

ST. ANDREW PARISH

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MASS TIMES

Saturday Mass: 4:30 pm
Sunday Mass – 10:00 am

CONFESSION

Saturday - 3:30 - 4:00 pm

ST. ANDREW

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday 9:00 am – Therese (Hartley) Johnson

Thursday 7:00 pm – Jean Murphy

Saturday: June 08th 2019 - 4:30 pm

Rod Henman

ST. CLEMENT

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday 6:30 pm – Sister Marian Williams

Wednesday 9:00 am - Spiritual & Temporal
needs of the McGrath family

Thursday 9:00 am – Marg MacDonald

Friday 9:00 am – Carolyn Barrett-Caswell

Saturday: June 08th 2019 - 4:00 pm

– Frank MacIntosh

ASCENSION OF THE LORD

As we celebrate this Sunday's Feast of the Ascension, Saint Leo the Great shared some beautiful reflections in a homily, taken from the Office of Readings last week, which I would like to share with you.

“Beloved, the days which passed between the Lord's Resurrection and His Ascension were by no means uneventful; during them, great sacramental mysteries were confirmed, great truths revealed.

In those days the fear of death with all its horrors was taken away, and the immortality of both body and soul affirmed. It was then that the Lord breathed on all his apostles and filled them with the Holy Spirit;

... Throughout the whole period between the Resurrection and the Ascension, God's providence was at work, to instill this one lesson into the hearts of the disciples, to set this one truth before their eyes, that our Lord Jesus Christ, who was truly born, truly suffered, and truly died, should be recognized as truly risen from the dead.”

Saint Leo the Great emphasizes for us that in this time between the celebration of Easter and the Ascension, it is essential that we too become filled with joy, and that joy would be rooted in and stemming from the power of the Resurrection of Christ and His promise to us who abide in Him.

Happy Feast and let's keep our eyes of faith, our minds, and our hearts focused on Christ and His redemptive love.

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

The Parish Office will be closed from June 3rd until June 13th inclusive. During this absence the voice messages will be checked on a regular basis.

Please direct Bulletin notices to Cathy Patriquin (465-6440 patriquinfamily@eastlink.ca) or leave a message on the office voice mail by the Tuesday of the week you wish your information to be placed in the Parish Bulletin. All other calls should go to Fr. Gerald at 902-465-6063.

The Parish Office will re-open on June 14th, 2019.

TRANSITION TEAM – Fr. Gerald

This past Thursday evening, May 30, we had a meeting to finalize some of the details surrounding our planned upcoming Mass Schedule announcement along with the process for the naming of the Parish.

We also discussed the reality of our three Churches' preparation for the Parish Bulletin and the best reality as we move forward. As we work toward becoming one Parish, while being three individual sites, it is helpful to know what is going on in each of the three Churches.

We hope to be able to offer something with a variation of programs and activities in each of the Churches, so as to be able to grasp the interest of as many people, as we offer some formation and faith development for adults and for the young. Continue to add the work of the Transition Team to your daily Masses, prayers and devotions.

As we continue to discern through some of the particular realities that affect our three Churches, there is much to unpack and understand as we try and process and offer our best efforts to address and move forward as one Parish with three Churches.

TRANSITIONAL TEAM SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

As we continue our work with the mandate of the Transition Team, there are a number of items being considered. An important piece requiring a decision soon is the Sunday Mass Schedule for the three Churches.

As of August 1, 2019, the new Mass Schedule will be effective. It is also at this time we will have only two priests serving these three communities. We are working through the new Mass Schedule with several reasonable, practical, and spiritual realities in mind.

The following are some of the criteria being used to formulate a new schedule: (1) provision for Religious Education on Sunday (2) the accessibility of the Church and necessary facilities (3) currently the number of parishioners attending (4) a schedule that offers various times within the reasonable distance of travel (5) full and active participation, where the necessary ministries we have for Mass can offer a full compliment.

As we prepare to present this schedule we will do so with particular consideration of the above realities.

Please pray for us as a Transition Team as we bring some of these decisions forward. There is need for all of us to make some adjustments.

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Sunday evening from 7 pm – 7-45 pm at Saint Andrew Church.



