

All Saints Parish

May 18, 2025

Fifth Sunday of Easter



"7 Churches, 1 MISSION, Stronger Together"

Dignity Sunday

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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Pastors: Fr. Charles Udeh and Fr. Anthony Aguka

Deacons: Howard Gotell and Mike Lynch | **Operations Assistant:** Raissa Hart

MASS TIMES

Saturday, May 17

4pm - River Hebert

4:30pm - Amherst

6:30pm - Streets Ridge

Sunday, May 18

9am - Parrsboro

9am - Pugwash

11am - Springhill

11:15am - Amherst

Tuesday-Friday

May 20-23

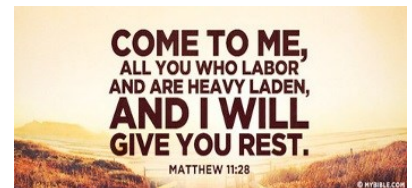
Tues: 6:30pm - Springhill

Wed-Fri: 12:15pm - Amherst

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Holy Family, Amherst: Cancelled Monday, May 19 due to the holiday!

Resuming Monday, May 28 at 9:30am followed by CORE meeting at 10:30am



COLLECTION UPDATE - MAY 10/11

Total Weekly: \$4,503.55 Weekly Budget: \$5,128.85 UNDER \$625.30

Amherst: \$2,536.80 Pugwash: \$448.65 Streets Ridge: \$301.00 Joggins: \$149.25 Springhill: \$330.85 Parrsboro: \$545.00 River Hebert: \$192.00 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

Doug Pineau; Annette Brun

PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

Raelene Bird

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. 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 take place Thursdays at 7:00pm. All are welcome.

Youth Faith Formation

First Reconciliation Classes



**Congratulations
Hannah, Charlie,
Alex, Danica, Asher,
McKinley, Rylle,
Jaykobe, and Phil
on making your
first reconciliation!**

First Communion Classes



**Congratulations to
Yena, Mikey and Elise
who received the
sacrament of
communion for the
first time on May 4!**

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Have you ever thought about becoming a full member of the Church? The RCIA process is a time to discern, to pray, and share faith in a spirit of joyful anticipation.

Call the central office and our pastor or Deacon Howard will return your call.

ASParish Truth & Reconciliation

ADA BLACKJACK



In September 1921, four young men and Ada Blackjack, a diminutive 25-year-old Inuk woman, ventured deep into the Arctic in a secret attempt to colonize desolate Wrangel Island for Great Britain. Two years later, Ada Blackjack emerged as the sole survivor of this ambitious polar expedition. This young, unskilled woman--who had headed to the Arctic in search of money and a husband--conquered the seemingly unconquerable north and survived all alone after her male companions had perished.

Following her triumphant return to civilization, the international press proclaimed her the female Robinson Crusoe. But whatever stories the press turned out came from the imaginations of reporters: Ada Blackjack refused to speak to anyone about her horrific two years in the Arctic. Only on one occasion--after charges were published falsely accusing her of causing the death of one her companions--did she speak up for herself.

Source: Google/books summary of Ada Blackjack: A True Story of Survival in the Arctic by Jennifer Niven

There is also an 18 minute video on You Tube about Ada Blackjack: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DzeeSlj65rk>

Week In Advance Readings—Take Time in Prayer

May 25, 2025

Sixth Sunday of Easter

FIRST READING—ACTS 15.1-2, 22-29

PSALM—67 R.4 “Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.”

SECOND READING—REVELATION 21.10-14, 22-23

GOSPEL—JOHN 14.23-29

“The Holy Spirit will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you.”

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	17 4:00 pm	St. Paul the Apostle	Ethel Belliveau	Fr. Charles	Richard Belliveau
	17 4:30 pm	Holy Family	Br. Pierre Charland, OFM (Living)	Fr. Anthony	Frank Allen and Howard Gotell
	17 6:30 pm	St. Cornelius	Vivian M.L. Brown	Fr. Anthony	H. Brown
Sunday	18 9:00 am	St. Brigid's	Vocations to the priesthood	Fr. Charles	Chris and Anna Tota
	18 9:00 am	St. Thomas More	Doris Murray	Fr. Anthony	Adam and Rachel Hunter
	18 11:00 am	St. John the Baptist	Teodora Romanko	Fr. Charles	The Hunter Family
	18 11:15 am	Holy Family	Pauline Pettigrew	Fr. Anthony	Nancy and David Ralston
Tuesday	20 6:30 pm	St. John the Baptist	Michael Stephen Brown	Fr. Anthony	H. Brown
Wednesday	21 12:15 pm	Holy Family	Pauline Pettigrew	Fr. Charles	Maria Van Vulpen
Thursday	22 12:15 pm	Holy Family	Tim McEachern (Living)	Fr. Anthony	The Hunter Family
Friday	23 12:15 pm	Holy Family	Teodor Hewiuk	Fr. Charles	The Hunter Family
Saturday	24 4:00 pm	St. Paul the Apostle	Lena and Amadee Hebert	Fr. Charles	Kathy Gardiner
	24 4:30 pm	Holy Family	Marya Hewiuk	Fr. Anthony	The Hunter Family
	24 6:30 pm	St. Cornelius	Souls in purgatory, especially those most forgotten	Fr. Anthony	Chris and Anna Tota
Sunday	25 9:00 am	St. Brigid's	Vivian M.L. Brown	Fr. Charles	H. Brown
	25 9:00 am	St. Thomas More	Donald MacAulay	Fr. Anthony	Wayne and Dianne Shrum
	25 11:00 am	St. John the Baptist	Joanne Martin	Fr. Charles	Kathy Gardiner
	25 11:15 am	Holy Family	Tota Family	Fr. Anthony	Adam Hunter

