

Parish of Saint Leonard

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Our Pastoral Centre is presently located at 5310 Union Highway, River Ryan, NS, B1H 1B2

OFFICE HOURS - MONDAY TO FRIDAY - 9:30 AM - 12 NOON AND 1:30 - 4:00 PM

CHAPEL HOURS - MONDAY FROM 1:30-4:00 PM, TUESDAY TO FRIDAY - 9:30 AM - 12 NOON AND 1:30 - 4:00 PM

Our mission: To be a visible sign of the Body of Christ in our welcome, witness and celebration of all that we are as People of God.

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Trinity Sunday

May 30, 2010

Reading I: Proverbs 8:22-31 (Wisdom)
Reading II: Romans 5:1-5 (Peace with God Through Christ)
Gospel: John 16:12-15 (The Spirit of Truth)

We Remember... Our celebrations of Christian Burial ...

We pray for those who have died, especially *Wayne Aucoin, Mary A. (MacCormick) Fuhrer, Fred MacDonald, Diane MacEachern and Annie May McNeil.*

We Celebrate ...

Our Sunday Gatherings for Eucharist

Saturday	4:00 PM
Sunday	9:00 AM
	11:00 AM

Our Daily Gatherings This Week

Monday	10:00 AM	Eucharist followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Scriptural Rosary and Benediction
Tuesday	10:00 AM	Eucharist
Wednesday & Thursday	6:30 PM	Eucharist
Friday	10:00 AM	Eucharist

****Please note:** *In the case of a funeral in our parish, daily mass (morning or evening) and exposition are cancelled.*

Sacrament of Baptism

Baptisms are held on the third weekend of each month, at our 4 PM Saturday and 11 AM Sunday Liturgies.

If you wish to celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism, please contact the Pastoral Centre (862-2255).

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Before Evening Masses (Wednesday & Thursday), or by appointment.

Sacrament of Marriage

If you wish to celebrate the Sacrament of Marriage, please contact the Pastoral Centre at least 6 months in advance.

We Believe ... Today we celebrate the great mystery of the Trinity, Three Persons in One: God the Father, God the Son, God the Holy Spirit. This great mystery is expressed in the blessing Sign of the Cross, with which we begin and end every prayer and with which we bless ourselves and other. In everything that Jesus said and did, he revealed God's truth. What is God's truth? It is love, for God is love. With Jesus' death and Resurrection, God's truth came to dwell in us through the power of the Holy Spirit, fulfilling the promise of Jesus in today's Gospel. God the Father, the Creator of all, first revealed his love in his creation. Then the Father sent Jesus, the Son, to reveal unconditional love through Jesus' life, death and Resurrection. Finally, the Holy Spirit, sent by the Father and the Son, lives in us, the Church. The Holy Spirit makes Jesus present in us, and so in us, the love of God continues to be revealed to the world.

Questions of the Week

Adults: How does the belief in a relational God affect the way I treat others?

Children: I know God loves me. How can I show my friends that God also loves them very much?



The Sacrament of Confirmation

On Pentecost Sunday, **May 23, 2010**, Bishop Brian Dunn was in our community for the celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation. The following young men and women were confirmed by him at that time:

*Holli Lorraine Aucoin
Patrick Charles Azer
Breanne Louise Barry
Brittany Marie Boutillier
Andrew Joseph Briggs
Kevin James Burke
Erik Daniel Campbell
Jenna Marie Campbell
Kenzie Arthur Campbell
Melanie Elizabeth Campbell
Jenna Michelle Caudle
Josh Oliver Caume
Meagan Catherine Coady
Karlene Nichole Darroch
Audrina Marie DeGiobbi
Christena Marie Dilny
Kenzie Alexander Dowie*

*Jeremy Justin Fraser
Kaisey Taylor Fraser
Lawrence "Osty" Gale
Alissa Lorelle Leadbeater
Larissa Brianna LeBlanc
Cody Francis MacArthur
Luke Joseph MacArthur
Colin Daniel MacDonald
Brittany Lynn MacEachern
Shelby Danielle MacEachern
Clare Frances MacIsaac
Liam Connor Russell MacKenzie
Jordan Nicholas MacKinnon
Adriana Kathleen Marie MacLean
Brittany Lynn MacLean
Jennifer Lynn MacNeil*

