

SAINT THERESA'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH 381 WHITNEY AVENUE; P.O. BOX 367 SYDNEY, NOVA SCOTIA, BIP 6H2

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Parish Council: Kim Carroll	Welcome all who join us in Worship!	Food Bank: 902.564.9235
902.564-0097	www.sainttheresasydney.com	
St. Theresa Parish Hall: 902.564.8555		Secretary: Flora Marchand
Weekend Masses:	Saturday NO MASS DUE TO CHRISTMAS Sunday 11:00am	Holy Hour Sat:
Sacristan: Pat Parago	Thurs , Fri. 12:10 pm	Confessions Sat:
Men's Club: Ken MacNeil 562-2386	No weekday mass if Funeral *	Or on request
CWL: Pres. Denise Forgeron 564-4037	No Holy Hour/ conf. if wedding/ Funeral *	
Hall: Alex LeBlanc 902.304-3344	Thursday Prayer Group 2:00 PM church Has resumed	
Bulletin items must be in by 5pm on Wed. Office # 902.564.4222	Office Hours – CLOSED Mon, Tues, will reopen Wed. @9am	



December 25th, 2021 – Christmas Day

He did as the angel of the Lord had commanded him ... She bore a son and (they) named him Jesus. Gospel))

New Year's Mass: 1 am New Year's Day at St. Theresa's Church. There will be no regular 4:15 mass on Saturday evening only 11:00 am on Sunday morning Jan 2/2022. There is no pre-registration – first come basis. until maximum reached. No weekday masses between Christmas and New Year's

Dear Parishioners, & Friends of Saint Theresa's Church, we have come to the end of a very difficult year and just when we thought is was getting better again, we have had limitations placed upon us.

Advent Season has ended Christmas is upon us! Tonight we celebrate the Vigil of Christmas and the first Mass of the Nativity of Our Lord, is celebrated.

We all have much to be grateful to God for, as we reflect upon the individual and collective blessings we have received throughout the year. Above all, however, we need to so thankful to our loving God and Creator who out of His love sent His Son into this world for us. He offers to all peoples, of all times, the opportunity to inherit eternal life through the redemption and salvation that the Lord Jesus, the Messiah, offers to all humanity. I want to take this opportunity to express my sincere thanks to all of you that have made this Christmas as good of a celebration as we are able to have. I want to wish to all of you a most Blessed Christmas with your family, relatives and friends.

I also want to take this opportunity to thank all who in anyway give of themselves in service of the parish family here at Saint Theresa's Church. To all present and past members of the Parish family, Finance Committee, Organist, Choirs, Lector-Readers, Altar Servers, Ushers, Church and Event Decorators, Extra Ordinary Eucharistic Ministers, Members of the Committees and religious education, to our prayer groups and, Money Counters to Alex, Flora and Pat P, as well at Pat M, Debbie, Gilles, Debbie, Kevin, Kim, Ken, Denise, Our CWL, Men's Club and KOC and to each and every member of our parish community, thank you for all of your support through these trying times. I would also like to thank all of you who dropped off gifts and cards and for the kind words and thoughts you have expressed. They are greatly appreciated.

HAVE A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS, AND HAVE A HAPPY, HEALTHY AND HOLY NEW YEAR 2022! BLESSINGS, Father Dennis

St. Theresa: Christmas Flowers: IMO of Walter Hagen Sr, Walter Hagen Jr., Deceased members of the Hagen & O'Flaharty Families from Ada Hagen; IMO George & Refine MacNeil, Alfred & Irene Youden from Alf & Gloria Youden; IMO Phonse Farrell, Deceased members of Farrell Family & Lundergan Family from Gen Farrell; IMO Florence Hayes from CB Support Club; IMO Albert & Violet Alexander, Bob & Sadie Wells from Laurier & Betty Wells; IMO William DeLeski Sr, William Jr., Deceased member of DeLieski Family, Sampson Family, Gloria Rogers & Family from Betty, Catherine & Jason DeLeski; IMO Jim MacLean, Gregory MacLean, Liz & Ronnie MacLean from Joyce MacLean; IMO of Jack Decourcy from Theresa Decourcy; IMO Gealze McIntyre, Winnifred McIntyre, Robert McIntyre from Kevin McIntyre; IMO James & Annie Strang, Albert Strang, Mark James Strang from J. MacInnis; IMO Eva Tracey from Elizabeth Sampson.

