

All Saints Parish Weekly Update

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The office is open from 9am to 12 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 de 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, return during Regular Office Hours, or MASS times.

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



February 20th, 2022

7th Sunday Ordinary Time Masses

*"Be merciful,
just as your Father is merciful"*

Luke 6: 27-38

welcome
TO OUR
family

Welcome to our Parish Family!!!

Are you a new parishioner or new family to All Saints Parish, in one of our seven churches in Pugwash, Parrsboro, Springhill, River Hebert, Joggins, Streets Ridge or Amherst?

We would love to get to know you!

If you need a Parishioner Registration Form, let us now and complete it, and email to pastoral@allsaintsparishcc.ca or drop in the collection basket at your church. If you are interested in becoming involved in parish ministry, please let us know that on the form, we will be sure to be in touch. We thank you for choosing our parish family for your faith family.

Celebrating Special Birthdays, Anniversaries, Celebrations!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Josie Stevens	- 83 Yrs. Feb. 13th
Bernadette Brown	- 102 Yrs. Jan 31 st
Mary Ann Belliveau	- 65 Yrs. Feb. 5 th
Eva O'Byrne	- 100 Yrs. Feb. 9 th

*Is someone in your church community celebrating a very special milestone, Birthday, Anniversary, Retirement? Let us know so our entire Parish can celebrate too, email; pastoral@allsaintsparishcc.ca or call the office at 902-667-2523.

All Saints Parish Liturgy Planning –



Please bring your palms to your home Church and can be left at the back of the Church or placed in a receptacle labelled "palms". Any palms collected at all our Churches, must be brought to the **Central Office by 24 February** so they can be burned for distribution as ashes on Ash Wednesday. We thank you for assisting our community in this way.



**WILL YOU HELP US REACH
4 MILLION HAIL MARY PRAYERS AT ALL SAINTS PARISH?
3,680,482 Hail Mary's**
EMAIL/ FBOOK MESSENGER / CALL or SEND
all your prayers in to the central office at 902-667-2523



Mass Intentions – Can we have a prayer said for a loved one?

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. (\$10.00 donation per intention)

Mass Intentions

For:

From:

Feb 19 th	HOLY FAMILY	LINDA RODRIGUES	MILU & PLASSAY RODRIGUES
Feb 20 th	HOLY FAMILY	TANIA LONG	SHIRLEY LEBLANC

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

Jack Leger, Rita Davison, George Damery, Gary Davison, Maria Kirkpatrick, Kim L, Molly Wadden, Anne Pereira, Walter Bourgeois, Bob Hanley, Peter Belliveau, Sylvia Belliveau, Ethel Belliveau, Nelson McRae, Dureen Coade and Dot Chambers.

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

especially Michele Bourgeois, daughter of Mary-Lou and Jack Bourgeois Springhill, Suzanne Edwards, wife of Mike Edwards in Joggins, and Rev. Dr. Don Green, father of Rev. Dan Green Amherst

May God bring them into his welcoming arms and comfort their loved ones who are left to grieve.

Weekend Preparations – Readings in Advance

February 27th – 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading – Sirach 27: 4-7

Psalm – Psalm 92

Second Reading – 1 Corinthians 15: 54-58

Gospel – Luke 6: 39-45

Mass & Lay Service Schedule

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

February 19th, 2022	February 20th, 2022
**4:00 pm Mass Holy Family in Amherst (Franciscans) 4:00 pm LS St Thomas Aquinas in Joggins 6:30 pm LS St. Cornelius in Streets Ridge	9:00 am Mass St Brigid's in Parrsboro (Franciscans) 9:00 am LS St Thomas More in Pugwash 11:15 am Mass Holy Family in Amherst (Franciscans)
February 26th, 2022	February 27th, 2022
**4:00 pm Mass Holy Family in Amherst (Fr. Charles) 4:00 pm LS St Thomas Aquinas in Joggins 6:30 pm LS St. Cornelius in Streets Ridge	9:00 am Mass St Thomas More in Pugwash (Fr. Charles) 9:00 am LS St Brigid's in Parrsboro 9:00 am LS St John the Baptist in Springhill 11:15 am Mass Holy Family in Amherst (Fr Charles)

ALL SAINTS PARISH – FINANCIAL UPDATES:

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT TO THOSE WHO HAVE RETURNED AND THOSE WHO ARE

FORWARDING THEIR DONATIONS TO THEIR CHURCH!