*Michael Anthony MacNeil
Jarrett Mitchell MacPherson
Gerralyann Stephane Mason
Morgan Olivia McGillivray
Mark William McLeod
Kaitlyn Dawn Murphy
Kaleb Ryan Murphy
Craig Garfield Oliver
Michael Thomas Power
Stephanie Jean Rankin
Courtney Lynn Tighe
Eric William Walzak
Mason Robert White
Brendon Tyler Williamson
Emily June Wilson
Christopher Gregory Young*



Congratulations to our Confirmands of the Parish of Saint Leonard who are now fully initiated members of our Church Community. Thank you to their parents/caregivers and sponsors who journeyed with them throughout their preparation. Thank you to Bishop Brian Dunn and all those who participated in the Confirmation Liturgy. Thank you also to our CWL ladies for hosting the lovely reception at the Parish Hall. A special thank-you to Father Doug and all those who supported our monthly Youth Masses, including the musicians who showed up faithfully each month to lead us in song. May your lives be enriched and blessed as you continue to share your gifts and talents with and for the people of the church and the world!

In Our Parish

Our Children's Liturgy of the Word takes place **each Sunday at our 11 AM Mass**. This is an opportunity for the children to hear and discuss the readings of the day in a separate space during mass, and to help them to know and understand God's Word!



Challenge & Cursillo Mass

A Mass for Challengers and Cursillistas from our parish will take place on **Friday, June 11, at 7:00 PM**, to accommodate as many parishioners as possible. We have so many young people and adults who have experienced the joy, blessings and graces of these two amazing movements and weekends in our Catholic Church. This is an open invitation to all of you in the greater New Waterford area to gather together and re-ignite the faith, joy and enthusiasm of our life-giving Christian faith together. You are invited to bring snacks, squares or cookies to our celebration for our social to follow. Thanks.

Hospitality Ministry in our Parish

A Minister of Hospitality is often the first person worshippers meet when they arrive at a church. This person has the opportunity and the responsibility to represent the rest of the assembly in offering hospitality to parishioners and visitors alike. Ministers of Hospitality also assist in taking up the Sunday Collections and help to seat people at large gatherings. At this time, our parish needs additional Ministers of Hospitality for our three weekend masses. Any persons who are interested in serving in this ministry are asked to call Helen (862-2515) or the Pastoral Centre (862-2255)

Year of the Priest

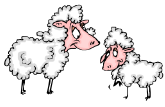
On Wednesday, May 26, a large number of our Parishioners gathered at our Parish Hall for a Prayer Service followed by hospitality to mark The Year of the Priest, and in a special way, to honor and affirm our own priests - **Father Paul & Father Doug**. We thank all those who attended this beautiful evening of prayer and fellowship! Much appreciation is also extended to those who contributed in any way with the organization of this event - music ministers, those who set up and cleaned up, those who contributed food, and to our Catholic Women's League for the wonderful reception!!



Please Continue To Pray For Our Priests

Loving and Generous God, it is You who calls us by name and asks us to follow You. Help us to grow in the Love and Service of our Church as we experience it today. Give us the energy and courage of Your Spirit to shape its future. Grant us faith-filled leaders who will embrace Christ's Mission of love and justice. Bless our Church by raising up dedicated and generous leaders from our families and friends who will serve Your people as sisters, priests, brothers, deacons and lay ministers. Inspire us to know You better and open our hearts to hear Your call. We ask this through our Lord.

Tending The Flock



Supporting Ourselves as Parish

Sunday Collection: May 23, 2010: Envelopes (334): \$3,564.70 + Loose: \$254.47 = \$3,819.17

Antigonish Diocesan Society: \$467.00

Thank-you for your continued support!

Hymn Book Donations

A Hymn Book has been donated to the Parish of Saint Leonard in memory of Theo McKinnon and his granddaughters Tawny McKinnon & Angela McKinnon, by Mrs. Regis McKinnon. Thank you!

Upcoming Meetings

Liturgy	Thursday	June 10	2:00 PM	Pastoral Centre
Cemetery Society	Wednesday	July 7	7:00 PM	Pastoral Centre

Holy Land Pilgrimage – Last chance to sign up!

