 2022, we will receive 96 donations totaling \$8,656.00 equaling \$2,164.00 weekly.

Online Donations:

For the month of December 2022, we have received \$2,068.25 through Canada Helps. So far, this tool has allowed us to receive 61 donations totalling over \$12,250.00 year-to-date.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Grade 2 (1st Communion); Grades 3-6
Continues in January. Date pending

Children's Liturgy:
Sunday Mass at 10:30AM.

SYMPATHY TO THE FAMILIES OF...

James "Jim" Ralph Nearing, Fairmont
Joan Benedict Swartzack, Antigonish
Pearl MacDonald, Black Avon

POPE EMERITUS BENEDICT XVI

Benedict XVI was a giant of faith and reason. A man in love with the Lord who put his life at the service of the Universal Church and has spoken, and will continue to speak, to the hearts and minds of people with the spiritual, cultural and intellectual depth of his Magisterium. May he rest in peace.

2023 PARISH ENVELOPES

The 2023 Parish Envelopes are now ready for pick up at the Parish Office. For those who wish to help with the distribution of the envelopes, please contact the parish office.

WINTER STORM ADVISOR

In the event of a storm, the parish office will be closed in accordance to the Strait Regional School Board's decision. Please watch attentively as morning masses will also be cancelled in the event of school closures or delayed opening.

FUND RAISING INITIATIVE—ORANGE BARRELS

We have now established ourselves in the Antigonish community with the Antigonish Family and Children Services!

We are in need of community help in order to continue with the project of collecting recyclables. We would like to thank everyone for their support on helping raise money for our families in need.

Last month we collected \$369.20, and with your help we could do much more. For information, please call Peter or Jeanne Samson at (902) 631-0568

WELCOME TO OUR CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY

- ◇ Hazel Elwin Holmes, daughter of Scott and Jennifer
- ◇ Rowan August Ronald Varma, son of Rana and Helen
- ◇ Isla Rose Maria Brophy, daughter of Shawn and Sian
- ◇ Finley William MacDougall, son of Eric and Hailey
- ◇ Mac Andrew Landry, son of Andrew and Alycia
- ◇ Lucy Maureen Garside, daughter of Nicholas and Catherine
- ◇ Clare Kell, daughter of Ron and Evelyn

REFLECTION

Among Mary's essential virtues were her total, complete commitment to do God's will. Her response, "Let it be done to me according to his will," is continually on her lips. Mary's essential vocational calling is her fidelity to family and living the call to motherhood. She is our mother and model, for all families, through all generations.

Her essential virtue in the Church today is her evangelizing for Jesus. She is actively leading us to encounter Jesus, and obey his commands, "Do whatever he tells you to do." May we imitate her virtues of obedience to God's calling, union with others in the body of the Church, and be an active witness for Jesus wherever we go. *Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death. Amen*



Memorial Bows



A Memorial Bow has been placed in the memory of...

- ◇ Fr. Hughie D. MacDonald
 - ◇ Maria Fleuren
 - ◇ William Fleuren
- ◇ Angus & Robert MacDonald
 - ◇ Beaton family
 - ◇ Chisholm Family
 - ◇ Hattie Mannette
 - ◇ Preston DeCoste
 - ◇ Gordan Jordan
 - ◇ Simon Mannette
 - ◇ Evie Grew
 - ◇ Charlie DeCoste
- ◇ Charlie & Mary DeCoste
- ◇ Henry & Margaret Boucher
 - ◇ Pauletta MacDonald
 - ◇ Ruth McKeown
 - ◇ Kimberly Fougere
 - ◇ Josie & Cynthia Smith
- ◇ Walter, Theresa, Joan MacArthur
 - ◇ D.P. Chisholm Jr.
 - ◇ Melissa Landry
 - ◇ Joe Andy MacDonald
 - ◇ Vlasta & Tony Chesal
 - ◇ Christena T. Cameron
- ◇ Leonard & Alvina Sampson
- ◇ Danny & Theresa MacDonald
- ◇ Malcolm & Mary MacKinnon
- ◇ Kennedy & Julia Chisholm
- ◇ Lynn MacDougall

