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Saturday 5:00 pm

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www.saintjosephscatholicchurch.org

St. Patrick's Church

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Mass Time:

Sunday 10:00 am

Parish Council Chairperson:

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St. Paul's Church

8033 Hwy 7, Sherbrooke, NS B0J 3C0

Mass Time:

Sunday 11:30 am

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Rennie Beaver: (902) 833-2341

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Psalm 130...



Thirty First Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 5th, 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 Parish

Revised Covid -19 Protocols

St. Joseph's Parish Council continues to support the wearing of masks and sanitization of hands.

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.

Collections for October 28th

Regular \$800 (22); Evangelization of Peoples \$40 (1)

For the 5 weekly Masses ending October 28th 2023, we received a total of \$3,575.00 for our regular collection. This compares favourably (increase of 17.8 %) with our regular collection for the 5 weekly Masses in October 2022 of \$3,034.00. We take this opportunity to thank all parishioners for their financial support.

In addition to the use of the collection basket, you may wish to use our e-transfer stjos1927@gmail.com, or if you plan to be away for a period of time you may wish to enclose postdated cheques in your collection envelope at the weekly Mass before leaving.

Thank You.....Finance Committee Chair

Lector

Saturday, November 4th - 5:00 pm

Carl MacDonald

Praying the Rosary Together

Praying the rosary together is a comforting and uplifting experience. If you would like us to pray a rosary after any

Saturday mass for someone who is sick or for a special intention, please contact Jean Collins at [902-863-2482](tel:902-863-2482) or jpcollins@eastlink.ca

Thanks to everyone who joined us for the communal rosary during October. Your presence is a blessing.

Special thanks to the members of our rosary leadership team: Janet, Annette, Ann, and Cathy. Well done!

PLEASE NOTE

MASS TIME CHANGE for November 11th

As usual, after changing back to Standard Time on November 5th, starting on Saturday, November 11th, **Mass at St. Joseph's will be at 4:00 pm**. Please remind those who do not usually receive the bulletin. Thank you!

Our Parish Priest

Fr. Tom Stephan

In addition to serving at Mass and on our Parish Councils, Fr. Tom organized our Religious Education programs for both First Holy Communion and Confirmation candidates. He is also available for baptisms, weddings, and funerals, to bless your home, to pray for yourself and your loved ones, to hear confessions, to anoint the sick and dying, to visit with those who are isolated and lonely, and to bring communion to those who are unable to attend Mass.

Fr. Tom can be reached at:

(437) 366-0731 (cell); **(902) 783-2631** (glebe);
and tomstephan1june@gmail.com

St. Paul's Parish

Contemplative Prayer Group

A Contemplative Prayer (Meditation) Group meets twice a month on **Friday** mornings, from **10:00 am to noon** at the Bethany Resource Centre.

Anyone interested in attending please contact Carol Beaver for information at [902-863-7992](tel:902-863-7992) or carolann776@gmail.com



Our Website

Resources for Prayer and Reflection

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

Recent additions: Seven Ears of Grain, October 30th, 2023

Go to: www.saintjosephscatholicchurch.org

Bulletin Submissions

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

Please let me know if you would like to receive a copy of the bulletin each week via email.

Diocese of Antigonish

Development & Peace

Gaza Crisis: A Call to Help, A Call to Peace

Development & Peace — Caritas Canada is making an immediate allocation of \$150,000 to Caritas Jerusalem to help it meet the needs of families besieged and displaced by the ongoing crisis in Gaza in the Holy Land.

As a member of the Canadian Foodgrains Bank, Development & Peace — Caritas Canada is also participating in the Humanitarian Coalition’s Gaza Humanitarian Emergency appeal. This means that donations for this cause will be matched dollar for dollar by the Government of Canada up to a maximum of \$10 million until November 12th. We therefore invite Canadians to donate generously.

Thanks to the fund matching, Canadians wishing to help provide food, water, shelter, hygiene kits, essential goods, healthcare and psychosocial support to families affected by the conflict in Gaza can do so twice as much by donating:

Online at <https://bit.ly/45vR3Db>

By calling 1-888-234-8533 toll-free

By mailing a cheque payable to Development & Peace (marked *Gaza Humanitarian Emergency*) to:

555 René-Lévesque Blvd. West, 8th Floor
Montreal, Quebec H2Z 1B1

Read online:

https://devp.org/en/wp_press_release/gaza-crisis-a-call-to-help/

Community Events

St. Joseph’s Lakeside Community Centre

Santa’s Workshop is back at St. Joseph’s Lakeside Community Centre for our **Annual Christmas Bazaar** Sunday, November 5th 11am – 3pm With 30 Vendors!

Light refreshments and sweets available along with

*CHILI + BISCUIT TO GO!



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 risk of infection 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 “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

Now airing on **Sunday mornings** on the CTV channel. Recorded Masses can also be viewed anytime 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.