

All Saints Parish

September 17th, 2023
24th Sunday in Ordinary Time



STAY SAFE AND WELL THIS WEEKEND

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WEEKEND MASSES—September 16th/ 17th

Saturday

3:00pm - St Paul the Apostle, River Hebert Mass

4:30pm - Holy Family, Amherst Mass

6:30 pm- St Cornelius, Streets Ridge Mass

Sunday

9:00am - St Brigid's, Parrsboro Mass

9:00am - St Thomas More, Pugwash Mass

11:00am- St John the Baptist, Springhill Mass

11:15am - Holy Family, Amherst Mass

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament - Mondays starting Sept 18th @ 9:30—10:30 am at Holy Family Church and on Fridays starting Sept 22nd at 9:30—10:30 am at St Thomas More, Pugwash NS.

Sacrament of Reconciliation - Father Gregory will celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation before Mass from 3:15—4:15 pm at Holy Family or by request on weekdays or weekends or by appointment.

Baptism Preparation – If you plan to celebrate the Baptism of your child this coming year, we invite all parents and godparents to attend the Baptism Preparation sessions in advance. We are presently setting the time for the next preparation and families will need to pick up (or be mailed) preparation package 1 week in advance at Central Office.

Baptisms Celebrated during Mass - Our practice is that Baptisms are celebrated with the whole community who can participate, enjoy and welcome the children into our family of God. As a Baptized child, you are being welcomed into the family of God and therefore celebrating this with the faith community is an important first step in your faith.

ASPARISH COLLECTION UPDATE—September 9th / 10th Weekend

Total Parish Weekly Collection \$5,326.00 (vs. BUDGET projection \$4,624.00) OVER \$702.00

Amherst (\$3,364.00), Pugwash (\$953.00), Parrsboro (\$495.00), River Hebert (\$291.00),
Joggins (\$124.00) Streets Ridge (\$99.00), and Springhill (\$0.00) *not reported as person as cottage

YOUTH FAMILY FAITH FORMATION @ Holy Family Church

SEPT 19th Tuesday— @ 6:30pm PARENT INFORMATION SESSION FOR ALL PARENTS

(Preschool to Confirmation Levels included at this meeting)

SEPT 24th Sunday— @ 10:30am OPENING SESSION for Families and Commissioning at 11:15 Mass (Preschool to Grade 6)

*****NEW DATE SEPT 22nd Friday—@ 6 pm LEADERS POTLUCK @ Rectory in Springhill with Father Gregory**

PRAYERS FOR THOSE SICK

FLORENCE LEBLANC, PAT FRENETTE,
SYLVIA BELLIVEAU, LILLIAN BRAY,
AND JULIE GOLDSTEIN

PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

DIANA BLENKHORN

VAL LEBLANC

Synodal Prayer

We stand before You, Holy Spirit as we gather together in Your Name. With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts; Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it. We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder. Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions. Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right.

All this we ask of You who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever. Amen

Welcome to the Family - We would like to have you join our faith family by going to our website and filling out the parishioners welcome form at www.allsaintsparishcc.ca or pick up a copy at your local church to complete. If you have any questions about our community or how to register as a family member, please contact the Central Office at 902-667-2523.

Knights of Columbus -

Knights of Columbus 4th Degree Assembly Mtgs will be held on Saturday, October 7th at 10:30 am

Regular Council Meeting is the 4th Thursday of Month September 28th at 7:00 pm at Holy Family Church Hall. If you are interested in becoming a Knight visit kofo.org or contact Gary Graham, Grand Knight at 902-614-4160

Holy Family CWL -

HF CWL Executive Meeting is October 4th @ 1pm at Holy Family.

HF CWL Council Meeting is September 11th @ 6:30 pm at Holy Family.

We invite you for our Sharing is Caring Wine & Cheese for New Members and Guest Night. Join us or let us know you would like to attend. 902-397-0239



Wine & Cheese
meet & greet

SSVP - Saint Vincent de Paul meeting is **Monday, September 25th with MASS at 5pm and Potluck at 5:30 pm.** Commissioning of Members of SSVP will be at this Mass. We open the doors and welcome any individuals interested in sharing of themselves and volunteering with this amazing ministry of good works.

