

# All Saints Parish

April 20, 2025  
Easter Sunday



**He is Risen!**

Holy Family, Amherst | St. Thomas Aquinas, Joggins | St. Brigid's, Parrsboro | St. Thomas More, Pugwash | St. Paul the Apostle, River Hebert | St. John the Baptist, Springhill | St. Cornelius, Streets Ridge

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## **MASS TIMES**

**Saturday, April 19**

**Easter Vigil**

**8pm**

**Amherst and Parrsboro**

**Sunday, April 20**

**9am - Parrsboro**

**9am - Pugwash**

**11am - Springhill**

**11:15am - Amherst**

**Tuesday-Friday**

**April 22-25**

**No masses**

## **EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

Holy Family, Amherst: **No adoration Monday, April 21**



## **COLLECTION UPDATE - APRIL 12/13**

**Total Weekly:** \$4,860.35 **Weekly Budget:** \$5,128.85 **UNDER \$268.50**

**Amherst:** \$3,032.90 **Pugwash:** \$590.55 **Streets Ridge:** \$177.00 **Joggins:** \$169.25 **Springhill:** \$158.85

**Parrsboro:** \$623.80 **River Hebert:** \$108.00 **Shared:** -

## **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 Saints 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 faith and apostolic zeal we need to share the good news of Jesus, your son.*

**Amen**

## **PRAYERS FOR THOSE SICK**

*Eva O'Byrne; Doug Pineau; Pansy Pye; Geri Smith;  
Emma Beggs*

## **PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED**

**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](http://www.allsaintsparishcc.ca), or pick up a copy at your local church. 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.

**Baptism Preparation** – If you plan to celebrate the Baptism of your child this coming year, we invite you to pick up (or request to be mailed) a baptismal preparation package. Baptism preparation courses are run throughout the year. Please contact the Central Office and we will be happy to assist in registering you for the next available session.

**Baptisms Celebrated during Mass** - Our practice is to celebrate baptisms with the whole community so all can participate, enjoy and welcome the children into our family of God. Celebrating this sacrament with the faith community is an important first step in a child's faith journey.

**SSVP** - Holy Family SSVP meetings usually take place on the fourth Monday of the month at 6:30pm. New volunteers are always welcome! Reach out to the central office if you'd like more information!

**Truth & Reconciliation** - Generally, we meet at Holy Family Church on the 2nd Friday of the month at 10:30am. Come and See what we're all about!

**Prayer Group Ministry** - Prayer group meetings resume Thursday, April 24 at 7:00pm. All are welcome. Adoration Monday, April 28 at 9:30 AM. CORE meeting follows at 10:30 AM.

## Youth Faith Formation

### First Reconciliation Classes

(For those eligible)

~~April 13~~  
April 27 } **10-11am**  
May 4 }

Sacrament: May 10

### First Communion Classes

(For those eligible)

~~April 6~~  
~~April 13~~ } **10-11am**  
April 27 }

Sacrament: May 4

### EDGE!

**Next session May 3!**



## Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults



At Holy Family Church we welcomed Jodie Simon and Quincy Kozo and at Saint Thomas More Church we welcomed Arlene MacDonald as full members of the church. As individuals, please welcome them to our faith communities. Should you be interested in exploring the faith, please speak with our priests, deacons or call the central office at 902-667-2523 for follow up.



## ASParish Truth & Reconciliation

### **Glooscap**



The Wabanaki have been living in New Brunswick and around the Maritime provinces for thousands of years. Meaning "People of the First Light" or "People of the Dawnland," Wabanaki is a confederation of the Mi'kmaq, Maliseet, Passamaquoddy, Abenaki, and Penobscot First Nations. These Nations recorded their histories through storytelling and language. Oral traditions have always been very important to the life of the Wabanaki, and they preserved their knowledge within their generations (Hulan & Eigenbrod 7). One influential legend in their histories is the legend of Glooscap. Like all oral legends, the Glooscap legend has no original author, and there is no date of origin known, but it is nevertheless enjoyed and shared by both the Wabanaki and non-Wabanaki. Today, Glooscap stories can be found in many books and can be heard on the [New Brunswick Museum's](http://www.newbrunswickmuseum.ca) website ("Koluskap").

