

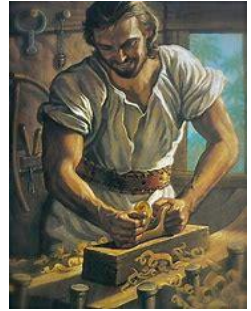


# PARISH COMMUNITY OF ST. JOSEPH

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## February 25th, 2024 2nd Sunday of Lent

† FEBRUARY 25TH, 2024 †

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### ST. JOSEPH PARISH NEXT WEEK

**Mass Intentions**  
FOR THE WEEK

Date	Location	Time	Details	Mass Intentions
Mon. Feb. 26th			Private Mass	For the Dying
Tues. Feb.27th			Private Mass	For Persecuted Christians
Wed. Feb.28th	Holy Family (Sydney Mines)	9am	Private Mass	For those suffering from mental illness
Thurs. Feb.29th	Holy Family (Sydney Mines)	9am	Private Mass	For a greater Awareness of the Real Presence of Jesus
Fri. March 1st	Holy Family (Sydney Mines)	9am	Private Mass	For the return of non-practising Catholics to the Faith
Sat. March 2nd	St. Joseph Hall	4pm		For the Homeless
Sun. March 3rd	St. Joseph Hall	10 am		For All Parishioners

Ministries	4 pm Mass Saturday, March 2nd	10 am Mass Sunday, March 3rd
SACRISTAIN & LINENS	Deacon Roy Smith, Team	Deacon Roy Smith, Team
CHOIR	St. Joseph Choir	Alan Gale
GREETERS	Kim Dooley, Elaine MacNeil	Viola Smith, Ina Taylor
USHERS	Men and Women of the Parish	Men and Women of the Parish
READERS	Daniel McKeough	Joan Byers, Kay Batherson
PRESENTATION OF GIFTS	Parishioners	Parishioners
EXTRAORDINARY MIN. OF HOLY COMMUNION	Lloyd Brewer	Joan Skinner
Interior Church (cleaning)		
EXTERIOR SERVICE (SHOVELING)	Fr. Doug	

### PARISH NEWS

#### Tax Receipts

Tax receipts for 2023 are now available in the Hall.

#### Lenten Holy Hour

Starting Sunday March 3rd, we will host a holy hour in the hall chapel at the hour of divine mercy 3 pm. All are welcome.

#### Finance Committee Meeting

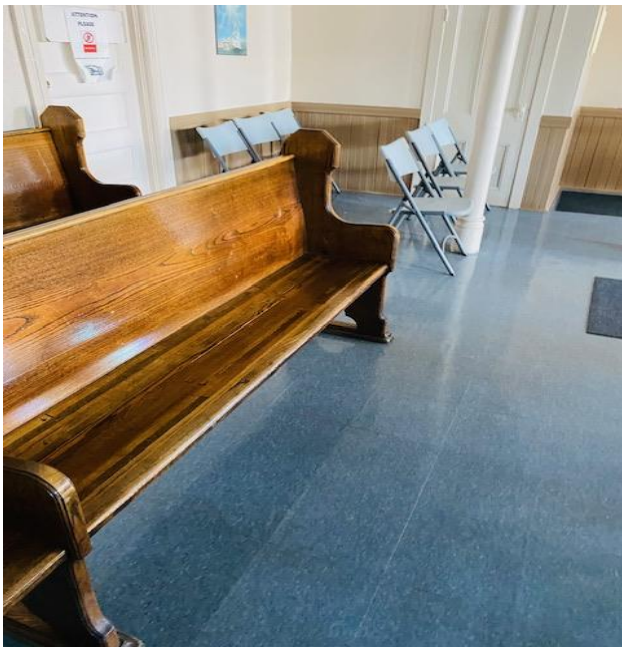
We have a parish finance committee meeting on Sunday March 3rd after mass at 11 am to review and approve the 2023 financial statement. Lunch provided.

#### Parish Meeting

There will be a Liturgy Committee meeting on Thursday, March 7th at 11 am in the Parish Hall.

#### New Mobility Seating Section in Hall

We have the front of a pew and the first three chairs reserved for persons with mobility challenges. It is next to the ramp in the hall. This section is reserved, until mass begins, then it could be used by others at large who may arrive late. So I invite persons with mobility challenges to please arrive on time to take advantage of this section. Thank you to all for your understanding and cooperation.



