

All Saints Parish

May 25, 2025

Sixth Sunday of Easter



"7 Churches, 1 MISSION, Stronger Together"

"The Holy Spirit will teach you everything..."

-John 14.23-29

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

MASS TIMES

Saturday, May 24

4pm - River Hebert

4:30pm - Amherst

6:30pm - Streets Ridge

Sunday, May 25

9am - Parrsboro

9am - Pugwash

11am - Springhill

11:15am - Amherst

Wednesday-Friday

May 28-30

12:15pm - Amherst

A NOTE ON MASSES

Until our new priest arrives, lay services will be necessary to help keep services consistent in our parish.

Beginning in June, each church will have alternating weekend masses and lay services, with Holy Family having one mass and one lay service per weekend.

Tuesday evening masses at St. John the Baptist will be put on hold until further notice.

The June calendar will be distributed to the sacristans of each church to assist with planning.

Thank you for your understanding!

COLLECTION UPDATE - MAY 17/18

Total Weekly: \$4,601.40 **Weekly Budget:** \$5,128.85 **UNDER \$527.45**

Amherst: \$2,747.85 **Pugwash:** \$570.45 **Streets Ridge:** \$125.00 **Joggins:** \$144.25 **Springhill:** \$328.85

Parrsboro: \$550.00 **River Hebert:** \$135.00 **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; Pat Weatherbee; Angie Landry

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.

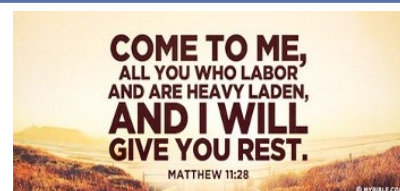
SSVP - **The next meeting of the Holy Family SSVP is on Monday, May 26 at 6:30pm.** New volunteers are always welcome! Reach out to the central office if you'd like more information!

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.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Holy Family, Amherst: Monday, May 28 at 9:30am followed by CORE meeting at 10:30am



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

During the summer months you will be hearing of powwows.

Powwows, (more appropriately termed “*mawiyomi*”, meaning “gathering” or “coming together” in Mi'kmaq), are ancient celebrations adopted and adapted by Indigenous communities throughout North America in the 19th and 20th centuries as cultural exchanges that are used as part of healing ceremonies and to celebrate Indigenous dance, music, food and art.

During the late 1800s and early 1900s, the Canadian and American governments outlawed a variety of traditional Indigenous ceremonies, including powwows. Despite restrictions, First Nations continued to hold powwows and other cultural and spiritual ceremonies in secret, demonstrating the strength and ability of First Nations to survive and adapt. By the 1950s, the years of assimilationist policies and institutions – including residential schools – significantly restricted the ceremonial life of First Nations. In the 1960s, as a result of Indigenous rights movements, the powwow tradition entered an age of resurgence.

From the 1800s to the present, powwows have stood as a testament against assimilationist policies and institutions. Powwow dancers and musicians who refused to abandon their cultural traditions resisted discriminatory legislation, both on and off reserves. Today, powwows are a place where Indigenous and non-Indigenous peoples can come together in peace to celebrate tradition and promote an enduring culture.

Source: Canadian Encyclopedia



Week In Advance Readings—Take Time in Prayer

June 1, 2025

Ascension of the Lord

FIRST READING—ACTS 1.1-11

PSALM—47 “God has gone up with a shout, the Lord with the sound of a trumpet.”

