

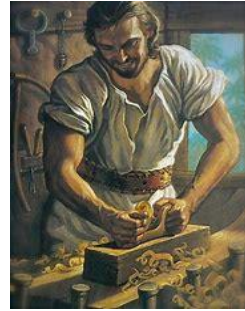


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January 19th, 2025

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

JANUARY 19TH, 2025 †	
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ST. JOSEPH PARISH NEXT WEEK *Mass Intentions*

Date	Location	Time	Details	
Mon. Jan.20th	St. Joseph Hall	11am		Patricia Catherine Fricker
Tues. Jan.21st	St. Joseph Hall	11am	St. Angus	Joe Garnier
Wed. Jan.22nd	Holy Family (Sydney Mines)	9am		
Thurs. Jan.23rd	Holy Family (Sydney Mines)	9am		
Fri. Jan.24th	Holy Family (Sydney Mines)	9am	St. Francis De Sales	
Sat. Jan.25th	St. Joseph Church	4pm		For healing of those addicted to drugs
Sun. Jan.26th	St. Joseph Church	10 am		For All Parishioners

	4 pm Mass Saturday, Jan.25th	10 am Mass Sunday, Jan.26th
SACRISTAIN & LINENS	Deacon Roy Smith, Team	Deacon Roy Smith, Team
CHOIR	St. Joseph Choir	Alan Gale
GREETERS	Debbie Reashore, Sally Ryan	Yvette Landry, Viola Smith
USHERS	Men and Women of the Parish	Men and Women of the Parish
LECTORS	Charlotte Monroe	Helen Gray, Iris Young
PRESENTATION OF GIFTS	Parishioners	Parishioners
EXTRAORDINARY MIN. OF HOLY COMMUNION	Lloyd Brewer	Joan Skinner, George Quirk
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 care.

Confirmation Meeting

There will be a meeting of all parents whose children are making their Confirmation this spring, on Sunday, January 26th downstairs in the hall after the 10 am mass. This meeting includes those parents whose children took the program last year.

Altar Servers Workshop & Pizza

Saturday Feb. 15th after the 4 pm mass.

Any new and seasoned altar servers are asked to attend the 4 pm mass which will be followed by a brief altar server workshop and pizza party in the hall. Altar servers must have received their first communion. Please show up for the training.

Thank you 🙏 Peace, Fr. Doug

Thank You

We would like to thank all those who helped make our Christmas celebrations such a beautiful experience for our parish. Your talents and contributions are greatly appreciated.

Mass Cancellation

Just a reminder that when school is cancelled due to bad weather, weekday mass will also be cancelled

Epiphany Blessing for Your Home

How to bless your home using holy water, prayers and chalk or a pencil.

The head of the household begins with the sign of the cross, Our Father, Hail Mary and Glory Be... , and/or a spontaneous prayer from the heart asking God to protect this home and all who live here and visit.

Then use chalk or a pencil and write over the front and back door entrances to the home the century, then connected by crosses the first letter of the three wisemen (Caspar, Melchior, Balthasar) and current decade and year: 20 C + M + B 25. Bless each person with Holy Water and then enter each room sprinkling holy water while saying Glory Be to the Father, to the Son and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Epiphany Water is available this weekend at mass.

COLLECTIONS~ THANK YOU! JANUARY 12TH

Envelopes		1735.00
Loose Cash		335.00
Candles		35.00
Fuel		20.00
Initial Offering		60.00
Expectant Mothers		25.00
Pre-Authorized		750.00
Total		2960.00
Hall		692.00
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/>

Diocesan

Documents of the Vatican

From January until May, Fr. Bill Burke will be presenting a series of eight sessions on the documents of Vatican II. The first two will take place Sunday, January 19 and Sunday, January 26 at St. Marguerite Bourgeoys Parish from 2:00-4:00pm. All are welcome. The sessions will be livestreamed. Future dates will be announced by the end of January.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

St. Marguerite Bourgeoys Parish, Sydney.

From Monday, January 20-Friday, January 24

12:00-1:00pm

Community

Pastoral Airs Celtic Concert:

Place: Stella Maris Church, Creignish. Date & Time: Sunday, February 16th, 2025 at 7 p.m. The performers include Sabra MacGillivray, Betty Beaton, Wendy MacIsaac, Mac Morin, Troy MacGillivray, Lauren MacKinnon, Cassie & Maggie MacDonald, the Celtic Touch Dancers, and Andrea Beaton. Donations at the door. All proceeds go towards Stella Maris Church, Creignish.

Tea and Talk

Sydney Tuesday, January 21, 2025 1:30 -3:30 pm

An invitation to join with other women to share TEA and TALK at Holy Redeemer Convent 24 Neville St. Whitney Pier, just behind the Pier Post Office. This invitation is open to women of all ages. This is an attempt to provide an opportunity for women to join with others to simply share a cup of tea and to experience the joy of being together. For further information phone 902 270 4840 or 902 539 6331.

Valentine Dinner & Dance

St. Marguerite Bourgeoys Parish is sponsoring a **Valentines Day Dinner and Dance** on Friday, February 14 at Sacred Heart Church Center on George Street. Dinner from 7-8:30, Dance from 8:30-11:30.

Music provided by High Society and The Privateers. Seating in tables of 8. Tickets are \$100.00 each and are available at the parish office at 40 Cabot Street, Sydney. Call for more details (902) 564-9021.

CWL

The CWL would like to acknowledge all who helped make our 2024 Christmas Ornament Campaign a success. Special thanks to those who purchased CWL ornaments, thereby supporting our financial obligations to our parish & community commitments.

We have packaged and labeled the ornaments for those who requested them returned. Their owners can pick them up in the basement Chapel, after the week-end masses. Another option is our Parish office, during their posted weekday hours, until the end of February.

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Quote of the Week

Love begins at home, and it is not how much we do.... but how much love we put in that action." Mother Theresa

News Story

<https://www.frassatiacademy.ca/index.php>

Community Compassionate Cares

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

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

<https://vaccineinjurysupport.ca/en>

Parenting Resources:

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

Expectant Mothers Fund

For assistance phone- 902- 794 -3951

Reporting Sexual Abuse or Cover up by a Bishop

1-866-892-3737. or <https://bishopreportingsystem.ca/>

Peace Be with You and Have a Great Week

