

“WE WELCOME, WE WORSHIP, WE WITNESS”

New Parishes

Holy Family Roman Catholic Church, Amherst NS
February 17th, 2019 - Sixth 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

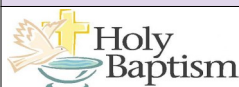
Feb 9/10 Collection:

Envelopes: \$ 1,681.00
 Loose: \$ 178.75
 Pre-Authorized: \$ 1,561.00
 Children’s: \$ 20.75
 Pro-Life \$ 32.00
TOTAL \$ 3,473.50
 SSVF \$ 328.70



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 Annual Meeting—Rescheduled to February 20th, 6pm with a Valentine Dessert Buffet.

Shrove Tuesday **Pancake Supper March 5th** 4-6 pm
 Cost is \$7 for adults; children under 12 - \$4

Monday, Feb 18th is a holiday and the Church Office will be closed.

FEBRUARY Events At Holy Family

19th 9:00am Prayer Group Executive
 10:00 am Intercessory Prayer
 9:00 am Offertory Counters
 11:30 am Tuesday Luncheon
 6:00 pm Baptism Preparation #1
 20th 9:00 am Liturgy of the Word Weekday Service
 6:00 pm CWL Annual Meeting and Dessert Night
 7:00 pm Cemetery Committee
 21st 9:00 am Liturgy of the Word Weekday Service
 7:00 pm Prayer Group night in the Church
 7:00 pm Youth Group
 22nd 9:00 am Liturgy of the Word Weekday Service
 7:00 pm Chase the Ace
 23rd 6:00 pm Coldest Night of the year walk

KNIGHTS BREAKFAST



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

Society of St. Vincent de Paul

We want you to know that your weekly contributions to the Poor Box are greatly appreciated and assist us with helping those in need. 2018 Financial/Visitation report is available in the gathering area. Please feel free to take a copy.

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

Feb.22—RA and Jack March 15th is “St. Paddy’s Night

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



February 23/24th Weekend Readings

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Prepare for Mass and Read in Advance

1st Reading: 1 SAMUEL 26.2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-25
2nd Reading: 1 CORINTHIANS 15.45-49
Gospel: LUKE 6.27-38

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! Tuesday **(due to holiday) 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, 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. Anyone thinking of taking this study needs to register by February 22nd as the material has to be ordered. There is always room for more to join. Please contact the office or call 902-667-3274 to register.

7th Sunday in Ordinary Times Lay Services - Feb 23rd-24th Fr. Phil Thibodeau

Feb 23	4:00 pm	St. Paul the Apostle, River Hebert	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 John & Joan Vogels

8th Sunday in Ordinary Times Mass & Lay Led Services - March 2-3

Mar 2	4:00 pm	St. Thomas Aquinas, Joggins	Lay Led Service
Mar 2	4:00 pm	St. Cornelius, Streets Ridge	Mass
Mar 2	6:00 pm	Holy Family, Amherst	Mass for Laurie Melanson by Viola Corbett
Mar 3	9:00 am	St. Brigid's Church, Parrsboro	Mass
Mar 3	9:00 am	St. Thomas More, Pugwash	Lay Led Service
Mar 3	9:00 am	St. John The Baptist, Springhill	Lay Led Service
Mar 3	11:15 am	Holy Family Parish, Amherst	Mass for Deacon Rick Hartnett by John & Joan Vogels