

# The Catholic Communities of St. Joseph's St. Patrick's & St. Paul's

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### St. Patrick's Church

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**Mass Times:**

No mass until further notice

**Parish Council Chairperson:**

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### St. Joseph's Church

2730 Ohio East Rd., PO Box 1022,  
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**Mass Time:**

Saturday: 5:00 pm

Parish Council Chairperson:

Jerome Grant: (902) 867-1160  
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### St. Paul's Church

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**Mass Time:**

Sunday: 12:30 pm

**Parish Council Chairperson:**

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### Website

[www.saintjosephscatholicchurch.org](http://www.saintjosephscatholicchurch.org)

# Halleluia!



## Easter Sunday

April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2021

🙏 **Prayer Requests** 🙏

**Father God**

We lift up all those who are facing illness today.  
We ask that you would bring healing, comfort,  
and peace to their bodies, calm their fears, and let  
them experience the healing power of your Love.  
In Jesus' name. Amen

**St. Joseph's Church.**



To all of the volunteers, sacristans, lectors and church decorators who took care of the many Holy Week services and the beautiful Easter decorations. We are so fortunate to have such generous and talented people in our parish.

**Collections for March 27<sup>th</sup>**

Regular: \$737.80 (32); Mass for Shut-Ins \$70 (2)

**Lector Schedule**

**Saturday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> - Easter Vigil - 8:00 pm**

Kim Timmons, Janet Dewar, Karen MacDonald

**Easter Sunday, April 4<sup>th</sup> - 10:00 am**

Jerome Grant

**Special Collections during Lent**

**Easter Flower/Decoration Fund:** Those who wish to donate to the Flower/Decoration Fund in memory of past loved ones will find envelopes available at the back of the Church for this purpose. Please record your name, envelope #, and the name(s) of those you wish to be remembered, and place it in the regular collection basket.

**Antigonish Community Food Bank:** Their client base continues to increase. This is an opportunity to assist and feed the less fortunate.

**Antigonish Friendship Corner:** The Corner is a drop-in meeting place for the less fortunate/special people. It is operated by volunteers on a very low budget.

**Mass for Shut-Ins:** TV Mass each Sunday from the Antigonish Diocese in Sydney, Nova Scotia.

Please use an envelope for your donation, and record your name, envelope #, and the amount and name(s) of your selected charity(s). You may place your donation envelope in the regular collection after any Mass during Lent.

**Bulletin Submissions**

Please send to Jean Collins at [jpcollins@eastlink.ca](mailto:jpcollins@eastlink.ca) or call **902-863-2482** before Thursday.

**Easter Mass Schedule**

**Easter Vigil**

**Saturday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> - St. Joseph's - 8:00 pm**

**Easter Sunday**

**Sunday, April 4<sup>th</sup> - St. Joseph's - 10:00 am**

**Sunday, April 4<sup>th</sup> - St. Paul's - 12:30 pm**

**Please inform any parishioners you know who do not have email or access to the Internet.**



**Year of Saint Joseph**



**This year is a special year for our Church. Pope Francis has declared 2021 to be the Year of St. Joseph, to run through to December 8<sup>th</sup>.**

**St. Joseph's "hidden life" of service mirrors the lives of so many people today who are carrying out hidden acts of love and kindness during the pandemic.**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3DM4QyCmPfQ>

**Website**

The bulletin, scripture readings, homily, and resources for prayer and reflection, are available each week on our website by **Friday** evening.

**Recent additions under Other** Seven Ears of Grain, March 29<sup>th</sup>; This Month in the Diocese, April 2021.

**Go to:** [www.saintjosephscatholicchurch.org](http://www.saintjosephscatholicchurch.org)

## St. Joseph's Church (cont.)

### CHURCH FINANCES

As noted from our 2020 Financial Statements, our Cemetery Fund is in a good position to cover future maintenance needs. Also, our Renovation Account appears adequate to cover Church improvements for the short term.

However, our 2020 Church Revenue fell short by about \$7,000 from covering Church operating expenses. We cannot survive future annual financial shortfalls of this magnitude.

Many of our parishioners are very generous with respect to making regular donations to our Parish Church. We thank you very much for effectively financing a very large portion of our Church's expenses.

There are some parishioners who do not regularly contribute to the church, but may require services of the Church, for example weddings, funerals, administration of the sacraments. We would appreciate a minimal annual contribution in the range of \$250 to \$300 from these parishioners. The additional funds will be designated to help pay our Church operating expenses. We want to be clear that the above mentioned minimum amount is not a firm requirement; instead, we are humbly requesting you to share in our efforts to cover the operating costs of our church.

Also, we recognize that the Covid-19 virus has made matters difficult for all of us. We respect the decision of those parishioners who decided not to attend the regular weekly Mass in Church to avoid the risk of catching the virus. We look forward to your return once the Covid-19 virus is under control and remedies are in place,.

Our Church expenses have reduced very little due the lower attendance. We would therefore appreciate donations from those who no longer attend the weekly Mass in church.

If you would like a set of church donation envelopes for 2021, please contact any parish council member.

We now have the capability of accepting donations through etransfer at: [stjos1927@gmail.com](mailto:stjos1927@gmail.com)

Through PayPal on the Diocese of Antigonish website:

<https://fs26.formsite.com/DiocesefofAntigonish/jdqh7w8ymr/index.html>

By Credit Card on our St. Joseph's Church website: (one time or recurring donations)

[www.saintjosephscatholicchurch.org](http://www.saintjosephscatholicchurch.org)

You can also mail your donation to:

**St. Joseph's Parish**  
**P.O. Box 1022**  
**Antigonish NS**  
**B2G 2S3.**

Please include your name, address and envelope # so we can send you a charitable receipt for income tax purposes.

Thank you, Jerome Grant Parish Council Chair

**Please pass this information on to any parishioners you know who do not currently attend Mass or receive the parish bulletin.**

## Diocese of Antigonish

### Our Website's COVID-19 page

<http://www.antigonishdiocese.com/index.php/covid-19>  
 Includes Bishop Kirkpatrick's letters, government links for COVID-19 updates, links to online Masses, and more.

### A Message from Bishop Wayne Kirkpatrick

"Those who may not be able to attend church for health reasons or due to capacity restrictions are dispensed from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass."

### An Act of Spiritual Communion

**My Dearest Jesus, I believe that You are present in the most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.**

**Since I cannot, at this moment, receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.**

### Development & Peace - Share Love, Share Lent

"Share Love, Share Lent is an opportunity for you to be a part of a Lenten journey that can bring you closer to Christ and to those who suffer throughout the world and so contribute to the culture of encounter."

Read the letter from Archbishop Richard Gagnon, President of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops, at <https://www.antigonishdiocese.com/share-love-share-lent/>

### A New Online Resource for Celebrating the Year of St. Joseph

Has been launched by the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB). The webpage contains Prayers, Litanies, and Devotions, Consecration to Saint Joseph, Church Documents and Catechetical Resources for children, youth and adults. Included are seven short video presentations in English and French, highlighting each of the seven attributes of St. Joseph.

<https://www.cccb.ca/evangelization-catechesis-catholic-education/celebrating-the-year-of-saint-joseph/>  
<https://www.cccb.ca/fr/evangelisation-catechese-et-education/celebrons-lannee-de-saint-joseph/>

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