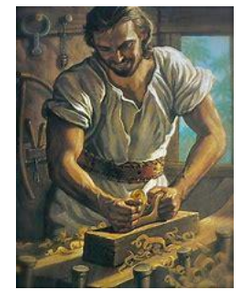


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November 15th, 2026

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

NOVEMBER 15TH, 2026 ✝

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Pam Hall- Secretary / Faith Formation
Cavell Young – Bookkeeping, Pastoral Council
Cathy MacDonald- Liturgy, Cemetery
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Lana Verschuren- Finance
Bulletin Deadline is Wednesday at midnight!

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TUES., WED. THURS.-9AM- 1 PM

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ST. JOSEPH PARISH NEXT WEEK

Date	Location	Time	Details	Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK
Mon. Nov. 16th	St. Joseph Hall	11am		James MacNeil
Tues. Nov.17h	St. Joseph Hall	11am	St. Elizabeth of Hungary	Daniel Young
Wed. Nov.18th	Personal Mass			
Thurs. Nov.19th	Personal Mass			
Fri. Nov.20th	Personal Mass			
Sat. Nov.21st	St. Joseph Church	4pm	The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary	
Sun. Nov.22nd	St. Joseph Church	10 am		For All Parishioners

Ministries	4 pm Mass Saturday, November 21st	10 am Mass Sunday, November 22nd
SACRISTAIN & LIENS	Deacon Roy Smith, Cathy MacDonald	Deacon Roy Smith, Cathy MacDonald
CHOIR	St. Joseph Choir	Alan Gale
GREETERS	Debbie Reashore, Georgie Bonnar	Ina Taylor, Pam Hall
USHERS	Men and Women of the Parish	Men and Women of the Parish
LECTORS	Charlotte Monroe, Carolyn Aker	Helen Gray, John Ratchford
PRESENTATION OF GIFTS	Parishioners	Parishioners
EXTRAORDINARY MIN. OF HOLY COMMUNION	Cathy MacDonald, Ken Young	George Quirk, Joan Skinner
Interior Church (cleaning)	Volunteer Team	Volunteer Team
EXTÉRIEUR SERVICE (EXTÉRIEUR)	Fr. Doug	Hunter Hill
RIGGING OF BELLS		Dave Williams

PARISH NEWS

RCIA Meeting

There will be a RCIA/Q&A meeting on Sunday November 15th after mass in the Hall at 11:15 am. All are welcome whether Catholic or not. We will discuss all your questions about the faith.

Are you interested in becoming Catholic?

The RCIA also called OCIA program is starting. This year we are working with another parish who runs the program every Sunday night online. In addition, there will be a meeting in the parish hall later this fall. If you are interested in becoming Catholic or know of someone who is, please contact the parish office and complete the form. Sessions are Sunday evenings from your home. Call or email us 902-794-3951 to get the information to join. Peace, Fr. Doug

Operation Christmas Child

Operation Christmas Child is a Samaritan's Purse Canada project that sends gift filled shoeboxes to those in need worldwide. In 2025, 12.2 million shoeboxes were collected globally and distributed in more than 170 countries and territories. You can go online to fill a shoebox at: "Samaritans Purse.ca/occdonate". A limited number of boxes are available at the back of the church for return no later than Sunday, November 15th. After mass on Sunday Nov 15th, our church shoeboxes will be picked up for delivery to the drop off location: Westside Bible Chapel, 325 Keltic Drive, Sydney. Phone number 902- 567- 2181.

Liturgy Meeting

There will be a Liturgy meeting on Wednesday, November 18th, at 10:30am in the Parish Hall.

Altar Servers Party with Adult Chaperones

The Altar Servers party is Saturday Nov. 14 starting at 6:15 pm at McDonald's in North Sydney for supper, followed by Bowling at 7 pm at Strand Bowling Alley Sydney Mines.

Parents please come to the supper and for bowling. Thank you for your service.

