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SOLLEMNITY OF CHRIST THE KING NOVEMBER 24, 2024

"You say I am a King. For this I was born and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth." (Gospel)

Parish Council: Kim Carroll 902-564-0097	Welcome all who join us in Worship! www.sainttheresasydney.com	
	St. Theresa Parish Hall: 902.564-8555	
Weekend Masses:	Sat 4:15 pm Sunday 11:00am	Secretary : Flora Marchand
Sacristan: Pat Parago	Weekday Mass Thursday, Friday 12:10	
Men's Club: Ken MacNeil 902-562-2386	No weekday mass if Funeral *	CWL President Patricia
Hall: Alex LeBlanc: 902.564-8555	Thursday Prayer Group 2:00 pm in the church	
	Office Hours - Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs. 9:00 till noon	

<u>MASS INTENTIONS: NO MASSES</u> Thursdays & Fridays for the next two weeks. <u>Nov. 23/24-Saturday Trevor Rutherford; Nov. 24/24 Sunday-Theresa & Peter Morrison, Nov. 30/24-Jim MacLean; Dec. 1st/24 – Greg <u>MacLeanCollection for NOV,10, 2024:</u> Envelopes-\$1988.35; Bldg. Fund-\$710.00; Pastors Dues-\$372.00; Donation-\$250.00; Food Bank-\$20.00; Needs of Canadian Church-\$10.00; Antigonish Diocesan-\$10.00; Cemetery-\$10.00; Candles \$455.05; PADS-\$340.15</u>

<u>Collection for Nov.17. 2024</u>: Envelopes-\$1,464.05; Bldg. Fund-\$276.35; Pastors Dues-\$71.00; Shepherd Trust-\$454.00; Food Bank-\$220.00; Christmas Cheer-\$20.00; Missals -\$58.00; Cemetery-\$400.00; Rent-\$1,500.00; PADS-\$340.15

<u>Registration for Christmas Cheer:</u> Monday, November 25th in the Parish Hall from 1:00-2:00 pm. This is the last day for registration!

<u>Provincial Grant- Nova Scotia Community Facilities Improvement:</u> Recently St. Theresa's Hall was informed it will receive a grant of approximately \$47,200.00 from the Nova Scotia Department of Communities, Culture and Heritage. This grant will be for the improvement of Hall's kitchen, new kitchen doors and 225 new chairs for the hall. The grant amount represents 75% of the total cost of the work to be done. The St. Theresa's Hall Committee and I applied for this grant last Spring; and the Committee has begun the steps for this work to take place. --- Fr. Evo.

<u>St.Theresa's Parish</u> will be starting First Holy Communion Classes and First Confession classes in January 2025. If you have children ready to receive these sacraments, please register by calling St. Theresa's Parish. For more information please call: 902-564-4222 or 902-549-3768.

St. Theresa's CWL Christmas Supper: will be held December 1st, 2024. General Meeting at 5:00 pm followed by Social and Supper at 6:30 pm. Tickets \$20.00 now available from Wanda 902-539-5342; Ada 902-539-0128; Gen 902-539-8535; Betty 902-217-3393. Tickets must be purchased by November 24, 2024.

St. Theresa CWL Rosary Project: The St. Theresa Rosary Project of the St. Theresa CWL continues with 149,950. Any parishioners who pray the rosary and wish to have it recorded in the bulletin can take a sheet available at the main entrance of the church, to fill out and put it in the collection basket at mass. No names required on these sheets.

<u>Christmas Flowers:</u> Anyone wishing to make a donation to the flowers for Christmas would be greatly appreciated or in memory of someone, please put your name and envelope number on a plain envelope and mark it Christmas Flowers and drop it in the collection. Thank you!

KOC 9476 will be hosting a Christmas Magic Show, December 14th at Our Lady of Fatima Hall 10:00 am. The Christmas Story will be enacted, a magic show and treats to follow with a visit from Santa. Sydney River Fire will also be present with a static display on Christmas safety. All children must be accompanied by a parent.

<u>Classical Christmas Concert</u> will be held Dec. 15th, 2024 at St. Mary's Church, East Bay at 3:00 pm. The concert will feature Katheryn Gordon on piano and Barbel Albert on violin and special guest Geoffrey Le-Dadswell on cello. Admission donation at the door for St.Mary's Parish and Loaves & Fishes.

<u>Holy Rosary Circle:</u> Join us on Thursday, Dec. 5th for a showing of "Love and Mercy: Faustina" This is an inspiring story Saint Maria Faustina Kowalska of the Blessed Sacrament. St. Fautina has a great following both in her native Poland and around the world. Join us for this truly amazing story! Tea & cookies will be served. There is <u>no charge</u> for this event. All are welcome. There are no strangers, only friends we haven't met.

St. Marguerite Bourgeoys and MacIntyre Chevrolet are selling tickets on a brand new car! Tickets are available for sale on a Chevrolet Trax LS. Cost of the tickets is \$50.00. Only 1200 tickets sold. They can be purchased at the church office during regular working hours or from the following members of Parish Council: Ronnie Martin 902-562-8530 or Tom Ripley 902-565-4452. Tickets will also be sold before and after week-end masses. The winning ticket will be drawn on New Year's Eve at 4 0'clock mass. Good luck everyone!

<u>The Ecumenical-Interfaith Group</u> will be meeting for an hour of Prayer and Reflection in the Shaw Room, Bethel Presbyterian Parish Hall, Dec. 6th beginning at noon. Refreshments to follow.

<u>United Heritage Church</u> is once again hosting the Hanging of the Greens taking place this year on Sunday, December 1st at 3:30 pm. Admission Freewill offering!

<u>Preparing the Way – John the Baptist</u> is a live performance featuring Scripture, famous works of Art, magnificent music sung by a choir, and thoughtful reflection. Preparing the Way brings alive the story of John the Baptist as he urged a return to the Lord and heralded the arrival of Jesus Christ. This is an extraordinary way to experience the true meaning of Christmas. There will be two performances of Preparing the Way:

7:00 PM Wednesday, November 20th at Our Lady of Fatima Church, Sydney River

2:00 PM Sunday, November 24th at St. Marguerite Bourgeoys Church, Sydney.

Join Us! Admission is without charge.

The Road to Bethlehem

Come and journey with us as Pilgrims experiencing the excitement and anticipation of the Advent Season. The Road to Bethlehem is loosely based on the Mexican Festival of "Las Posadas" (The Inns), which is the reenactment of Mary and Joseph seeking shelter as they journey to Bethlehem.

Over five nights the Christian community will gather in song, reflection, and celebration anticipating the Birth of Jesus Christ. Bring your family and especially children! Join us and experience the true meaning of Christmas!

The Road to Bethlehem Schedule

December 1st St. Marguerite Bourgeoys Church - Sydney 7:00 pm

December 8th Our Lady of Fatima Church – Syd River 7:00 pm

December 11th Immaculate Conception Church - Main-a-Dieu 7:00 pm

December 15th Holy Rosary Church – Westmount 7:00 pm

December 22nd Wentworth Park Bandshell 7:00 pm