

HOLY ROSARY PARISH BULLETIN

Westmount, NS

Parish Priest – Fr. Doug Murphy

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



January 27th & 28th, 2024

THEME: At Baptism, we were invited to be prophets and spokespersons for God. It is a great privilege and responsibility which is affirmed today as we reflect on the way Jesus spoke and acted in the synagogue.

COMMUNION: Communion will be taken to the sick and the shut in on Friday.

2023 PARISH STATISTICS:

Baptisms: 4	Marriages: 1	Deaths: 15
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2023 PARISH INCOME:

Under \$100	\$100-\$199	\$200-\$299	\$300-\$399	\$400-\$499	\$500-\$599	\$600-\$699	\$700-\$799	\$800-\$899	\$900-\$999	\$1000-\$1999	\$2000-\$2999	\$4000-\$4999	\$20,000-\$29,000
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FEASTS THIS WEEK:

Wednesday: St. John Bosco – Priest
Friday: The Presentation of the Lord – World Day for Consecrated Life – A Day set apart to celebrate the commitment and fervor of women and men in religious communities
Saturday: St. Bruno – Bishop & Martyr

COLLECTIONS: Regular: \$ 1,684.00

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

SEASON OF LENT: The Season of Lent will begin on Ash Wednesday, February 14th and Easter will be celebrated on March 31st.

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!

CATHOLIC
and **LIVING IT!**

CWL:

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

CHURCH LINENS: February – Georgette Skinner

LOAVES & FISHES: Group # 2

HOMELESS SHELTERS: This is the last weekend we will be accepting donations for the homeless shelters. Thank you to parishioners for your generous response.

IMPORTANT MATTERS TO THINK ABOUT:

- According to Campaign Life Publication, the birth rate in Canada sits around 1.33. Canada needs 2.1 children per woman for our population to replace itself and to maintain our current social institutions.
- The Canadian Catholic Bishops recently reminded 129 Catholic Health Care facilities that the church regards life as sacred and inviolable and is opposed to MAID – Medical Assistance in Dying
- In Nigeria, the International Society for Civil Liberties, indicate that since 2009, fifty thousand Nigerian Christians have been killed and eighteen thousand churches have been destroyed through “murderous violence.”

MURDER IN THE CATHEDRAL: A play, written by T.S. Eliot and Directed by Russell Colman will take place at the Boardmore Playhouse from February 13th – 17th at 7:00 p.m. and on Friday, February 18th at 2:00 p.m. (February 16th is Pay What you Choose or a Food Bank Donation). In a place that seems familiar to us, a group of people, like us, re-enacts the killing of an archbishop on the altar steps in his own church. This is the framework for the Boardmore Playhouse production of Murder in the Cathedral. The play tells the story of the murder of Thomas Becket, the Archbishop of Canterbury by four noblemen acting at the bidding of King Henry II in the year 1170 CE. While Murder in the Cathedral is a story of historical martyrdom, it asks us to look more carefully at the idea of martyrdom itself, of sacrifice and temptation. In our lives, we can ask: What would I give my life for? What sacrifices have I made or could have made for a greater good? What in my life tempts me away from my better self? How do we choose the right thing to do, and more importantly, Eliot asks: Did we do the right thing for the right reason? For further info, contact Russell Colman at rwcolman@yahoo.com or 902-567-3730.