

All Saints Parish

CUMBERLAND COUNTY/STRONGER TOGETHER

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November 1st, 2020
Solemnity of All Saints
"Rejoice & be glad, for your reward is great in heaven."
Matthew 5.1-12a

Mass Intentions for the Week

Intention For: By:

31-Oct	4:00pm	St. Cornelius	Jack Piers	Eileen & Sharon
31-Oct	6:00pm	Holy Family	Anne Melanson	Family

01-Nov	9:00AM	St. Thomas More	Leroy Bailey	All Saints Parish
01-Nov	11:15AM	Holy Family	Clara Hartnett	daughter Denise
02-Nov	9:30AM	Holy Family	John Corbett	Viola & family
02-Nov	12:00PM	Holy Family	Special Intentions	Father Charles
03-Nov	7:00PM	St. John the Baptist	Eugene Maclsaac	All Saints Parish
04-Nov	9:30AM	Holy Family	Chris Myers	All Saints Parish
05-Nov	9:30AM	Holy Family	Special Intentions	Aris Legere
06-Nov	9:30AM	Holy Family	Rachel Allen	brother William

PRAYER REQUESTS



We keep in our prayers those who are sick, alone, shut in, afraid or suffering in any way, especially: Brian Johnson, Veronica Richards, Shirley Ann Porter, Louitta Sears, Annie-Marie (McKenzie) Tess, Peter LeBlanc, Wayne Duffy, Glenna O'Quinn, Phil LeBlanc and Sharon Vriend.

We pray for those who have died. May God gather them into his welcoming arms, especially, Lillian Deschenes.

Weekday Masses

Holy Family Church-Amherst	Wednesday, Thursday, Friday	9:30am
Saint John the Baptist-Springhill	Tuesdays	7pm

Eucharistic Adoration Schedule:

Holy Family Church Amherst	1 st Friday of the month from 10-11am
St. Brigid's Church Parrsboro	May-October only
St. Thomas More Church Pugwash	May-October only

Reconciliation Schedule:

St. John the Baptist Springhill	After 7pm mass on Tuesdays
St. Thomas More Pugwash	By appointment
St. Thomas Aquinas Joggins	2 nd Saturday of each month from 3:30-3:50pm
Holy Family Amherst	Following the 9:30am weekday masses
St. Cornelius Streets Ridge	1 st Saturday of the month from 3:30pm-3:50pm
St. Paul the Apostle River Hebert	3 rd Saturday of the month from 3:30-3:50pm
St. Brigid's Parrsboro	By Appointment

"God is good all the time. All the time, God is good." ~ Father Charles



Prayer Line # - 902-664-9396

For anyone needing special prayers for themselves or for someone you love.

Power of Prayer:

Since Dec 6th, 2016, our parish has prayed 3,300,676 Hail Mary's.

*****Please remember to email, drop a note in the collection or call the office and leave a message with your Hail Mary Count. We pray in November for all those included in the Book of Life.**



November 8th, 2020 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reading #1 Wisdom 6.12-16
Reading #2 1Thessalonians 4.13-18
GOSPEL Matthew 25.1-13



Development & Peace: Share Lent Campaign

As the world faces the challenge of containing COVID-19, D&P wants to draw attention to the importance of solidarity as people all over the world take efforts to prevent the spread of COVID-19. Let us not forget our sisters and brothers in the Global South whose struggles are multiplied by this pandemic.

Traditionally each year during Lent, Development and Peace Caritas Canada raises funds to support life-changing programs in over 35 countries in the Global South and education programs in Canada through its Share Lent Campaign. A special collection takes place annually on the 5th Sunday of Lent. However, this was not done in 2020 due to the global coronavirus pandemic.

As means to help in their important work, Archbishops Mancini and Dunn have designated for our diocese the weekend of **November 14-15** as a time to give to D &P's Share Lent campaign.

<https://www.devp.org/en/civicrm/contribute/transact?reset=1&id=17>

PARISH NEWS

Do you have news, meetings, fundraising events etc., that you would like to share? Please send your information (all details written out) to office@allsaintparishcc.ca to have your notice included in the weekly update. Please send along at least two weeks in advance of the event.



The next RCIA session will be held at Holy Family Church on November 5th at 7pm at Holy Family Church.

Please keep our candidates and their families in your prayers as they take this journey.

