

SAINT NINIAN CATHEDRAL PARISH

Antigonish, Nova Scotia

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time November 3, 2024

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MASS TIMES
Tue-Fri: 9:00am
Saturday: 4:00pm
Sunday: 8:30am and 10:30am

CONFESSIONS Saturdays: 3:00pm - 3:45pm

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL
Carleton MacNeil

FINANCE CHAIR
Tony Secco

CWL PRESIDENT Toosje Van de Sande

KoC GRAND KNIGHT Elliot Anderson

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 13, 2024

Sunday Collection: \$5703.00

Diocesan Levy Fund: \$200.00

Priests Pension: \$115.00

Cemetery: \$5.00

Pre-authorized payments (October): \$10,852.00

MASS INTENTIONS

Tuesday

Joe Doucet, rip

Special Intention for the Living

Irene MacDonald, rip

<u>Wednesday</u>

Jane Landry, rip

Special Intention for the Living

Thursday

Charles O' Rourke, rip

Bernie O'Rourke, rip

Natalie O'Rourke, rip

Friday

Danny DoCoste, rip

Jay & Luke Brown, rip

Benedict Yusofani, rip

REMEMBERANCE DAY

Mass will be celebrated at 9am on Monday November 11th. Office will be closed.

ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED

for Saturday and Sunday Masses: We are looking for more volunteer Altar Servers! We welcome children and adults, male and female, Grade 4 (9 years of age) and older.

JOINING THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

Are you Interested in Becoming a Member of the Catholic Church? Please contact Leonarda MacNeil.

CALLING ALL YOUTH!

The Blessed Carlo Acutis Youth Group will meet this Sunday, November 3, from 7-9 pm in Room 18, downstairs St. Ninian Place. Join us to share some fun, food and faith. Future dates for the Bl. Carlo Youth Group are Nov. 17, Dec. 1, Dec. 15. For info call or text Clare Lazzuri at (902)870-4850.

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

Nadine Thompson, Halifax formerly West River

MASS OF REMEMBRANCE - MONTH OF ALL SOULS

We will commemorate all those who have died in the past twelve months with a Memorial Mass celebrated at St. Ninian Cathedral on November 20 at 6:30pm. A letter of invitation has been mailed to the family of deceased loved ones who were buried from St. Ninian Cathedral Parish. The Mass that evening will be livestreamed.

INTERFAITH PANEL: JEWISH, CHRISTIAN, AND MUSLIM PERSPECTIVES ON THE WAR IN GAZA

Five panelists will address pressing questions about how these religious traditions, especially the central ethic of 'saving life,' speak to the moral and spiritual questions raised by the yearlong events in Israel and Gaza and now Lebanon. Panelists include Dr. Eva Mroczek (Judaism, Dalhousie University); Rev. Steve Berube (St. Paul's United Church, Moncton); Dr. Darlene O'Leary (Social Justice Coordinator, the Marthas); Sheikh Abdullah Yousri (al-Ummah Society, Halifax); Digafie Debalke (Peace and Conflict, Coady International Institute).

StFX University, Schwartz School of Business, Room 215

CWL WOMEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST

Join us Saturday November 16th at 8:30am for a morning of reflection and celebration of how faith shapes our lives. We are honoured to welcome **Helen Kennedy** as our guest speaker. We invite all to come together and share how our faith can empower women to serve for their church and community.

Tickets are available at the parish office or by contacting Toosje Van de Sande 902-863-3234, or Betty Farrell 902-863-4393.

VIEW FROM THE SIDELINE

The Catholic Studies Program is proud to welcome
Manson Gloade who will give a talk titled
"Thought on the Relationship between the Catholic Church
and the Indigenous Communities."
Thursday November 7th, 2024
Mulroney Hall, Room 2030 at 7:00pm

SUNDAY MISSALS

Reception to Follow.

Sunday Missals are available \$8.00/book.

THE SILENT AUCTION AND CEILIDH

This is a major fundraiser for Highland Academy of Learning will take place next Friday, November 8th, from 7-10 pm at the Heatherton Community Centre. Tickets are \$15, and include appetizers, draws, and musical entertainment provided by Mary MacIntosh. Many auction items will be available including household goods, clothing, gift cards, theme baskets, crafts and baked goods. For tickets in advance call Clare at (902)870-4850 or purchase tickets at the door.

