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St. Joseph's St. Michael's/St-Michel St. Patrick's

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Mission Statement: Open to God. Open to Others. Open to Transformation.

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time – July 11, 2021

Masses are being offered in our three churches on the weekend: St. Patrick's – Sat., 6 p.m.; St. Joseph's – Sun., 9:30 a.m.; St. Michael's – Sun., 11 a.m. **Please note:** Parishioners need to call from Wednesday to Friday each week to reserve a seat for Mass: St. Joseph's – 902-248-2612; St. Michael's – 902-235-2233 and St. Patrick's – 902-248-2305.

Fr. Macdonald has been saying private, weekday Masses and offering an intention for each. July 12 – Bernadette LeBlanc req. by Mr. & Mrs. John MacLellan, July 16 – Michael LeBlanc req. by Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Gallant, July 17 – Sylvia LeBlanc req. by Mr. & Mrs. Louis Arsenault & Marie Bushor, July 19 – Helen LeBlanc req. by Malcolm MacNeil, July 23 – Agnes Blanchard req. by Cecile Miller, July 24 – Edward LeBlanc req. by Angie LeBlanc-Kelly
Besides these intentions, Fr. Macdonald prays for all health care workers in the whole world.

Weekday Masses:

St. Patrick's – Tues., July 13, 6:30 p.m. – Jeanette Crane req. by Mary L. Burton

St. Joseph – Wed., July 14, 6:30 p.m. – Michael Stewart req. by Jessie Tompkins

St. Michael's – Thurs., July 15, 6:30 p.m. – June Doucette req. by John V. MacEachern

St. Patrick's – Tues., July 20, 6:30 p.m. – Malcolm Phillips req. by Mr. & Mrs. Isadore Murphy

St. Joseph's – Wed., July 21, 6:30 p.m. – Geraldine MacLellan req. by Mike Murphy

St. Michael's – Thurs., July 22, 6:30 p.m. – Mary Anna LeBlanc req. by Mr. & Mrs. Blair McDaniel

Condolences are extended to the families of Donelda Gillis, Johnny Gillis, husband of Colleen Patterson, and Daniel Murray, brother of Lowell Murray.

Prayer Corner: Phil Craig, Jackie Murphy, Marilyn Gledhill, Joan Burns, Very Rev. Michael MacEwen, Lynne Cameron, Elaine (Murphy) Gillis, Jim MacFarlane, Leroy LeFort, Bernice Munro, Antonietta Borsato, Theresa LeBlanc, Aaron MacLennan, Sophie Gracie, Ann (Donald Angus) Gillis, Jenna MacRae and Shirley Fitzgerald. If you are sick and would like your name in the Prayer Corner, please contact the Parish Office.

The next bulletin will be printed the weekend of July 24, 25.

Prayer to say: Prayer to Our Lady, Health of the Sick by Pope Francis during the COVID-19 pandemic:

O Mary, you shine continuously on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick. At the foot of the cross you participated in Jesus' pain, with steadfast faith. You, Salvation of the Roman People, know what we need. We are certain that you will provide, so that, as you did in Cana of Galilee, joy and feasting might return after this moment of trial. Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform ourselves to the Father's will and to do what Jesus tells us: He who took our sufferings upon Himself, and bore our sorrows to bring us, through the Cross, to the joy of the Resurrection. We seek refuge under your protection, O Holy Mother of God. Do not despise our pleas – we who are put to the test - and deliver us from every danger, O glorious and Blessed Virgin. Amen.

Daily TV Mass is broadcast on VISION TV at 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. each weekday. If you are not available at those times, you can find the Mass on You tube. There are other Masses also available on You tube. Here is a prayer to say for a Spiritual Communion when you are watching the Mass:

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Pray the Rosary: Continue praying the Rosary each day for an end to the spread of the COVID-19 virus, for all health care workers, government leaders, all who are sick, all who have died, for the equitable distribution of the vaccines, so we can all be safe, and for all others who are being impacted by this pandemic.