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



**TURN
DEBT
INTO
Hope**

Join the movement!

 **Development
and Peace**
CARITAS CANADA

Development and Peace — Caritas Canada: a movement of solidarity

Established in 1967, Development and Peace — Caritas Canada is the official international development organization of the Catholic Church in Canada.

We address the root causes of poverty, oppression and inequality by working with partners in the Global South and by mobilizing Canadians in the common struggle for justice and dignity. We champion women and social movements as key agents of lasting change.

Our transformative work is possible **thanks to the generosity and support of our members** and Canadians who stand by us.

Join the movement of over 12,800 members and help us bring our campaigns to life in your community. Visit devp.org/joinus.

In Our Communities...

Stewardship Corner

In our reading from Acts, a few disciples travel far and wide to gain disciples for Christ. In each community, they appointed elders to carry on the mission of spreading Good News. True discipleship is a lifelong commitment to serve others. Disciples of an advanced age are called to “pray” that others follow their lead. The stewardship lifestyle calls disciples to offer a portion of our Time, Talent & Treasure to God by calling others to serve. The gospel this weekend promises Christ himself will lead our efforts “if we love one another.”

-Deacon Howard



Local Foodbanks

Remember your local Foodbank is looking for non-perishable food items, and some basic personal care items to keep the shelves stocked for those in need. 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.



Together we are one



Sunday May 25th 4-6 PM

Holy Family Church

Share your traditional meals

ASC Summer Conference



Between the Hearts

The annual summer conference of the Atlantic Service Committee of the Charismatic Renewal in Atlantic Canada presents

“Walking with Hearts Aflame”

from

July 25-27, 2025

at

**Between the Hearts Renewal Center
in Fort Lawrence, NS.**

The theme will focus on being companions on the pilgrimage of life. The weekend features song, reflection, and prayer. All are welcome. Full details coming in the month of June. Watch this space.



Send us your news!

Is something happening in your community and you want to reach a bigger audience? Let us know!

Send your post to office@allsaintsparishcc.ca by Wednesday for printing in that weekend's bulletin!

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER, YEAR C.

First Reading: Acts 14.21b-27

Responsorial Psalm: 145 “I will bless your name for ever, my king and my God.”

Second Reading: Revelation 21.1-5a

Gospel: John 13.1, 31-33a, 34-35++

“I give you a new commandment: that you love one another,” Jesus said before he died. “Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another.”

How has Christ loved?

Agape!

Agape — the “love” that Jesus commanded — is not a feeling, but an act of the will; not something that happens to us, but something we do, intentionally, on purpose — even to someone we might deem unlovable!

Agape seeks nothing for itself, but only the good of the beloved. This is the love God has toward us — not because we are lovable, but because he is love, St. John said. He loves us even when we rebel against him: God “proves his love for us,” St. Paul says, “in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.”

How can we obey Jesus’ command to love everyone with this kind of love?

First, we pray for them.

Second, especially during this holy Jubilee year, we communicate to them the “sure and certain hope” we have as Catholics.

Amen.



Holy Family Church, Amherst



Holy Family CWL

Next executive meeting: June 4, 2025 - 10:30am

Next Regular Meeting: June 11, 2025 - 5pm

Year end dinner



Knights of Columbus Council 2916

Next regular meeting: May 22, 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.



Please join us for Father Anthony's farewell gathering
This weekend!

When: Sunday May 18th after the 11:15am mass



Eight Refreshments will be served
There will be a basket available
for cards of best wishes

St. Cornelius, Streets Ridge

Bert van Vulpen is cycling for Chalice!

Bert has been challenging himself to complete this ambitious ride for many years, and is once again asking for your donations to support a great cause.

Donation forms are available! Contact Bert or the central office for your copy or for more information.



Good luck, Bert!



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