

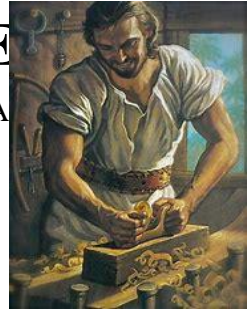


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November 19th, 2023

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

World Day of the Poor

† NOVEMBER 19TH, 2023 †

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ST. JOSEPH PARISH NEXT WEEK



Date	Location	Time	Details	Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK
Mon Nov. 20th	St. Joseph Hall	11am		For Fr. Sandy MacNeil
Tues. Nov. 21st	St. Joseph Hall	11am	The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary	For Theresa Forrest
Wed. Nov. 22nd	Holy Family (Sydney Mines) St. Joseph (Bras D'OR)	9am 6pm	St. Cecilia	
Thurs. Nov. 23rd	Holy Family (Sydney Mines) St. Joseph (Bras D'Or)	9am 6pm		
Fri. Nov.24th	Holy Family (Sydney Mines) St. Ann's (Alder Point)	9am 9am	St. Andrew Dung	
Sat. Nov.25th	St. Joseph Church	4pm		
Sun. Nov.26th	St. Joseph Church	10 am		For All Parishioners

Ministries	4 pm Mass Saturday, November 25th	10 am Mass Sunday, November 26th
SACRISTAIN & LINENS	Deacon Roy Smith, Team	Deacon Roy Smith, Team
CHOIR	St. Joseph Choir	Alan Gale
GREETERS	Elaine MacNeil, Alberta Devoe, Rebecca Gracie	Yvette Landry, Ina Taylor, Pam Hall
USHERS	Men and Women of the Parish	Men and Women of the Parish
READERS	Ellen McNamara	Alexandra Young, Fred MacLeod
PRESENTATION OF GIFTS	Parishioners	Parishioners
EXTRAORDINARY MIN. OF HOLY COMMUNION	Cathy MacDonald, Sheila MacCormick	George Quirk, Joan Skinner
Interior Church (cleaning)	?	?
EXTERIOR SERVICE (SHOVELING)	Fr. Doug	Ben Tucker

PARISH NEWS

Parsh Meeting

A Pastoral Council meeting will be held on Sunday, November 19th after the 10 am mass downstairs in the Hall.

Halloween Candy for Faith Formation Anyone with leftover candy are welcome to bring it to the office or to the Church on the weekend so we can give to the kids during faith formation this fall.

Pastoral Visits to the Hospital

The new government regulations for hospitals no longer collect patient faith information. Without this information concerning the “faith identity” of patients in hospital, we will no longer know your there and so our parishioners in the hospital, or their family will need to tell us and ask clergy to visit them.

You Are Invited

We would like to invite you to join one of our parish ministries. We are in need of readers of the word (lectors) especially for Saturday 4 pm mass and also Eucharist Ministers and Greeters. We would very much like to welcome you to one of our teams. Please call the Parish Office or Fr. Doug.

Important Meeting for All who Serve

Every 5 years all clergy, staff and volunteers are required to have an educational session on Responsible Ministry in the Church, and some in high- risk positions will also require a police check. This meeting is compulsory to educate parishioners in ministry on what misconduct looks like and their duty to report misconduct of minors, but also vulnerable adults. Individuals who serve in various ministries in the Church always have a duty to report:

The Diocese of Antigonish recognizes that, under the Adult Protection Act, Section 5, all persons have a duty and an obligation to report to the Department of Health, Continuing Care, Adult Protection Services 1-800-225-7225 all information of any real, potential or suspected physical, sexual, financial or emotional abuse and neglect of vulnerable adults sixteen years or older.

“A cleric, religious, paid employee, or volunteer of the Church having any information indicating that a vulnerable adult is being abused or neglected shall give such information immediately to the Department of Health,, Continuing Care, Adult Protection Services 1-800-225-7225 and the local Police Department for investigation. A report shall be compiled and a copy shall be submitted to the Bishops’ delegate.”

Reporting known or suspected cases of abuse is mandatory for all people in Nova Scotia. Therefore, staff and volunteers including members of the clergy are required to report.

“No clergy, diocesan employee or volunteer can absolve themselves from the duty to report by rationalizing they have no “first hand information”, that the information is “hearsay” or that someone else will make the report. Failure to report promptly on such complaint risks exposing the vulnerable adult to harm.”