All Saints Parish Ordinary Revenue for January 2022

Description	Holy Family Amherst	St. Brigid's Parrsboro	St. Cornelius Strts.Rdge	St. John the Baptist Springhill	St. Paul the Apostle River Hebert	St. Thomas Aquinas Joggins	St. Thomas More Pugwash	TOTAL
Christmas	385.00	140.00	40.00	0.00	70.00	0.00	0.00	635.00
Sun. Envelopes	10,079.85	990.00	40.00	741.00	60.00	773.00	1,251.15	13,935.00
Sun Loose	79.00	0.00	11.00	25.00	0.00	0.00	20.00	135.00
Children's' Collection Initial; New Year;	10.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	10.00
Fuel/Utilities	415.00	175.00	40.00	55.00	0.00	267.00	45.00	997.00
	\$ 10,968.85	\$ 1,305.00	\$ 131.00	\$ 821.00	\$ 130.00	\$ 1,040.00	\$ 1,316.15	\$ 15,712.00

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

**CHEQUES MUST BE PAYABLE TO ALL SAINTS PARISH
2021 INCOME TAX RECEIPTS – AVAILABLE!!**

THEY WILL BE AVAILABLE AT MASSES/LAY SERVICES AT CHURCHES ON WEEKENDS.

COVID 19 UPDATE FOR ALL CHURCHES IN THE PARISH REMAINS THE SAME AND

Effective: February 14th, 2022

*******REGISTRATION FOR MASS NO LONGER REQUIRED*******

Informal gatherings: Informal gatherings with household members (the people you live with) and consistent social group – up to 25 people (indoor and outdoor) without social distancing and masks (a common room of an apartment building or condo is considered an extension of your home if you have an informal gathering in it). Masks may be required if you're in a public place with mask requirements.

Meetings and training:

For faith organizations: Meetings and training (indoor and outdoor) – 50% of the venue's capacity with social distancing and masks when meetings and training are hosted by a business or organization.

Faith Gatherings, Weddings, Funerals:

Regular faith services – 50% of the venue's capacity (indoor and outdoor) with social distancing and masks. Congregational singing is permitted with masks. Live music is permitted with musicians following the performing arts gathering limit. Wearing a mask is required when performing (except when you're singing or playing a wind instrument). Musicians need to maintain a minimum physical distance of 2 meters (6 feet) from others when they're singing or playing a wind instrument. Masks are recommended for choirs. Proof of vaccination is not required for weekday and weekend services.

Weddings and funerals (including visitation and receptions) hosted by a business or organization – 50% of the venue's capacity (indoor and outdoor) with social distancing and masks. Congregational singing is permitted with masks. Live music is permitted with musicians following the performing arts gathering limit. Wearing a mask is required when performing (except when you're singing or playing a wind instrument). Musicians need to maintain a minimum physical distance of 2 meters (6 feet) from others when they're singing or playing a wind instrument. Masks are recommended for choirs. Proof of vaccination is required. Receptions and visitation are only permitted with proof of vaccination.

Funeral services hosted by a business or organization (indoor and outdoor) can have up to 25 people plus the person conducting the ceremony and funeral home staff without proof of full vaccination. Masks are required (indoor and outdoor). Receptions and visitation are only permitted with proof of vaccination.

Note: Mask requirements for indoor public places and public transportation remain in place. Social distancing requirements for business, services and gatherings remain in place. Self-isolation requirements and testing requirements remain in place



THANK YOU!! to all CWL members who have already submitted your Dues for 2022 in the amount of \$25.00.

We wish to submit to National our commitment by early March. You can simply place the dues in an envelope with *CWL Dues* noted on the front and *your name*. You can drop off at the church during office hours or drop in the mailbox by the front door. If you are not mobile and wish to have picked up safely from your home,

please call Shirley Leblanc at 902-667-8848 and she will (with mask) gladly pick up for you.

Holy Family Catholic Women's League: In the past, our CWL council members have gathered for a Rice Meal during Lent. Members made donations at the meal and the donations were sent to Development and Peace or to a local charity. We cannot gather for our Rice Meal this year, so we would like to invite our CWL members, and all our parishioners, to put some money aside during Lent and then donate to a charity of their choice.

Do you believe in the power of prayer?

Reach out to the prayer line where there are many praying for prayers requested. Have a prayer added to the intentions at MASS and more prayers will be said for healing.

Prayer Line: 902-664-9396



The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul is once again participating in COLDEST NIGHT OF THE YEAR walk. This year the walk is on Saturday, February 26. We ask for your support in this worthwhile effort to help the Homeless in our area. We thank you so much for your support last year!!! If you are willing to help again just drop your donation in an envelope and put it in the church mailbox or collection marked, **'Coldest Night of the Year.'** **Cheques should be written to Saint Vincent de Paul.** Thank you!



