

HOLY ROSARY PARISH BULLETIN

Westmount, NS

Parish Priest – Fr. Doug Murphy

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



March 22nd & 23rd, 2025

THEME: Some may believe that they deserve the good things they received in life and that people to whom bad things have happened somehow deserved those bad things. Jesus insists that it is not because of their sin that those bad things happened and that those things could happen to anyone. Bad things happening in the world is an effect of sin, but it is not a direct effect of personal sin.

COLLECTION: \$ 1,983.50

EVENING PRAYER OF THE CHURCH: Tonight (Sunday), March 23rd at 7:00 p.m.

FEASTS THIS WEEK: Feast of The Annunciation of the Lord

WEEKDAY MASS: Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. Thursday and Friday at 9:00 a.m.

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; practicing Catholic; NS resident completing grade XII or attending first year educational school beyond high school. Full details at the guidance offices. Deadline for applications March 20th.

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!

FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION AND DEVOTION TO THE IMMACULATE HEART OF

MARY: Mass will be held at Stella Maris Church, Louisbourg, on the first Saturday of the month of April through to August in devotion to the Immaculate Heart. Mass is at 9:00 am, Rosary begins half an hour before Mass, on April 5th, May 3rd, June 7th, July 5th, and August 2nd. At Fatima, the Blessed Mother asked that faithful Catholics observe five First Saturday Masses. The Blessed Mother explained, "I promise to assist at the hour of death with all the graces necessary for salvation all those who, on the first Saturday of five consecutive months, go to Confession and receive Holy Communion, recite five decades of the Rosary and keep me company for a quarter of an hour (15 minutes) while meditating on the mysteries of the Rosary, with the intention of making reparation to me." Father IK is available to hear confession prior to Mass, or at any of the weekday Masses prior, or upon request. All are welcome.

PASCHAE AMADEUS: CHORAL MUSIC FOR EASTER: Featuring the music of Brahms, Dett, Mendelssohn, and Mozart. Performed by the Cape Breton Chorale with Ryan Billington, Conductor and Paula Jane Francis, Organ/Piano, Brandon Mollon, Assistant Director. Sunday, April 13th St. Andrews Presbyterian 3 Queen St., Sydney Mines at 3:00 p.m. \$30 general admission. Tickets available through capebretonchorale.com, (902) 270-2591 or at the door.

DEANERY DAY OF RECONCILIATION: Deanery Day of Reconciliation Saturday April 12 Our Lady of Fatima 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Sacrament of Reconciliation before all Masses

DEVELOPMENT & PEACE: Development and Peace Collection on the 5th Sunday of Lent, April 6th: Caritas Canada places human dignity at the heart of its mission. They support communities in the Global South in taking charge of their own development through projects that address the root causes of poverty. In the last year, they supported 79 community development and humanitarian aid projects in 34 countries in Africa, Asia, Eastern Europe, Latin America and the Middle East. 11.2 million people were reached by these overseas projects and programs. \$9.9 million was invested.

SILVER ROSE CEREMONY: Knights of Columbus Council 9476 Sydney River invites you to the "Silver Rose" ceremony honoring our Blessed Mother, Our Lady of Guadalupe, to express unity and reaffirm our dedication to the sanctity of human life. Learn the story of the Silver Rose as it travels North America, Wednesday, April 16th at 6:00 p.m. at Holy Redeemer Parish, Whitney Pier.

KOC 4TH DEGREE: There will be a 4th Degree KOC Assembly 797 General Meeting Sunday March 6th 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at Our Lady of Fatima Parish, MacMann Room. Masks and Vaccination Proof required.