**Hall Envelopes** - Donations to the hall are 100% levy free.

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! FEB. 17TH & 18TH**

Envelopes		1640.00
Loose Cash		240.00
Fuel		605.00
Candles		
Christmas Offering		50.00
Holy Cross		
Pre-Authorized Debit		750.00
<b>Totals</b>		3285.00
Hall Fund		399.00
Church Improvement		50.00

**Shortfall for the week of February 17& 18th \$ 561.15**

**KOC & CWL**

**Enjoy chicken? burgers? barbecue?**

On Saturday, Feb 24th, from 5 pm to 6:30 pm and Sunday, Feb 25th, from 11 am to 12:30 pm, your desires will be fulfilled!

The CWL will be serving delicious pulled chicken burgers, a side of tangy coleslaw and scrumptious portion of lemon cake - cost is \$12.00 per serving. **TAKE OUT ONLY.**

Funds raised help the CWL continue its support of parish and community projects.

**Quote of the Week**

*“Right is right, even if everyone is against it, and wrong is wrong, even if everyone is for it”*  
William Penn

*“The most effective way to destroy people is to deny and obliterate their own understanding of their history.”*  
George Orwell

**News Story**

<https://www.catholicnewsagency.com/news/256852/english-catholic-priest-vindicated-for-pro-life-opinion-in-euthanasia-case>

The Canadian Dental Care Plan for Seniors  
visit [Canada.ca/dental](http://Canada.ca/dental) 1-833-537-4342

<https://zenit.org/2024/02/15/israeli-ambassador-attacks-vatican-for-stating-the-obvious-that-there-is-disproportionate-killing-in-gaza/?eti=13444>

**World Day of Prayer**

St. Matthew Wesley United Church invites you to celebrate World Day of Prayer, Friday, March 1<sup>st</sup> at 2p.m. in the St. John's Anglican Church Hall, 24 King Street, North Sydney.

Guest Speaker for the World Day of Prayer: Rev. Debbie Fice will be the Speaker and will be doing a Power Point Presentation on the Holy Land. All are welcome to attend.

Friday, March 1<sup>st</sup> at 2p.m. at the St. John's Anglican Church Hall.

Luncheon to follow.

**Workshop**

Sunday March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2-4 PM there will be a workshop at St. Marguerite Bourgeoys on the Easter Triduum: “it’s meaning and it’s music” facilitators are Fr. Bill Burke, and Rosemary McGhee.

**Parish Mission Port Hawkesbury**

A Lenten Parish Mission at St. Joseph Parish, Port Hawkesbury

118 Granville Street, Port Hawkesbury

Sunday, March 17 to Wednesday March 20 inclusive

With Fr. Bill Burke, pastor of Saint Marguerite Bourgeoys, Sydney

7-8pm Each evening, with tea and coffee reception following

Monday – Wednesday 2-4pm Confessional/Drop in chat

On Wednesday, the final evening, Mass at 7pm, with the talk as part of the Mass

**Lenten Session**

You are invited to join us for a Lenten session on prayer and exploring spiritual conversation as a way to deepen our relationship with God, and with each other.

You may choose any of the following:

1. Saturday, March 2, 2024 from 10:00 am until 1:00 pm at Our Lady Of Fatima Church Hall
2. Saturday, March 16 from 10:00am until 1:00pm at Bethel Presbyterian Church Hall, Brookland St, Sydney.

Sessions are facilitated by members of the Cape Breton Local of the Atlantic Association of Spiritual Directors.

There is no fee, but registration is required.

To register, please contact: Winnie Odo ([twinnieodo@seaside.ns.ca](mailto:twinnieodo@seaside.ns.ca)) (902-862-2330) or Gary Fancey ([gafancey@netscape.net](mailto:gafancey@netscape.net)) (902-862-7580) or Julia Townsend ([juliat@eastlink.ca](mailto:juliat@eastlink.ca)) (902-562-8423)

**Community Compassionate Care**

**Kids Help Phone** – 1-800-668-6868

**Canada Suicide Prevention Service**

1-833-456-4566 or Text. 4564

**Canadian Sport Abuse Help Line:** Call/text: 1-888-837-7678

[info@abuse-free-sport.ca](mailto:info@abuse-free-sport.ca)

[www.abuse-free-sport.ca](http://www.abuse-free-sport.ca)

**Compassionate Community Care** 1- 855-675-8749

Euthanasia Prevention Advice, Support, Confidential and Free

**End Human Trafficking**

<https://blocktraffik.org/>

**Vaccine Injury Support Program**

1-833-489-0839 [info@vaccineinjurysupport.ca](mailto:info@vaccineinjurysupport.ca)

<https://vaccineinjurysupport.ca/en>

**Parenting Resources:**

<https://axis.org/resources/>

**Expectant Mothers Fund**

For assistance phone- **902 794 3951**

