

# SAINT NINIAN CATHEDRAL PARISH

Antigonish, Nova Scotia

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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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# Second Sunday in Ordinary Time January 15th, 2023

# COLLECTION INFORMATION

#### January 8th, 2023:

Sunday Envelope:	\$∠	4,182.00
Initial Envelope:	\$	312.65
New Years Day:	\$	205.00
Christmas Offering:	\$	5.00
Loose coin:	\$	640.15
TOTAL COLLETION	\$ 5	5,344.80
TOTAL COLLETION Other	\$ 5	5,344.80
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# of Envelopes Received 182

#### Pre-Authorized Debit:

For the month of January 2023, we will receive 96 donations totaling \$8,776.00 equaling \$1,755.20 weekly.

#### **Online Donations:**

For the month of December 2022, we have received \$3,560.12 through Canada Helps. This tool has allowed us to receive 64 donations totalling over \$13,760.00 in 2022.

#### THERE IS A TIME FOR EVERYTHING UNDER HEAVEN...

Let us pray also for our deceased parishioners and family members who have died: William Michael Wallace, William's Point Daniel Archibald MacKay, Antigonish John Adrian Lenders, Antigonish/Tangier Donna Benoit, Antigonish

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 and comfort to those who mourn.

# POPE EMERITUS BENEDICT XVI

Benedict XVI was a giant of faith and reason. A man in love with the Lord who put his life at the service of the Universal Church and has spoken, and will continue to speak, to the hearts and minds of people with the spiritual, cultural and intellectual depth of his Magisterium. May he rest in peace.

# <u>"THE CATECHISM IN A YEAR",</u> <u>FR. MIKE SCHMITZ, ASCENSION PRESS</u>

If you are interested in signing up to listen to "The Catechism in a Year", please email Leonarda for the registration information. If several people are wishing to join a discussion group that can meet regularly to support each other, please let me know. If there are people interested in doing the "Bible in a Year" again with Fr. Mike Schmitz and form a discussion group for that, please email me. We couldn't meet last year, but this year might be better.

# GRIEF GROUP FOR SURVIVORS OF SUICIDE

When someone dies by suicide, grief is complicated. There are unique struggles and questions.

This is normal... and you're not alone.

These facilitated meetings are open for anyone who has lost someone to suicide.

Dates: Jan. 25th, Feb. 15th, Mar. 22nd, Apr 26th, May 24th, and June 28th from 7PM to 9PM at St. Paul's Anglican Church Call (902) 863-5089 or email rector3harbours@gmail.com for more info.

# BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

If you wish to include an announcement and/or a reminder in the bulletin, please email admin@saintninian.ca before Thursdays at 12PM. Thank you!

# BULLETIN QR CODE

The electronic copy of our bulletins are now also accessible by QR codes. Posters with this QR code are placed at the back of the church for those who prefer the electronic version of the bul-

letin.

#### <u>Reflection</u>

All of us are wounded by sin. The part of us which is most deeply damaged by sin is the heart. The heart is so beautiful, so innocent, but it can be betrayed, scorned, and broken. Darkness of heart is the blackest night of all. Emptiness of heart is the greatest poverty of all. A heavy heart is the most painful wound of all. Only love can heal the wounds of the heart. Lord, send your Holy Spirit to us, to heal the wounds of our hearts so that we may produce the fruits of love.

#### PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE

Monday, January 16th, at 6:30pm St. Ninian Place

#### HOPE IS A STAR CONCERT PROCEEDS

On behalf of East Coast Credit Union and "Hope is a Star" artistic director Emery van de Wiel, we would like to inform our parishioners and those in attendance that **a donation of** 

#### \$4,100.00 has been made to the Antigonish Affordable Housing Society.

Heartfelt thanks to all who came together to watch the concert, the musicians and organizers, and to East Coast Credit Union for generously agreeing to match the proceeds from the concert.

We look forward to the next event from the Saint Ninian Cathedral Concert Series!

#### MEMORIAL BOWS 2022

Every year we collect donations from those who wish to remember their loved ones during the Christmas season. Memorial Bows are placed on Christmas trees, and names of those being remembered and celebrated are posted on the bulletin. Last year, we remembered over one hundred past parishioners, friends, and family members.

