

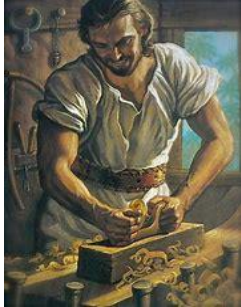


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April 20th, 2025
Happy Easter

		APRIL 20TH, 2025 †			
REV. DOUGLAS MACDONALD – PASTOR CHAPLAIN CAPE BRETON UNIVERSITY Rev. Mr. Roy Smith, Deacon roy.smith@hotmail.ca		<u>Leadership Ministry Team</u> Pam Hall- Secretary /Faith Formation, Cavell Young – Bookkeeping, Cathy MacDonald- Liturgy, Monica Shebib- Baptism, / Bereavement/Funeral Team, Lana Verschuren- Finance		OFFICE HOURS: TUES., WED. THURS, – 9AM– 1 PM TEL: 902 -794-3951	
ST. JOSEPH PARISH NEXT WEEK					Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK 
Date	Location	Time	Details		
Mon. April 21st	St. Joseph Hall	_____	No Mass		
Tues. April 22nd	St. Joseph Hall	11am	Mass	For Maria Hussey	
Wed. April 23rd	Holy Family (Sydney Mines)	9am			
Thurs. April 24th	St. Joseph Church	7pm	Holy Thursday	For Iris Jones	
Fri. April 25th	St. Joseph Church	3pm	Good Friday		
Sat. April 26th	St. Joseph Church	8pm	Easter Vigil	For the personal intentions/needs of parishioners	
Sun. April 27th	St. Joseph Church	10 am	Easter Sunday	For All Parishioners	
Ministries		4 pm Mass Saturday, April 26th		10 am Mass Sunday, April 27th	
SACRISTAIN & LINENS		Deacon Roy Smith, Team		Deacon Roy Smith, Team	
CHOIR		St. Joseph Choir		Alan Gale	
GREETERS		Matt Batherson, Georgie Bonnar		Susan & Gary Burton	
USHERS		Men and Women of the Parish		Men and Women of the Parish	
LECTORS		Jude Rankin, Tomsy Thomas		Kay Batherson, Taralee MacInnis	
PRESENTATION OF GIFTS		Parishioners		Parishioners	
EXTRAORDINARY MIN. OF HOLY COMMUNION		Sheila MacCormick, Lisa Brown		George Quirk, Joan Skinner	
Interior Church (cleaning)		Volunteer Team		Volunteer Team	
EXTERIOR SERVICE (SHOVELING)		Fr. Doug		Hunter Hill	
RINGING OF BELLS				Dave Williams	

PARISH NEWS

Visitation to Hospital/Nursing Homes

Relatives or friends of persons in hospital or nursing homes are asked to contact the parish to arrange for spiritual/pastoral care.

Delivering Meals to Neighbors’

Do you know a neighbor or relative or person that could use a meal? Consider coming to St Joseph Hall the 4th Wednesday of each month and picking up meals and bringing to people you know. Each bagged meal includes a healthy well-balanced lunch.

Confirmation Practice

Please note the date for confirmation practice has changed to **May 1st at 6:30** in the church. This will be the only practice and all candidates, parents and sponsors are asked to attend .

Parish Meeting

There will be a Finance Meeting on Sunday May 4th, after the 10am mass downstairs in the hall.

St. Joseph Awards

Applicants must be a child or grandchild of a parishioner of St. Joseph Parish, North Sydney. A letter is due to the parish office by May 9th, 2025. Your name, address and plans for the fall are required.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY APRIL 27TH, 2025
The Chaplet of Divine Mercy will be recited 30 minutes prior to each mass
the weekend of April 26-27. Hope that you will be able to join us.
“*Eternal Father, I offer you the body, blood, soul and divinity of your dearly beloved Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.*
For the sake of his sorrowful passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.”



"The profound silence of Holy Saturday is not a day of sadness but a moment of our being placed into the tomb with Christ."

Cardinal Sarah

Hallow

COLLECTIONS~ THANK YOU! APRIL 13TH		
Envelopes		1620.00
Loose Cash		300.00
Fuel		15.00
Candles		60.00
Expectant Mothers		
Pre-Authorized Debit		750.00
Total		2745.00
Hall		602.00
Church Improvement		50.00

Ways to Donate
Pre-Authorized Debit: please call the office to get started.
To donate by credit card, google pay or PayPal click:
<https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/st-josephs-parish-north-sydney/>
Fr. Greg Lecture Series
You are cordially invited to the Fr. Greg MacLeod Lecture Series at Cape Breton University on Tuesday, April 22, 2025 in the Yvonne LeVert Hospitality Suite (Multipurpose room) starting at 6:30 pm. Food and refreshments and all are welcome to hear from a documentary film maker who poses the question: Can a documentary film make you a better person?
Check out his documentaries at: www.kmproductions.ca

Diocesan

Divine Mercy Novena
St. Marguerite Bourgeoys parish is pleased to invite you to participate in the Divine Mercy Novena on Sunday, April 27 at 2pm.
Countless graces and favors have been received through St. Faustina's intercession. Music ministry will be provided by Pat Moore.

Spring Deadline for Bishop Power Foundation
The late Bishop William Power recognized the importance of the laity in strengthening Christian faith in today’s modern world. A family charitable foundation in his name continues to support: **individuals in university Catholic Studies (full or part time)** and **non-profit groups that:**
a) empower the poor **and/or**
b) develop the laity for their Christian role within the church **and/or**
c) aid the missionary activity of the church
Applications are accepted each spring and fall for consideration. The foundation typically distributes up to \$20,000 annually to successful applicants.
Deadline is May 7 for consideration this spring.
To apply or for more information, visit:
www.bishoppowerfoundation.ca

Do you receive our diocesan newsletters?
Seven Ears of Grain is emailed each Monday morning, with news and events from our diocese and parishes, plus news and resources from the Vatican and national offices.
Witness of Hope is our seasonal newsletter.
To subscribe, visit <https://www.antigonishdiocese.com/newsletter/>
or email jennifer@dioceseofantigonish.ca

Community

Steubenville Atlantic Youth Conference
Inviting high schoolers into a life changing encounter with Christ ! July 11-13, 2025 at Dalhousie University. For more information visit <https://www.halifaxymouth.org/pastoral-services/steubenville-atlantic> Or call Sarah Robinson of Saint Peter’s Port Hood to register your youth with the Diocese of Antigonish group that will be attending. 902-302-2324 or sarahlizwatts@hotmail.com
Fundraising opportunities are available!
FLEE MARKET:
St Theresa's CWL Annual FLEE MARKET. Saturday May 3,2025. 9:00-11:00. Admission \$2.00 St Theresa's Hall, St. Peter's Rd. Sydney.

News Story

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Quote of the Week

“ To do the will of God, man must despise his own; the more he dies to himself, the more he will live to God.” St. Peter Claver



Peace Be with You and Have a Great Week