We have a duty to report misconduct by a bishop, priest, deacon or lay person. Since clergy and laity work with children, and people of all ages, including vulnerable adults, we need to know the boundaries, expectations and protocols.

The meeting for St Joseph Parish in North Sydney is scheduled for Monday, Nov. 27th at 6:30 pm in the Parish Hall below the Church. Most will only need to attend the educational session and sign to abide by the protocols and some like the priests will also require a police check. Peace, Fr. Doug

Religious Education

Under what conditions does the right to private property exist?

The right to private property exists provided the property is acquired or received in a just way and that the universal destination of goods for the satisfaction of the basic needs of all takes precedence.

Further reading: CCC 2403

Christmas Fair

On December 2nd, St. Joseph Parish will be having our 2nd annual Christmas Craft and Bake Sale from 10 am to 2 pm here in our Parish Hall. There will be lots of Christmas crafts as well as a Bake Table to help with your Christmas baking. There will also be ticket draws and a 50/50 draw. Come and enjoy the day with us. Thank you for your continued support of our parish.

Christmas Craft Fair Tickets

We try to avoid selling tickets in our Church, but some can not make it to the office during the week to purchase tickets due to work. So for your convenience, we will have tickets available at the entrance for the last two weekends of November.

The finance committee created *hall envelopes* that are available in the pews. For tax receipts write: *St. Joseph Hall* on your cheque.

COLLECTIONS~ THANK YOU! NOV.12TH. & NOV.13TH

Envelopes		1765.00
Loose Cash		235.00
Fuel		
Candles		30.00
Expectant Mothers		25.00
Indigenous Fund		
Special Collections		
Pre-Authorized Debit		750.00
Total		2805.00
Hall Fund		925.00
Church Improvement		6260.00

Shortfall for the week of Nov.11th & Nov. 12th \$ 1,041.15

Community

Bethlehem Walk- Date: Sunday, November 26th, 2023 at 5:00pm, Holy Family Parish Hall

Everyone is welcome to join us for a Bethlehem walk. Children and families will experience the most amazing and thought provoking Christmas journey ever as they travel through the stations at Holy Family Parish Hall. Families will be given a Traveler’s Tote bag to receive a take away from each station as they move together from station to station in the Bethlehem marketplace. A village photographer will be onsite, St. Joseph the carpenter will be at the carpentry shop, families will hear from Mary and Joseph about the events surrounding Jesus birth. And of course Saint Nicholas will be on site sharing the Legend of St. Nicholas, we are sure he will have treats. Mrs. Clause and the Elfs will be busy serving hot chocolate and snacks. **This is event is free, in keeping with the spirit of St. Nicholas Legend we ask that you either bring a food donation for the foodbank or any personal items such as hats, mitts, scarfs, socks, toiletries supplies such as toothpastes, toothbrushes, soap, deodorant, shampoo, combs, hairbrushes, or snacks for our blessing bags.** If you wish to fulfill a role in this event please contact Norma Blinkhorn @ 902 202 2972.

CWL & KOC

The CWL is again offering for sale, Christmas Ornaments for loved ones who are in our thoughts and prayers. The order sheets are in **CWL Christmas Ornaments** envelopes, at the back of the church, and on-line with our Parish bulletin, as a separate attachment. When completed, place your order form with its payment in an envelope marked as **CWL Christmas Ornaments** on week-ends, in the masses’ collection basket or drop it off at the church during office hours. If using a personal cheque, please make it payable to “**St Joseph’s CWL**”. The cut-off date for acceptance of orders is **Sunday, Dec. 17th**. Our price remains at \$5 for each ornament. The ornaments will be labeled as instructed on your order form and placed on the Parish Christmas tree for Dec. 24th services. After the conclusion of the Christmas season, those requesting their ornaments will be contacted by phone for their pick-up time & location. We thank you for your continuing support over the years.

KOC 4th Degree Assembly 797 and their families are welcomed to attend the taping of Mass for Shut-ins Saturday, November 25th 11:00 am. Please be there by 10:45. Dress is Social Baldric or 4th degree regalia with sword. Thank you, Kyte

Quote

“When someone is in your heart, they’re never truly gone. They can come back to you, even at unlikely times.”

Mitch Albom

Peace Be With You and Have A Great Week