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St. Joseph's Church

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St. Patrick's Church

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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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Website

www.saintjosephscatholicchurch.org

"Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it…"

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

June 28th, 2026

🙏 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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hillsidecemeteryassociation@gmail.com

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 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

June 20th & 21st - Regular $535 (14); Loose $15; Cemetery Fund $300 (2)

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Readers

Saturday June 27th - Robyn MacInnis

Saturday July 4th - Mary K Barter

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St. Paul's Parish

Lunch after Mass

St. Paul's hosts a light lunch after Mass on the first Sunday of each month.

Next date: July 5th

Please Note

Thursday mass is cancelled for the summer months.

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, June 22nd

Go to: www.saintjosephscatholicchurch.org

Bulletin Submissions

Please send to Jean Collins at **jeanpcollins@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.

Our Parish Priest

Fr. Thaddeus Chickezie Orga

In addition to serving at Mass and on our Parish Councils, Fr. Thaddeus is 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. Thaddeus can be reached at:
(902) 919-9827 (cell); **(902) 783-2631** (glebe);
and **tvc30orga@gmail.com**

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Prayer After Communion

(repeat together 3x)

"O Sacrament most holy, O Sacrament divine,
All praise and all thanksgiving, be every moment Thine"

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Community Events

Free Concert at St. Ninian's Place

Sunday June 28th, starting at 2:00 pm

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Diocese of Antigonish

Development & Peace

Is Canada On Track For Justice?

Education and action campaign - Fall 2026

This fall, join our "Is Canada on Track for Justice?" campaign. We will call on the Government of Canada to continue funding international development aid by demonstrating its positive impact on the Global South over the years. People will be encouraged to participate by:

Becoming a member of Development and Peace;
Meeting Federal Members of Parliament to discuss this issue;
Organizing community discussions or video screenings.

Materials and information are available on our website:
https://www.devp.org/en/

Thank you for continuing to pray for all those who are working to build a world of peace and justice.

Local contact in our diocese: Winnie Odo:

twinnieodo@seaside.ns.ca 902-862-2330 or 902-322-1864

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Community Events

St. Martha's Go To The Keppoch

The Ships of 1801 have presented original concerts for the past twelve years. All shows have featured historical themes that are important to Northern Nova Scotia, including Cape Breton. This year we will tell the story of a day in the life of Fr. Moses Coady and two sisters from St. Marthas as they travel to a small rural community with the intention of helping the people improve their lives through co-operative action and adult education.

The show features original and traditional music and dance, along with realistic and humorous dialogue.

The cast is composed of some thirty individuals ranging in age from 7 to 85.

Shows on July 2nd to July 5th at Schwartz Auditorium, and July 7th in Mabou.

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The Sisters of St. Martha Present

Eight Tiny Plays about Gospel Hospitality

July 16, 17, 18, 19, 21, 22, 23, 24 @ 6:30 pm

July 18, 19, 22 @ 2:30 pm

In the Bethany Centennial Garden

Pick up free tickets at the Heritage Museum. Spaces limited.

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.

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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 in its 63rd Season on CTV — Sundays at 11:30 am. Previous recordings are available on our **website** and **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/

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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.

June 2026 – Our Clergy

Mo	1	Pope Leo XIV
Tu	2	Bishop Wayne Kirkpatrick
We	3	Seminarians
Th	4	Candidates to Permanent Diaconate
Fr	5	Fr. Antolin Asor
Sa	6	Fr. Joby Augustin
Su	7	Fr. John Barry
Mo	8	Deacon Shawn Bigley
Tu	9	Fr. Daniel Boudreau
We	10	Fr. Donald Boudreau
Th	11	Deacon Fernand Boivin
Fr	12	Fr. Andrew Boyd
Sa	13	Fr. Bill Burke
Su	14	Deacon Sander Burke
Mo	15	Fr. Charles Cameron
Tu	16	Fr. Jaison Cheriya
We	17	Fr. Barrett Clare-Johnson
Th	18	Deacon Robert Coleman
Fr	19	Fr. Duaine Devereaux
Sa	20	Fr. Evo DiPierro
Su	21	Fr. Daniel Doucet
Mo	22	Fr. Bedford Doucette
Tu	23	Deacon Michael Doyle
We	24	Fr. Anthony Eboh
Th	25	Fr. Conrad Edwards
Fr	26	Fr. Vincent Emezue
Sa	27	Fr. Andrew Gillies
Su	28	Deacon Berkley Guthro
Mo	29	Fr. Raymond Huntley
Tu	30	Fr. Macdonald Ibeh

Daily Prayers

Diocese of Antigonish

Please Pray for a Clergy and Community Each Day

Let us pray for priests and deacons:

The Holy Father
Fill him with your grace, Lord.

Our Bishop
Give him your gifts, Lord
Diocesan Priests and Deacons
Never leave them, Lord
Priests in seminary work
Give them your wisdom, Lord

Those in hospital work
Give them constancy, Lord
Those who are ill
Heal them, Lord.
Those who are in danger
Deliver them, Lord.
Those who are weak
Strengthen them, Lord.
Those who are poor
Relieve them, Lord
Those who are zealous
Help them, Lord.

Those who are worried
Give them peace, Lord
Those who are old
Sustain them, Lord.
Those who are young
Impel them for your glory, Lord.

Those who are alone
Accompany them, Lord.
Missionary Priests
Protect them, Lord.
Those who preach
Enlighten them, Lord.
Those who direct souls
Instruct them, Lord.
Parish priests
Give them prudence, Lord.
On all the Church
---Lord, have mercy

June 2026 – Our Communities

Mo	1	Waycobah
Tu	2	West Bay Road
We	3	Westmount
Th	4	Westville
Fr	5	Whitney Pier
Sa	6	Albert Bridge
Su	7	Alder Point
Mo	8	Antigonish
Tu	9	Arichat
We	10	Arisaig
Th	11	Baddeck
Fr	12	Ballantyne's Cove
Sa	13	Barra Head
Su	14	Big Pond
Mo	15	Boisdale
Tu	16	Boularderie
We	17	Bras d'Or
Th	18	Bridgeport
Fr	19	Broad Cove
Sa	20	Brook Village
Su	21	Canso
Mo	22	Cheticamp
Tu	23	Creignish
We	24	Dingwall
Th	25	Donkin
Fr	26	East Bay
Sa	27	Eskasoni
Su	28	Frenchvale
Mo	29	Giants Lake
Tu	30	Georgeville

Embracing Father,
You grace each of us with equal measure in your love.
Let us learn to love our neighbours more deeply,
so that we can create
peaceful and just communities.
Inspire us to use our creative energies
to build the structures we need
to overcome the obstacles
of intolerance and indifference.
May Jesus provide us the example needed
and send the Spirit to warm our hearts for the journey.
Amen

—from Being Neighbor: The Catechism and Social Justice
https://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/prayers-and-devotions/prayers/prayer-for-community

We invite you to use these prayers, offer your own prayers, or offer up Mass, Fasting, Eucharistic Exposition, Rosary. Holy Hour or other devotions. Thank you for helping to spread God's healing love.