

HOLY ROSARY PARISH BULLETIN

Westmount, NS

Parish Priest – Fr. Doug Murphy

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



December 2nd & 3rd, 2023

THEME: At the opening of a new year in the Church's cycle of worship, the tone of our liturgy is confident. We trust the Lord who bids us to be vigilant for signs of his presence among us, to keep us steadfast in witnessing to the faith we profess.

COLLECTIONS: \$ 2,158.00 *2024 Church Envelopes are now available for pickup at the church entrance*.

DAILY MASS: Wednesday and Thursday at 9:00 a.m. Friday at 11:00 a.m.

FEASTS THIS WEEK:

Wednesday: St. Nicholas – Bishop
Thursday: St. Ambros, Bishop and doctor
Friday: The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Invitation: Join me on Friday at 11:00 a.m for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. After Mass, all are invited upstairs to share my birthday cake which the CWL gave me last Sunday.

ADVENT: Advent is a two-fold character. As a season to prepare for Christmas when Christ's first coming to us is remembered and as a season when that remembering directs our minds and heart to await Christ's Second Coming at the end of time. It is a time of devout and joyful expectation. Advent will only be three weeks this year, since the fourth Sunday is the Eve of Christmas.

BULLETIN NOTICES: Notices for the parish bulletin can be called in to Donna Lewis at 902-564-2047 or sent via e-mail at grahamanddonna@hotmail.com. It would be appreciated if notices could be sent by Thursday afternoon. Thank you!

SUNDAY MISSALS: The new missals are now available at the church entrance. Cost is \$ 5.00

THE ROAD TO BETHLEHEM: The Road to Bethlehem, a project of the KOC, will be held at our parish next Sunday at 7:00 p.m. We will gather as Pilgrims and experience the journey of Mary and Joseph as they travel to Bethlehem. Through scripture, song and prayer the longing anticipation and the joy of the Advent Season will come alive. It will also include the Las Posadas play – The story of Mary and Joseph seeking shelter as they travel to Bethlehem. The evening will end with refreshments and song in the Church. Plan to attend and invite your neighbors and friends to attend with you. Below is the schedule for the project. All start at 7:00 p.m.

December 3 rd : Marguerite Bourgeoys
December 10th: Holy Rosary:
December 13 th : Stella Maris – Louisbourg
December 17 th : Our Lady of Fatima



CWL:

COLLECTIONS: We continue to collect the pop tabs and eyeglasses. **We are no longer collecting plastic caps.**

CHURCH LINENS: December – Lillian Wylde

FUNERAL RECEPTIONS: Group # 1

LOAVES & FISHES: Group 2

HOMELESS SHELTERS: The Men's & Women's Homeless Shelters need personal items. Razors, shaving gel, new underwear, shampoo, deodorant, and socks for both men and women. Also needed are rain gear, towels, and face cloths. A box will be placed at the entrance to the church until the end of January for anyone who wishes to donate. Thank you.

CHRISTMAS LUNCH: Our Christmas Lunch will be held on December 13th at HERS at 1:00 p.m. Cost is \$ 20.00. Would those attending please put money in an envelope marked CWL LUNCH with your name and place it in the collection basket or give to Jackie Burton by December 7th. HERS needs an exact number. If the cost of the lunch is not received by December 7th, we will assume you will not be attending.

BAKE SALE: Our Annual Christmas Bake Sale will be held this weekend so a reminder to bring along a few dollars for some early Christmas treats!

ADOPT-A-FAMILY: We are once again adopting a family this Christmas. There is a jar at the church entrance for anyone wishing to donate. Thank you.

YEAR END REPORTS: We will be completing the year end reports on Wednesday, December 6th at 1:00 p.m. in the glebe.

FRENCH MASS: Il y aura une messe en français au Centre Communautaire Etoile de l'Acadie, (15 rue Inglis, Sydney, N-É) Samedi le 9 décembre, 2023 à 17:30. Un souper de genre " Pot Luck " suivra avec de la musique française 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, NS) on Saturday December 9, 2023, at 5:30 p.m. Potluck supper to follow along with french music from Le Cercle Musicale de la région de Sydney. Everyone welcome!

SOCIAL EVENTS:

<p>CHRISTMAS WITH THE CAPE BRETON CHORALE: Sunday, December 17th at 3:00 p.m. Church of Christ the King – 19 Trinity Avenue, Sydney. \$ 30.00 General Admission. Tickets by calling 902-270-2591 or from members or online at capebretonchorale.com with a limited number being available at the door.</p>

THOUGHT: From the Eucharist comes strength to live the christian life and zeal to share that life with others. (Pope St. John Paul II)