All Saints Parish Presents
THE HOLY FAMILY CHURCH ONLINE FALL FAIR
(Search for this page on Facebook)

Do not forget to buy your tickets on the beautiful THEME BASKETS currently on the Facebook Page. Tickets are 3 for \$5.00 and you can enter them for one or any combination of the baskets. Tickets can be purchased until 2pm on Monday, November 2nd.

OUTDOOR YARD SALE on OCTOBER 31st, 2020 8am -10 am
HOLY FAMILY CHURCH




Holy Family Church.....

As the mass numbers increase each weekend, we are reaching maximum capacity for the church. To open the hall for more seating, **volunteers are required**. We need immediate assistance with registration, ushering and cleaning. If this is something you can assist with, please call the office.

✚ As in years past at Holy Family, the **Book of Life** will be brought out for the month of November. Due to Covid restrictions, individuals will be unable to write in the book themselves. If you would like a name added, please leave a marked envelope (Book of Life) with the name in the collection or email the name(s) to office@allsaintsparishcc.ca. It will be written in on your behalf.

✚ The Knights of Columbus meeting will take place on November 26th, 2020 at 7pm, at the Knights Hall at 5 Robie St. All members are encouraged to attend. See you there!!

✚ In accordance with protocol directives from the Archdiocese and Dr. Strang, congregational singing is now allowed, but masks must remain on.

✚ **Holy Family CWL**  Due to Covid restrictions and our inability to proceed with our usual fundraising, we regret that we are not able to offer the Holy Family Parish Catholic Women's League Bursary this year.



✚ A reminder that for those unable to attend a mass, Holy Family Church Mass is livestreamed for All Saints Parish, at 11:15am on Sunday morning. We encourage you to watch at 11:15am and join in virtually.

✚ **Sunday Missals 2020-2021** have been distributed to most of the 7 churches. Missals are available to purchase for **\$5.00 each**. Holy Family parishioners can contact Mary to make purchase arrangements.



Christmas Cheer Program 2020

Once again, this year, Holy Family Church is participating with the Amherst Ministerial Association, in the Christmas Cheer program. The food list calendar is now available (and included below).

October 18	Canned vegetables and juice
October 25	Canned brown beans and mayo
November 1	Canned meat/fish and canned fruit
November 8	Peanut butter and jam (not homemade)
November 15	Cereal (Rice Krispies or Corn Flakes) and cookies
November 22	Kraft Dinner and soup
November 29	White sugar and crackers
December 6	Tea and Stovetop dressing
December 13	Christmas candy and chocolate bars

Given the Covid restrictions, monetary donations (of any amount) are encouraged and gratefully accepted, but the collection of food will stay take place. The cost to sponsor a box is \$95.00 and the cost for a turkey or ham is \$20.00. Monetary donations are used to purchase perishables required to fill the boxes, (i.e. butter, oranges, turkeys, etc.). New hats, scarves & mittens are also welcomed, all sizes.

Financial Update: All Saints Parish

Ordinary Revenue September 2020

Collections	Holy Family	St. Brigid's	St. Cornelius	St. John The Baptist	St. Paul the Apostle	St. Thomas Aquinas	St. Thomas More	Total
Envelopes	\$14,075.84	\$2,155.00	\$459.00	\$2,320.00	\$450.00	\$1,006.00	\$1,420.00	\$21,885.84
Loose	63.05	160.00	51.00	37.00	10.00	0.00	105.00	426.05
Total	\$14,138.89	\$2,315.00	\$510.00	\$2,357.00	\$460.00	\$1,006.00	\$1,525.00	\$22,311.89

**** We are back in our churches and thankful for this time together, even in small numbers. Please remember donations can still be made during MASS or if you have not returned to attend MASS, you can make donations the following ways:**

D – Dropped off at Central Office,

E – E-Transferred to finance@allsaintsparishcc.ca,

M – Mailed to P.O. Box 1075, Amherst, NS B4H 4E2

P- PAR can be set up to accept your donations directly from your account.

We thank you for your continued financial support.

News from the Archdiocese

Archbishop Mancini's Retirement: November 2020

As required by canon law, Archbishop Mancini submits his resignation as a bishop on his 75th birthday. This falls at the end of next month. To mark this milestone for Archbishop Mancini and the faithful of our diocese there will be several celebrations. We invite you to mark your calendars now!

- November 22 – Celebrant at the 10:30am Sunday Mass at Saint Mary's Cathedral Basilica
- November 25 – An Evening of Prayer with the Clergy at Saint Benedict Parish
- November 27 – Celebrant at the 12:15pm Daily Mass at Saint Mary's Cathedral Basilica

Due to our current circumstances these liturgies are by invitation only. However, all are encouraged to join in the celebrations by livestream. Further details will be shared closer to the events.