The Glooscap legend is essentially a creation story. An embodied persona, Glooscap is considered to be the first human, a great and powerful being who shapes landscapes and shrinks or grows the animals around him. Many versions of the legend suggest that he is responsible for how our current landscape appears. He has been called a cultural hero who was a great *Motewolon* (a man or woman who has learned to wield great power), and was the most powerful being of all (Teeter and LeSourd xvii). Physically he is said to be twice as tall as a regular person, but still looks like an ordinary Indian (Hill and Frankenberg 19).

<https://nble.lib.unb.ca/browse/g/glooscap>

## Week In Advance Readings—Take Time in Prayer

**April 27, 2025**

Second Sunday of Easter

**FIRST READING—ACTS 5.12-16**

**PSALM—118 R1 “Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his steadfast love endures forever.”**

**SECOND READING—REVELATION 1.9-11a, 12-13, 17-19**

**GOSPEL—JOHN 20.19-31**

**“After eight days Jesus came and stood among them.”**

### MASS INTENTIONS—ASPARISH

**If you would like to have a mass said for a loved one, contact the Central Office. The stipend is \$10.00**

DAY	DATE/TIME	CHURCH	MASS FOR	PRIEST	OFFERED BY
Saturday	19	8:00 pm	Holy Family	Fr. Charles	
	19	8:00 pm	St. Brigid's	Fr. Anthony	
Sunday	20	9:00 am	St. Brigid's	Fr. Anthony	Barbara McLeod
	20	9:00 am	St. Thomas More	Fr. Charles	Joan Tapuska
	20	11:00 am	St. John the Baptist	Fr. Anthony	George Dorn and Family
	20	11:15 am	Holy Family	Fr. Charles	Mary Lewis
Saturday	26	4:00 pm	St. Paul the Apostle	Fr. Anthony	Kathy Gardiner
	26	4:30 pm	Holy Family	Fr. Charles	Holy Family CWL
	26	6:30 pm	St. Cornelius	Fr. Charles	The Hunter Family
Sunday	27	9:00 am	St. Brigid's	Fr. Anthony	Kathy Gardiner
	27	9:00 am	St. Thomas More	Fr. Charles	Linda Hatchette and Ed Porter
	27	11:00 am	St. John the Baptist	Fr. Anthony	Adam and Rachel Hunter
	27	11:15 am	Holy Family	Fr. Charles	Her Family

Mass intentions scheduled on days when mass is unexpectedly cancelled will be rescheduled for a later date.

## Thank you for giving from the heart to Share Lent 2025!



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Development and Peace — Caritas Canada thanks you for supporting the **Turn Debt into Hope** campaign with your Share Lent donation. Thanks to your generosity, **our parish has collected \$1,260.00!** This sum will help support our sisters and brothers in Africa, Asia, Eastern Europe, Latin America and the Middle East.

If you have not yet had a chance to give, you can still place your Share Lent envelope in the offertory or donate online at [devp.org/give](http://devp.org/give).

Thank you for continuing to pray for all those who are working to build a world of peace and justice.

## In Our Communities...

### Stewardship Corner

The Paschal Mysteries represent a New Beginning and a New Life with the Resurrection of Jesus Christ. As disciples in this time and place, how do we share gifts of Time, Talent and Treasure with one another and the world? By Baptism, we are the hands, feet and eyes of our Lord in the world.

"He is Risen! Alleluia!"

- Deacon Howard



### Local Foodbanks

During the Easter season, remember donations of non-perishable food items to your local Foodbank are still needed and appreciated.

Bring donations to your church and they will be forwarded to your local Foodbank.

Thank you.