SECOND READING—EPHESIANS 1.17-23

GOSPEL—LUKE 24.46-53

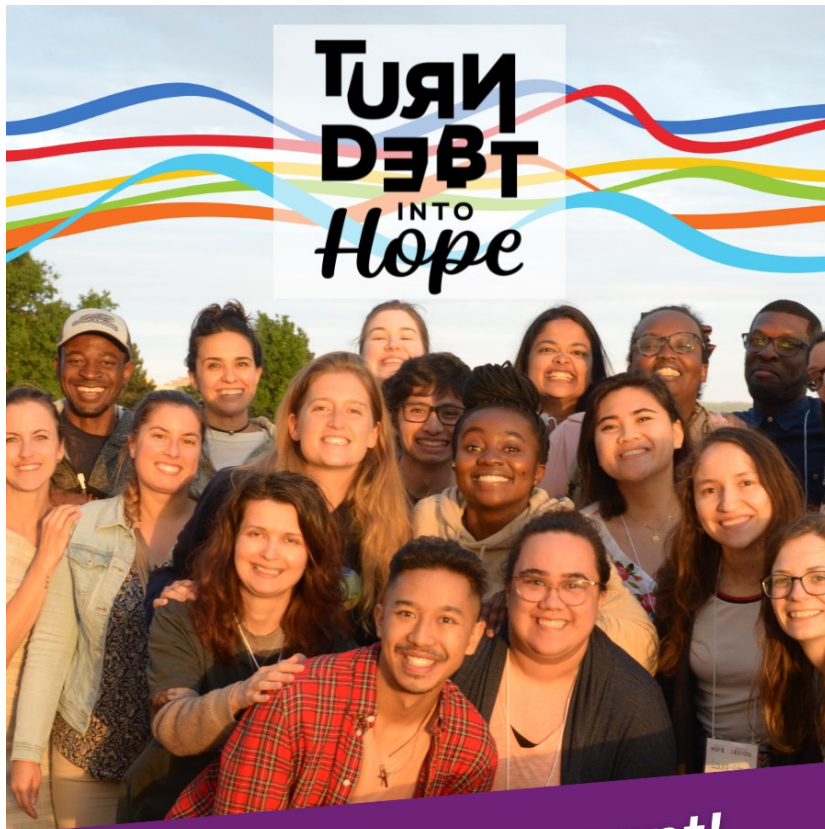
“Jesus withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven.”

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	24 4:00 pm	St. Paul the Apostle	Lena and Amadee Hebert	Fr. Charles	Kathy Gardiner
	24 4:30 pm	Holy Family	Orphir Frenette	Fr. Anthony	Pat Frenette
	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
Wednesday	28 12:15 pm	Holy Family	Gabriel Hewiuk	Fr. Charles	The Hunter Family
Thursday	29 12:15 pm	Holy Family	Br. Pierre Charland, OFM (Living)	Fr. Charles	Frank Allen and Howard Gotell
Friday	30 12:15 pm	Holy Family	Michael Stephen Brown	Fr. Charles	H. Brown
Saturday	31 4:30 pm	Holy Family	For Souls in Purgatory	Fr. Charles	Chris and Anna Tota
	31 6:30 pm	St. Cornelius	Fr. J.D. Curry	Fr. Charles	Kathy Gardiner

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



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

Our Lord prepares those whom he loves, his disciples, for a time when he will no longer be with them. He ensures they will not be abandoned. His Father provides them with the Holy Spirit who carries on Christ's mission, spreading Good News to Jew and Gentile alike. Through baptism we possess the same Holy Spirit. Sharing gifts of Time, Talent and Treasure with others reveals God's love for his people. Jesus says, *"Whoever loves me will keep my word, and my Father will love them and we will come to them and make our home with them."*

-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.



Together we are one



Sunday May 25th 4-6 PM

Holy Family Church

Share your traditional meals

Chalice is coming to All Saints Parish!

At the June 14-15 Masses, Canada's largest Catholic Child Sponsorship organization will provide you the opportunity to begin a relationship with a child in the developing world through the benefits of Child Sponsorship.

These are children in extreme poverty who need your support to excel in their education and fulfill their God-given potential.

Please visit chalice.ca for more information about Chalice and its mission.



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!

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER, YEAR C.

First Reading: Acts 15.1-2, 22-29

Responsorial Psalm: 67 “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

Unity in Faith

The first reading shows the early Church dealing with disagreements. It reminds us that unity in faith requires listening and compromise.

This, in the words of Pope Francis is “contra-contraposition” as against contradiction!

This means we must listen attentively to each other’s perspectives and through the inspiration of the Holy Spirit we can come to a decision that cares for the common good and builds our faith!

The early church was a “representative body” caring for everybody. Our church today is saddled with the problem of having a “body of representatives” carrying an agenda that is sometimes anti-Christ and his gospel: listening to no one and only promoting personal interests.

May God deliver us from this evil.

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: June 26, 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.



**Thank you to all who
helped to celebrate
Father Anthony at the
reception last weekend.**

**We'll miss you
Father Anthony!**



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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