

St. Patrick's Church Restoration Society

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St. Vincent de Paul: If you are interested in learning more or volunteering your time and talent with the St. Vincent de Paul Society, please call the Parish office and leave your name/number and a member of the Society will return your call. Answering calls Monday/Wednesday/Friday and/or doing visits to clients on the same days are the immediate areas of need. Thank you.

Community Events

All Saints Cathedral, Halifax. Last year, thousands of forgotten choral scores were rescued from damp in the crypt of All Saints Cathedral, Halifax. Now, Helios Vocal Ensemble, a newly formed vocal quintet, presents a programme entitled "Treasures from the Crypt: Rediscovered Music from All Saints Cathedral," including works from the sixteenth to the twentieth centuries. Helios is made up of some of Halifax's finest choral singers, including Eszter Horvath, current music director at All Saints; Elisabeth Kleven, Andrew Pickett, Garth MacPhee, and John Mark Dawson. **The concert will be Sunday, June 14, 7:30 pm at the Cathedral Church of All Saints, 1330 Martello St. Admission is by donation.**

Friday, June 19—7 pm, St. Agnes Church, Pray for Peace in the Holy Land, An evening prayer service followed by reception and talk with John Puinno from Washington D.C. This is a gathering of the Equestrian Order of the Holy Speulchre of Jerusalem (EOHSJ) Atlantic Canada Division. EOHSJ has a two-fold mission to foster the practice of Christian life in the modern world and to assist in preserving the Christian faith in the Holy Land.

Sat., June 20—6:30 pm—Kitchen Party/Live Auctions, Saint Peter & Saint Paul, Herring Cove, 151 Hebridean Drive. An evening of music by the Foggy Ocean Buoys together with a Live Auction. Pub snacks available for sale as well as a cash bar. Young people are welcome until 9:00 pm.

The WORD among us: June 2015 edition. Pope Francis and The Gospel of Encounter, is available in limited quantities in your pews and on the front counter entering the church. You may use them during Mass or if you would like to take one home to use at your convenience please do so.

How to get the Archdiocese weekly info service and monthly journal: As a parishioner you can have the Archdiocese's weekly information service and the monthly journal sent directly to your own email box by subscribing. www.halifaxarmouth.org and complete the form that is provided.

11th Sunday in Ordinary Time, June 14, 2015



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Mass time Sundays: 10:00 a.m.

Reconciliation by Appointment

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time (OT) June 21st.

Read 1: Job 38.1-4, 8-11

Read 2 2 Corinthians 5.14-17

Gospel: Mark 4.35-41

**Jesuit Centre of Spirituality 2287
Brunswick St.—902-429-7344:**

The Parish is blessed to have the Jesuit Centre just down the street. Under the direction of Father Jean-Marc Laporte, S.J. who is also Priest-in-Charge of our Parish, the Centre welcomes people of all faiths into their home for day retreats, residential retreats, workshops and programs. The Centre is also supported by Father Trevor Scott, S.J. and a number of staff associates who are available to give individual spiritual direction.

**2015 Magis Award from the Jesuit Centre of Spirituality
Saturday, Oct. 31st 10:30 am Mass at St. Patrick's Church
Celebratory Luncheon, Delta Halifax at 12:00 Noon, ticket reservation (\$50.00 each)
please call 902-429-7344 or email registrar@jesuitspirit.ca**

The Jesuit Centre of Spirituality has announced that the Sisters of Charity of Halifax will receive the Magis Award for 2015.

The Year of Consecrated Life is the best time to recognize this community for its immense contribution. Since the mid 1800s, the Sisters have helped to shape and energize the life of the Church, in Halifax and in other places where they serve, throughout their ministries in parishes, hospitals, schools at all levels, spirituality centres, and work with the disadvantaged. In the tradition of St. Vincent de Paul, the service of the poor has always been central to all of their works.

