



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:

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MARRIAGES:

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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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Passion (Palm) Sunday April 2nd, 2023

COLLECTION INFORMATION

March 26th 2023:

Total Collection: \$6,105.00

THERE IS A TIME FOR EVERYTHING UNDER HEAVEN...

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

Rev. Francis Cameron, Boisdale

**Gerald Edwards, father of Rev. Conrad Edwards, Our
Lady of Fatima Parish, Sydney River
Malcolm "Vic" MacInnis, Antigonish
Sylina Marie MacDonald, Lochaber**

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. May the Risen Lord bring peace to all their families and friends.

Holy Week Schedule

Mass of Chrism, Monday, April 3rd: 3pm

Weekday Mass, Tuesday, April 4th: 9am

Weekday Mass, Wednesday, April 5th: 9am

Holy Thursday, April 6th: 7pm

Stations of the Cross for Children, Good Friday, April 7th:
11am

Good Friday, April 7th: 3pm

Easter Vigil, Saturday, April 8th: 8:00pm

Easter Sunday, April 9th: 8:30am and 10:30am

Confession Times

(Visiting Priests assisting)

Wednesday, April 5th: 6pm-7pm

Or by appointment: pastor@saintninian.ca

MASS OF CHRISM

Chrism Mass is celebrated by Catholics around the world during Holy Week. This celebration highlights the connection of the local Bishop with the people of God through his Priests. At this Mass two key events take place: all Priests renew their promises to serve the people of God and the Bishop blesses the holy oils (Oil of the Sick; Oil of the Catechumen, Oil of Chrism) to be used in the various sacraments for the year.

Gathering with the Priests, blessing the oils, and sending them to the various parishes across the diocese emphasizes the unity of all the faithful in our diocese under the leadership of our Bishop. Participating in the Mass of Chrism is the opportunity to be together with parishioners from across the Diocese for a Eucharistic celebration.

Bishop Kirkpatrick has asked the Chrism Mass be celebrated in the Cathedral every year. In the past it was celebrated every second year in the Cathedral with a parish being selected on the alternate year. Moving forward, different parishes who are celebrating anniversaries will be the host of the Chrism Mass. This year, Holy Guardian Angels Parish, L'Ardoise is celebrating 200 years and is hosting this year's celebration at the the Cathedral.

MASS INTENTION: APRIL 3RD-7TH

Arny Laureys- Wednesday, April 5

RCIA

Please join us in prayer for the two gentlemen who are becoming fully initiated in the Church at Easter Vigil. May God continue to bless them on their journey.

EASTER FLOWERS ENVELOPE

Easter Flower Envelopes are available to those who wish to dedicate flowers to a loved one. Please place your donation and your loved one's name in the envelope and place it in the collection basket. Thank you!

Lord, remember not only people of good will
but also people of ill will.
Do not remember only the sufferings
that have been inflicted on us,
But remember too the fruit we have bought
as a result of this suffering:
the comradeship and loyalty,
the humility and courage,
the generosity and greatness of heart
that has grown out of it.
And when they come to judgement,
Let all the fruits that we have borne be their forgiveness.
(Prayer found in Auschwitz)

BREAKING OPEN THE WORD

Break Open the Word will be held on April 5th after the
9am mass.

PRAYERS FOR HOLY FATHER, POPE FRANCIS

Please remember Pope Francis, in your prayers. Pope Francis
was admitted to hospital this week. We pray for a speedy
recovery.

LITURGY MEETING

Tuesday, April 4th at 7pm in the Vestry.

FINANCE MEETING

Tuesday, April 11th at 6:30pm in the Vestry.

