

SAINT NINIAN CATHEDRAL PARISH

Antigonish, Nova Scotia

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time November 5, 2023

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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 religioused@saintninian.ca

MARRIAGES:

Please contact Fr. Daniel MacLennan at pastor@saintninian.ca

ST. NINIAN PLACE (SNP) BOOKINGS:
Please contact the Parish Office

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."



COLLECTION INFORMATION

October 29th, 2023:

Sunday Collection: \$4753.00 Pre-authorized payments (Nov) \$10,081.00

MASS INTENTIONS: NOVEMBER 7-10, 2023

Tuesday, Nov 7th

Special Intention for the Living

Wednesday, Nov 8th

Joe Broussard, r.i.p. Joan Hansen, r.i.p. Keith Arsenault, r.i.p.

Thursday, Nov 9th

Betty Pettipas, r.i.p. Todd Jones, r.i.p. Souls in Purgatory

Friday, Nov 10th

Darlene Murrant, r.i.p. Aileen Williams, r.i.p. Danny De Coste, r.i.p.

THERE IS A TIME FOR EVERYTHING UNDER HEAVEN

Let us pray for our deceased family and friends Ruby Horne, Antigonish Sr. Mary Teresa MacIntosh, Antigonish

ALL SOULS MASS

All souls Mass will be held on Tuesday November 21st at 7:00pm. Candles will be lit by family members as we remember all deceased members of St. Ninian since All Souls Day 2022.

WELCOME TO FR. ELLIOT O'NEAL

While Fr. Danny is away on a well deserved rest, we will have the pleasure of having Fr. Elliot O'Neal!

He will ensure the parish receives spiritual guidance and service.

Thank You!

CWL MONTHLY MEETINGS

Sunday November 26th, at 1pm in room 021.

NEW POLICIES AT ALL HOSPITALS

With new policies taking place at all hospitals, we are asked to respect the privacy and wishes of the patients when it comes to visits from clergy or parish hospital teams. If a patient wishes a visit, he or she is to call the parish office.

SUNDAY MISSALS 2023-2024

Books will be available at the entrance to the Cathedral. \$5.00 each (envelope provided).

150TH ANNIVERSARY SAINT NINIAN PRAYER CARD AND HYMN

Please refer to the prayer card located in the pews.

150TH ANNIVERSARY QUILT RAFFLE

Tickets at the Parish Office. \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00

150TH ANNIVERSARY COOKBOOK SAVE THE DATE NOVEMBER 26

We will a having a Cookbook Tea after 8:30am and 10:30am Masses on Sunday. We will be sampling some of the recipes in the Delightful Desserts and taking pre- orders for the cookbook in time for Christmas.

The book will also be a wonderful keepsake marking our 150th Anniversary!

C.A.R.E. UPDATE

We currently have four application being reviewed by IRCC and have received confirmation indicating one of our sponsored individuals will be arriving in the near future. This is very exciting as this will be our first time welcoming one of our sponsored individuals since COVID. The committee is getting set up and organized to welcome our new member and will share more information as it becomes available.

Our next meeting is November 27th at 7pm in St.

ANTIGONISH COMMUNITY GRIEF GROUP ALL ARE WARMLY WELCOME

Ninian Place. All are welcome.

These meetings will run until Dec 11th, 2023 at 7pm.
Gladys MacDougall and colleague support individuals who have encountered Grief and or Loss in their lives.
They create a welcoming space to gather and feel that you do not walk alone.

To Register, contact Gladys MacDougall at 902-870-4885 or email: macdougallgladys@gmail.com
Registration is Free!

HOLLY TEA & SALE

Sponsored by St. James UCW, the Holly Tea and Sale will be held on Saturday, November 18 from 12:00 to 2:00 p.m. in the church hall. Bake table, New to You, Silent Auction, Christmas Room, Jewelry and Kid's Corner. Admission is free. Sandwiches, sweets and tea/coffee will be available for \$12.00.

SILENT AUCTION

Highland Academy of Learning, will host a silent auction on Friday, November 17th, from 7-10 pm, at the Heatherton Community Centre (gymnasium) in Heatherton. Tickets are \$15 each and include entertainment by local fiddlers, light refreshments, prize draws and more. Auction items will include local crafts, Christmas section, baked goods, home decor, clothing, artwork, gift certificates and other surprises.

Tickets are available in advance or at the door.

For advance tickets,
call Clare at (902-870-4850) or at the door.

ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION, BRANCH 59

(Arras), invites the public to a
Service of Remembrance on Sunday
November 5th, 2023 at St James United Church.
This community service begins at 10:30 am and is
hosted by the congregation of
St James United Church,
197 Main Street, Antigonish.

BE AMBITIOUS FOR THE HIGHER GIFTS - WEEK 4

A Charism is a supernatural grace bestowed upon each of us by the Holy Spirit at Baptism so that we can bring the love and healing presence of Christ to others. We welcome you to check out Page 5 of the Online Bulletin to find out more about your charisms.

THE OPPORTUNTY SHOP

We can **only** accept donations of clothes and small kitchen appliances. **WE CANNOT** accept Furniture, Broken, Large or Unusable items.

St. Vincent de Paul **does accept** Furniture and you can call them at 902-863-8050. **Please do not put garbage in the bin**.

The Town and County offers big garbage pick up for Antigonish.