Parish Financial Information

May 31, 2015

46 ENV	\$1,073.00	49 ENV	\$1030.00
Loose	\$ 168.45	Loose	\$ 168.45
<u>PAR</u>	<u>\$ 370.00</u>	<u>PAR</u>	<u>\$ 370.00</u>
Total:	\$2,054.55	Total	\$1,495.05

P.A.R. Means *Pre Authorized Remittance*

and is a strongly recommended method of contributing to our parish. To make regular donations through P.A.R. please pick up an application form on the entry counter in the church or contact the parish office. Thank you.

Nominations for Pastoral Council: Perhaps you have an interest in serving on Council. The Council meets 10 times a year between September and June and is responsible for providing overall advice to the Priest-In-Charge on Parish matters. If you are interested please contact the Parish office. Thank you for your consideration.

Hope Cottage Meals

Group III under the leadership of Michael Convey provided the Monday, June 8th meal to Hope Cottage clients, over 100 individuals enjoyed the meal.

Next Dates:

Wed., July 9—Group I—Under leadership of Diane Sullivan

Thurs., August 6—Group II—Under leadership of Pam Gasparetto

Tues., Sept. 8—Group III—Under leadership of Michael Convey

Everyone has a vocation: parents, teachers, students, workers, professional people, people who are retired. Everyone has something to do for God.

Pope John Paul II (In My Own Words) Homily at Giants Stadium, 1995

Best wishes for safe travels and some

rest: *Father Jean-Marc* will be on annual leave from June 15 until July 18. During his absence, *Father Tom Maybe* will preside at our Sunday liturgies of June 21, 28 and July 5, 12.

Celebration today for Christiana Hubley.

Christiana was confirmed with the St. Agnes group on May 24th. Please join Christiana today after Mass for some cake, conversation and good wishes.

Episcopal Anniversary: Thursday, June 18th marks the 13th Anniversary of Archbishop Richard Smith's ordination as a Bishop. A native of Halifax, Archbishop Smith is presently in charge of the Edmonton Archdiocese. Please pray for his leadership ministry in the Church.

Pastoral Council: May's Pastoral Council minutes are posted on the Bulletin Boards at entrances and green binder on the back table.

2015 Assembly of the People of God—June 6th and June 7th

Last weekend almost 400 Catholics from across the Diocese gathered with Archbishop Mancini to celebrate the progress thus far in our journey of Transformation. Participants heard from Archbishop Mancini, learned more about the Parish Centre pastoral planning initiative and joined a variety of workshops on Discipleship and Leadership. St. Patrick's was represented by Patricia Donnelly, Michele O'Neill and Laura Freeman. Father Jean-Marc facilitated one of the workshops.

In response to our Archbishop's pastoral letter issued last Fall "Lord, Where are you Going?", parishes began a five year period of self-assessment and planning based on prayer and discernment. The initial results from across the Diocese and specifically St. Patrick's are compared in the blocks following.

Archdiocese Overview

54 Parishes offered Ministry assessments
Over 1,000 people at 50 parishes participating in the Lenten Series
592,753 hours were dedicated to 857 Ministries across the diocese.
108,295 hours committed to Missionary Activities
309,523 hours committed to Community/Sacramental life
97,981/hours committee to Faith preparation

St. Patrick's Parish

Our Parish offered 14 Ministry assessments
72 people participated in the 3 sessions that were part of the Lenten Series
3,836 Ministry hours were generously contributed
429 hours committed to Missionary activities
3,065 hours committed to Community Sacred Life
342 hours committed to Faith Formation

***St. Patrick's Ministries submitted to date:

Altar Servers, Baptismal Preparation, Counters, Eucharistic Ministers, Finance Committee, Lectors, Music, Sacristan, Adult Faith Formation, Children's Liturgy, Religious Education, St. George's Supper Group, Hope Cottage Ministry.

As each one has received a gift, minister it to one another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God.

1 Peter 4:10