ST. NINIAN'S CWL BURSARY

St. Ninian's CWL Bursary applications are available at the
back of the church. If you are a 2023 grade 12 graduate and
meet the criteria, you are invited to complete the application
and return it to Parish Office, 168 Hawthorne St. or mail to
St. Ninian Cathedral, PO Box 1628, Antigonish, NS, B2G 2L8
clearly marked CWL Bursary application c/o Kim Grant by
May 1st.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS FOR WEEKDAY MASS

Thank you to all who offered to be on the schedule for
weekday mass as Eucharistic Ministers. If you would still like
to offer, please contact Patricia Norman at pat-
norman@hotmail.com

KNIGHT'S OF COLUMBUS, COUNCIL 1105

Council meets at 7pm on the first Sunday of each month. We
will be having an exemplification (welcoming 2 excellent
people) into the Knights of Columbus. That will be at our
meeting on Sunday the 2nd of April. If anyone is interested in
joining the Knights; please call Elliott at 902-863-8495.

FREE BOOKCLUB FOR KIDS

A book a month from birth to 5 years will be mailed directly to
your home. Sign-up free to all Antigonish Town and County
kids. Paper registration forms are available at the library.

Online registration is

<https://imaginationlibrary.com/ca/affiliate/nsantigonish/>.

REQUESTS FOR MEETING SPACE

If you are looking to book St. Ninian Place for a date later in
the year, email

saintninianplace@saintninian.ca. If you require a space to
meet in the shorter term, please send
an email to admin@saintninian.ca as we will try to
accommodate in the temporary spaces.

LISMORE SALMON SUPPER

Enjoy a hot salmon meal with dessert on Sunday, April 16th
from 4pm to 6pm. Both Take Out and Dine In options
available (to order Take Out, please call Don at (902) 926-
2589 before Friday, April 14th). Adults \$15.00 Youth \$12.00

Religion Classes:

Religion Classes Grades 3 to Grade 6: Last class
is April 5th.

Religion Class Grade 2 (1st Communion): Next
class April 2nd, at Noon in Cathedral. This will
be the last class.

Celebration of the Sacrament of First
Communion: Sunday, April 16th at 1030AM mass

Children's Liturgy: Sundays during the 10:30AM
Mass in the Vestry. All are welcome.

A message from Fr. Danny...

Thank you for coming to the Parish Lenten Mission. We experienced a special spiritual renewal in our Parish as we participated in morning mass, listened to homilies, prayed before the Blessed Sacrament in Adoration, and received the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

We were thrilled to welcome a large number of youth and young adults (around 50 of them) on Sunday evening to meet with the Friars and enjoy some Pizza. There is a hunger and a thirst for this type of gathering and we continue to think about how we move forward with working with young adults who gathered.

The morning masses celebrated by the Friars called so many to mass and to hear their homilies. The coffee gatherings afterwards were well attended and enjoyed by so many. It was a lovely witness of how the parish community longs to be together, to share their faith, and enjoy each other's company.

The Mission talks during the evenings were inspirational for our faith during this time of our desert experience. The Friars answered a thirst we have for the living water promised by our Lord. The breaking open of God's word in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament touched so many during the last evening when we touched the garment as the woman did when she touched the garment of the Lord when she sought healing.

Although the mission has concluded, our own mission to come together for Eucharist continues and we grow in faith and serve one another when we gather as a parish community. It continues!

We are now entering the holiest season of the year. Passion/Palm Sunday has the passion reading from the Gospel of Matthew where we hear that life is stronger than death, love is stronger than hatred, faith and hope are stronger than fear and suffering. Jesus shows us that we too are God's beloved. The Mass of Chrism being celebrated at the Cathedral is a diocesan celebration of the blessing of the oils to be distributed in the diocese but also the priests' renewal of promises before the Bishop. We are pleased to celebrate all parishes, particularly Holy Guardian Angels, L'Ardoise, who are celebrating their 200th anniversary. Then we move into the Triduum with the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Thursday, where we are reminded of our call to serve; Celebration of the Passion of the Lord on Good Friday, where we hear the passion and learn to walk the hard road with Jesus; Easter Vigil on Saturday evening when we celebrate the Resurrection of the Lord and allow ourselves to be overwhelmed with awe and joy at the extra ordinary power of love; Easter Sunday a reminder that we live every day in the joy of the resurrection.

I look forward to praying with you during Holy Week.

God bless,
Father Danny MacLennan
Rector