Pope Francis' Prayer for Vocations - LORD of the Harvest, BLESS young people with the gift of courage to respond to your call. Open their hearts to great ideals, to great things. INSPIRE all of your disciples to mutual love and giving— for vocations blossom in the good soil of faithful people. INSTILL those in religious life, parish ministries, and families with the confidence and grace to invite others to embrace the bold and noble path of a life consecrated to you. UNITE us to Jesus through prayer and sacrament, so that we may cooperate with you in building your reign of mercy and truth, of justice and peace. Amen.

Euthanasia Prevention Coalition Helpline - The number is 1-855-675-8749, and the service is confidential and free and available twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week.

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for July – Heavenly Father, we pray that, in situations of conflict, we may be courageous architects of dialogue and friendship. May the Church receive from the Holy Spirit the grace and strength to reform herself in the light of the Gospel.

Prayer of St. Teresa of Avila: Let nothing disturb you. Let nothing frighten you. All things pass away. God never changes. Patience obtains all things. He/She who has God lacks nothing. God alone suffices.

MINISTRY NEWS

From the Pastor's Desk: Now that our churches are open again, do not get used to not going to Church. It is important that you work on this good, religious habit. I look forward to seeing you again. – Fr. Macdonald

Clergy Appointments: As most of you have heard, Fr. Macdonald will be leaving us on August 4, 2021 to serve the people of Stellarton and New Glasgow. In his place three priests will be coming. Their names are: Rev. Joby Augustin, local Superior of the Sons of Immaculate Conception who will be Pastor; Rev. Silvichan Dominic, CFIC, and Rev. (Gustave) Daniel Tshimbalanga Musakay, CFIC, who will be Associate Pastors. They belong to the Congregation of the Sons of Immaculate Conception (CFIC). They will also be serving the parishes of Stella Maris, Inverness and St. Margaret of Scotland, Broad Cove. Please pray for all our priests going to new assignments.

CCCB Update: Indigenous Delegation to the Holy See – The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops has been working with Indigenous people and communities to develop a delegation of Indigenous people to meet with the Holy Father to foster meaningful encounters of dialogue and healing. **Read the CCCB statement on the Diocesan Blog:** <https://www.antigonishdiocese.com/delegation-to-the-holy-see/>

CWL NEWS

St. Michael's CWL: Greetings! We hope and pray that all is well with you and yours during these COVID times. We have a new project-----How do you dispose of your empty pill containers (with lids)? We are collecting them to send to poor countries that cannot obtain them in any other way. The receiving countries use them to supply meds to their families, many in remote areas. If you would like to participate by saving your empty containers, please contact Anne LeBlanc (902-235-2064) or Marie Hilda MacIsaac (902-235-2944). This

is our "good deed" until Oct. 1. We plan to meet in mid-September. There are many important and urgent decisions to be made. Have a blessed and safe summer. – Anne LeBlanc

The National meetings of The Catholic Women's League of Canada will take place on Monday and Tuesday, August 9 & 10, 2021.

OTHER/COMMUNITY NEWS

Chicken Barbecue – St. Patrick's will be having their chicken barbecue on Sun., July 11 beginning at 11:45 a.m. More chicken has been ordered, and there will be strawberry shortcake with local strawberries!! The chicken dinner will be \$18 and the shortcake \$5.

Correction: Totals for Share Lent Collection (2021) - St. Joseph's - \$515; St. Michael's - \$466.56

THE YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH PRAYER



To you, O blessed Joseph (Ad te, beate Ioseph)

To you, O blessed Joseph, do we come in our afflictions, and having implored the help of your most holy Spouse, we confidently invoke your patronage also.

Through that charity which bound you to the Immaculate Virgin Mother of God and through the paternal love with which you embraced the Child Jesus, we humbly beg you graciously to regard the inheritance which Jesus Christ has purchased by his Blood, and with your power and strength to aid us in our necessities.

O most watchful guardian of the Holy Family, defend the chosen children of Jesus Christ; O most loving father, ward off from us every contagion of error and corrupting influence; O our most mighty protector, be kind to us and from heaven assist us in our struggle with the power of darkness.

As once you rescued the Child Jesus from deadly peril, so now protect God's Holy Church from the snares of the enemy and from all adversity; shield, too, each one of us by your constant protection, so that, supported by your example and your aid, we may be able to live piously, to die in holiness, and to obtain eternal happiness in heaven. Amen.