Please join us as we pray for vocations, especially for Deacon/Brother Nathaniel FoH for answering his call to the priesthood and who will celebrate the Sacrament of Ordination on June 13th.

JUNE MONTH OF THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS

This month we are given an opportunity to reflect on the age-old devotion of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. It is through the Sacred Heart that we come



to recognize the power and love of the Good Shepherd – Jesus Christ. The pierced side of Jesus, water and blood flow out – this symbolizes the life-giving and life-renewing Sacraments of the Church. Jesus, gives us the great gift of mercy, this is the Father’s love poured out for us.

It is this love that moves us and inspires us to become God’s own again. The purpose of God the Father sending us His Son, was to bring us back to Him. This is no easy task for us to understand with our limited capacity, but simply put, we have a God who is so gracious and kind, one who waits for our return.

Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, have Mercy on us!

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

We have been receiving a number of requests for Baptisms in both Saint Andrew and Saint Clement Churches. This is truly a wonderful reality. We are experiencing new life. God is the author of human life and we are invited to be caretakers, to bring these lives back to God ... for worship and praise.



I am grateful that many young families have chosen to come to the Church to seek Baptism – the entry Sacrament to the Life of a Christian in the midst of this world.

Some weeks ago I asked for people who might be interested in joining and forming a Baptismal Team for each Church. I would ask that a central part of this new Team to be formed, would consider the task of keeping in touch with families who request Baptism. Being a community that continues to connect and accompany our new families is an important dimension to our faith and great for our Church.

NAMING OUR NEW PARISH

In the next couple of weeks we hope to be able to come to a decision about the New Parish Name that we will use to indicate our new Mission field – Saint Andrew, Saint Clement, and Saint John XXIII. Each will retain their name as the particular Church.

I want to thank each of you who have participated in this exercise of choosing a new name. There have been a number of submissions of various names, which demonstrates a good sense of involvement and excitement that this process has created.

The name chosen will be the name that we are given on January 1, 2020, when Archbishop Mancini establishes our three Churches as a Canonical Parish. Thank you for your participation in this process.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

On the Feast of Pentecost we will be celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation with some of our young people at Saint Andrew. As we pray for the gift of the Holy Spirit to pour out on each of us and on our Community of Faith – let’s keep these young people in our prayers; Lily Henman, Josh York, and Mathieu Landry (at a later date).



Each of the Sacraments give grace to those who receive them. At times, not really understanding what the Sacraments are, we can delay or put off celebrating a Sacrament until a more convenient time – however, if we are truly **disposed** and **understand** what we are celebrating, and we have the **resolve to celebrate our Faith** in the community of the Faith – why put it off.

We withhold from ourselves the very gift that could help us become even closer to Christ and better witnesses to His Love active in our lives.

ST. ANDREW CEMETERY CLEANUP



The Annual Cemetery “clean-up” will take place next Saturday **June 8th, 2019**, beginning at 9:30 am.

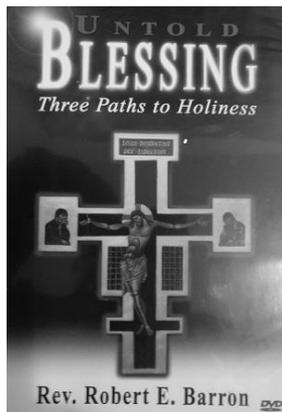
Parishioners are reminded that there should be no lights or ornaments on the grounds as this impedes with the mowing of the cemeteries.

If you are able to help please see Hazel Joyce or call her at 902-465-7726

UNTOLD BLESSING

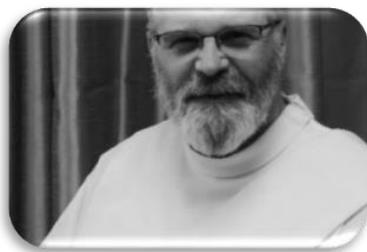
Three Paths to Holiness - by Rev. Robert Barron will be offered by Fr. Peter beginning Tuesday, May 21st and ending June 4th at St. Andrew Parish Centre, Disciples Way.