Prayer Group Ministry - Regular weekly meetings of the Prayer Group begin **Thursday evenings Sept. 14th from 7:00 to 8:00pm** in the Church. The disciples asked Jesus, "Where do you live?" His response was simple by saying "Come, and See." All are invited to perhaps give Praise and Worship to the Lord in a less formal way through Song, Wood and Sharing.

Holy Family Mass Choirs— WELCOME!! We are looking for new members to join our Holy Family choirs on Saturday or Sunday. Sunday Choir practices on Wednesday Evenings at 6pm at Holy Family with Choir Director Lisa Baldwin. Saturday Choir please speak to Janice Melanson or Glen White before or after Mass on Saturday to find out more details of joining in song!! We are really looking forward to expanding and hop you will consider this as a way to serve the Lord at church!!

Cemetery Masses—SEPT 20th—2 pm St Cornelius, Streets Ridge NS and SEPT 27th—7 pm St Thomas More, Pugwash, NS

Jesus said:
I was hungry and you fed me,
I was thirsty and you gave me a drink,
I was homeless and you gave me a room,
I was shivering and you gave me clothes,
I was sick and you stopped to visit,
I was in prison and you came to me.
Matthew 25:35-36 The Message

Emergency Overnight Shelter at Holy Family Church - Deacon Howard shared this past weekend at Holy Family Church and on the LIVESTREAM on Sunday, the news that Holy Family will be become the **Emergency Overnight Shelter from October 2nd—May 1st, 2024.** This ministry to serve God's people came about from a Ministerial Association meeting where the Cumberland Homelessness and Housing Support Association (CHHSA) was in need of a new location to locate their emergency overnight shelter while their new building is being built on Prince Arthur St this fall and spring. We

have agreed to be that place. **Should anyone have any questions, please contact Deacon Howard at 902-667-9598 or Frank Allen at 902-545-2886.** We are looking for support and prayers from our entire parish to be present for those who are in need and in providing a warm place to stay, a safe place to stay and a place that can be a home for those without one. You can hear all the information again by going to www.allsaintsparishcc.ca and go to the Livestream link to watch Sunday, September 3rd 11:15 am Mass, where Deacon Howard provides full details.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

Holy Family Church Hurricane Emergency Center & Warming Station, Friday 5 pm to Monday 9:00 am - 24hrs, providing warmth, food, sleeping spaces and volunteers to assist with any needs. This is being led by the Cumberland Homelessness and Housing & Support Association, the Cumberland YMCA, Maggie's Place and ASParish.

ASParish Truth & Reconciliation



Land plays a central role in the worldview of Indigenous People. In an Indigenous worldview, land is a source of belonging; they belong to the land. The land provides shelter, food and water. Pope Francis says that the cry of the poor and the cry of all the earth is becoming increasingly serious and alarming, and requires urgent action to transform this crisis into an opportunity. A video entitled "Thanksgiving Address which can remind of all the inherent value in creation is available for prayerful viewing at ltiv.ca/3/.

Cumberland County Museum and Archives is inviting the general public to Arts and Entertainment Centre at the Mall, Sept. 21st at 3:00 pm, to hear Dr. Gerald Gloade, Mikmawey Debert Project Development Officer. Dr. Gloade will share his perspectives on local Mi'kmaq history.

As the Honorable Murray St. Clair said **"Education is the key to reconciliation. Education got us into this mess, and education will get us out of it."** The Cumberland County Museum is asking attendees to call ahead 902-667-2561 to indicate their attendance so that they will have an idea of the number of participants.

Prayer

Heavenly Father, through the Divine Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary, we pray for the grace to understand your will for our parish, All Saint Parish. You call us to embrace the "New Evangelization" and to be laborers in your vineyard. We are mindful that the Holy Spirit is the principal agent of evangelization without whom we labor in vain. And so, we ask you to breathe into us your Holy Spirit as in a new Pentecost that we may experience the depth of your love and be filled with the fits and apostolic zeal we need to share the good news of Jesus, your son.

