

SAINT NINIAN CATHEDRAL PARISH

Antigonish, Nova Scotia

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time October 29, 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 22th, 2023:

Sunday Collection: \$6742.00 Pre-authorized payments (Oct) \$10,031.00

MASS INTENTIONS: OCTOBER 30, 2023

Tuesday, Oct 31th

Greta Mac Donald, r.i.p.

Wednesday, Nov 1st

Natalie O'Rourke, r.i.p. Charles O'Rourke, r.i.p. Bernie O'Rourke, r.i.p.

Thursday, Nov 2nd

Walter Carr, r.i.p. Elizabeth Pettipas, r.i.p.

Friday, Nov 3rd

Special Intention for the Living, Ted Cogan, r.i.p. Charlie Kennedy, r.i.p.

THERE IS A TIME FOR EVERYTHING UNDER HEAVEN

Let us pray for our deceased family and friends

John Cameron, Doctor's Brook Mary Lee Perro, Antigonish Doris MacGillivray, Antigonish

ALL SOULS MASS

All souls Mass will be held on Tuesday November 21st at 6:30pm. 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 insure the parish will receive spiritual guidance and service.

Thank You!

CWL MONTHLY MEETINGS

Sundays, October 29th and November 26th, at 1pm in room 021.

KNIGHTS NEWS

Very Successful Men's Prayer Breakfast was held last Saturday.

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, they are to call the parish office.

THANK YOU

A Very Big Thank You to Terry Broussard for his personal story "How My Faith Influences My Life" and everyone who came out last Saturday and supported the Men's Prayer Breakfast! The 50-50 draw raised 260.00 for Religious Education.

SUNDAY MISSALS 2023-2024

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

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

We are in the process of finalizing the last details before sending to print. Very excited to share this with all of you soon. All we can say is that there is going to be a book full of *Delightful Desserts*.

More information to follow.

C.A.R.E. UPDATE

The C.A.R.E. Committee continues to meet every month. We currently have four application being reviewed by IRCC and continue to prepare for the eventual arrival of these new Canadians. Our next meeting is November 27th at 7pm in St. Ninian Place. All are welcome.

ANTIGONISH COMMUNITY GRIEF GROUP ALL ARE WARMLY 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!

40 DAYS FOR LIFE: SEPT 27TH TO NOV 5TH

Due to the annual Life Chain being cancelled because of road construction, after morning Mass on Tuesdays, the rosary will be prayed for the intention of the sanctity of human life.

LIONS' PANCAKE AND SAUSAGE BREAKFAST

Sunday, October 29 from 9am-12pm at the Lions Den on 13 Highland Dr. Ext. Donations at door will aid families in need at Christmas.

SILENT AUCTION

Highland Academy of Learning, will take place 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 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 3

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.

ANTIGONISH COMMUNITY FOOD BANK

They are searching out for Medium or
Small bottles with covers.
You can drop them off at
166 College St.
Thank You for Helping them with
Food support to our Community!

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.

A message from Fr. Danny...

Jesus shows that he understands God's word more deeply than those tied up in the law. He names not one of the commandments but suggests that if we truly love God, we will love our neighbour.

Last Saturday one hundred men of the parish and surrounding area gathered for the Annual Prayer Breakfast. Terry Broussard's message on the importance of faith was meaningful and spiritually uplifting to the one hundred men gathered to pray together. These parish events provide community to come together, reflect on their faith and find strength and inspiration from everyone gathered.

This week hours have been spent on the layout for the parish cookbook. How sweet it is to see the effort of volunteers coming together for this dessert cookbook!

On Sunday evening I will be boarding a plane for my holiday to Portugal and Spain. For the flight oversees I will be joining a priest friend from Windsor with whom I will be travelling with. I'm leaving you in the capable hands of Fr. Elliot O'Neal. Fr. Elliot will be celebrating the masses during my time away.

The Mass celebrating the deceased of our parish this past year will be held on November 21. The mass will be including the lighting of candles and the roll call of the deceased.

On Friday, the parish staff gathered to say 'thank you' to Cathy Walsh who generously volunteered in the parish office during the 'flood era'. Cathy brought to the office professionalism and her great smile. Her skills now have the office running in a more efficient manner. We wish her well in her future plans.

God Bless you all. Stay well and happy. Fr. Danny



Be Ambitious for the Higher Gifts - Week 3

For our gospel did not come to you in word alone but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with much conviction. 1 Thessalonians 1:5

Jesus was a man of joy, who wants all of us to believe in Him and to share his joy. In Chapter 10 of Luke, Jesus sent out 72 of his disciples to share his mission saying to them "Whenever you enter a town and they receive you…cure the sick in it and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' "

Luke 10: 8-9

The Charisms are supernatural graces 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. Each one of us has received at least one unique charism. When we exercise our charism(s) we experience real joy, a sense of purpose, and belonging. As we grow in our relationship with God, our gifts will become more apparent.

Consider whether or not the Holy Spirit has graced you with any of the following 3 charisms in order to help bring about God's kingdom here on earth and, Remember, Christ has no body but yours, yours are the hands with which He blesses all the world, yours are the eyes with which He looks with compassion on this world, yours are the feet with which He walks to do good. (attributed to St. Theresa of Avila)

Healing: This charism of Healing empowers a Christian to be a channel of God's love through whom God cures illness and restores health, when healing is unlikely to occur quickly or to happen at all. It enables a Christian to heal others physically and emotionally in ways that go beyond normal clinical outcomes. If a doctor or health care worker has this charism, in addition to their acquired skill and experience, the patient may receive standard treatment but have an astonishing outcome. Healing needs some type of contact with the person, preferably face to face. That is what sets it apart from the charism of Intercessory Prayer. (Possible expressions of this gift:priest, healing prayer team member, medical or helping professional)

Craftsmanship: Empowers the spark of an enormous variety of faith-shaped arts ranging from painting the Sistine Chapel, film making, embroidery, cooking to architecture. Craftsmanship glorifies God by creating beauty that nourishes others, and it need not be explicitly religious to impact others for God's purposes. This gift touches us to encounter the beauty that is Christ, whether we know it or not. For those with this charism, creating beauty is a major form of prayer and is a critical part of their spiritual life.

(Possible expressions of this gift: painter, creative homemaker, designer, iconographer)

Wisdom: Empowers a Christian to be a channel of God's goodness through extraordinary insight that enables him or her to come up with original or creative solutions to specific problems and to make good decisions. Wisdom focuses on inspired, creative solutions to practical problems. It is all about the creative application of knowledge in order to better the lives of others and build the kingdom of God. Negative realities don't depress a person with this charism but spark energy and creativity to contemplate the problem and then find the transforming solution. They will often be sought by others who want to talk about their concerns, as they are excellent at diagnosis and prescription. (Some possible expressions:

leader, teacher/preacher, writer, counsellor, innovator) Source: Fruitful Discipleship, Sherry A. Weddell