Sessions will begin at 7 pm and will last approximately 1.5 hours.



BR. NATHANAEL DESROCHES

To Be Ordained



Br. Nathanael Desroches of the Franciscans of Halifax will be ordained to the priesthood by Archbishop

Mancini.

The ordination will take place on June 13, 2019 at 7:00pm at Saint Mary’s Cathedral.

Br. Nathanael is a Deacon and currently serves as the Pastoral Administrator at St. Anthony’s Church in Dartmouth.

All are welcome to celebrate this important moment for Br. Nathaniel and the Archdiocese of Halifax-Yarmouth.

KOC BURSARY

The Knights of Columbus Council 10486 are pleased to accept applications for their Annual Bursary Program.



Eligible applicants would be those who are members of St. Andrews Parish or Our Lady of the Assumption Chapel, who have been accepted to an accredited post-secondary institute, including universities and trade schools, and who have not previously received a Bursary from the Council.

Applicants must provide a written letter application and a copy of a letter of acceptance from their chosen school to Father Joseph E Mills Council.

Applications may to be submitted to any member of the Knights of Columbus Council 10486. Applications will be reviewed by the Bursary Committee and awarded based on their recommendations.

Successful applicants, upon the receipt of a letter of admission to their chosen school, will be issued a cheque in the name of the school. Deadline for applications will be June 20. Late submissions cannot not be accepted.

For more information please contact Grand Knight Scott Faulkner at gk10486@gmail.com

CPC MOVING DAY:

May 31, 2019

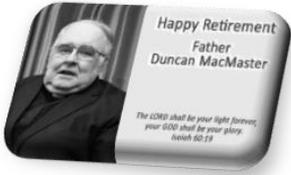


At the end of May the Diocesan Office (Catholic Pastoral Centre) will be moving to its new location. The date for

the physical move is Friday, May 31, 2019.

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**RETIREMENT PARTY FOR FR. DUNCAN
MACMASTER**



The faith community at Saint Rose of Lima Church in Fall River extend an invitation to past and present parishioners of Fr.

Duncan MacMaster to join with them at a retirement celebration for him on June 8, 2019. The party will be held at the Legion in Waverly from 7:00 pm to 10:00 pm.

If you would like to send an email for Father Duncan to be read during the celebration or for him to personally enjoy, please send or reply to: fatherduncanretires@gmail.com

Music and light snacks and sandwiches will be offered - as well as some storytelling!

Space is limited, so don't delay! We hope to see you in July!

PENTECOST PRAYER VIGIL



Come and pray for the Holy Spirit to renew and transform our Church! In preparation for Pentecost, Archbishop Mancini invites the people of God to gather with him at a Pentecost Prayer Service on Friday, June 7th at 7:00 pm at Saint Mary's Cathedral

Basilica.

As we seek to become New Parishes: Stronger Together we turn to the Holy Spirit's guidance to help us bring about the transformation and renewal needed in our local Church. Let us prepare for the Feast of Pentecost by uniting our hearts and minds in prayer for this great Grace!

Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. 1 Cor 12: 4-7

**WEEKLY COLLECTION
ST. ANDREW - ORDINARY REVENUE**

Ord. Rev.	#of Env	MAY 26/19	Average
Sunday Env	93	\$1535.00	\$16.50
Loose		\$881.95	
P.A.D.	15	\$250.00	\$16.70
Total	111	\$2416.95	

**NEW PRICES AT THE CATHOLIC
CEMETERIES OF HALIFAX**



Please note that there has been an increase to some of the prices at our three cemeteries.

This increase assists with the on-going care of the cemeteries and the work that needs to be done to ensure that proper care is given to all families making arrangements for themselves or their loved ones' resting place.

Availability at Mount Olivet Cemetery of special note, there are a limited number of traditional graves available for purchase at Mount Olivet Cemetery in Halifax. There is also space for a traditional burial at Gate of Heaven in Lower Sackville.

If you are interested in any of our services at Gate of Heaven, Holy Cross or Mount Olivet please contact Catholic Cemeteries of Halifax at 902-429-9800 ext. 308. Or visit our website at www.halifaxyarmouth.org/cemeteries

