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# All Saints Parish

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## January 17<sup>th</sup>, Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

*"The disciples of John came and saw where Jesus was staying, and they remained with him."  
John 1.35-42*

*Mass  for the  
Intentions  Week  
Intention For: By:*

16-Jan	6:00pm	Holy Family	Phil LeBlanc	Aris Legere
17-Jan	9:00am	St. John the Baptist	Sam MacDonald	sister Virginia & family
23-Jan	6:00pm	Holy Family	Phil LeBlanc	Shirley LeBlanc
24-Jan	11:15am	Holy Family	Shirley Sampson	Ivy Legere

PRAYER REQUESTS



*We keep in our prayers those who are sick, alone, shut in, afraid or suffering in any way, especially, **Freda Gallagher, Peter LeBlanc, Wayne Duffy, and Glenna O'Quinn.***

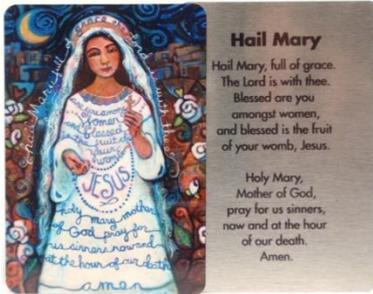
*We pray for those who have died. May God gather them into his welcoming arms, especially, **Amos Dixon** (At the request of the family, I am including a link to his obituary).*

<https://obituaries.neptunesociety.com/obituaries/kenner-la/amos-dixon-9980135>

# All Saints Parish News

Prayer Line # - 902-664-9396

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



*Since Dec 6<sup>th</sup>, 2016, our parish has prayed*

**3,367,199 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.*

*In January, let us pray for all those who are working across the globe, to efficiently administer the vaccine for Covid-19.*



“The Christmas season ended with the celebration this past weekend of the Baptism of the Lord. A huge shout out to the parishioners of All Saints Parish who contributed to the celebration of services throughout the Christmas season. There are those who were visible during the services as well as those who worked behind the scenes.

Even with COVID restrictions, we managed to gather safely in all our church communities for liturgical celebrations throughout the 2020 Christmas season.”

Many thanks,

Chris Manuge,

Member, ASP Leadership Team

## Vacation Dates for Father Offor/Mass-Service Information

Father Offor is leaving for vacation, this Sunday, the 17<sup>th</sup>. He will return on February 19<sup>th</sup> and complete his self-isolation in the rectory. He will be back in the buildings in early March.

In his absence, there will be a combination of Lay services, Liturgy services and masses with our Deacons and Father Mark Cherry. If you have any questions, please call the office. (February Service Calendar is attached to this email)

Weekday masses are cancelled, until Father's return in March.



**Meeting: Holy Family Conference Society of Saint Vincent de Paul**

**Date: January 25, 2021**

**Time/Location: 7 P.M in the hall at Holy Family Church**

**Note: All Covid 19 protocols to be followed.**

## SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL

*Did you know?*

*Holy Family Conference is part of Halifax Particular Council [ssvphalifax.ca](http://ssvphalifax.ca) which represents 18 conferences serving the central region of mainland Nova Scotia. Rick Butler is president of this PC. Halifax Particular Council supports an Outreach Office (902) 422-2049 and two Special Works; Hand in Hand, a thrift store and Hope Cottage in downtown Halifax which provides free meals twice a day to those in need.*

*If you are looking for an opportunity to volunteer where your gifts can assist the less fortunate in our community, please contact Shirley at 902-667-8848 or Shirley Ann Porter at 902-297-4267 to find out how our members perform their great works of charity.*

**If you have any questions or concerns, please give me a call.**

**Thanks**

**Shirley/Shirley Ann**



Ash Wednesday is on February 17<sup>th</sup>. The services for All Saints Parish will be held at Holy Family Church, at 12:15 noon and 6:30pm. Details will follow in the coming weeks as Covid protocols from the Archdiocese, are received at the Parish level.

### Stations of the Cross

Stay tuned for the locations and times in the coming weeks.

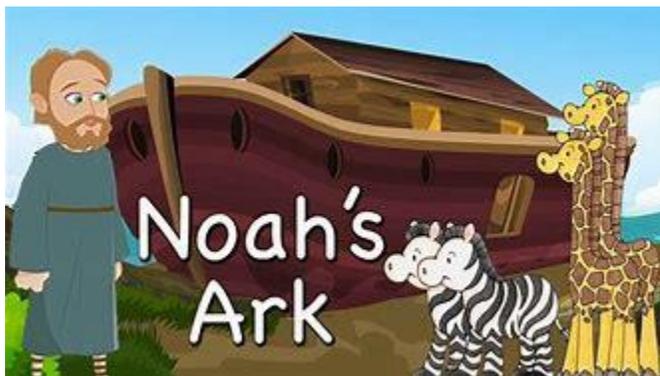
### Reconciliation Services

Services will be held throughout our parish, between March 15<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup>. Exact dates, locations and times will be announced as they are finalized.