Vacation Bible Camp – 2022 – Next Meeting March 1st at 10 am

Contact Glenna at pastoral@allsaintsparishcc.ca

Deacon's Daily – Weekday Scripture Reflections

Add your email to the distribution of daily scripture reflections based on the daily readings of mass each day via email. Forward your email to: blackjack12@bellaliant.net Welcome to the Deacon Daily!

All Saints Parish – Lenten Scripture Series: To Begin

We have a great group for the Lenten Scripture Series, and we thank each of them for being a part of this wonderful time together!!
Deacon Howard Gotell.



Knights of Columbus COUNCIL #2916: February 24th/22

There will be a meeting of the Knights of Columbus being held on Feb24 at 7pm. Meeting to be held at the hall at 5 Robie Street, Amherst. - Jerry Borden Grand Knight

State Council Scholarship Program: Simon J. Khatter Scholarship Due Friday March 11th, 2022
A \$1,000.00 non-renewable scholarship to successful applicants undertaking studies

"Applications are now available to youth in All Saints Parish who are practicing Catholics of good moral character, residing in Nova Scotia, and have completed NS Grade 12 or attending first year University, College, or Community College beyond the secondary level and who need financial assistance." Application forms are available through the Central Office at pastoral@allsaintsparishcc.ca, by calling 902-667-2523 or contacting a member of the Knights of Columbus. Details of the scholarship and the application procedures are included.

Holy Family Church Life Committee Notice - Natural Gas Fired Boiler

Replacing the two boilers will cost a total approximate cost of \$25,000.00.

THANK YOU TO THOSE WHO ALREADY MADE DONATIONS TOTALING \$7,000.00!!!

Any size donation is welcomed!! We are looking at financial grants to assist in the cost. Donations can be put in an envelope marked, **All Saints Parish and identify Holy Family Boiler Replacement** and is added to yearly tax receipts.

Holy Family Church Life Committee Chairperson - Frank Allen



Vatican News – His Holiness Pope Francis

Go to www.vaticannews.va for Papal Messages and News.





ARCHDIOCESE HALIFAX YARMOUTH



See all updates at website: www.halifaxyarmouth.org
SYNOD 2021-2023 NEXT STEPS WE NEED YOUR HELP!!

Please share with everyone, as every voice counts!! Whether you are not part of our Church or faith or have fallen away from being Catholic or are individuals with no experience in the Catholic Church.

This is the time to have your voice heard and to encourage as many as you know to do the same.

Please help us reach as many as possible.

DEADLINE: February 28th

The Archdiocese is excited to launch the next phase of our local synod process.

Until the end of February, we want to hear from people who are not currently engaged in our Church – the Archdiocese has opened an online survey for those who do not attend Mass or consider themselves involved with our Church.

The survey is short, open-ended, and anonymous. We are hopeful that it will provide us with useful opinions and information on how to better reach out to those in our midst. But to get feedback that will help us plan for our future, we must start by actually getting feedback! **We need you to be part of this outreach.**

Please take some time to share this survey with people you know who are not part of our Church. They can be fallen away Catholics or people with no experience in the Catholic Church. Read the FAQ or visit the website to learn more:

www.halifaxyarmouth.org/synod.

SURVEY IS ON-LINE @ www.halifaxyarmouth.org/survey



ASP Pastoral Planning – Archbishop Initiatives

ASP Tiny Shelter Update and Parishioner Guidelines

Please remember that there are specific protocols in reaching out or providing any donations for our guest RUTH.

They are online or you can reach the office for more information at 902-667-3923.



We know some of you have asked how you can help. Any gift certificates for stores like: Sobeyes, Superstore, Walmart, Giant Tiger, Tim's, Dairy Queen, MacDonald's, Wendy's, A & W etc. and any of the local restaurants or any other businesses providing food will be most welcome. Gift certificates are the best choice at this time, and then our resident can purchase what is safe for them to eat. **Financial donations are welcomed as well, please put on the envelope ASParish TINY SHELTER.**

Please keep all those living in the other nineteen shelters in Halifax/Dartmouth, Enfield, and Bridgewater in your prayers

MASS INTENTIONS

Your Name:

Phone #: _____

**** Donation of \$10.00 per intention – Cheque to All Saints Parish / E-transfer to finance@allsaintsparishcc.ca**

Name Intention for:

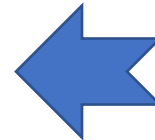
Church Site to Be Said:

Preferred Date if Available:

MASS INTENTIONS

Would you like to have an intention said for a loved one at MASS?

Fill in the form, put in an envelope with donation, and mark the envelope MASS INTENTIONS and drop in collection.



You can also send the information through e-transfer to the office at

finance@allsaintsparishcc.ca and mark MASS INTENTIONS on transfer.

If you have any questions, please contact the office at 902-667-2523