

HOLY ROSARY PARISH BULLETIN

Westmount, NS

Parish Priest – Fr. Doug Murphy

Mass – Saturday 4:15 p.m. & Sunday 10:00 a.m.



March 1st & 2nd, 2025

THEME: Commitment to follow Jesus comes from the heart and must run deep. The word of God challenges us to look deep into ourselves to get beneath the appearances and know the thoughts of our inner desires. It is in our words and conversation that we reveal our true nature.

COLLECTION: \$ 2,198.00 (Income Tax Receipts are now available at the church entrance).

ASH WEDNESDAY: Mass at 6:30 p.m. Mass on Thursday and Friday at 6:30 p.m.

2024 CHURCH CONTRIBUTIONS:

Under \$100	\$100-\$199	\$200-\$299	\$300-\$399	\$400-\$499	\$500-\$599	\$600-\$699	\$700-\$799	\$800-\$899	\$900-\$999	\$1000-\$1299	\$2000-\$2999	\$3000-\$3999	\$5000-\$5999	\$20000-\$29999
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COMMUNION: Communion will be taken to the sick and the shut-in on Friday.

LENT: Lent is the yearly season that the church celebrates to commemorate our conversion to Jesus Christ. Lent prepares us for Easter when we recall our Baptism and encourages to prepare for the great feast of Easter, the greatest feast of the year. During the 40 days of Lent, we pay closer attention to God's Word which stresses our Baptism and the need to do penance.

BULLETIN NOTICES: Notices for the Parish Bulletin can be called in to Donna Lewis at 902-564-2047 or sent via e-mail to grahamanddonna@hotmail.com. It would be appreciated if all notices could be received by noon on Thursday. Thank you.

JUBILEE 2025: Pope Francis opened the Holy Door on Christmas Eve at St. Peter's Basilica to officially begin the Jubilee Year in the Church. The Jubilee Year will close on December 28th. The Jubilee is an opportunity for all of us to enter a pilgrimage of hope. The theme for the year is "Hope Does Not Disappoint". During the Jubilee Year, the Church focuses on mercy, reconciliation and the invitation to a deeper relationship with God. During the year, we are called to search for signs of hope and be signs of hope in our families, for our neighbors, the imprisoned, the sick and dying.

SCHOLARSHIP: KOC State Scholarship (\$1000.) applications are at local high school guidance offices. Connection to KOC via any family member; practical Catholic; NS resident completing gradeXII or attending first year educational school beyond high school. Full details at the guidance offices. Deadline for applications March 20th.

CONCERT: A Classical music Concert will be held at St. Mary's Church. East Bay, Sunday, March 2, at 3:00 p.m. Admission: donation at the door. The concert features Kathryn Gordon on piano, Barbel Albert on violin and Geoffrey Lee-Dadswell on cello.

ST. PETER'S JOURNEY: Join Us for St. Peter's Journey. The Catholic Women's League invites you to St. Peter's Journey: A Story of Faith, Repentance, and the Transformative Power of God's Grace experienced through scripture, art, music, and reflection. This powerful Lenten event offers a meaningful way to prepare our hearts for Easter. There will be two one-hour live performances: Wednesday, March 19th at 7:00 p.m. Holy Redeemer Church and Sunday, March 23rd at 2:00 p.m. St Marguerite Bourgeoys. All performances are free of charge. Everyone is welcome. Join us for fellowship after each presentation! Bring a friend and be inspired by the story of the man who became the rock of the Church!

THE MANY FACES OF CHRISTIAN PRAYER: You are invited to join us for two sessions on prayer and the many ways we can come to God in our prayer. On Saturday, March 22nd from 10:00 a.m. until noon and Saturday, March 29th from 10:00 a.m. until noon (Weather date if needed is Saturday, April 12th from 10:00 a.m. until noon. Sessions will be held at Bethel Presbyterian Church Hall, 9 Brookland Street, Sydney. Sessions are facilitated by members of the Cape Breton Local of the Atlantic Association of Spiritual Directors. There is no fee although a donation is welcomed. Registration is required to reserve your space. To register, please contact: Gary Fancey (gafancey@netscape.net) (902-862-7580) or Julia Townsend (juliat@eastlink.ca) (902-562-8423)

FIDDLER FOR THE ROOF ALL-AGES SQUARE DANCE: Featuring Joe MacMaster and Friends on Saturday, March 1st from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Our Lady of Fatima Church Hall, Sydney River. Doors open at 6:30 pm. Admission by donation, funds to help repair the glebe roof. **(Note this is an all-ages dance; those under 19 must be accompanied by an adult)**

CBU CHAPLAINCY GIFT CARD GIVEAWAY: All CBU students (ID required) are invited to get their free gift card on Shrove Tuesday, March 4th, in Chaplaincy from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Special thanks to the Congregation of Notre Dame and Donald F. Campbell Fund for supplying \$7500 in free gift cards from Sobeys, Atlantic Superstore, Giant Tiger and The Shoe Tree. CBU Student Union will also be present providing free grocery packages.

FRENCH MASS: Il y aura une messe en français au Centre Communautaire Étoile de l'Acadie, (15 rue Inglis, Sydney,) samedi le 8 mars, 2025 à 17:30. Un souper de genre " Potluck " suivra avec de la musique par Le Cercle Musicale de la région de Sydney. Tous sont les bienvenus!

There will be a Mass in French at the Centre Communautaire Étoile de L'Acadie (15 Inglis St, Sydney,) on Saturday March 8, 2025, at 5:30PM. Potluck supper to follow along with music from Le Cercle Musicale de la région de Sydney. Everyone welcome!

TEA & TALK: Tuesday, March 18th from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. An invitation to join with other women to share Tea and Talk at Holy Redeemer Convent, Whitney Pier. This invitation is open to women of all ages. This is an attempt to provide an opportunity for women to join with others to simply share a cup of tea and to experience the joy of being together. For further information, please phone 902-270-4840 or 902-539-6331.