Celebration of Succession: December 8

On December 8, 2020 we will celebrate not only our 9th anniversary of becoming the Archdiocese of Halifax-Yarmouth but also celebrate and welcome Archbishop Brian Dunn as he officially takes the cathedra as the second bishop ever of our diocese.

To commemorate this day, Archbishop Dunn will celebrate a 12:15pm Mass at Saint Mary's Cathedral Basilica. This will be an invite-only in-person Mass due to COVID-19. The faithful are cordially invited to join in the celebration by livestream. The link will be available on the diocesan website closer to the date.

Request for Prayers

We have been advised that Fr. Albert Cosgrove had a stroke last week and is currently in the Infirmary. He is doing well but awaiting more tests.

Community Equip Collection

November 21st/22nd)

Community is a commitment, not just an idea. It is a commitment to do good for those around you. The faith community is not the comfortable pew anymore. It is about a change in each of us if we are going to see with new faith, engage with new ardor and apply new methods to the missionary imperative of the new evangelization.

A portion of the total that your parish raises will return to the parish to help in your missionary efforts.

There are two ways for you to give:

- Fill out the Community Collection donor card and use the included return envelope and mail it directly to the Archdiocese: Community Collection, 1559 Brunswick St, Suite 101, Halifax, NS B3J 2G1
- Make a donation online through the Archdiocesan website by visiting www.halifaxyarmouth.org/donate.

ASSEMBLY OF THE PEOPLE 2020

Registration is



still open!!

2020 Assembly of the People of God: November 7

Our 9th Assembly of the People of God is just over a week away! Are your pastoral council, finance council, parish leadership team, and catechists registered? This is a key time of training for these four groups of leaders as well as a great opportunity to connect parish leaders across our diocese.

Please remember that the workshops are targeted at members of these leadership groups within the parish and that all four workshops run concurrently. This means people can only sign up for **one** workshop. The workshops require individuals to register for a Zoom link to their particular workshop.

The general morning sessions – morning prayer, keynote address by Archbishop Mancini, and Q&A with our Bishops – are open to everyone and will be broadcast by livestream:

www.livestream.ca/halifaxyarmouth.org/assembly

CHALICE 2020-2021

A photograph of a young boy in a blue sweater smiling next to a brown cow. A small gift box with a red ribbon is on the table in front of the boy. The background is a simple outdoor setting.

This Christmas, a gift given with great love from the **Chalice Gift Catalogue** will help someone in need in the developing world.

Choose your gift in honour of a loved one and we'll send them a beautiful card!

Choose your gift today. [f](https://www.facebook.com/chalice) [@](https://www.instagram.com/chalice) [t](https://www.tiktok.com/@chalice)
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Chalice (a Catholic charity) invites you to share the blessings of Christmas with children in the developing world. Our Christmas Gift Catalogue allows you to purchase a gift for someone in need in honour of a friend or a loved one. A beautiful handwritten card will be sent to the recipient, telling them of the gift that has been given. Any gift purchased through the catalogue will receive an official tax receipt.

To order gifts, please call 1-800-776-6855 or visit www.chalice.ca.

For those who are unable to attend mass:



**Act of Spiritual
Communion**

My Jesus, I believe that You
are in the Blessed Sacrament.
I love You above all things,
and I long for You in my soul.
Since I cannot now receive You
sacramentally, come at least
spiritually into my heart.
As though You have already
come, I embrace You and unite
myself entirely to You;
never permit me to be
separated from You. Amen.

Reminders of Mass Protocol During Covid Restrictions

- As per the protocols put forth by the Archdiocese and developed with the NS Health Authority....
“Communicants are instructed to remove their masks by using the straps and without touching the front of their masks and while the person ahead of them is receiving Holy Communion. You are to place one open hand upon the other to reverently receive the Sacred Host.”
- “In the present pandemic, spiritual communion will be encouraged for the sick and homebound. Thus, communion to the Sick and Homebound will NOT take place for the time being.”
- Church doors open 30 minutes before Mass. Covid screening is completed at the door. Hand sanitizer must be used upon entrance of the building. If you are feeling unwell, please stay home.
- Only the church itself is open during Mass. The washrooms or hall are not accessible during that time.

We thank you for adhering to these requirements that are keeping everyone safe and are allowing us to keep