- ◇ Gina MacDonald
- ◇ Betty Chisholm
- ◇ Charlie Chisholm
- ◇ Mary MacDonald
- ◇ Hugh MacDonald
- ◇ Carol Anne Mattie
- ◇ Pearl Lee Sullivan
- ◇ Iain Francis MacDonald
- ◇ Anthony & Peggy Mattie
- ◇ Josie & Henry Sullivan
- ◇ Joe K. Chisholm
- ◇ Anthony Daniel Bowie
- ◇ John D. Bowie
- ◇ Veronica Bowie
- ◇ William Joseph Bowie
- ◇ Bill & Hilda MacGillivray
- ◇ Rose & Allan MacPherson
- ◇ Joseph & Beverly MacPherson
 - ◇ Neil MacPherson
 - ◇ Mike Muise
 - ◇ Karen MacLean
 - ◇ Joe MacLean
 - ◇ Joyce Murphy
- ◇ Anne MacEachern
- ◇ Skinner family
- ◇ Catherine Duggan
- ◇ James Duggan
- ◇ Alex Duggan
- ◇ Mary Gallant
- ◇ Donnie McNeil

- ◇ James "Jim" Grant
 - ◇ George Jean
 - ◇ Henry Lefort
- ◇ Rose & Allan MacPherson
- ◇ Joseph & Beverly MacPherson
 - ◇ Neil MacPherson
 - ◇ David Michaud
 - ◇ John Knocton
 - ◇ William Murphy
 - ◇ Vincent Murphy
 - ◇ Jessie Sears
- ◇ Mary Catherine Chisholm
 - ◇ Jo vanOirschot
 - ◇ Mike vanOirschot
 - ◇ Jim Tozer
- ◇ Harry Vromans
- ◇ Marie Vromans
- ◇ Brian Maclaasac

2022 PARISH RECAP

DEATHS: 72

WEDDINGS: 7

BAPTISMS: 27

FIRST COMMUNIONS: 30

CONFIRMATION: 28

This year was another special year for our parish. After lockdowns, church closures, and having to impose masses' capacity for a great deal of the Covid-19 pandemic, this year we got to welcome, albeit slowly, elements of our routines before Covid. Everywhere, people have started getting used to our lives as they are now. We saw the return of many of our committees and ministries, and enjoyed keeping track of the amazing work they have done throughout the past months. We also saw a great number of people return to church to enjoy Mass in person. To those who are slowly returning to our pews, and those who have recently joined us: we whole-heartedly welcome you in this journey, and to our Saint Ninian Cathedral community.

This year, we have finished a tremendous stage in our Art Restoration Project. During the summer months, we welcomed Michelle Gallinger and her team for another round of restorations: all fourteen saints are now resorted back to their original estates. The Art Restoration committee continues to plan our future steps and secure funding for the restoration of the Stations of the Cross and ceiling paintings. In 2022, we also took the step to start livestreaming our regular Sunday service at 10:30AM. Thousands of people from all over the globe have joined us since then. With livestreaming, came our decision, in conjunction with 98.9 XFM, to stop broadcasting radio masses. Once again, we thank those who have made that possible, and all of those who have joined us through the radio. We finished off the year with the return of the Saint Ninian Cathedral concert series. Our music director, Emery van de Wiel, put together a delightful concert of sacred Christmas music featuring the Saint Ninian Cathedral Choir, as well as groups from Antigonish and beyond. The concert was in benefit of the Antigonish Affordable Housing Society and more details on the final donation amount will be announced soon!

We would also like to take this moment to highlight the incredible work of our affiliated organization, as well as the work of all our committees and ministries. They are a vital component of a lively, welcoming, and sustainable parish life. Thanks to all who have made their time, minds, and hearts available this year.

We hope to see you in 2023, and wish you all a happy New Year!

Fr. Danny MacLennan
Rector, St. Ninian Cathedral Parish