Amen

MASS INTENTIONS—ASPARISH

If you would like to have a mass said for a loved one, contact the Central Office. The cost is \$10.00
St John the Baptist, Springhill—Items for Sale

Date & Time			Mass Intentions	For:	From:
Saturday	16	3:00 pm	St. Paul the Apostle		
	16	4:30 pm	Holy Family	Raymond Gould	Andrea Rhindress
	16	6:30 pm	St. Cornelius	Ben Doner (Living)	Adam Hunter
Sunday	17	9:00 am	St. Brigid's St. Brigid's	Raymond Gould	Susan Noiles
	17	9:00 am	St. Thomas More	Kelly & Nicole Knobles (Living)	Adam Hunter
	17	11:00 am	St. John the Baptist	Harry & Marion Hewick (Living)	Adam Hunter
	17	11:15 am	Holy Family	Barbara Sutherland-Degenstein	Kathy Gardiner
Wed.	20	10:00 am	Holy Family	Lionel Maillet	Doris Boyle
Thurs.	21	10:00 am	Holy Family	Tom & George Hebert	Kathy Gardiner
Friday	22	10:00am	Holy Family	Raymond Gould	Aris Legere & Family
Saturday	23	3:00 pm	St. Paul the Apostle		
		4:30 pm	Holy Family	James Terrio Jr.	Sharon Gould
		6:30 pm	St. Cornelius	Amanda Hunter (Living)	Adam Hunter
Sunday	24	9:00 am	St. Brigid's		
		9:00 am	St. Thomas More	Erin Dawson (Living)	Adam Hunter
		11:00 am	St. John the Baptist		
		11:15 am	Holy Family	Helen Moore	Cindy Dunnet

You Are Called
For Such A Time As This

CALLED AND GIFTED SEMINAR @ Holy Family Church.

It is time! It is time!

Register this weekend and next for this amazing opportunity to learn what has God planned for you. God is calling you to a unique purpose in life, a work of love that **only you can do!**

"I have called you by name—you are mine." #Isaiah 43:1

Come to the **"Called and Gifted Seminar"** and begin to discover this work! You have received gifts, through Baptism and Confirmation, for the ways God intends His love to reach others through you.

The **"Called and Gifted Seminar"** is designed to give you the Church teaching and practical knowledge on how to discern and discover your gifts. This one day seminar is presented by Fr. Mark Cherry of Sacred Heart Evangelization and Healing Ministry. The day will include a lunch served by Mary Mother of Mercy Prayer Group along with other refreshments during the day.

Date will be **Saturday Sept.23rd from 900am to 400pm @ Holy Family Parish, Amherst.** Registration will be required and will take place early September. Registration fee for all participants will be \$20.00 for the day.

REGISTER IN THE GATHERING AREA AT HOLY FAMILY ON WEEKENDS OR CALL THE OFFICE TO REGISTER: 902-667-2523

For any questions call Deacon Howard Gotell 902 667 9598 or email: hgotell7@gmail.com

YOU ARE CALLED AND GIFTED!! COME FIND OUT JUST WHAT GOD HAS PLANNED FOR YOU!!!

St. John the Baptist Church is selling pews \$20. per foot. Some of the things that were ready for sale (contact Cathy for updated list of what remains) - Chairs \$40 each, Apartment sized piano, A 350 pipe Casavant Brothers organ that was purchased in 1946 for \$3,500 the miners paid for weekly. The Stations of the Cross that were on the walls of the church and possibly other items, not on this list, but available.

Must be picked up by Oct 1st.
 Please contact Cathy Fisher at
 902-597-3923.



ASParish News

Things you may or may not know about our Parish Community or the people who call ASParish their home;