### Easter Messages

**During the Easter season, Deacon Howard will forward reflections on the daily readings via email. Should you want to receive these emails, please forward your email to:**

**hgotell7@gmail.com.**

**These messages will conclude at Pentecost.**

**Thank you.**



The Novena to the Divine Mercy will conclude on **Sunday, April 27**. All are invited to arrive at Holy Family Church before 2:45pm as we begin promptly at 3pm.

### Live Stream

**Our livestream is back up and running!**

**Sunday masses at Holy Family will be available to watch in real time by visiting our new platform on YouTube. You can type**

**[youtube.com/@allsaintsparishcc](https://www.youtube.com/@allsaintsparishcc)**

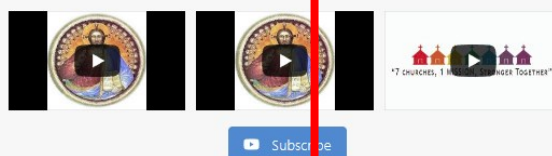
**into your browser to watch live on Sunday mornings, watch past services, and subscribe to the channel .**

**You can also visit our ASP website at**

**<https://allsaintsparishcc.ca/>**

**and click on the link on the right hand side of the main page, highlighted below**

#### Past Live Stream Services





## In Our Communities...

### 5th Annual Daughters of Zion Women's Conference

This year's theme is, "Daughters of Zion Arise for Your Hour has Come." We are living in the most significant hour in Church and world history and God is calling His beloved daughters to step into the fullness of their calling as women. The weekend will consist of anointed throne room worship, dynamic life-changing talks, prayer ministry for healing and breakthroughs, Holy Mass, Adoration and fellowship with sisters in Christ from throughout the Atlantic region. You will be equipped to step into the fullness of your personal calling, assignments and mission in this late hour of salvation history.

This year's Conference will be held at the Travelodge by Wyndam (formerly the Wandlyn Inn) in Amherst.

#### Conference Registration Rates

Early-bird special - \$179.00 until **April 21st\*\* (Extended deadline!)**

Regular Registration - \$199.00 after April 21st

Payment is by e-transfer or cheque. There will be no on-site payment for registration

To Register Contact: Rhonda-Lynn Clarke - 902-448-3660

For more information, visit <https://www.halifaxyarmouth.org/regional-events-2/item/5th-annual-daughters-of-zion-womens-conference?highlight=Wyl3b21bldzliwY29uZmVzZW5lZSld>



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### Hearing Aid Batteries

Do you or someone you know need hearing aid batteries? We have been gifted quite a few size 312 batteries and would love for you to have them!

Contact the central office if you'd like to have some.

(902) 667-2523 or [office@allsaintsparishcc.ca](mailto:office@allsaintsparishcc.ca)



## HALIFAX PRO-LIFE BOOTCAMP

May 2-6, 2025

### PRO-LIFE BOOTCAMP!

In Canada, about 300 innocent children are aborted every single day. Do you want to learn how to defend these innocent pre-born children, and have meaningful conversations on abortion and the dignity of human life? Join for training and hands-on experience doing pro-life outreach in Halifax, NS from **May 2-6 (with a May 2-3 weekend option)**. You can learn pro-life strategy and apologetics that will equip you to reach our culture to change minds and save lives.

**Application deadline: April 25th.**

See [www.endthekilling.ca/halifax](http://www.endthekilling.ca/halifax)

CMDA

# WHAT'S WRONG WITH MAID?

Monday  
May 5th  
at 6:30 pm

Holy Family Church  
Amherst, NS.

CMDA Canada's Executive Director  
Larry Worthen will provide timely  
information on MAiD in Canada,  
policies regulating MAiD, and how we  
can advocate for dignity affirming  
alternatives and conscientious  
practice in our province.