Are you interested in walking in the footsteps of Jesus in Nazareth, having mass in Bethlehem, praying at Calvary, or visiting Cana? Then join Fr. Doug MacDonald, our Associate Pastor, as he leads a pilgrimage to the Holy Land from Sept. 18-28th, 2010. Fr. Doug has spent five weeks traveling throughout Israel and has visited all these holy sites connected to our faith and is now returning as a priest to lead a pilgrimage to the Holy Land. *There are only a few weeks left to sign up*, so if you are interested in more information, call Angela Luddington at 902-752-5567 or email: angelaluddington@eastlink.ca



Annual Cemetery Masses

We will be having cemetery masses in each of our six Parish of Saint Leonard cemeteries during July and August, as follows:

Wednesday	July 14	St. Agnes	6:30 PM
Thursday	July 15	St. Joseph (NV)	6:30 PM
Wednesday	July 21	Mount Carmel	6:30 PM
Wednesday	July 28	St. Alphonsus	6:30 PM
Thursday	July 29	St. Michael	6:30 PM
Wednesday	Aug. 4	St. Joseph (L)	6:30 PM

Offerings will be accepted at each celebration and put toward cemetery needs. Don't forget to bring your lawn chair! In the case of inclement weather, these celebrations will take place in the Parish Church of Saint Leonard, Mount Carmel Avenue. *Please remember that these masses will replace the regularly scheduled daily masses, but will NOT be cancelled in case of a funeral.*

Volunteer Cemetery Clean-up

A group of volunteers meets in St. Agnes Cemetery every Thursday morning from 9 AM to 12 noon, with the exception of June 3, July 1 and August 5. On June 3 & August 5, volunteers will meet to repair stones in St. Alphonsus Cemetery. If you are free and would like to join them, just bring a shovel, rake, wheelbarrow or simply yourself.



Parish Fundraiser



Young local artist, Calder Kibyuk, who is one of our parishioners, recently completed a graphite sketch of Jesus with the Crown of Thorns. This inspiring image was used by our faith community during Lent and Holy Week to help us reflect upon the love of Jesus as we journeyed together towards the cross and then to the empty tomb. We give thanks to God for Calder's amazing, creative talents and to Calder himself for sharing these gifts with us. The Parish has recently acquired this image and will be displaying it in the main entry of our Pastoral Centre (along with paintings of our six church buildings). As a fundraiser, we now have copies of this beautiful sketch available for parishioners to purchase. There are two choices (on display this weekend in our church), namely an 8 x 10 framed print for \$30 and an 11 x 14 print unframed for \$20. You may drop into the Pastoral Centre during office hours to purchase a print. **All proceeds from this fundraiser will be used for current operating costs of our parish. A great Father's Day gift for Dad!!!**

Attention C.W.L. Members

◆ The Regular Monthly Meeting will take place on Thursday, June 3, at 7:00 PM. There will be no Executive Meeting. This is the last meeting before summer and we will have a Pot Luck Supper. If you require transportation, please call a member!

◆ Student Bursaries -- St. Leonard CWL is offering four (4) bursaries to graduating students of Breton Education Centre (BEC). Any child or grandchild of a CWL Member is eligible and may apply at the school.

A Note of Thanks ...

As I complete the year at the Parish of Saint Leonard, I would like to take a moment to thank you for the opportunity to work with you this past year. Your love and support made for an enjoyable year. You welcomed me with open arms, with a willingness to share your faith journey in the midst of difficult times. Parents, I have faith that your community will continue to blossom in faith and love and will become a strong community. Thank you all!!

Love & Prayers, Mary Clare Sampson

Vocation Views

The love of God is being poured forth into our hearts. Open yourself to receive and share that love. Be open to God calling you to spread love through a Church vocation. (Romans 5:1-5) If you think God is calling you to be a priest, visit the Diocesan website at www.rcvocations.com or email Fr. Conrad Edwards at vocations.antigonish@gmail.com

Summer Slowdown ...



Please note that with summer comes some changes with our Pastoral Services. Our regular office hours, will be reduced to **Monday to Friday from 9:30 AM to 12 Noon for the months of June, July and August.** During these months, the **Blessed Sacrament Chapel** located in the Pastoral Centre will be open from **Tuesday to Friday from 9:30 AM to 12 Noon.** Please expect delays in response time for office needs. *This will be our last regular bulletin until September.* We will, however, have periodic publications as necessary, to keep you abreast of any important news for the Parish of Saint Leonard.

St. Vincent de Paul Summer Schedule

For the months of **June, July & August**, our St. Vincent de Paul Food Kitchen will be open only one day per week. Requests for assistance can still be left at 862-3779. The Clothing Room will close for the summer months and re-open in September. Calls for donations of furniture may be referred to 862-8832 or 862-3193.