- * **ST JOHN THE BAPTIST, SPRINGHILL**—We are working with an interested company for the purchase of St John the Baptist Church and two vacant lots. Although we cannot confirm anything at this time, we want parishioners to be aware of the work being done and to assist by saying a prayer for this sale and for the people of Springhill at this time.
- * **ST THOMAS AQUINAS CHURCH HALL, JOGGINS**—This spring the community of St Thomas Aquinas, Joggins made the decision to sell their Church Hall. This hall has been closed for a number of years during COVID, and the community felt that they were unable to continue to use the hall for activities or funerals going forward. On July 30th the property was listed with ReMax in Amherst and we are hopeful that this church hall will be able to find a new life with new owners and continue to enjoy being an important part of the Joggins community. Anyone that is interested is asked to please contact ReMax for inquiries. Please pray for a new owner and for the people of Joggins at this time.
- ♦ **ST THOMAS MORE, PUGWASH**—Back in the Fall when Fiona came to visit our area, there was damaged done to the St Thomas More Church steeple in Pugwash. This included the cross at the top of the steeple. The CLC (Church Life Committee) for Pugwash has been working with the insurance company to have this repair done and return the steeple to its home. Wind, Rain, Snow or Hail—The Cross will preserve!! Thank you to the team who have been on top of this right from the beginning and will see it through!
- ♦ **ASPARISH**—New Parishioners have blessed our parish in many of our churches, by choosing this as their home for experiencing their faith. We are so pleased to welcome them into our faith family home. Each new member brings experience, enthusiasm, strong faith and new ideas that can bring a new life to each of our churches, and our Parish as a whole. Our “traditional church family” is changing and we are ready and exciting about the change that it brings. **If you have not made an effort yet to meet and welcome our new members, please take time to introduce yourself and get to know our expanding family.**

Some of the new cultures that are sharing our home are from Philippines, Africa, Ukraine, India, other areas of Canada and United States just to name a few. **If you are a new member of our community and we have not yet met you, please introduce yourself, please register and please know we are very happy that you are here!! Welcome to ASParish!!**
- ♦ **ST CORNELIUS, STREETS RIDGE**—In the Spring we had communicated that we would be having a Parish Pilgrimage to Streets Ridge this fall to share again as a parish community in Mass and Potluck, however due to size of space and limited resources to host a potluck, this one has been postponed at this time. Thank you to the community of Streets Ridge for making every effort to host this and we hope that another option may come available to do some parish family event in the area in the future.
- ♦ **ST BRIGID'S, PARRSBORO**—We will be having one more Parish Pilgrimage Potluck in Parrsboro on November 1st the Feast Day of All Saints Parish with Mass and a Meal together. Please plan to attend this special time as a parish family. More details will be coming in future bulletins.



Father, all the elements of nature obey your command.

Calm the storms and hurricanes that threaten us and turn our fear of your power into praise of your goodness. Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

Special International Days in September

On September 15th we recognize the International Day of Democracy and on September 21st is the International Day of Peace. These are more important for us to recognize and honor more than ever before.

As people of faith we have an obligation to take time to pray for the world at large. To ask God to help the world over to find ways for true democracy where there is none and to ensure peace where it is lost.

There is a gap happening in our world where once the previous generations were dedicated to their prayer life every day, and what we call Prayer Warriors. These warriors prayed for their families, their communities, their churches and their world. Their faith and dedication has provided a constant foundation to our lives and our existence over the years, whether we were aware of these prayers or not.

These warriors are becoming more and more scarce and today we ask that this generation take up the cause, take up their rosaries, take up a prayer book and take up their commitment to become Prayer Warriors for our future. Help sustain that foundation of faith in our lives and our world.

Let us join together to pray for the democracy of the world, of each country, of each city, village and town be honored and upheld. Let us join together as Prayer Warriors and pray for Peace, for peace of our hearts, minds and souls but also for the world at large. For conflicts to end and for unity to flourish.

Awaken us O Lord, to the world as it is and to our own role in its suffering.

Help us to see the possibilities for peace and future prosperity for all.

Create with us O Lord, a democracy and a world around us where all might thrive. Let us not be deceived or turned from your ways but instead by instruments of peace, joy, faith, hope and love for one person at a time.

Let us know Your Grace, to show Your Grace and to Grow Your Grace with everyone, in every situation, everyday.

Week In Advance Readings—Take Time in Prayer

September 24th, 2023—WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

FIRST READING—ISAIAH 55: 6—9

Psalm—145 "The Lord is near to all who call on him."

SECOND READING—PHILIPPIANS 1: 20—24, 27

GOSPEL—MATTHEW 20: 1—16

"Are you envious because I am generous?"