THREE DAYS BUT ONE FEAST CELEBRATING THE TRIDUUM IN THE PARISH

The Triduum liturgy is the culmination of the entire year and it makes sense that the community's Sunday experience influences its anticipation of Triduum. If our assemblies are not engaged by music, preaching, hospitality, or other sacramental encounters at the Sunday liturgy, they are not likely to seek out more of the same.

It is common to think of our Sunday liturgies as "Little Easters," particularly because we celebrate the Risen Christ in every liturgy. Perhaps we also could consider Easter Sunday, and thus Triduum, as "One Great Big Sunday" that is integrally connected to all other Sundays of the year. This larger framework can inform how we plan, prepare, celebrate the Triduum, and balance the dialogue between Easter Sunday and all of the Sundays of the liturgical year.

With this in mind parishes and individuals are invited to join a Livestream talk Three Days but One Feast-Celebrating the Triduum in the Parish offered by Fr. Bill Burke, Pastor of St. Marguerite Bourgeoys Parish, Sydney. This talk will take place on Tuesday, November 7, 2023, 7:00pm, at St. Joseph Church, Port Hawkesbury. This presentation will be available to watch live on our Diocesan Website (antigonishdiocese.ca). Pastors, parish pastoral councils, liturgy committee members and all interested parishioners are invited to login for this event.

PARISH MEETINGS

<u>Tuesdays</u>

Prayer Group at 6:30pm in the Vestry All Are Welcome!

St. Vincent de Paul (first Tuesday of month) at 7pm

Wednesdays

Saint Ninian Choir rehearsal at 7pm in the church

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

- + Confirmation Classes Sundays, 6:00pm-7:15pm St. Ninian Place lower level (Rm 21)
 - + Grade 2 classes Sunday, 11:30am -12:15pm St. Ninian Place Rm 21
- + Grade 3-6 classes Wednesdays, 6:30pm -7:15pm Antigonish Education Centre
- + Grade 7 & 8 classes Wednesdays, 6:30pm -7:15pm St. Ninian Place Lower Level All inquiries contact Leonarda MacNeil at relgioused@saintninian.ca.



Postcard from Fr. Danny:

Hi everyone... I have arrived in Lisbon (with my luggage!!) and all is well. Weather is windy and food is great. Heard you guys got your first snow of the season this week, I think I'll take the bit of wind in Portugal...

See you all soon!



Be Ambitious for the Higher Gifts - Week 4

Charisms are supernatural graces given to us at Baptism so that we can bring the healing presence and love of Jesus to others. Everyone has at least one of them and most people have two or more. We experience joy, a sense of purpose, and feel as if we've found our place when exercising our individual charisms. We are more effective and fruitful than we could ever be on our own because the Holy Spirit is acting within us. We are called to exercise them at work, with family and friends, in the parish and in the broader community. Consider whether or not the Holy Spirit has equipped you with any of the following charisms in order to help bring about God's kingdom here on earth.

Extraordinary Faith: In 1 John 5: 14-15 we read: "and we have this confidence in him, that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us. And if we know that he hears us in regard to whatever we ask, we know that what we have asked him for is ours." The charism of extraordinary faith, distinguishable from the virtue of faith necessary for salvation, empowers a Christian to be an effective agent of God's purpose through a radical trust in God's love, power, and provision and an extraordinary freedom to act on that trust. It will be exemplified by a pattern of risk-taking for God's purposes. An example would be Mother Theresa believing that God would provide for all the needs of her sisters and the poor they served without raising money. People with this charism don't need to know where the necessary money will come from for a project to which God is calling them, nor exactly how their initiative is going to work out, but they often feel a spontaneous rush of confidence in God's providence in the midst of an impossible situation. In the words of St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, "when things get really difficult, God is about to do something especially wonderful." (Possible expressions of this gift: visionary, founder, leader of a cutting edge organization, fundraiser, parent)

Mercy: Someone with this charism is empowered to be a channel of God's love through hands-on practical deeds of compassion to relieve others' distress and restore their dignity. Individuals with this gift find personally serving the poor, the rejected, the marginalized to be a compelling privilege even when it is difficult. This charism can be very important in evangelization because it fosters spiritual trust and an intense curiosity in the non-believer. (Possible expressions of this gift: a St. Vincent de Paul or soup kitchen worker, hospital volunteer, hospice worker)

Evangelism: A person with this charism shares the faith with others – baptized or not, providing an encounter with Jesus and an opportunity to become a disciple in his Church. They are busy looking for ways to start spiritual conversations at the gym, or over coffee, to move people closer to Jesus. In the presence of someone with this charism, both believers and unbelievers find talking about God compelling and intriguing. (Possible expressions of this gift: RCIA team member, preacher, writer, missionary)

Administration: A Christian with this charism is empowered to be an effective channel of God's wisdom through planning and delegation, and by coordinating the resources and efforts of a group to accomplish a kingdom purpose. They don't usually come up with the original vision, but they have a gift for making things happen through the efforts of others. St. Louise de Marillac, for example, founded the Daughters of Charity and developed a system of pastoral care and nursing services that are still in use in hospitals, prisons, and orphanages today. Administrators are essential to implementing a vision and creating/sustaining a fruit bearing discipleship. (Possible expressions of this gift: office manager, parish or finance council member, parish organizer)

Source: Fruitful Discipleship, Sherry A. Weddell