

SAINT NINIAN CATHEDRAL PARISH

Antigonish, Nova Scotia

Feast of the Ascension of our Lord May 12th, 2024

PARISH OFFICE

Monday-Friday: 9am - 12pm St. Ninian Place (902) 863-2338

MASS TIMES

Tuesday- Friday: 9:00am Saturday: 4:00pm Sunday: 8:30 am & 10:30 am

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays: 3:15pm - 3:45pm

For more information, please refer to our website: www.saintninian.ca



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COLLECTION INFORMATION

May 5th, 2024

Sunday Collection: \$4788.00 Pre-authorized payments (April): \$10,281.00

MASS INTENTIONS

May 14th-May 17th, 2024

Tuesday May 14th

Tony Chesal, r.i.p. Rieneke Mattie, r.i.p.

Wednesday May 15th

Joanne Williams, r.i.p.

Thursday, May 16th

Margaret Adams, r.i.p. Angeline Grant, r.i.p. Mary Gillis, r.i.p.

Friday, May 17th

Mary MacDougall, r.i.p.

ST. NINIAN CATHEDRAL 150TH ANNIVERSARY **DINNER CELEBRATION**

The 150th Committee is pleased to announce that a Special Dinner will be held on July 7th, 2024 to celebrate the 150th Anniversary of the dedication of our Cathedral. Timed to coincide with the opening of the Antigonish Highland Games, the evening promises to be loaded with good fun in the form of light entertainment, good food by way of a turkey dinner with all the trimmings and good fellowship among our community.

Guest speakers will be Father Gary MacPherson and Sister Jovita MacPherson.

Cocktails at 5 p.m. with the dinner to begin at 6 p.m. Tickets will cost \$20.00 and will be available at the Parish Office from May 6th - 30th. If you wish to purchase a table of 8 places, please let the Parish Office know. As seating is limited (250 tickets will be on offer), please don't delay. We hope to see you there.

THIS DAY OF BAPTISM

May God who loves us all, smile lovingly upon this child, so innocent and small, and may he guide this child through out the years ahead as blessings light the pathway where those tiny feet are led.

Ivar Joseph MacDougall

son of Eric and Hailey MacDougall

Steven Charles Taha Nasser el Ddine

Son of Mohamad and Nancy Nasser el Ddine

LORD, WE LOOK TO YOU TODAY TO PROVIDE PEACE AND COMFORT IN OUR MEMORIES **OF OUR LOVED ONES**

Mary "Elaine" MacKay, Antigonish Rosalie Eva Cameron, Doctors Brook Bernard MacLean, Antigonish Eileen MacKinnon, Bailey's Brook

PENTECOST SUNDAY- CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS **MAY 19 AT 10:30 AM MASS**

We invite you to take part of the Pentecost Sunday celebrations by processing into the Church with other parishioners. For this 150th anniversary year, we hope this will be an extra special day celebrating faith and community.

If you wish to take part in this Pentecost Procession, please contact Father Danny.

BANNS FOR THE SACRED ORDER OF PRESBYTER

When someone is being ordained to the priesthood, it is the practice of the Church to post "Banns" for anyone knowing any 'impediment' to his being ordained a priest.

Banns For the Sacred Order of Presbyter

David Jude Anthony Rankin

Is to be promoted to the Sacred Order of Presbyter on Friday, May 31, at St. Ninian Cathedral.

SUMMER STUDENT EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

St. Ninian is looking to hire a student for up to 12 weeks (35 hours per week, spread over weekends, evenings and daytime hours on site) starting

June 3, 2024 to conduct historical research on the Cathedral, including its art work and the history of the building. The successful candidate will use this research to write a script for tours of the cathedral and to collect and keep records on this activity.

If you have demonstrated research and communications skills, both oral and written, are able to work independently, and are interested in a unique opportunity to support the Cathedral's 150th anniversary celebrations, please send your resume to Father Danny MacLennan either by dropping it off at the Parish Office or by e-mailing it to

> <u>pastor@saintninian.ca</u> no later than May 15, 2024.

Message from Father Danny:

Goodbyes can be very emotional, especially if we care deeply about the person leaving. The Ascension of Jesus marks the last time the disciples saw their friend before God assumed him into Heaven. Yet this is far from the final encounter, for Jesus lives on through the Christian community, the Eucharist, and in all creation.

