

**“WE WELCOME, WE WORSHIP, WE WITNESS”**

**Holy Family Roman Catholic Church, Amherst NS**

**April 28th, 2019 Second Sunday of Easter**

*“Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.” John 20.29*

Seven Churches

One Mission

**Holy Family Office (902) 667-2523**

**Office Hours Monday—Friday 9 - 12 pm Noon**

**Father Craig Christenson** Parish Priest/Moderator of Cumberland County

**Glenna O’Quinn** Parish Coordinator

**Evelyn Currie** Office/Finance Manager

**Laurie Perry** - Caretaker

**Deacon Howard Gotell**

Holy Family Church will be hosting a **Regional Workshop** on Saturday **May 4th from 10am until 12:30 pm**. John Stevens, Cathy Driscoll-Cainen and Chris O’Hara, from the Archdiocese, will be visiting to cover the following topics: **Music, Finance and Cemeteries**. All are welcome to attend, however, the Finance component will be limited to those involved in the Parish or Regional Finance Committees.

**Please bring a Brown Bag Lunch**

**COLLECTION for April 26th - 28th**

Envelopes:	\$ 1,761.00	Loose	\$ 533.65
Pre-Authorized:	\$ 1,701.00	Children’s	\$ 41.95
Lenten Folders	\$ 711.25	Easter	\$ 2,680.00
Good Friday	\$ 1,294.00	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 8,722.85</b>
Fish Chowder Supper (donated to SSVP)		\$ 313.60	
SSVP Collection Box		\$ 236.60	

**Thank you for your Generosity**



**Marriage Preparation Course**

Holy Family will be hosting Marriage Preparation sessions starting May 7th at 6:30 pm. The course runs for 6 weeks and is an interactive, reflective preparation to assist couples in asking questions and having discussions about potentially difficult topics.

This is a wonderful time to focus on the marriage versus the wedding, and to build a strong foundation for a full marriage. Register at the office 902-667-2523

Have *you* thought about **ADVERTISING IN THE BULLETIN**? Do you know someone who might benefit from doing so? We are starting to gather our advertisers for the next season’s publications. Contact us at 902-667-2523 or by email at office@holymfamilyamherst.ca for details.

**CHASE THE ACE:** Entertainment Line Up

April 26 Basil Hicks & Steve LeBlanc  
**May 3 “NEWFIE NIGHT”** with Hooligan’s Ruff. **Join us for Newfie music, food & drinks**. The Jackpot is now at \$7600 with 23 cards left in the deck.

**Please pray for our Sacramental youth, teachers and assistants** as they complete their preparation for the following:

**1st Eucharist May 5th @ 11:15 am Mass**

Joshua Bullen & William Lewis, and their teachers Connie LeBlanc & Susan Gotell.

**Confirmation May 12th @ 11:15 am Mass**

Samantha diMichele, Luke Legere, Ben Legere, Ashley Grant, and their teachers Sean & Glenna O’Quinn.

**Upcoming Events in our Faith Community**

<b>28th</b>	11:15 am	Family Mass
	7:00 pm	Knights Bingo, 5 Robie Street
<b>29th</b>	10:00am	VBC Workshop until noon
	7:00 pm	Knights Bingo, 5 Robie Street
<b>01st</b>	9:45 am	CWL Executive Meeting
<b>02nd</b>	7:00 pm	Prayer Group
<b>03rd</b>	7 - 9 pm	<b>Chase the Ace Newfie Night</b>



A “**Handbook for Councils Using Corporation Facilities**” is available to borrow from Grand Knight, Rick d’Entremont. You can contact him at 902-667-7820.

**May 09th** 4th Degree Member Meeting 7pm

**May 23rd** 3rd Degree Member Meeting 7pm

We are happy to announce the receipt of a grant from the Dr. & Mrs. H. E. Christie Community Foundation in the amount of \$10,235.00 for the installation of heat pumps. We plan to start installation in the Hall in early May in time for the CWL Conference and Vacation Bible Camp!