### Palms

A reminder to please return your palms.

## Bible Stories



Please check out the All-Saints Parish Facebook page for a brand-new feature. Christine Pipes, joined by her friend, Chester, are sharing Bible Stories for the young and young at heart. Please watch and be sure to share your feedback.

<https://www.facebook.com/AllSaintsParishCumberlandCountyNovaScotia>

## January 24<sup>th</sup> Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reading #1      Jonah 3.1-5, 10  
Reading #2      1 Corinthians 7.29-31  
GOSPEL          Mark 1.14-20

### **E-TRANSFERS .....**

Please remember.... When sending money to the Central Office for any transaction, write in the note/memo section what the transfer is for (i.e., Sunday collection, online auction, SSVP donation etc.). Thank you!! ☺

### **Financial Update: All Saints Parish Ordinary Revenue**

December update will be posted soon.

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](mailto: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.**



Please remember to **ONLY** use your **new 2021 envelopes**. If you have not yet picked up your envelopes, you may do so at the ASP office, Monday-Friday, 9am-12pm. Please call ahead and we will have them ready when you arrive at the door.



Holy Family Weekend Mass Registration takes place on Wednesday mornings from 10-12pm. Please email ([office@allsaintsparishcc.ca](mailto:office@allsaintsparishcc.ca)) or call the office at 902-667-2523 or 902-667-5244 during those hours and leave your name, which mass you want to attend and your phone number. Confirmation of your reservation will be made the following day. Any messages left after 12 noon on Friday, are not checked until Monday morning.

## **Covid Protocol UPDATE:**

With last week's announcements, we are updating every one of the following:

- Covid Screening is conducted at all churches in the Halifax-Yarmouth Archdiocese. This is mandatory as per the direction of the Nova Scotia government.
- If you have recently travelled (or will be travelling) to New Brunswick, it is mandatory that you are in possession of a current travel registration number or essential worker pass to do so. Anyone who is not in possession of either of those things, MUST self-isolate for 14 days upon their return to NS.
- To attend mass, you must be free of any Covid symptoms. If you are feeling unwell or have any Covid symptoms, please stay home.

**In the spirit of care and compassion for others, please adhere to all provincially mandated restrictions and advice. Together, we can get through this.**

# *Archdiocese of Halifax-Yarmouth News*

## **A Note of Thanks from Archbishop Dunn**

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

In my Christmas greeting to the faithful of this Archdiocese, I wrote that, due to Covid-19, we were experiencing many uncertainties and anxieties, resulting in a widespread sense of helplessness and hopelessness. The message we needed to hear was that Jesus is still with us even during this pandemic and that God is with us in the uncertainty and anxiety of this pandemic.

Our plans during December for the liturgical gatherings were very uncertain, as we experienced a spike in cases. However, we continued on, and we did come together, either in person or via electronic means, to celebrate the birth of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

But these gatherings did not just happen. It took the dedication of many volunteers: those who contacted and registered the attendees to the masses; those who cleaned and decorated the churches; those who prepared and participated in the liturgies; those who looked after the technical parts and pieces; those who welcomed the faithful and ensured that the protocols were followed.

I wish to express my sincere gratitude to all these individuals who volunteered their time and talents to ensure not only a wonderful celebration of the Nativity, but one where all felt safe and secure. Thank you.

May God, the source and origin of all blessing, grant you grace, pour out his blessing in abundance and keep you safe from harm throughout the year.

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## **Word of God Sunday-January 24<sup>th</sup>**



In September of 2019, Pope Francis instituted Word of God Sunday, which is to be observed each year on the Third Sunday of Ordinary time. Pope Francis invites Catholics around the world to deepen their appreciation, love and faithful witness to God and His word. January 24<sup>th</sup> is “dedicated to celebration, to reflection and proclamation of the Word of God; so that

believers can understand the inexhaustible wealth which comes from this constant dialogue of God with his people”.

## Change in the Ending of the Collect

“Thus no. 54 of the General Instruction of the Roman Missal of the Missal will be amended so that the final words of the Collect will **change** from being “one God, for ever and ever”, to God, for ever and ever”. Intended to help possible Christological and Trinitarian misinterpretations of what has been the long ending of the Collect, this change follows a decision by the Congregation for Divine Worship and the discipline of the Sacraments, effectively bringing English-language translations into conformity with the Latin text, as well as with translations into other European languages.

## 29<sup>th</sup> World Day of The Sick



February 11 is World Day of the Sick, an observation started by Pope John Paul II as a way for believers to offer prayers for those suffering from illnesses. The day coincides with the commemoration of Our Lady of Lourdes.

The theme of this year’s message is “You have but one teacher and you are all brothers” (Mt 23:8), which encourages a trust-based relationship with the sick and nurturing of integral human healing.



If you have moved, changed your phone number, email address, added a mobile device, please let us know. We do not want to lose you!! 😊

Also, if you know of someone in the parish who may like to receive the weekly email update, please have them give us a call and we can add their name to our distribution list.