FALL FAIR @Holy Family Church

SEPTEMBER 30th

Fall Fair Day

OCTOBER 1st 2023

Annual Hot Turkey Dinner Fundraiser



HOW CAN YOU HELP OUR FAITH COMMUNITY?

Consider making a donation of a **THEME BASKETS** or the **SILENT AUCTION TABLE**.

Have you dropped of things for **SHIRLEY & FRIENDS BOUTIQUE , BOOK SALE, or YARD SALE TABLE?**

MAKE A DONATION

One other way to assist is to put a donation in the Collection or DROP OFF at the CENTRAL OFFICE donations for the **FUDGE SALE TABLE** or to go towards the cost of **TURKEY'S, POTATOES, CARROTS, ROLLS, PIES** or any of the things to make our **TURKEY DINNER** a success. Just drop in an envelope with "DONATION FOR _____" and your name, phone number and if you have an envelope number.

VENDOR TABLE RENTALS: PLEASE CONTACT CENTRAL OFFICE TO REGISTER AND PAY FOR YOUR TABLE. 902-667-2523 or office@allsaintsparishcc.ca



HOT TURKEY DINNER—October 1st 4—6 pm at Holy Family

Tickets go on Sale September 5th, 2023—Purchase at the Central Office or at Weekend Masses at Holy Family.

Sit down Dinner and Take-Out (Free Delivery) - **ADULTS \$18.00 / YOUTH UNDER 10 \$10.00**

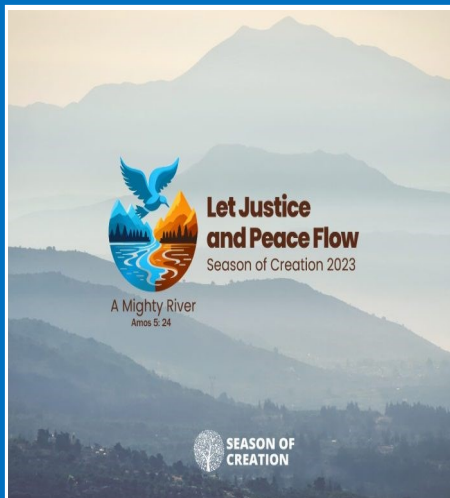
Limited Number of Tickets being Sold—So get your tickets early! Will be on sale at weekend Masses @ Holy Family starting this weekend.

World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation—Season of Creation

In 2021 Pope Francis, proclaimed September 1st—October 4th, the Feast of St Francis of Assisi, as the Season of Creation. Pope Francis emphasizes how our human actions are affecting humanity, non-human species and living systems and affirmed that action is urgently needed now, if we are going to create a more sustainable and just world. He has declared that our synodal Church must be a source of life for our common home and all its inhabitants, sowing justice and peace in every place it reaches.

With these message, Pope Francis updates the biblical image of the river to the twenty first century. **"Let judgement flow like a river, righteousness like a never-failing stream"**. (Amos 5:24). Inspired by the prophet Amos, **LET JUSTICE AND PEACE FLOW** is the theme of this year's Season of Creation.

At Mass we will be praying together a prayer written by Pope Francis for the Season of Creation and to find out more about the things you can do to join in Catholic Christians in raising our voice to halt global social and ecological injustice, go to <https://laudatosimovement.org/news/message-of-pope-francis-for-creation-day-2023/> or www.seasonofcreation.org



Leaders of Formation - On **Friday, September 22nd at 6:00 pm****Changed Date** at Father Gregory's home (Rectory in Springhill) there will be a Potluck for all those who are leaders of Faith Formation in all our communities in ASParish.

This includes Lay Presiders, Lay Reflection Leaders, Youth Formation, Adult Formation, RCIA Leaders, Sacramental Leaders for Baptism, 1st Eucharist, 1st Reconciliation, Confirmation, Marriage Preparation. Those who assist in leading liturgy with the Seniors at the Nursing Facilities or at Home. These roles are what are called Catechetical in our larger community and we are celebrating our Catechetical Leaders in September.

Catechetical Commissioning September 23rd and 24th in all Churches with Father Mark and Father Gregory. Let us pray for all our leaders who volunteer and let us pray that more will respond to Jesus' call.

"Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms."

1 Peter 4:10