

# St. Patrick's Church Restoration Society

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## UPCOMING PARISH FUNDRAISING EVENTS

**April 12— Titanic Remembered in 3rd class** — A catered Roast Beef Dinner with words and music of the Titanic. (see inside bulletin for more information)

**May 30—Parish Spring Fair**—under the leadership of Michele O'Neill

## COMMUNITY EVENTS

**April 7th at 12:15 pm.** Archbishop Mancini will celebrate Mass at Saint Mary's Cathedral Basilica in honour of Archbishop Emeritus Hayes celebrating his 50th anniversary of being a Bishop. A reception will follow.

**6th Annual Leadership Breakfast, St. Agnes Church, Msgr. Leo Day Auditorium. Friday, April 17, 2015 at 8 a.m.,** Guest Speaker: Mike Savage. Tickets are \$25. each or table of 10 for \$250. for reservations please call 902-4548200 ext. 3

**The 5th Regional Catholic Men's "Weekend of Grace for Men" Retreat** will take place from April 24-26th 2015 at Bayside Camp at 1503 Ketch Harbour Road, Sambro Head, NS. For further information or a registration form, please visit [www.weekendofgrace.com](http://www.weekendofgrace.com) or call Marcel at 902-449-7613 or Tony at (902) 435-1568.

**Complementary copies of the Word Among us for all Lenten celebrations** (daily, Sundays and Holy Week) have been placed in the Church pews. You may take them for your own personal use during Lent or just leave them in the pews during our Lenten Season.

Passion (Palm) Sunday March 29, 2015



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**Mass time Sundays: 10:00 a.m.**

**Reconciliation by Appointment**

**Easter Sunday (April 5)**

**Read 1:** Acts 10.34a, 37-43

**Read 2** Colossians 3.1-4 Gospel: John 20.1-18

**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.

**Loss Is Not The Final Word  
 Discovering new hope**

Beverly Musgrave, author of *Spiritual & Psychological Aspects of Illness* (2010); *Partners in Healing: Bringing Compassion to People with Illness or Loss* (2003), will reflect with us on the experience of loss. As we become unravelled by loss, we discover that loss is not the final word. It enables us to be more alive to life, to discover that at the heart of our human existence God's grace, God's self-communication is at work, and invites us to lean into hope. Presentations, silent reflection or prayer, time for comments, lunch. Suggested offering \$35. Sat. April. 11th 9am to 4pm.

**April 8, 22 (7 to 9 pm)  
 The Joy of Pope Francis—Gentle breeze  
 and powerful wind.**

Father Jean-Marc will lead this series. Pope Francis' first apostolic exhortation, *The Joy of the Gospel*, invites all of us to bring the Gospel to others, as he does, with joy. Suggested offering: \$25 per session.

## Holy Week Schedule

Mon. Mar. 30	cancelled	
Tues. Mar. 31	NOON Chrism Mass	Basilica Cathedral
Thurs., April 2	7:00 pm Holy Thursday Mass	Church
Fri., April 3	3:00 pm Good Friday Service	Church
Sat., April 4	8:00 pm Holy Saturday Easter Vigil	Church
Sun., April 5	10:00 am Easter Sunday	Church

**Parish Financial Information**

March 15, 2015		March 22, 2015	
5 ENV	\$155.00	26 ENV	\$ 565.00
23 PAR	\$370.00	loose	\$ 111.20
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<b>Total</b>	<b>\$525.00</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,046.20</b>

**For Envelope Holders**

**March 17**—St. Patrick’s Day, collection for the work of the Restoration Society.

**March 22**—Development & Peace Collection  
*Please consider these special collections for your support. Thank you.*

**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.

**2014 Income Tax receipts** are available at the back of the church in the box marked **TAX Receipts.**

**Hope Cottage Meal—Thursday April 9th**  
*Group 1 under the leadership of Diane Sullivan.*

**April 12— Titanic remembered in 3rd class**

**A catered Roast Beef Dinner with words and music of the RMS Titanic**  
**A fundraiser for Saint Patrick's at 11 30 am in the Parish Hall.**

Tickets are \$50.00 per person, advance purchase required. Tickets are available at the parish office 902-429-1300. A portion of the price will be a receipted donation to the parish. The meal will feature Roast Beef dinner as served to the 3rd Class passengers on *Titanic*. The Irish formed a large group in 3rd Class. Others were from Eastern Europe and the Middle East. Hear of some of their stories of on the journey. Music and words to remember the 103rd anniversary of the voyage of the 'unsinkable' ship. There will be displays and dress of the period is optional.

**Registration for First Reconciliation and First Communion Preparation** – Parents are asked to fill out a registration form for children age 7 or older who are ready to prepare for receiving the Sacrament of First Reconciliation/First Communion in the Spring of 2016. Preparation will begin in September 2015 and continue through to the Spring of 2016. Registration forms are available at the back of the church. Please return completed forms to Michele O’Neill. A meeting of parents of children in the parish will be organized in April to present and discuss the *Be My Disciples* teaching resource and the format for sacramental preparation that will be used. If you have any questions, please see Michele.



**(The Way of Prayer)**  
*May the God of peace who brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ...equip you with everything good for doing his will. Hebrews 13:20-21*

Sometimes I’m full of excuses for disobedience. I say or think, “The devil made me do it.” But when you, Jesus, were raised from the dead, you defeated the power of Satan and equipped me with everything needed to know and to do your will. Help me to rely on your strength and enable me to do your will, denying the devil any power over my life. Amen.

*By Susan Senechal*

**Archbishop Mancini’s Episcopal Anniversary**

This past Wednesday, March 25 Archbishop Mancini marked his 16th anniversary of his episcopal ordination. First ordained as Auxiliary Bishop of Montreal in March of 1999, he was installed as Archbishop of Halifax in November 2007.

We thank God for the gift he is for our Church of Halifax-Yarmouth. Pray that the Lord may continue to be his strength and his joy as he shepherds our Diocese.

**Committee meetings in the Rectory**

April 1st	St. Vincent de Paul	7pm
April 9th	Parish Council	7pm

**St. Patrick’s Day Luncheon Update:**

THANK YOU to everyone who made our annual St. Patrick’s Day Luncheon and Festivities a big success. A joy-filled afternoon was had by all who attended. The meal, music and fellowship were outstanding. A few special thanks: to Shirley MacPherson who organized and prepared the Irish stew and all the bakers who made soda bread and cupcakes; Shanus Arsenault who did an outstanding job setting up and decorating the hall; Allan and Holly for the joyful music; Kevin Moynihan for organizing the beverages; convenors of the 50/50 draw, silent auction and gift shop and all who served in any capacity. Thanks, too, for the generous donations received to defray the cost of the event. This was a wonderful community building event and we made a profit of \$2,390. Thanks be to God!

**The Archdiocesan Bulletin:** is no longer published. Parishes now receive a weekly information service containing news items on various topics. As well a monthly journal containing articles aimed at deepening our understanding and knowledge of Catholic traditions will also come to the Parish. **Our Parish Bulletin** will try to incorporate much of what is forwarded. 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.halifaxyarmouth.org](http://www.halifaxyarmouth.org) and complete the form that is provided.