Christmas Craft and Bake Sale

Our annual Christmas craft and bake sale will be held on Saturday, December 5th in the Parish Hall from 10am -2pm. There will be lots of great items for sale, including many great Christmas crafts as well as a gift table and ticket draws. An on- line auction will also be part of the fair this year where you can purchase many gifts for those on your Christmas list. We will also be having Hamburger Soup with a tea biscuit and dessert for $15.00. If you have any items you would like to donate to the fair, you can drop them off here at the office Tuesday through Friday from 9am-2pm. If you would like to donate baked goods for the bake sale, we would greatly appreciate your help. Hope to see everyone at the Fair.

Recitation of the Rosary - Schedule

Please join us, one half hour before mass, on the weekend of Dec. 5th-6th as we pray the rosary to Our Blessed Mother. Hope that you can join us.

Funeral Notice

The funeral for Stanley "Stan" Bruno Romo who died October 12th, 2026, will be held on Saturday November 14th, 2026 at 10:30 in St. Joseph Church Bras d'Or.

COLLECTIONS~ THANK YOU! NOVEMBER 7TH NOV.8TH

Envelopes		1415.00
Loose Cash		235.00
Fuel		90.00
Candles		30.00
Change for Change		15.00
Expectant Mothers		25.00
Pre- Authorized Debit		750.00
Total		2535.00
Hall		785.00

Ways to Donate:

P.O. Box 338 34 Archibald Ave. North Sydney, N.S. B2A 3M4

E-transfer: Email a donation to the parish email address: stjoseph2006@ns.aliantzinc.ca **Credit card, or debit card**: Please come into the parish office to complete your donation.

Parish Envelopes: Please see the office or ask us at mass for your own personal box of donation envelopes.

Hall Fund Envelopes: 100% of Donations to the St. Joseph Hall Fund stay in North Sydney and are spent locally. They are available throughout the Church.

Pre-Authorized Debit: Please bring a void cheque and call the office to get started.

Cash Donations: All cash donations given directly at the office get a tax receipt. Loose cash donated at mass is locked in security bags by two screened volunteers and the total amount is posted each week in the bulletin.

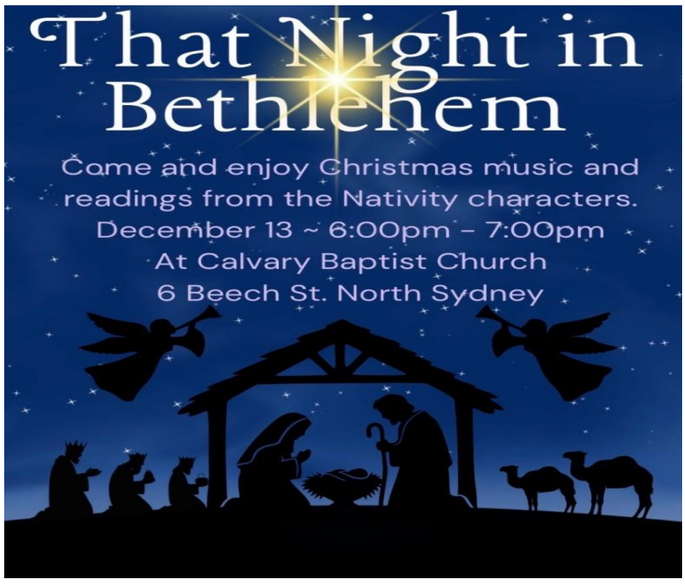
Diocesan

Handel's Messiah

Join us for an uplifting performance of George Frideric Handel's masterwork.

When: Sunday December 6th at2pm.

Where: St. Margurite Bourgeoys Church, Cabot St. Sydney. **Admission Free**



Community





Memorial Christmas Hymn Sing

Memorial Christmas Hymn Sing will be held at St. Matthew Wesley United Church, Leitches Creek on Sunday, December 6th at 6p.m. Donation sheets are available from the Church Office or at the Church Entrance. All names will be read before each hymn is sung. All donations and information sheets must be into the Office on Monday, November 30th. Everyone welcome to attend. Fellowship to follow. For more information phone the Church Office at 902-577-8472

CWL/ KOC

The CWL will be donating the generous gifts of ski pants, mittens, and toques received from our parishioners to Ferrisview and Jubilee schools. The donation box will be situated in the vestibule until January 15, 2027. Thank you kindly for your continued support!

Peace Be With You and Have A Great Week