

# All Saints Parish Weekly Update

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## All Saints Parish Information Line 902-667-8317

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The office is open from 9am to noon Mon – Fri

Due to safety protocols in place, Staff or Volunteers are no longer able to provide access to this building outside the **Regular Office Hours** or **Mass Times** as posted. If you are....

**Someone in need of some type of personal assistance, please contact our support team of St. Vincent du Paul Society at [902-661-0433](tel:902-661-0433)**

Visitor or New Parishioner, we will be most happy to meet and assist you during our Regular Office Hours and / or at MASS Hours posted

**Parishioner or Volunteer please make prior arrangements and / or return during Regular Office Hours or MASS times as posted.**

We Thank You Supporting our Staff's Safety.  
God Blessings

**BAPTISM**  
OF OUR LORD

**January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2022**  
**The Baptism of the Lord**  
**Masses**

*"I baptize you with water;  
but one who is more  
Luke3:16*

**Welcome Home!**

**Father Charles and the staff of All Saints Parish are happy to welcome Glenna O'Quinn back to work in her role as Parish Life Coordinator. Glenna has returned to us on a part-time basis. She will be working Tuesday to Thursday 9am to noon.**

**Welcome Back Glenna!**

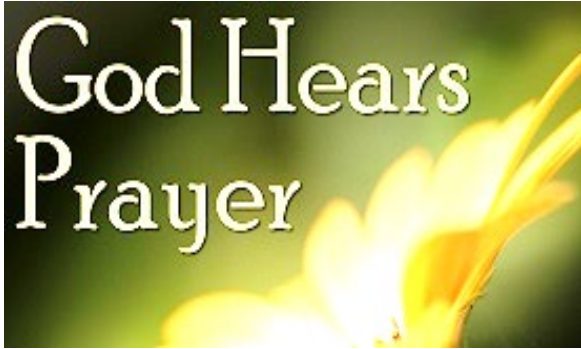
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# Mass Intentions

A mass intention can be offered at any time for anyone. Contact the office at 902-667-2523 to request yours. It can be in honor of a loved one, living or deceased, or for a special event.

Mass Intentions		For:	From:
Jan 8 <sup>th</sup> 22	Amherst Joggins	Phil Leblanc Ria Kessels	Michele Leblanc Barry & Wendy MacLeod
Jan 9 <sup>th</sup> 22	Amherst	Arlene Goodwin	Gordon & Carol Goodwin



*++ We keep in our prayers and hearts, all who are sick, alone, shut in, afraid or suffering in any way, especially,*

Michele Leblanc, Greg Givney, Peter Belliveau, Sylvia Belliveau, Ethel Belliveau, Nelson McRae (brother of Sheila Barton), Kim Nix, Paul Chu, Madeline Ryan, Tania Long, Dureen Coade, Wayne Duffy, Eddie St. Peter, Larry G. and Dot Chambers.



*++ We pray for those who have died,*

*especially all those who have died from our parish and families.*

*May God bring them into his welcoming arms and comfort those who are left to grieve.*

## Weekend Preparations – Readings in Advance

**January 16<sup>th</sup> – Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

First Reading – Isaiah 62:1-5

Psalm – Psalm 96

Second Reading – 1 Corinthians 12:4-11

Gospel – John 2:1-12

## Mass & Lay Service Schedule

**\*\* PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF MASS TIMES AT HOLY FAMILY AMHERST ON SATURDAYS EVENINGS\*\***

January 08 <sup>th</sup> , 2022	January 09 <sup>th</sup> , 2022
<p>4:00 pm Mass St. Thomas Aquinas in Joggins (Fr.M)</p> <p><b>**4:00 pm Mass Holy Family in Amherst (Fr.C)</b></p> <p>6:30 pm LS St. Cornelius in Streets Ridge</p>	<p>9:00 am Mass St Thomas More in Pugwash (Fr.C)</p> <p>9:00 am Mass St Brigid's in Parrsboro (Fr.M)</p> <p>11:00 am Mass St John the Baptist in Springhill (Fr.M)</p> <p>11:15 am Mass Holy Family in Amherst (Fr.C)</p>
January 15 <sup>th</sup> , 2022	January 16 <sup>th</sup> , 2022
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# COVID 19 UPDATE FOR ALL CHURCHES IN THE PARISH

New restrictions still effective Until January 31<sup>st</sup>, 2022

**Physical distance** of two meters (six feet) must be maintained in our Churches. Parishioners are asked to follow the direction of the Ministers of Hospitality as they enter and leave the buildings.

**Masking is required** throughout Mass/lay services, whether people are seated or not, except for officiants or singers when they are speaking or singing. Individuals, businesses, and organizations all have responsibility for ensuring mask requirements are followed and can all be subject to enforcement action.

Gathering limits of **25% of capacity to a maximum 50 people indoors** and 50 outdoor for all faith services, including weddings and funerals. Proof of vaccination is not required for a regular faith service, such as daily or weekly services. Services that are part of your faith's annual calendar (such as Christmas and Easter services in Christian faiths) are considered the same as regular daily/weekly services.

Proof of full vaccination is required for weddings and funerals.

