

“WE WELCOME, WE WORSHIP, WE WITNESS”

New Parishes

Holy Family Roman Catholic Church, Amherst NS February 10th, 2019 - Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Stronger
Together

“Peter, James and John left everything, and followed Jesus.” Luke 5.11

Holy Family Office (902) 667-2523

Office Hours Monday—Friday 9 - 12 pm Noon

Father Craig Christenson Parish Priest/Moderator of Cumberland County
Evelyn Currie Office/Finance Manager

Glenna O’Quinn Parish Coordinator
Deacon Howard Gotell

Laurie Perry - Caretaker

Marriage Preparation Program:



When: Spring Date to be Confirmed
Where: Holy Family Church
Who: All those preparing/planning Marriage
How: Contact the office to reserve your spot now!
What: The New Marriage Prep Program is 4 sessions that gives couples a strong foundation to honour their marriage, how to live through the tough times, how God must be a part of the Marriage and so many other topics.
Why: Because being Married is worth the work and having God’s help will make it last.

COLLECTION UPDATES

Feb 2/3rd Collection:

Envelopes: \$ 2,219.50
Loose: \$ 131.90
Pre-authorized: \$ 1,561.00
Children’s: \$ 7.00
Initial \$ 26.00
TOTAL \$ 3,945.40
SSVP \$ 346.25

The Children’s collection on Jan 26th & 27th was \$27.95



World Day of Prayer 2019

Ecumenical Service at First Baptist Church, Amherst on March 1st at 2pm. Everyone is welcome! Light refreshments and fellowship after the service. Please join the faith community we are part of in Amherst.



Baptism Preparation Program:

When: Session #1 Feb 19th, Session #2 Feb. 26th 6—7pm
Where: Holy Family Church
Who: All those becoming a Child of God through Baptism
How: Reserve your spot now!
What: Families must pick up a Preparation Package at office, complete the questionnaire and return by **Feb.12th a week** prior to class, to confirm your spot in the sessions.
Why: Because becoming a Child of God is amazing!
****Please do not book flights or make arrangements with family members who must travel to attend the baptism, until you met Baptismal team and confirmed a date****



CWL Regular Meeting—February 13th, 6 pm with a Valentine Dessert Buffet. Are you interested?
Shrove Tuesday **Pancake Supper March 5th** 4-6 pm
Cost is \$7 for adults; children under 12 - \$4

Amherst and Area Heritage Trust - invites you to their monthly meeting on Feb 13th - 7 pm, at the Cumberland County Museum. **Everyone is Welcome**

FEBRUARY Events At Holy Family

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| 10th | 10:00 am | Youth Faith Development Classes |
| | 6:00 pm | M&M Youth Choir Practise |
| | 6:45 pm | Knight’s Bingo at the Hall, 5 Robie St. |
| | 7:00 pm | Jr/Sr Class |
| 11th | 9:00 am | Offertory Counters |
| | 9:00 am | Adoration with Intercessory Prayers |
| | 6:45 pm | Knight’s Bingo at the Hall, 5 Robie St |
| 12th | 11:30 am | Tuesday Luncheon |
| 13th | 9:00 am | Liturgy of the Word Weekday Service |
| | 1-3pm | Friendship Club |
| | 6:00 pm | CWL Annual Meeting and Dessert Night |
| 14th | 9:00 am | Liturgy of the Word Weekday Service |
| | 7:00 pm | PRAYER GROUP night in the Church |
| | 7:00 pm | Youth Group: GOD SQUAD |
| 15th | 9:00 am | Liturgy of the Word Weekday Service |
| | 7:00 pm | Chase the Ace—Jen & Dave Music :) |

KNIGHTS BREAKFAST



March 9th, 8—11 am - Knights Hall
5 Robie St.—Come Enjoy a Delicious Breakfast!
Regular Meeting: February 28th at 7pm

Do you have empty plastic grocery bags hanging around your house? If so you can donate them to **The After the Bell Program**. Just drop them in the food box donation box in the gathering area. Thank you!

“Next Thursday there will be tryouts for the Choir. They need all the help they can get.” (taken from an actual church bulletin)

CHASE THE ACE: JACKPOT is over \$5000.00 Entertainment: FEBRUARY FUN! Watch for Exciting News!

Feb.15—Evange Landry and Friends **Feb.22**—RA and Jack

March 15th is “St. Paddy’s Night

WATCH THE BULLETIN FOR DATES FOR OUR ANNUAL—“NEWFIE NIGHT!!”



