

PARISH COMMUNITY OF ST. JOSEPH

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June 22nd, 2025 1

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ST.				OSEPH PARISH NEXT WEEK			Mass Intentions	
Date	Loca	cation		Time	Details		FOR THE WEEK	
Mon. June 23rd	St. Jo	seph F	Iall	11am			Anthony Thyson	
Tues. June 24th	St. Jo	St. Joseph Hall		11am		ativity of St. he Baptist	Wayne MacNeil	
Wed. June 25th	Holy	Family	(Sydney Mines)	9am				
Thurs. June 26th	St. Jo	seph Church		7pm		rial High School mical Service		
Fri. June 27th	Holy Family		(Sydney Mines)	9am		lost Sacred of Jesus		
Sat. June 28th	St. Jo	St. Joseph Church		4pm			For Stan & Nora Brothers	
Sun. June 29th	St. Jo	. Joseph Church		10 am			For All Parishioners	
Ministries	L	4 pm Mass Saturday, June		28th 10 am Mass		10 am Mass Sund	unday, June 29th	
SACRISTAIN & LINENS	S	Deacon Roy Smith, Team				Deacon Roy Smith, Team		
CHOIR		St. Joseph Choir				Alan Gale		
GREETERS	GREETERS		Ellen McNamara, Elaine MacNeil			Ina Taylor, Pam Hall		
USHERS		Men and Women of the Parish				Men and Women of the Parish		
LECTORS		Carolyn Aker				Difu Nzelu, Kason Nzelu		
PRESENTATION OF GIFTS		Parishioners				Parishioners		
EXTRAORDINARY MIN. OF HOLY COMMUNION		Lisa Brown, Sheila MacCormick				George Quirk, Joan Skinner		
Interior Church (cleaning)		Volunteer Team				Volunteer Team		
EXTERIOR SERVICE (SHOVELING)		Fr. Doug				Hunter Hill		
RINGING OF BELLS						Dave Williams	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.

Pastoral Council

A meeting of Pastoral Council will be held on Sunday June 22nd after the 10am mass downstairs in the hall.

Lobster Draw Winners

The winners for Father's Day draw were: 1st prize 24 lobsters is Joan Skinner, 2nd prize of the Hotel package was Ann Marie MacGivillary and 3rd prize of a 5 course meal was Fred Devoe. Congratulations to all the winners and thank you to everyone who bought tickets. With your help we raised a total of \$2,420.00.

Recitation of the Rosary

On the first weekend of the month, for July and August is cancelled, and will resume again on September 6-7.

Summer Office Hours and Gratitude

As summer kicks in, our choirs and committees take a break. While we will miss their glorious melodies, and all the work our volunteers do throughout the year, thank you all for your service to God and neighbour. Parish office hours for the summer will be Wednesday and Thursday throughout the summer. Peace, Fr. Doug

2025-2026 Sunday Missals

Given the supply issue with missals last year, parishioners are asked to pre-order early for 2026. Sign-up sheets are available at all the entrances. Add your name, phone number along with the number of books you need. Our order will be placed with the Pastoral Centre on June 30th. Monies will be collected later. Please note this will be the only missal order made by the parish.

Holy Cross Cemetery Mass

Mark your calendar! Our annual cemetery mass will be held on Sunday August 3rd at 10am. Details to follow.

Collections~ Thank You June 14th & June 15th						
Envelopes	1600.00					
Loose Cash	275.00					
Church Improvement	870.00					
Candles	10.00					
Pre-Authorized Debit	750.00					
Totals	3505.00					
Hall Fund	252.00					
Church Improvement						

Ways to Donate

<u>Pre-Authorized Debit: please call the office to get started.</u>

To donate by credit card, google pay or PayPal click:

https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/st-josephs-parish-north-sydney/

Diocesan

Final Spring Sessions – Dying with Christ – Living with Hope

Join us online for the final three sessions of *Dying with Christ – Living with Hope*—a powerful, hope-filled course exploring suffering, grief, dying, and our Christian call to care. Led by theologians and healthcare professionals, this series offers timeless insight into how dying with Christ is attainable for everyone.

This is also an opportunity to be equipped to bring the program to your own church or community.

Dates: June 26, July 3 & 10

Time: 1:00 PM AT (2-hour sessions)

Register or learn more:

https://cmdacanada.org/event/dying-with-christ-living-with-hope-spring-series/

Nativity of St. John the Baptist

Holy Mass will be celebrated on June $24^{\rm th}$ at 9am at St. John the Baptist Church, New Glasgow.

Feast of St. Peter and St. Paul June 29th St. Peter, Port Hood

Holy Mass at 10 am, followed by confession, adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, ending with Benediction and Holy Mass at 3 pm.

Reception to follow in the hall. Veneration of the Holy Relic of St. Peter throughout the day.

Healing Mass

Our Lady of Grace Monastery with Fr. Albert MacPherson, Augustinian Ministries on June 28th at 1:30pm. All are welcome.

Our Lady of Guadalupe Outdoor Mass: Sunday July 6th

15338 Highway 4, Behind Sacred Heart Church. Time: 2:00 pm., Richmond County Men's Choir will be singing. Please bring your own chair.

SUMMER CAMP

The Religious Education ministry of St. Peter's Parish, Port Hood, presents: Summer Camp 2025! DRAMA, MUSIC, ART. Camp 1: July 7,14,21,28; Camp 2: August 11,18,25. Monday mornings 9:00 am-12 noon at the St. Peter's Parish Hall. Camp is for children of ages 5-12 (Older students are welcome to register as leaders). Register for one or two months. We will prepare a theatre play-backdrop, props, music, and costumes-to perform at the end of the month. For more information or to register contact: Sheila MacIsaac: 902-631-2512. Registration Fee: \$15 /child; \$30/family. (If registration is an issue, don't worry, sponsorship is available).

Diocesan Pilgrim's Way

As part of the Jubilee Year Pilgrim's Way, Port Hood St. Peter's Parish is celebrating the Feast of St. Peter, the patron of the parish, on Sunday June 29, 2025, with Holy Mass, confession, adoration **of the** Blessed Sacrament and Benediction.

Community

Annual Strawberry Festival

Sunday July 6^{th} , Johnstown Parish Hall, 15290 Highway 4. Lots of Strawberries, Biscuits, Bonnach, Oatcakes, Tea and Company. Time: 2:00 pm – 5:00 pm. Cost \$12.00. Sponsored by Sacred Heart Ladies Goup.

Quote of the Week

"To love means loving the unlovable. To forgive means pardoning the unpardonable. Faith means believing the unbelievable. Hope means hoping when everything seems hopeless." Gilbert K.. Chesterton

Community Assistance

Kids Help Phone – 1-800-668-6868

<u>Canada Suicide Prevention:</u> 1-833-456-4566 or Text. 4564 <u>Canadian Sport Abuse Help Line</u>: Call/text: 1-888-837-7678

<u>info@abuse-free-sport.ca</u> <u>www.abuse-free-sport.ca</u>

Compassionate Community Care 1-855-675-8749

Euthanasia Prevention Advice, Support, Confidential and Free

End Human Trafficking https://blocktraffik.org/

<u>Vaccine Injury Support Program</u> 1-833-489-0839 info@vaccineinjurysupport.ca

Parenting Resources: https://axis.org/resources/

Expectant Mothers Fund - Phone- 902- 794 - 3951

<u>Adult Protection</u> 1-800-225-7225 "Any real, potential or suspected physical, sexual, financial, or emotional abuse and neglect of vulnerable adults 16 years or older."

Reporting Sexual Abuse or Cover up by a Bishop: Call 911

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