

# 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 Time: Sunday 10:00 am**

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### St. Paul's Church

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**Mass Time: Sunday 11:30 am**

Parish Council Chairperson:

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### Website

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

## The Good Shepherd...



## Fourth Sunday of Easter

May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2025

### 🙏 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 sanitizing of hands. The pandemic may be over, but the health risks of a severe infection are not.

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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### Collections

Saturday May 3<sup>rd</sup>

Regular \$805 (22); Loose \$20; Social Action \$100 (1)

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### Our Deepest Sympathy



To the family and friends of  
Myrtle MacDonald  
Patricia "Tish" MacLellan  
Tony McVicar

Please keep them in your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.

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## St. Paul's Parish

### Celebrating Anniversaries



St. Paul's Celebrated the 51<sup>st</sup> Anniversary of Ruby and John Watson and the 56<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Carol and Rennie Beaver at the Sunday lunch on May 4<sup>th</sup>.

## Our Parish Priest

### Fr. Tom Stephan

In addition to serving at Mass and on our Parish Councils, Fr. Tom organized Religious Education programs for 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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## ❁ Mothers Day ❁

Happy Mothers Day to all those who mother others. To the people mothers, the pet mothers, and the earth mothers. May your day be filled with good things, good times, love, and laughter.

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### Lochaber Community Breakfast

Lochaber Center, 1555 Highway 7

Sunday May 11<sup>th</sup>, 8:00 am - Noon

Adults \$12, Children \$6

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### Highland Lobster Supper

Mini Trail Community Center, 4382, Hwy 337, Lakevale

Sunday May 11<sup>th</sup>, 11:00 am - 2:00 pm

All dinners include 1lb lobster served in a cracked shell with butter, homemade coleslaw and potato salad, fresh dinner roll, and an array of desserts to choose from.

Lobster Dinner \$35.00; Ham Dinner \$25.00; Children's size dinners available. We also have a takeout option.

For more information, please call [902-338-4838](tel:902-338-4838)

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## 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, May 5, 2025

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

## Diocese of Antigonish

### Habemus Papam! We have a pope!

On May 8<sup>th</sup> these words resounded from the balcony of St. Peter's Basilica, announcing the election of Pope Leo XIV to be the successor of St. Peter.



Pope Leo XIV is a dual citizen of the United States and Peru, where he first served as a missionary and then as an archbishop. He is the first pope from each country.

## Community Notes

### VON Antigonish

#### Volunteers Needed

VON Antigonish is currently seeking volunteers to join our team. If you have time to deliver Meals on Wheels, Nursing Supply Delivery, assisting with the Adult Day Program or Client Transportation please call 902-863-5700 ext2 or email [css.antigonish@von.ca](mailto:css.antigonish@von.ca)

We would love to hear from you!

### St. Martha's Regional Hospital

#### Volunteers Needed

We are urgently in need of volunteers for both the Cafe and the Gift Corner at St. Martha's Regional Hospital.

## Bulletin Submissions

Please send to Jean Collins at [jeancollins@icloud.com](mailto:jeancollins@icloud.com) 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

### 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.

I will continue to dispense from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass for people who may not be able to attend for health reasons, as well as for those who care for them.

### 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

Sundays at 11:30 am on CTV

Recordings are available for viewing on our [website](#) and 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.