February 16/17th Weekend Readings

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Prepare for Mass and Read in Advance

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| 1st Reading: | JEREMIAH | 17.5-8 |
| 2nd Reading: | 1 CORINTHIANS | 15.12, 16-20 |
| Gospel: | LUKE | 6.17, 20-26 |

ASH WEDNESDAY: Parishioners can bring last year's palms back for Ash Wednesday. Place the palms in the bowl in the gathering area marked PALMS. Plan to join us:

- Shrove Tuesday, March 5th CWL Pancake Supper 4-6pm
- Ash Wednesday, March 6th 12:12 pm noon Lay Service with Deacon Howard and Lay Team or Mass at 7pm, "Repent and believe in the Gospel"

PRAYER LINE #: **902-297-0430 NEW #** In need of prayer support? Start a prayer chain of love for a loved one or for prayers for yourself.

Hail Mary Prayer Count: **2,787,965**

PRAYER GROUP: Gathers on Thursday Nights at 7pm in the church. Music, Prayers and Fellowship. Join Us!
On **Mondays from 9-10am** join us for Adoration with General Intercessory Prayers in the Church.

OUR DEEP AND SINCERE CONDOLENCES GO OUT TO ALL OUR

Parishioners who have experienced the loss of a loved one, and to the family and friends of:

All who have recently lost a loved one

Light a candle in the gathering area, 75c in honor or remembering of a loved one. Set up a Mass Intention for \$10. Envelopes in the gathering area or check with the office.

SAYING PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN NEED:



Please keep in your prayers those who are ill, and in need of love and comfort. May the angels of protection and healing surround your children in need especially: **Fr. Craig, Betty Lee, Geri Dolan, Phyllis Simons, Lillian DesChenes, Margaret Martin, Patrick Arseneau, Shirley Clements and Pearl O'Brien**



Coldest Night of The Year 2019



Alison Lair, Community Support Coordinator for the Homelessness Prevention and Outreach Program at the Y said 36 people were helped directly in 2018. Another 100 or so needed help that was not available through the Y program. Homelessness is a reality in Cumberland Co. Please consider supporting the CNOY on Feb 23 by sponsoring a walker or walking yourself. For more information contact Rachele Dow or Dianne Gillis.

BE SCENT FREE— Please help us be scent free! We have parishioners who have had to leave Mass due to the scents. We want everyone to be comfortable and well here. Please Help Us!!

LITTLE ROCK SCRIPTURE STUDY: Lenten Bible Study

"Scripture and the Rosary" will be starting on March 11th—April 11th, 2019. The Rosary is a very important and powerful gift that has been given to us for our faith journey. Come learn more about this wonderful gift.

For more information contact: Viola C 902-667-3274 or Deacon Howard Gotell at 902-667-9598.

6th Sunday in Ordinary Times Lay Services - Feb 16th -17th

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| Feb 16 | 4:00 pm | St. Thomas Aquinas, Joggins | Lay Led Service |
| Feb 16 | 6:30 pm | St. Cornelius, Streets Ridge | Lay Led Service |
| Feb 16 | 6:00 pm | Holy Family, Amherst | Lay Led Service |
| Feb 17 | 9:00 am | St. Brigid's Church, Parrsboro | Lay Led Service |
| Feb 17 | 9:00 am | St. Thomas More, Pugwash | Lay Led Service |
| Feb 17 | 9:00 am | St. John The Baptist, Springhill | Lay Led Service |
| Feb 17 | 11:15 am | Holy Family Parish, Amherst | Lay Led Service |

7th Sunday in Ordinary Times Mass & Lay Led Services - Feb 23rd-24th

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| Feb 23 | 4:00 pm | St. Thomas Aquinas, Joggins | Lay Led Service |
| Feb 23 | 6:30 pm | St. Cornelius, Streets Ridge | Lay Led Service |
| Feb 23 | 6:00 pm | Holy Family, Amherst | Mass for Theresa M. Smith by Louitta Gaudet |
| Feb 24 | 9:00 am | St. Brigid's Church, Parrsboro | Lay Led Service |
| Feb 24 | 9:00 am | St. Thomas More, Pugwash | Lay Led Service |
| Feb 24 | 9:00 am | St. John The Baptist, Springhill | Lay Led Service |
| Feb 24 | 11:15 am | Holy Family Parish, Amherst | Mass for Palm Cormier by Joan & John Vogels |