The money collected goes toward our own Saint Ninian Parish Foundation. In 2022, \$2,870 were raised and forwarded to the Foundation. Thank you!

#### CEILING PLASTER REPORT

We have received the report on the church's ceiling from Historic Plaster Conservation Services. As mentioned in previous bulletins, it is necessary to assess the health of the plaster in order to proceed with our restoration efforts and to ensure the safety of our parishioners.

As the report suggests, parts of the plaster are compromised and there is a great deal of work that has to be done in order to ensure its safety. It is costly but necessary work. As much of the work being done to the Cathedral, the restoration of the ceiling plaster is also time sensitive. The building committee and the parish office are working hard to come up with a plan and will share more information soon.

### WE WISH A HAPPY 90TH BIRTHDAY TO FR STAN MACDONALD

"A super fan, ultimate supporter, loyal alumnus and an overall kind and loving soul," Father Stan is well-known to anyone attending sporting events at St. Francis Xavier University. Fr. Stan played rugby and hockey for St FX as a student. After graduation and ordination, Fr Stan served in several of our parishes before returning to St. FX in 2008, where he continues to cheer "Go X Go! Go X Go! Go X Go!" encouraging athletes and crowds to join in. The university hosted a special event for Fr Stan on Jan. 6. Hail and Health, Fr. Stan – white and blue!

#### **BLOOD DONOR CLINIC**

St. Ninian Place January 24th: 12pm to 3pm and 5pm to 8pm January 25th: 12pm to 3pm and 5pm to 8pm January 26th: 10am to 1pm

#### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

Grade 2 (1<sup>st</sup> Communion): Every second Sunday. From 11:30am to 12:15pm, Room#21, St. Ninian Place. Next class on January 22nd.

Grades 3-6: Wednesdays from 6:30pm to 7:15pm, St. Ninian Place. Grades 7and 8: Finished for the year.

#### CHILDREN'S LITURGY:

Sunday Mass at 10:30AM.

#### WEEKDAY MASS INTENTIONS

January 17th: Marguerite Chisholm Baker January 19th: Special Intention for the living January 20th: Leonard & Alvina Sampson

A message from Father Danny...

Dear Parishioners:

As we say good bye to the liturgical season of Christmas, I wish to thank all of you for your prayers, support, and gifts. It gives me a lot of support as we move forward as a community. I am so happy to have celebrated so many baptisms over the Christmas season. It is so beautiful to connect again with families, Godparents, and friends as they celebrated baptism for their children. It's a blessing for all of us!

Happy to share that we have new handrails at the entrance to the Cathedral. We thank the Saint Ninian Parish Foundation for funding these handrails. As you know, the Saint Ninian Parish Foundation is a registered charitable organization managed by a parish based Board of Directors. Foundation monies are the direct result of donations from parishioners through yearly contributions, planned giving bequests, and memorial donations. We thank all who contribute to the Foundation and to the volunteer Board Members.

RCIA is starting shortly. Leonarda is leading the process and we look to prayerfully supporting all who are interested in joining the Church.

Continuing to grow in our faith journey is a wonderful goal for 2023. Leonarda is offering different options for individual and /or group programs and would be happy to discuss what might work best for you with the programs we have available.

The Week of Christian Unity is later this month. A Prayer Service will take place on Tuesday, 24th of January at 7pm at St. Paul Anglican Church on Church Street. All are welcome to attend.

A workshop for Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers is being planned for Saturday, January 21st. If you are interested in joining these teams, please contact the parish office. If you are already involved as a Lector or Eucharistic Minister, please watch your emails for more details.

I especially wish to thank all parishioners for their willingness to share the Cathedral parking lot with visitors and StFX students. We are working with StFX security to keep the parking lot (east side) available for parishioners during the week. During times of funerals, signs will be posted. It is good to be good neighbours.

I invite all committees and organizations to post their meetings in the bulletin. It reminds us there is lots going on!

Father Danny MacLennan Rector, St. Ninian Cathedral Parish