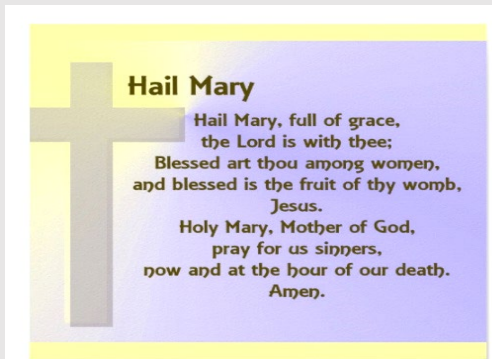
There is no change in the requirement for proof of full vaccination for discretionary activities. It is still required for attendees and volunteers, even in places where gathering limits and physical distance will apply.

**No congregational or choir singing** currently due to the highly infectious nature of the omicron variant.

**\*\*\*\*As per a decision by the All Saints Parish Pastoral Council on January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2022, all churches in ASParish will be taking contact information for those attending all Masses or Lay Services until further notice.**

**\*\*\*\*Holy Family Church in Amherst will begin on January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2022, taking REGISTRATION for both Saturday Night and Sunday Morning Masses. Please contact the Central Office at 902-667-2523 to REGISTER. You may also send an Email or Leave a Message. REGISTRATION will be taken MONDAY's – FRIDAY's up until 12 noon on FRIDAY. YOU WILL ONLY RECEIVE A CALL IF YOUR REGISTRATION WOULD PUT US OVER THE 50 MAXIMUM AMOUNT.**

**If you are not called you are registered.**



**Hail Mary**  
Hail Mary, full of grace,  
the Lord is with thee;  
Blessed art thou among women,  
and blessed is the fruit of thy womb,  
Jesus.  
Holy Mary, Mother of God,  
pray for us sinners,  
now and at the hour of our death.  
Amen.

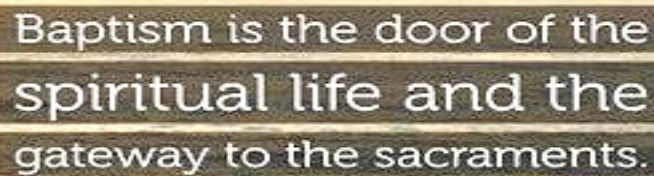
**WILL YOU HELP US REACH  
4 MILLION HAIL MARY PRAYERS AT  
ALL SAINTS PARISH?**

**3,624,427 Hail Mary's**

**EMAIL/ FBOOK MESSENGER / CALL or Send all  
your prayers in to the central office at 902-667-2523**

## Mary Mother of Mercy Prayer Group

Prayer meetings will be postponed until further notice due to COVID Restrictions in place.  
Please continue to prayer for our members and those on our Prayer List.



Baptism is the door of the  
spiritual life and the  
gateway to the sacraments.

Thomas Aquinas

## **ASParish FINANCE UPDATE:**

**DECEMBER 2021 Update will be coming SOON!!**

*If you have not returned to MASS, you can make donations in person at the central office, by e-transfer to [finance@allsaintsparishcc.ca](mailto:finance@allsaintsparishcc.ca) (noting what it is for), by mailing a check to the central office or setting up an automatic withdrawal from your bank account or credit card.*

**CHEQUES MUST BE PAYABLE TO ALL SAINTS PARISH**

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT!**

## **ALL SAINTS PARISH – EMERGENCY SHELTERS**

***God is Good, All the Time and All the Time, God is Good!!***

*Thank you to everyone who has assisted physically, spiritually, financially, and mentally to the success of our Emergency Shelter being set up and ready to house our first resident. Every change in the world starts with someone thinking something different, having an idea and then sharing it with others who want to achieve the same outcome. This Tiny Shelter is the outcome, and we are very excited to be part of this “thinking something different” for those who are desperately in need in our county. This is a temporary plan that will lead to a MUCH larger plan for addressing the needs of those in our community in need. Thank you for being a part of this plan, small and large. Keep Posted!!*



## ARCHDIOCESE OF HALIFAX-YARMOUTH

***Thank You Emergency Shelters Donors!***



*As we start a new year, a great big thank you goes out to all who have contributed to the Emergency Shelters Project. As a result of your great generosity we have just surpassed our fundraising goal. In total \$336,945.50 has been raised. This means 20 shelters are fully paid for! The funds will allow us to provide for additional costs associated with the builds, support our twenty guests, and continue to find ways to counter the homelessness crisis.*

*During the last week of December three shelters went up: two at Saint Francis and Saint Clarie of Assisi Parish, in Halifax at Saint Mother Theresa and Saint Patrick Churches; and one at Holy Family Parish in Cumberland County at All Saints Church in Amherst. By the end of 2021, 15 emergency shelters were installed with the remaining five shelters being built will be up within the first two weeks of 2022. Making*

*this initiative real means that twenty people will start the new year off with a safe and warm shelter to call home temporarily as our cold Nova Scotia winter goes into full effect.*

*We also wish to thank Neil Wolthers and his team at [Well Engineered Inc.](#) for partnering with the Archdiocese on this project and making the production and installation of these emergency shelters a reality.*

*Let us continue to pray for our emergency shelter guests, the parishes that are hosting them, and the many groups and individuals who are helping to "make room at the inn" for all God's people!*

*For more information on the Emergency Shelters Project see [www.halifaxarmouth.org/shelters](http://www.halifaxarmouth.org/shelters)*

**"May we be in this world a ray of that light which shone forth from Bethlehem, bringing joy and peace to the hearts of all men and women." Pope Francis**