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Mass Time:

Saturday 4:00 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:

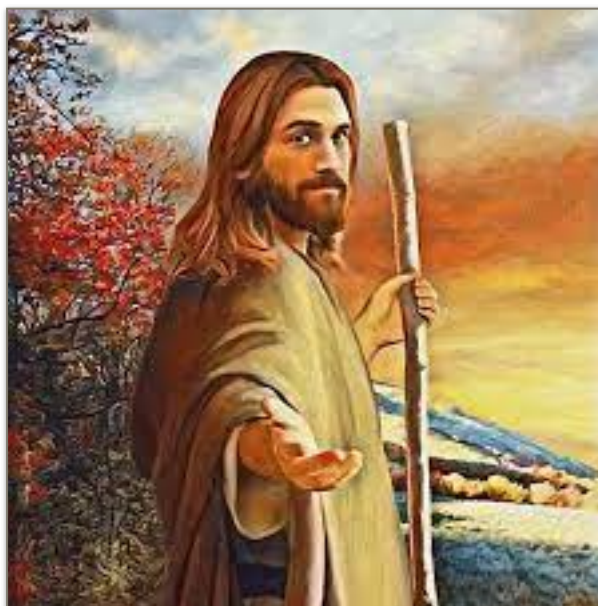
Sunday 11:30 am

Parish Council Chairperson:

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Come, Follow Me...



Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 21st, 2024



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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Established in 2018 under the NS Societies Act

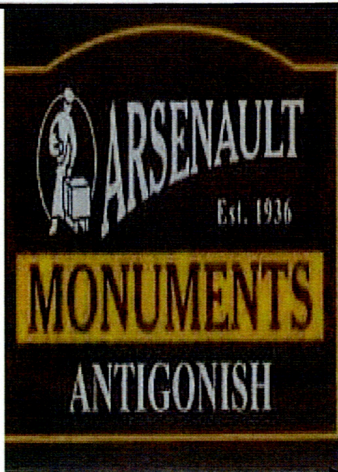
For the long-term care of St. Joseph's cemetery

Main sources of funding are Donations & Bequests.

Charity Registration No: 76698 8711 RR0001

Contact: Phone—902867-1160

Email: hillsidecemeteryassociation@gmail.com



St. Joseph's Lakeside Community Center

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Phone: (902) 867-2626

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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 January 13th

Regular \$565 (24); Loose \$5

Lector

Saturday, January 20th - 4:00 pm - Kim Timmons

Thank You!

With much appreciation to Carl MacDonald and the members of Parish Council for seeing to the installation of a new roof, which is now complete.

LECTORS NEEDED

We need more readers! If you are willing to read at mass on Saturday evening, please contact me so I can add you to the schedule. Our standards are not high! and if you can't make your scheduled time, there is always someone else ready to step in.

If you can't read yourself, please pray for us that more people will be inspired by the Holy Spirit to come forward willing to read. This is an important lay ministry, and we need your help!

Fr. Tom is also hoping to plan a half-day class in the near future for young people who are willing to become new readers. Please pray for them.

Jean Collins at jpcollins@eastlink.ca
or call 902-863-2482

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 addition: Seven Ears of Grain, January 15, 2024

Go to: www.saintjosephscatholicchurch.org

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.

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and tomstephan1june@gmail.com

Community Events

Congratulations

We would like to congratulate U18 goalie and Antigonish native Rhyah Stewart on her bronze medal with Team Canada at IIHF U18 Women's World Championship! Well done Rhyah and teammates!



Bulletin Submissions

Please send to Jean Collins at jpcollins@eastlink.ca
or call 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

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

January 18th - 25th

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is an annual ecumenical celebration and invitation to Christians worldwide to pray, worship, and explore faith together. Each year, the eight days between the Feast of the Confession of St. Peter and the Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul are devoted to deepening our relationships with other Christians, to live and witness together throughout the year.

Resources to celebrate the week are available here
<https://www.weekofprayer.ca/2024-wpcu-resources>

For More on the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity
<https://www.weekofprayer.ca/week-prayer-christian-unity>

Message from Antigonish Diocesan Society

On behalf of the Antigonish Diocesan Society, a sincere thank you to parishioners for your annual financial donations in support of vocations. As you may be aware, the Diocese of Antigonish currently has two seminarians who are studying at St. Augustine's Seminary in Toronto, one of whom will be ordained in 2024. The Diocesan Society has provided funding to fully cover the costs of their education, and your annual donations are very much appreciated!

The Vocations Sunday collection occurs each year on Good Shepherd Sunday. If you do not have a Vocations Sunday envelope, I invite you to place your donation in a plain envelope marked "Antigonish Diocesan Society" and drop it in your church collection basket. I hope we can count on your support and prayers for this most important cause.

Blessings
 Dr. Barry MacKenzie
 President, Antigonish Diocesan Society

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

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.