



SAINT NINIAN CATHEDRAL PARISH

Antigonish, Nova Scotia

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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:

Please contact Leonarda MacNeil, ofs at
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ST. NINIAN PLACE (SNP) BOOKINGS:

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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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The Feast of Pentecost May 28th, 2023

COLLECTION INFORMATION

May 21th 2023:

Total Collection: \$4690.00
Pre-Authorized Payments (May): \$ 9381.00

Drop off a void cheque to the Parish Office if you would like to have direct deposit. It saves time preparing weekly envelopes.

Online Donations (April): \$866.88

These funds are anonymous donations from across Canada who wish to contribute to the Cathedral. We are most grateful!

THERE IS A TIME FOR EVERYTHING UNDER HEAVEN

Let us pray for our deceased parishioners and family members who have died:

Shirley Theresa Chisholm, Williams Point

PRAY THE ROSARY FOR OUR PRIESTS

The Worldpriest Annual Global Rosary Relay for the Sanctification of Priests - organized and coordinated by Worldpriest will be held on June 16, 2023, the Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Participation is easy - Please join Canada and unite with the rest of the world by praying the Holy Rosary on this day in thanksgiving and for the Sanctification of our beloved priests. You may pray as a family, individual or prayer group. For more information, please contact Isabel Gillis (902-870-3831) or www.worldpriest.com

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

The Parish Office has been relocated to room 018 in Saint Ninian Place. The Office is open from 9am - noon.

Cemetery Inquiries: Paula Kirk at 902-863-3335

150TH ANNIVERSARY NEXT MEETING IS THURSDAY, JUNE 1 6:30PM -7:30PM, ST. NINIAN PLACE BOARDROOM

We are looking for representatives to create the core team of organizers. If you would like to be involved, please contact the Parish Office (902-863-2338) or come to the one hour meeting on June 1st. in the Board Room, SNP

ART AND ENVIRONMENT

This ministry focuses on enhancing the beauty of the Cathedral. We are in need of people who wish to work on this committee. It is appropriate for those with imagination and decorating skills. Most time would be spent with the high points in the liturgical year, Christmas and Easter. If interested please contact the parish office by phone or email.

SACRISTANS

A workshop for Sacristans is being scheduled for an evening in June. We will review the responsibilities of a sacristan such as preparing for the celebration of Mass and other liturgical events. New Sacristans are welcomed to join this important lay ministry. Please contact Father Danny MacLennan if you are interested.

Love is Gentle
It was late spring and the buds refused to open.
The wind shook them . The hard rain beat them.
Instead of opening up, the buds reinforced their shells.
Then along came the sun.
It issued no threats and made no demands.
And what happened?
Almost overnight the buds began to soften and expand.
They burst out!
If you love, you are gentle.
And there are certain tasks which only gentleness can accomplish.

PARISH COMMITTEES AND COUNCILS

PLEASE BOOK YOUR MEETINGS THROUGH THE PARISH OFFICE. WE WOULD LIKE TO INCLUDE THEM IN THE BULLETIN SO PEOPLE CAN BE AWARE OF PARISH ACTIVITIES!

SUMMER STUDENT EMPLOYMENT - BALLANTYNE COVE WHARF AND CAPE GEORGE HIKING TRAILS

Two positions are available at the Tuna Interpretive Centre at Ballantynes Cove Wharf. Two positions are available for the Cape George Hiking Trails. Start on July 3 for 8 weeks (concludes at the end of August). Wage is 30 cents above the minimum wage. Resume to be sent to: srmkdm@gmail.com

SEAFOOD CHOWDER AND BAKE SALE

Sunday, June 4th, 11:30 am until 1:30 pm, North Shore Fire Hall, Marsh Road, Cape George. Chowder. Adults \$15.00, Children under 12 years \$8.00 Take outs available!

ST. MARTHA REGIONAL HOSPITAL - SEEKING VOLUNTEERS

Please call 902-870-5571 if you would like to volunteer to welcome patients and visitors to the Hospital; also patient visiting to lend compassion and emotional support.

ORANGE BARRELS

We are very thankful for people who came forward to help us with bottle exchange. We are in need of one more person to take charge of the barrel on the east side of the church. People can also deliver to the small shed in the back of St. Ninian Place. Thanks to all for serving our community.

Thank you. Peter and Jeanne (902-631-0568)

PANCAKE AND SAUSAGE BREAKFAST

The Antigonish Lions Club are having their Pancake and Sausage Breakfast on Sunday May 28th from 9 -12 noon at 13 Highland Dr. Ext.. Donations at the door are going towards the Keep Well Antigonish Society. Also, on the same day the Lions are organizing the Walk for Dog Guides. You can register on line at www.walkfordogguides.com or come in person at our club at 130pm to register. You can help provide life changing Dog Guides to Canadians with a medical or physical disability by participating in this community event.

MASS INTENTIONS: MAY 30 - JUNE 2

Tuesday May 30th:

Mary Anne MacIsaac, rip
Fergus Dearden, rip

Wednesday May 31st

Greta MacDonald, rip
Wilhelmina Westenek, rip

Thursday June 1st:

Jim MacCormack, rip
Tat MacKinnon rip

Friday June 2nd

Darlene Murrant, rip
James Fraser, rip

A message from Fr. Danny...

"Peace be with you" on hearing these four simple words, the fear that had paralyzed the disciples, gives way to rejoicing. We, too, can feel paralyzed at times, but yet here is Jesus, wishing us peace and giving us the gift of Pentecost, our Advocate, the Holy Spirit. In today's first reading we hear, "in their own language they heard each speaking about God's deeds of power". What a wonderful gift from the Holy Spirit.

One hundred and fifty years ago, during the building of this Cathedral, the words, TIGH DHE, were engraved. These words in Scottish Gaelic, meaning House of God, shows how prominent the Gaelic language was in this area and diocese. We also recognize the strong presence of Mi'kmaq, Acadian and English languages. As we look around our parish today we see how things have changed and how immigrants were made welcome. In our parish we hear people speaking in their own language; Dutch, German, Tantalog, Portuguese, Spanish, and several Indian languages; Malayalam, Tamil, Kannada, Hindi and Punjabi. I pray that everyone feels welcome and accepted and all will continue to share their rich cultures, foods, and traditions.

St. Paul said that "there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit."

This coming Wednesday, participants with the Special Olympics, their coaches, friends, and family, will spend time in Antigonish holding their events at the university. On behalf of the Cathedral Parish I wish all the competitors the best of luck and welcome to all.

Slowly but surely preparations and some work have begun on the damage that occurred back in February. Everyone's patience and prayers are helping. The Parish Office, in Room 18, at SNP, is working well and how nice it is to see parishioners and visitors dropping in.

May God's peace be with you all.

Come, Holy Spirit Fill the hearts of your faithful people and fill them once again with the seven-fold gift of your presence.

Give them the gift of wisdom so that they can see with your eyes, hear with your ears, think with your mind, feel with your heart.

Give them the gift of understanding so that they can experience and judge life from the point of view of other people.

Give them the gift of counsel so that they can share the story of their faith and thereby strengthen their fellow parishioners.

Give them the gift of fortitude so that they may stick to the task of living their faith and sharing the Gospel whether convenient or inconvenient.

Give them the gift of knowledge so that they can read the signs of the times and figure out how to respond in faith.

Give them the gift of piety so that they can be true friends with you whether in prayer or in a good moral life.

Give them the gift of fear of the Lord so that they can respond to your presence in church, at home, and on the street.

**God bless,
Fr. Danny MacLennan**