Diocesan & Community Activities

- **Mass for Shut-Ins** – concludes this Sunday (May 30) at 11:30 AM on ATV.
- **Support & Share Grief Support Group** – for those who have experienced the loss of a loved one. Upcoming Sessions:
June 3 – 7-9 PM – Miners Memorial Manor, Sydney Mines
June 8 – 7-9 PM – Holy Angels High School Cafeteria, Sydney
June 16 – 7-9 PM – St. Leonard Pastoral Centre, River Ryan
June 23 – 7-9 PM – Town House, Glace Bay
Everyone is welcome and no registration is required.
- **4th Degree Knights of Columbus** – will meet on **Sunday, May 30, at 2 PM** at the Moses M. Coady Rooms next to Our Lady of Fatima Church, Sydney River.
- **St. Joseph's Annual Alumnae Honors Celebration** – The classes of 1950, 1960 & 1970 will be honored with mass on **Sunday, June 6, at 2 PM** at St. Anne's Church, Glace Bay, followed by a reception at St. Anne's Parish Centre. All Alumnae are invited to attend!
- **Attention Cursillistas -- 2010 CCCC Conference** – The 10 topics of Cala Figuera, as Rooted in the Gospel and Lived Out in the Mentality of the Movement – **June 24-27** at St. FX University. Register online at www.cursillo-canada.org
- **If your life is or has been affected by someone else's drinking, Al-Anon may help. Contact 564-5188.**
- **Marriage Preparation** – The final spring session for engaged couples will take place **June 4-6, 2010** at Our Lady of Fatima Parish Hall, Sydney. Pre-Register at 539-6868 Ext. 2. (\$60/couple)
- **Canada Day Variety Concert & Silent Auction – July 1 from 2-4 PM** at Strathspey Place, Mabou, sponsored by the Cursillo/Challenge Community & Friends of St. Joseph Renewal Centre. Tickets (\$11) available from Winnie Odo (862-2330). Everyone is warmly invited!
- **Bus Trip to Monastery in Honor of St. Anne – July 25, 2010.** Mass with Healing Service with Father Albert MacPherson. \$30 return. Phone Yvonne at 862-6781 to register.
- For **Catholic News from Rome**, go to www.zenit.org. It has lots of information on our faith, our theology, spirituality, liturgy and the like!
- **UPCOMING RELIGIOUS TOURS**
 - ▶▶ **St. Anne de Beaupre Pilgrimage 2010 – July 16-22.** Some seats still available. Contact Rose Langlois at 564-0146.
 - ▶▶ **Medjugorje – Sept. 24-Oct. 3, 2010.** \$2150 incl. visit to Dubrovnik. Info: Marie at 207-868-5027 or email bubblepink49@hotmail.com
 - ▶▶ **Medjugorje – Sept. 27-Oct. 5, 2010.** \$2070 Info: 902-888-2291 or email Kevin.morrell@pei.sympatico.ca
 - ▶▶ **Blessed Mary MacKillop/Brother Andre Canonization** – Pilgrimage from Halifax to Rome **Oct 8-18, 2010** – \$3,000 + tax all-inclusive. For info, call May Campbell, Mabou at 945-2922 or 258-7088.
 - ▶▶ **Israel/Egypt – October 27-November 7, 2010** -- \$3324 incl. air, accommodation, 2 meals/day. Call 902-648-0050 or 902-769-8399.

Dear Parishioners,

Fr. Doug and I want to sincerely **thank you for that wonderful gathering on Wednesday night** celebrating the **Year of the Priest** in our Parish Hall. The prayers, music, reflection, speech, recitation and presentation of the rosary by our children, vocation video, and blessing of the priests' hands with our mothers present were all very touching and inspiring. We as Church, as priests and people, need to remember and give thanks to God for the beautiful gift of priesthood that we all share in the Priesthood of Jesus Christ. Each of us through our baptism are anointed to be priests, prophets and kings in our world, that is to sanctify, to proclaim and to serve as members of the Body of Christ. Thank you for that wonderful evening, the beautiful lunch, the cards and gifts and the opportunity to pause and give thanks. Our mothers were both truly touched by your thoughtfulness and hospitality.

As we celebrate **Trinity Sunday this weekend let us give thanks to our Living God** for revealing Divine Love in a Trinity of Persons. God is crazy about us, always was and always will be. May we accept this love and choose to consciously share it without counting the cost with those in our family, our community and our world.

Love and prayers in the name of the Father, and the Son and the Holy Spirit,

Fr. Paul

From Your
Pastor

 May is Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Month – Please continue to pray for all those affected by this disease.