**May is the month of Mary** Pray the Rosary with us each Friday in May at 6:30 pm in the Church. This time of prayer will be lead by our various church ministries as follows: **May 3 - Society of Saint Vincent de Paul**

**May 10 - Knights of Columbus**

**May 17 - Liturgy Committee**

**May 24 - Prayer Group**



**Loonie Draw** on April 21st, Number 10 was drawn and it was played. Congratulations Elbert White on his win of \$57!



**VBC WORK SHOP DAYS**

**April 29th** 10am - 12pm  
 May schedule TBA



**May 5th & 5th Weekend Readings**

**Third Sunday of Easter**

***Prepare for Mass and Read in Advance***

**1st Reading:** ACTS 5.28-32, 40b-41  
**2nd Reading:** REVELATIONS 5.11-14  
**Gospel:** JOHN 21.1-19

**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 are experiencing the loss of 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.

**PRAYER LINE PH # is 902-297-0430** Start a prayer chain of love for a loved one or for yourself. **PRAYER GROUP:** Gathers Thursday Nights at 7pm. Music, Prayers and Fellowship. Join Us! On Mondays **from 9am - 10am** join us for Adoration with General Intercessory Prayers in the Church. **Hail Mary Prayer Count: 2,892,903**

**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: **Liliane DesChenes, Christine MacKenzie, Margaret Martin, Shirley Clements, Elbert White and Betty Lee**



**Sacrament of Reconciliation at Holy Family**

**May 4th, 11th & 18th 2:30 - 3pm**  
**June 01st, 08th & 15th 2:30 - 3pm**



**The Holy Family Catholic Women's League**

Executive Meeting **May 1st** at 9:45 am  
 Regular Meeting **May 8th** at 7:00 pm

**Streams of Justice** Kairos Atlantic Gathering May 2-5 at Mount Allison will include a public Mass Blanket Exercise, a daily sunrise service, workshops, a Latin American Feast and More! Questions can be directed to [events@kairosCanada.org](mailto:events@kairosCanada.org). Leaflets available in the gathering area with more information.

**Items of note:** The next 2 weekends will have finance team members set up in the gathering area to share information on **PAR**. We will have a **Special Cemetery Collection** for the weekend of May 4 & 5. The opening of the cemetery this year is expected to be May 10. **ALL** debris and decorations will be removed from graves before this time.

**Cumberland County Mass & Lay Led Service Schedule**

**Third Sunday of Easter - May 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup>**

May 4	4:00 pm	St. Thomas Aquinas, Joggins	Lay Led service
May 4	4:00 pm	St. Cornelius, Streets Ridge	Mass for Anne Melanson by Percy & Wenda Landry
May 4	6:00 pm	Holy Family, Amherst	Mass for Anne Melanson by Diane & Vaughn Melanson
May 5	9:00 am	St. Brigid's, Parrsboro	Mass for Bev Maltby by Glen & Anita White
May 5	9:00 am	St. Thomas More	Lay Led Service
May 5	11:00 am	St. John The Baptist, Springhill	Lay Led Service
May 5	11:15 am	Holy Family, Amherst	Mass for Marguerite McKenzie by Glen & Anita White

**No Weekday Mass for May 8, 9, & 10**

**Fourth Sunday of Easter - May 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup>**

May 11	4:00 pm	St. Thomas Aquinas, Joggins	Mass Bev Maltby by John Burke, Jr. and Family
May 11	6:00 pm	Holy Family, Amherst	Mass for Muriel Kenney by Linda Harrison & Pauline Griffiths
May 11	6:30 pm	St. Cornelius, Streets Ridge	Lay Led Service
May 12	9:00 am	St. Thomas More	Mass
May 12	10:00 am	St Brigid's, Parrsboro	Lay Led Service
May 12	11:00 am	St. John The Baptist, Springhill	Lay Led Service
May 12	11:15 am	Holy Family, Amherst	Mass for George Fairfax by Holy Family CWL