Memory Tree: IMO of my Dad Eldon Miller; IMO Jack Decourcy from Theresa Decourcy; IMO Audrey & Fred Hill, Matilda & John Ferrar from Sybil & Jim Ferrar; IMO Catherine McCormick, Claire McCormick Poppett, Brendon McCormick from Kevin McCormick; IMO John & Marie Mullins, Bob& Rita Sawlor, Brenda & Greg Sawlor, from Walter & Elaine Sawlor; IMO Grandparents Henry & Rebecca Pottie; IMO of Long Families & Baker Families; IMO Deceased Members of Farrow & Langlois Families; IMO Joseph & Florence Hureau, Margaret Jurcina from Ann Robertson; IMO Deceased Members of the MacDougall Family, The MacIsaac Family, the Langer Family from Jeanette MacDougall, sons John & Ian; IMO of Mother-in-law & Father-in-law Clyde & Rose Sampson; IMO both our parents from Laurier & Betty Wells; Anne Marie & Jimmie Campbell; Elizabeth MacDonald; IMO Alex Calder, Jasmine Galloway, Mr. & Mrs. Charles Wall, Sr., Mr. & Ervine Wall; Delores & Lynn MacLeod, Wick MacCormack, Joe Snow, Sr., Norma Wall, Claire Wall, Mary Wall from Bonita Calder & Family; IMO Michael & Cecilia Lahey from Donna MacNeil; IMO Kay & Johnnie Aucoin, from the Myatt Family, Katherine & Laurie Myatt from the Myatt Family;

<u>Please Note: To rent the hall please call Alex at 902-564-8555 leave a message or call his cell</u> 902-304-3344

<u>Mass for Shut-Ins:</u> Mass will be airing Christmas Day Mass, Saturday at 1130am Bishop Wayne Kirkpatrick will be the presider for that Mass this year.

*****ST THERESA'S CWL NEWS*****

St. Theresa CWL Rosary Project: The St. Theresa Rosary Project of the St. Theresa CWL continues with 114,076 If you have rosaries to add please call Betty DeLeski @902-539-6170

Looking for people: to help Alex with shoveling snow during the winter months, minimum wage, must respond when called. If available, please call Alex at 902-304-3344

PLEASE DO NOT PARK NEXT TO THE CHURCH DURING THE WINTER MONTHS. SNOW AND ICE CAN FALL FROM THE ROOF DAMAGING VEHICLES.

<u>Religious Education:</u> Reconciliation/Confession Parent Meeting January 9th, 2022_at ST. Theresa's Parish Hall at 7:00 p.m. First Reconciliation or First Confession Classes for children in Grade 4 and 5. A schedule will be provided at the Parent Meeting.

<u>Confirmation</u>: candidates for confirmation Grade 9 and up or ages 13 years and up, please call the Religious Education office 902-562-0070 or the Parish office 902-564-4222

<u>St. Theresa' Men's Club:</u> will meet January 9th 2022at 7:00 pm in the parish hall. Meetings are held first Sunday of each month except for Holidays, or long weekends then the meeting will be held the following Sunday. <u>The winner of the \$500.00 Cash</u> Drawn on December 12th by Nicole MacIsaac the <u>winner is Kelsey Gray.</u> Thank you all for your support.

<u>Job offering</u>: Looking for someone with computer skills to do data entry once a week – flexible hours Accounting knowledge an asset. Please send info to PO box 367 Sydney, NS B1P 6H2. or drop in mail box at Parish office.

<u>Dear Parishioners: restrictions are bac in place: LIMIT OF 50% TO MAX OF 50</u> masks will continue to be mandatory for indoor public places the physical distancing requirement are back in place, There are restrictions on singing no congregational singing allowed.

Here is a link to the Corona Virus concerning restrictions and guidance: https://novascotia.ca/coronavirus/restrictions-and-guidance/

A Warm Welcome to Our <u>New Parishioners!</u> Interested in joining Saint Theresa's Parish Family? Please let us know who you are and we will be happy to offer you more information and introduce you to our Parish life. Just fill out the form, (found at the entrances or online) place it in the basket. It's great to have you with us.

This week in the Diocese: http://www.antigonishdiocese.com/images/ThisMonthintheDiocese.pdf

Thank You for your Generous Support! Please Pray for one another!

Due to the Pandemic we have lost 50% of our revenue and Christmas masses are restricted please drop of your offerings to the Parish office before the end of the Year to take advantage of this year's tax savings.