## EASTER SUNDAY HOMILY, YEAR C.

**First Reading:** Acts 10.34a, 37-43

**Responsorial Psalm:** 118 R24 “This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.”

**Second Reading:** 1 Corinthians 5.6b-8

**Gospel:** John 20.1-18++

### THEME: DID I RESURRECT WITH CHRIST THIS EASTER?

Sing Alleluia, the Lord is risen, is risen indeed, Alleluia!

Our Redeemer who suffered, was crucified, died, and was buried, has risen and glorified. He arose in fulfillment of his promise: “I will rise on the third day.” Hence, today we celebrate the triumph of good over evil, of light over darkness, and peace over chaos. We celebrate hope, patience, and the fulfillment of God’s Promise to us. We celebrate the uniqueness of our religion, the resurrection of our Lord through which he affirms that he is the Lord of the living and the dead.

We need to ask ourselves this Easter Sunday: Through this forty days long journey, did I resurrect with Christ this Easter? Today’s gospel tells us that Jesus left the linen cloths in the grave. In other words, he did not cling to any “worldly” thing or allow them to pull him down. If we must rise with Christ, we must equally be ready to detach ourselves from unnecessary items that pull us down spiritually. Through our Lenten observances, we died with Christ. So let us rise with him through the power of the Holy Spirit.

Like Paul, our song should be that of thanksgiving to God: “We bless God the Father of Our Lord Jesus Christ who in his great mercy has given us a new birth by raising Jesus Christ from the dead”. Christ’s death was our death, and his resurrection is ours too. Therefore, his joy, glory, and triumph are equally ours.

As Christ’s disciples, our testimony from today shall be: “I saw Christ’s glory as he rose. Christ, my hope has risen! Like the apostles, our duty is to spread the good news of the Lord’s resurrection to the entire world. Like Peter, we need to say to all people: “Now we are those witnesses. We eat and drink with Him after his resurrection.”

Having been raised with Christ, we need to act like the living and not the dead. We need to seek the things of light, things that are noble, and things that glorify God. We need to seek heavenly things by living like citizens of heaven. This is what Paul calls us to do today when he says: “Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is.”

As we pray to God to help us in this resolve, we join the Psalmist in singing: *This is the day the Lord has made, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alle—lu—ia, Alleluia, let us rejoice and be glad.*

Wishing you and your families a blessed and spirit-filled Easter celebration.



# Holy Family Church, Amherst



Holy Family CWL

**Next executive meeting:** May 7, 2025 - 10:30am

**Next Regular Meeting:** May 14, 2025 - 6pm



Knights of Columbus Council 2916

**Next regular meeting:** April 24, 2025 - 7pm

## Prayer Wall



At Holy Family Church, please remember to place personal intentions on our prayer wall located in the gathering space. Intentions will be brought forward as an offering on Pentecost weekend.



On April 26th under the title of "Our Lady of Good Counsel", Mary is honoured as the patron of The Catholic Women's League of Canada; who calls its members to grow in faith, and to witness to the love of God through ministry and service. Our own League members will take part in our Saturday evening mass at 4:30 pm April 26th at Holy Family Church. Please join in their prayers for living and deceased members, their families, spiritual advisors and the League's well-being.

## Food and Fellowship!

**\*\*There will be no luncheon on Tuesday, April 22\*\***

Join us for our **last meal of the season** on April 29! Lunch is served from 11:30am to 1pm. Cost is by donation.

**See you there!**



St. Brigid's, Parrsboro

St. John the Baptist, Springhill

## FRIENDSHIP CAFE

### APRIL 24

### ST BRIGIDS HALL

340 MAIN ST

### 12:30-2:00

\$5.00

Enjoy an afternoon with friends and family at our cafe which will feature cakes of many kinds plus a nice cup of tea or coffee



## No evening mass on

## Tuesday, April 22!



**See you on Tuesday, April 29 at 6:30pm.**



Happy Easter!

**2025**  
***Easter Flower Donations***  
***for***  
***Holy Family Church***



***In memory of Helen and Alfred Breau from Mary Ann Megeney***

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