It is in the call of motherhood that we see the true work of Jesus alive in our world. Their unconditional love, understanding, sacrifice and embrace is truly experiencing the love of God in our lives on earth. The Irish song, 'A mother's love is a blessing', rings through throughout our lives. Happy Mother's Day.

The sound system, with additional speakers, is bringing many good comments. Like any change there is always a few glitches that need attention. Your patience and comments are welcomed.

Those who attended the mass last Saturday with the university community were surprised to see Mila Mulroney and her son Mark in attendance with the honorary degree recipients. I did my best to point up to the ceiling, let's see what happens!!! All assembled enjoyed cake as they exited. Thank you to Muffy and Barry who helped with the organization of the liturgy.

This week I hope to get away for a few days, this time of year priests of the diocese are asked to make a retreat, so this will be my time. I will pray for nice weather but remember I also prayed for the Leafs and St. FX hockey!

Have a great week,

Beannaich Dia thu, Maighstir Danny (Gaelic awareness month)

Happy Mother's Day

To the Moms Who Are To the Moms who are struggling, to those filled with incandescent joy. To the Moms who are remembering children who have died, and pregnancies that miscarried. To the Moms who decided other parents were the best choice for their babies, to the Moms who adopted those kids and loved them fierce. To those experiencing frustration or desperation in infertility. To those who knew they never wanted kids, and the ways they have contributed to our shared world.

To those who mothered colleagues, mentees, neighborhood kids, and anyone who needed it. To those remembering Moms no longer with us. To those moving forward from Moms who did not show love, or hurt those they should have cared for. Today is a day to honor the unyielding love and care for others we call 'Motherhood,' wherever we have found it and in whatever ways we have found to cultivate it within ourselves.

-Pastor Hannah Kardon

Hail Mary, full of grace. The Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou amongst women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death, Amen

ANTIGONISH COMMUNITY LIVING WITH GRIEF GROUP

All are warmly welcome
April 15 to May 27th
Saint Ninian Place 7-9pm

To Register, contact Gladys Mac Dougall at 902-870-4885 or Monique Bond at 902-867-7701. You can also email: macdougallgladys@gmail.com
Registration is Free!

CEMETERY CARE NOTICE

Please check the tombstones of loved ones. Its your responsibility to make sure they are looked after.

Mary Bekkers

ANTIGONISH TOWN AND COUNTY LIBRARY

offers assistance with accessing Virtual Care. Our Virtual Health Navigator can help you access health care in a private setting within our library.

HIGHLAND LOBSTER SUPPER

Mother's Day, May 12th, 2024, from 11am - 2pm at the Mini Trail Community Center 4382, HWY 337 Lakevale, Antigonish Co. \$35.00/plate for Lobster and all the Fixins \$25.00/plate for Ham Dinner

<u>VON</u>

Antigonish is seeking volunteers to help trained staff out with their Adult Day Program on Wednesday and Fridays. Specifically needed are individuals that would like to help out preparing light snacks and lunch. Also seeking individuals who could share their musical talents with the group. If you would like to learn more, please call 902 863 5700 ext 2.

OUR LADY OF GRACE WELCOMES YOU TO LEARN ABOUT YOUR CHARISMS

A workshop on the topic of Charisms will be offered at Our Lady of Grace monastery on May 25th. Charisms are divine gifts given to each of us at baptism. The day will end with a Healing Mass offered by Father Albert MacPherson, O.S.A. There will be a fee of \$25.00. The workshop will run from 9:00 AM to 4:30PM with lunch and snacks.

THE MARCH FOR LIFE

The March for Life will be held Friday May 17th, in Halifax at 1:00pm. Processing from St. Mary's Basilica to Province House.

A youth (age teen to thirty) Pro-Life Summit will be held the same day from 10:am at St. Matthews on Barrington St. For more information contact:

Janet or Martin Bekkers at 902-863-5061.

FUNERAL RECEPTION MEETING

Tuesday May 14, 6:30pm St. Ninian Place CWL members and parishioners are invited to a

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PARISH MEETINGS

Mondays

150th Committee, 6:30pm Office Boardroom **Tuesdays**

Prayer Group, 6:30pm in the Vestry.

All are Welcome

Funeral Reception, 6:30pm St. Ninian Place Wednesday

Saint Ninian Choir rehearsal at 7pm in the Church