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Parish Priest

Fr. Macleen Anyanwu, SMMM

(due in January)

<https://smmmcongregation.org/>

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2730 Ohio East Rd., PO Box 1022,
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Mass Times:

Saturday 4:00 pm

Parish Council Chairperson:

Jerome Grant: (902) 867-1160

jerome.grant@ns.sympatico.ca

Website:

www.saintjosephscatholicchurch.org

St. Patrick's Church

590 Highway 7, Lochaber, NS B2G 2L3

Phone: (902) 783-2631

Mass Times:

Sunday 10:00 am

Parish Council Chairperson:

Carol Young: (902) 867-6367

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St. Paul's Church

8033 Hwy 7, Sherbrooke, NS B0J 3C0

Mass Time:

Sunday 11:30 am

Parish Council Chairperson:

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aubrey.carol@ns.sympatico.ca

O Come Let Us Adore Him...



Epiphany of the Lord

January 8th, 2023

🙏 **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

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St. Joseph's Church

Revised Covid -19 Protocols

St. Joseph's Parish Council has made some changes to it's Covid-19 precautions. We continue to support the wearing of masks and sanitization of hands. **Please see Page 5.**

Please be kind and considerate of our many elderly and vulnerable parishioners, and stay home if you are coughing or sneezing, or have any other symptoms of Covid-19.

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### Lector for Mass

Saturday January 7<sup>th</sup> - 4:00 pm - Carl MacDonald

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Collection for December 31st

Regular: \$595 (24); Christmas Offering \$250 (2); Initial Offering \$200 (14); Cemetery Fund \$100 (1); Loose \$8; Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God \$165 (13)

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### Request from Parish Council



We are in need of new Parish Council members for the positions of Vice-President and Secretary.

We also need someone to represent us on the Board of Directors of the St. Joseph's Lakeside Community Centre.

Please give these requests your most serious consideration, especially if you have never served on Parish Council or any of its Committees before. We all need to pull together to serve St. Joseph's Parish, to keep us growing and thriving as a vibrant faith community.

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Save Your Stamps

We are collecting used stamps for Development and Peace, who sell them to stamp collectors from all over the world. The proceeds are used to fund development projects in Africa, Asia and Latin America. Please cut off the stamps from your envelopes, without damaging the perforations, and place them in the jar at the back of the church. Thank you for caring!

Website

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

Go to: www.saintjosephscatholicchurch.org

New Priest

Bishop Kirkpatrick has confirmed that Father Macleen Anyanwu will be coming to our 3 parishes as parish priest. Father Macleen is in the Order: Sons of Mary Mother of Mercy. Father Macleen currently serves in the North West Territories, and will arrive sometime in the New Year.



Thank you Fr. O'Neal for continuing to celebrate mass with us. We are deeply grateful for your generosity and faithful service.

Bulletin Submissions

Please send to Jean Collins at jpcollins@eastlink.ca or call **902-863-2482** before Thursday.

Bulletins are available once again at the entrance to the Church. Please let me know if you would also like to receive a copy of the bulletin each week via email.

Community Events

Grief Group For Survivors Of Suicide

When someone dies by suicide, grief is complicated. There are unique struggles and questions.

This is normal... and you're not alone.

These facilitated meetings are open for anyone who has lost someone to suicide.

Dates: Jan. 25th, Feb. 15th, Mar. 22nd, Apr 26th, May 24th, and June 28th from **7:00 pm to 9:00 pm** at St. Paul's Anglican Church

Call **(902) 863-5089** or email rector3harbours@gmail.com for more information.

Diocese of Antigonish

Development & Peace

Development & Peace has been active since 1967, fighting for the last 55 years to give a voice to our marginalized sisters and brothers in the Global South.

We provide **humanitarian aid**, as well as supporting local partner organizations that work on four key areas: democracy and citizen participation; ecological justice; justice for women; and peace and reconciliation. In Canada, we work to educate people in parishes, schools and communities on the causes of poverty and injustice; to mobilize a movement of international solidarity; and to advocate for fair and just policies.

