



PARISH COMMUNITY OF ST. JOSEPH

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March 17th, 2024

5th Sunday of Lent

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ST. JOSEPH PARISH NEXT WEEK



Date	Location	Time	Details	FOR THE WEEK
Mon. March 18th	St. Joseph Church	11am	Funeral Mass	For Phyllis Yurczyszyn
Tues. March 19th	St. Joseph Hall	11am		For Healing of those addicted to drugs
Wed. March 20th	Holy Family (Sydney Mines)	9am	Private Mass	For those who will die this year
Thurs. March 21st	Holy Family (Sydney Mines)	9am	Private Mass	For all married couples
Fri. March 22nd	Holy Family (Sydney Mines)	9am	Private Mass	For the return of non- practising Catholics
Sat. March 23rd	St. Joseph Hall	4pm		For the persecuted
Sun. March 24th	St. Joseph Hall	10 am		For all parishioners

Ministries	4 pm Mass Saturday, March 23rd	10 am Mass Sunday, March 24 th
SACRISTAIN & LINENS	Deacon Roy Smith, Team	Deacon Roy Smith, Team
CHOIR	St. Joseph Choir	Alan Gale
GREETERS	Ann Sampson, Kim Dooley	Yvette Landry, Taralee MacInnis
USHERS	Men and Women of the Parish	Men and Women of the Parish
READERS	Carolyn Aker	Iris Young, Taralee MacInnis
PRESENTATION OF GIFTS	Parishioners	Parishioners
EXTRAORDINARY MIN. OF HOLY COMMUNION	Sheila MacCormick, Lisa Brown	Joan Skinner, George Quirk
Interior Church (cleaning)		
EXTERIOR SERVICE (SHOVELING)	Fr. Doug	

PARISH NEWS

Moving Upstairs

We will be moving back upstairs for mass on the weekend of March 23rd & 24th Palm Sunday.

HOLY WEEK MASS TIMES

Holy Thursday, March 28th at 7 pm, Adoration from 8:00-9:00 PM

Good Friday, March 29th at 3 pm

Easter Vigil, March 30th at 8 pm (NOTE: there will be NO 4 PM mass)

Easter Sunday, March 31st at 10 am

Deanery Wide Confessions

All day Lenten confessions will be held in Bras D'Or on Sat. March 23 starting at 10 am until 3 pm.

Easter Lilies

Anyone wishing to donate lilies for Easter, please have them delivered to the vestry door of the church, on Saturday March 30th, between the hours of 10am to 12pm. Thank you.

Feast of St. Joseph Dinner & Mass

The Parish will celebrate the feast of St. Joseph with a mass at 11 am on Tuesday March 19th. Also, a parish meal is available after each mass on the weekend of March 16/17th. for \$10. All are welcome as we remember the 400th anniversary of the Consecration of Canada to Saint Joseph.

<https://histoiresainteducanada.ca/consecration-of-canada-to-saint-joseph/>

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Please come and adore Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament on Holy Thursday, March 28th from 8-9 pm. Please spend this sacred time with our Lord at the altar of repose immediately following the mass of the Last Supper.

Good Friday Walk in North Sydney

Please join the Christian denominations of North Sydney, as we gather for a walk through our town with the Lord's wooden cross, *Praying the Stations of the Cross*, on Good Friday, March 29th.

We start at 12 noon, in St. Joseph's Catholic Church parking lot, and end our praying walk, at St. John's Anglican Church. *All are welcome.*

St Joseph Lenten Lecture Series

St. Joseph Parish North Sydney is hosting three speakers over two Sundays in Lent at 34 Archibald Avenue, North Sydney.

Lectures start at 2 pm and enter through the side door of St. Joseph Parish Hall. All are welcome.

Lenten Ministries Workshop by Margie Gillis

Lecture on ministries in the church on Sunday March 17th at 2 pm.

Margie Gillis is Assistant Director of Liturgy for the Diocese of Antigonish. Margie was a member of the Congregation de Notre Dame for 18 years and served in missions in Truro, Toronto, Alberta, and Guatemala City. She will be speaking about the importance of renewal and service in the various ministries we engage in on behalf of our parish families: Acolyte, Lector (Reader), Minister of Communion, Hospitality, music, Catechesis, Baptismal Preparation and Marriage Preparation teams.

2:45 pm - Questions & refreshments

St. Joseph Lenten Reflection Day

St. Joseph Hall North Sydney, on Sunday March 24th.

2 pm - "Just for Today" by Lisa Power. Speaking about her journey through addiction and mental health.

Highlighting how giving a child up for adoption, at the age of 16, started her on a path to overcome the past that had her in its grip. Lisa has written a book called "Promise to Power" which has been submitted for publishing. Lisa is now a teacher with the Cape Breton Victoria Regional Centre for education and has 5 school aged children with her husband Eric Power.

2:40 - Tea, coffee & refreshment break

3 pm - Mike Tobin on Estate Planning

Mr. Tobin is a seasoned property lawyer from North Sydney with over 30 years of experience working and helping people with their legal affairs. He will be addressing sensitive issues that we must all prepare for, such as: wills, property issues, power of attorney for financial and medical affairs and other legal topics.

3:30 pm - Questions

All are welcome 🙏

Financial Statement January 1 -December 31, 2023

Income:

Church	222,970.86
Hall	30,588.72
Church Improvement	<u>37,102.76</u>
Total Income	290,662.34

Expenditures :

Church	62,656.23
Office	71,144.06
Glebe	40,826.92
Ministries	61,243.76
Hall	<u>12,111.03</u>
Total Expenditures	247,982.00

Bank Reconciliation (All Accounts)

Bank Balance	64,694.17
Outstanding Deposits	0
Less Outstanding Cheques	<u>9,076.93</u>
True Bank Balance Dec. 31, 2023	55,617.24
Ledger Balance Dec. 31, 2023	55,617.24

<u>Regular Account Balance</u>	10,461.45
Hall Account Balance	12,397.88
Church Improvement Account Balance	<u>32,757.91</u>
Total	55617.24

Old Levy (Prior 2018) outstanding as of Dec. 31, 2023 is \$66,637.33. Father Doug's CBU Chaplaincy pays 35% of the Glebe House expenses, salary and vehicle. This amount is credited to the old levy account each month.

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! MARCH 9TH & 10TH

Envelopes		1400.00
Loose Cash		135.00
Fuel		
Candles		
Initial Offering		
Holy Cross		
Pre-Authorized Debit		750.00
Totals		2285.00
Hall Fund		845.00
Church Improvement		50.00

Shortfall for the week of March 9th & 10th \$ 1,561.15

News Story

https://youtu.be/ZRDaPEaDJ7E?si=m0Qdr4_IeEokIrOL

<https://www.ncronline.org/vatican/vatican-news/pope-church-must-stop-protecting-abusers-who-hide-behind-their-position>

Quote of the Week

"Hard times create strong men. Strong men create good times. Good times create weak men. And, weak men create hard times." G. Michael Hope

"To argue with a person who has renounced the use of reason is like administering medicine to a dead man." Thomas Paine

Peace Be With You and Have A Great Week

Easter Gift Card Giveaway

CBU Chaplaincy caring closet and gift cards: Food, Clothing and personal care items.

Pick up will be in Student Affairs

Marvin Harvey B-110
Tuesday, March, 26th
9:00 am until gone

Gift cards Provided by Sisters of
Congregation of Notre Dame
&
Donnie F. Campbell Fund

Sponsored by: CBU Chaplaincy Newman
Society
Please bring your student ID

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