OUR LADY OF GRACE MONASTERY HEALING MASS

November 30th, 2:30 pm

Our Lady of Grace Monastery With Fr Albert MacPherson 940 Monastery Rd., Monastery

HOLLY TEA & SALE ST. JAMES UNITED CHURCH HALL

November 16th, 2024 12-2pm

Festive Baked Goods, Fudge, Silent Auction, Christmas Room, New to You, Jewellery, Kids Corner Luncheon, Sandwiches and Sweets Tea or Coffee \$12.00

MOTHER OF SORROWS PIONEER SHRINE

The gift shop at Mother of Sorrows Pioneer Shrine in Mabou, Cape Breton is now open seven days a week!

> Mon to Sat - 10am to 4pm Sunday - 11am to 5pm

The Shrine is open daily for visitation all winter. For inquiries 902-945-2221

The Mother of Sorrows Pioneer Shrine is a place of prayer and devotion, of piety and faith, a Catholic Shrine which welcomes visitors of all faiths and interests. Become a "Friend of the Shrine", enroll a friend as a gift or "In Memory" of a loved one. Our goal is \$50,000.

"We need your help

MASS FOR SHUT INS

Mass for Shut Ins will soon be starting its 62nd season and will be looking for parishes and community groups to participate as congregations for tapings.

If you are interested or would like to show your support to Mass for Shut Ins with a donation, question, or comment you can contact coordinator, Nick Vince, at (902) 539-6188, ext. 222, or by email at nick@dioceseofantigonish.ca.

PARISH MEETINGS

Sunday

Knights of Columbus: 7pm

Tuesday

Prayer Group: 6:30pm

Saint Vincent de Paul: 7pm **Wednesday**

Bible Study: 9:30am

Saint Ninian Choir Rehearsal: 7:00pm

New Members Welcome

HEATHERTON GROUP HOME CONCERT

Friday November 29@ 7:00pm doors open @ 6:00 Heatherton Community Centre Admission \$15/ under 12 yrs\$5 Local talent, door prizes,50/50 Complimentary tea/coffee/cookies In aid of annual trip

YEAR OF HOPE

The Ordinary Jubilee of the Year 2025 is an opportunity for all people to enter into a pilgrimage of hope.

Whether we celebrate locally in our dioceses, cathedrals or Canada's National Shrines or make a pilgrimage to Rome, we are called to search for signs of hope and be signs of hope in our families, for our neighbours, the imprisoned, the sick and dying, the young and old.

> The Jubilee Year will officially open on December 29, 2024, and remain open until December 28, 2025.

For initial resources on our national shrines and more: https://www.cccb.ca/evangelization-catechesis-catholiceducation/the-ordinary-jubilee-of-the-year-2025/

SCHEDULE NOVEMBER 4TH-14TH

Please be advised that Fr. Danny will be away from Monday, November 4, through Wednesday, November 13. During this time:

Sunday Mass on November 9-10 will be presided over by Fr. Gary MacPherson.

Weekday Masses will be celebrated by Fr. Thomas Stephan and Fr. Charle Cameron.

For any funeral Masses, the funeral home will coordinate with the parish, and a priest will be made available as needed.

Thank you for your understanding.

Message from Father Danny:

Jesus says clearly, no commandment is greater than these: you shall love the Lord with all your heart, soul, mind, and strength. And you shall love your neighbour as yourself. As followers of Christ, baptized in the Holy Spirit, we are sent into the world to make God's love known to all of creation.

The Spirit was present at Sunday's Ceilidh/Dance at SNP for a lively gathering! Good music, by Howie and Mac, lively conversation, and a warm spirit of community can truly lift everyone's hearts. The St. FX student who looks after the sound played a few Elton John songs; he amazed the crowd. It was a wonderful afternoon for all who attended.

Did you have any fuarag at Halloween? Although a very simple combination of whipped cream and oatmeal it brings memories of warmth and family. My mother seemed to have magic with this tradition and would sometimes treat us in the winter with what was referred to as a 'feed of fuarag'. Definitely not heart healthy!

This Sunday evening, I leave Halifax, meeting a priest friend in Montreal, and together we'll continue directly to Rome. From there, we'll travel by bus to Assisi, where I'll be staying until Saturday before returning to Rome. I'll depart for Halifax on Wednesday, November 13, while my friend continues his holiday.

In Assisi, I will be bringing our parish's prayer intentions to lay at the tomb of Blessed Carlo Acutis, whose faith and devotion continue to inspire so many, especially the young. I look forward to holding our parish and diocese in such a sacred place and asking for blessings on all of us. It is heartwarming to know that the youth group of the parish have chosen Blessed Carlo Acutis as their patron.

Please keep me in your prayers for a safe journey. I look forward to returning with renewed spirit and stories to share!

God Bless, Fr. Danny