D & P Diocese of Antigonish Core Council

2022 was very successful for D & P and especially for our Diocesan Core Council. We extend our deep appreciation for your presence, wisdom, patience, compassion and love, well done, good and faithful. Please accept our deepest gratitude expressed in this prayer to you and to yours:

O God of Love, you are with us in every transition and change. As we enter into this new era with excitement and even some anxiety, we recall your deep compassion, presence, and abounding love. We thank you for the gifts, talents and skills with which you have blessed us. We thank you for the experiences that have brought us to this moment. We thank you for the work of others that gives breadth and depth to our own work as the Diocesan Core Council of the Diocese of Antigonish. Be with us as we move forward, rejoicing with you and supporting one another for the good of our neighbours in the Global South.

O God of this New Year, we face the future, not knowing what the days and months will bring to us or how we will respond. May we welcome all who come our way in our deep desire to support. Deepen our faith to see all of life through your eyes. Fill us with hope and trust knowing that we are being called to stand up for those who are unable to stand up for themselves. May we always look to you for strength and guidance in our pursuit to change the lives of our friends in the South. We ask this in your Holy Name.

Amen.

<https://www.devp.org/en/>

Our Lady of Grace Monastery

Father Albert MacPherson, OSA has resumed the **celebration of Mass** at Our Lady of Grace Chapel **daily at 10:00 am (including Sundays)**.

Reconciliation will be available in the Chapel each **Friday from 3:00 pm until 5:00 pm**.

Father Albert's next **Healing Mass** will be held at **7:00 pm on Friday, January 27th**.

Diocese of Antigonish

A Message From Bishop Wayne Kirkpatrick

Most current Public Health restrictions and mandates have ended, but this does not mean that the pandemic has ended. It will be important to use personal public health measures, both individually and collectively, to help keep each other safe, especially those who are at risk of severe disease due to age and/or underlying health issues.

Masking and social distancing are no longer required. However, we still encourage masking and social distancing in our churches. We need time to make the adjustment to the so-called “new-normal” as we learn to live with COVID.

Those who may not be able to attend church for health reasons or due to other COVID-19 restrictions are dispensed from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass.

Online Masses

Weekly Mass - Livestream (Video)

From St. Ninian’s Cathedral

Every Sunday - 10:30 am

On our website: <https://www.saintninian.ca>

On our Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/stninian.cathedral/>

Mass for Shut-Ins

Mass for Shut-Ins is aired on **Sundays at 11:30 am** on CTV, or it can be viewed on demand on our Diocese of Antigonish YouTube channel.

Diocese of Antigonish YouTube Channel

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCPYevnyrNU6zIWHdH8KJ71w>

Churches Online

<https://www.antigonishdiocese.com/churches-online/>

Daily TV Mass:

from the National Catholic Broadcasting Council
<https://dailytvmass.com/>

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.

ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH COVID-19 PRECAUTIONS

Effective March 21st the mandate for Covid-19 regulations was lifted by the Provincial Dept. of Health.

This is news that many people will be glad to hear; however, there are many others who may be nervous about it.

In an effort to continue to control the spread of the Covid-19 virus we offer the following recommendations for weekly Mass attendance for your consideration. We do recognize these recommendations are optional, and the final choice is yours as to whether you accept or reject any or all of them.

....continue to wear Face masks

....continue to sanitize hands at the church entrance and before receiving communion

....continue to maintain social distancing for procession to and from receipt of communion

Hand sanitizing stations are available at the entrance to the church, and in the center isle for use before receiving communion. Extra bottles of sanitizer are also available at the back of the church for those who prefer to use them.

In summary, we are simply giving parishioners an opportunity and hopefully a comfort level to help you feel safe attending Mass, and at the same time attempt to control/prevent the spread of the Covid-19 virus.