



# SAINT NINIAN CATHEDRAL PARISH

# Body and Blood of Christ June 6th, 2021

## MASS TIMES—TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED

MON-FRI	No Mass
SATURDAY	4:00 PM
SUNDAY	8:30 AM and 10:30 AM

## COLLECTION INFORMATION:

We received a number of generous donations over the last couple of weeks: THANK YOU for your support.

### May 30th

Sunday Envelopes	\$ 4970
Special Envelopes	\$ 50
Recovery Literature	\$ 20
Total Collection	\$ 5040
# of Envelopes Received	18

If you would like to continue supporting our Parish during these uncertain times, please mail your donation to:

St. Ninian Cathedral  
P.O. Box 1628  
Antigonish B2G 2L8

You can also contact Paula Kirk to learn how to e-transfer or set up pre-authorized debit.

*Pre-authorized debit: For the month of June 2021, we will receive 87 donations totaling \$7,786 equaling \$1,946.5 weekly*

## MESSAGE FROM BISHOP KIRKPATRICK

*"I support this shutdown and direct that our churches remain closed to the public until further notice. Our diocesan and parish offices will be closed to the public during this time.*

*The new variants of this pandemic have been spreading rapidly. We need to work together to stop the spread of this virus by staying home and limiting our interaction with others. Our faith is essential to us. Please continue to pray for those who are sick and for those who care for them."*

## COVID -19 UPDATE

Masses are suspended until further notice. However, we will proceed recording the radio mass, which will air on Sundays at 8:25AM on 98.9 XFM.

The Parish Office will remain closed to the public for this period. If you require any assistance, please contact the Parish Office by email (see below).

## NEW EMAILS

- + Fr. Donald MacGillivray: [pastor@saintninian.ca](mailto:pastor@saintninian.ca)
- + Paula Kirk (Parish Manager): [paulakirk@saintninian.ca](mailto:paulakirk@saintninian.ca)
- + Front Desk (Manoela Strehl): [admin@saintninian.ca](mailto:admin@saintninian.ca)
- + Leonarda MacNeil (Religious Ed.): [religioused@saintninian.ca](mailto:religioused@saintninian.ca)
- + Deacon Henry van de Wiel: [deaconhenry@saintninian.ca](mailto:deaconhenry@saintninian.ca)

## MASS FOR SHUT-INS

Mass for Shut-Ins will be aired on CTV every Sunday at 11:30AM. I am sure this will be much appreciated if people are unable to attend their parishes due to limited numbers allowed in buildings.

## ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

The annual Parish meeting has been cancelled due to the current COVID-19 lockdown. We will announce a new date for the meeting in the bulletin as soon as we can.

## FOOD BANK—URGENT !!!

The Antigonish Community Food Bank is in need of clean plastic and glass bottles with lids (all sizes). Thank you very much!

(902) 863-2338

121 St. Ninian St, Antigonish NS

MON-FRI 9:00AM-12:00PM and 1:00-4:00PM

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# ST. NINIAN'S RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

First Communion Class (Grade Two): Parents will be contacted regarding Celebration of the Sacrament.

Grades 3-6: In-person classes are finished until the fall.

Confirmation Classes: Classes are finished.

## MESSAGE FROM BISHOP KIRKPATRICK ON RECENT DISCOVERY IN KAMLOOPS

The Diocese of Antigonish is deeply saddened by the news that the remains of 215 children were found buried at the former Kamloops Indian Residential School in British Columbia on the Tk'emlúps te Secwépemc First Nation. We pray for these children, their families and communities, and we hope that continued investigation will bring light and healing to this dark chapter of history.

We all feel the shock and grief of what has happened but we grieve especially for our First Nation Mi'kmaq people within the diocese and beyond. The renewal of suffering is a set back to the process of healing. We desire to be close to, and supporting of, our Mi'kmaq brothers and sisters. We want our words to become visible in our actions and in our shared life with our Mi'kmaq people.

There are memorials being offered and it is good for us to pray. We cannot change what has happened, but what we can do is pray for these children and their families and do all that we can to assist investigators in bringing to light what happened and then work to ensure that this does not happen again.

I think of the disciples on the road to Emmaus during troubling and dark times. How did this happen and why did it happen? They were deeply troubled and discouraged. They were experiencing the grief process. As they journeyed, Jesus walked the road with them. He listened to them as they told their sad story to him. As the disciples found light and hope amid the darkness of death and despair so will all of us, if we remember their simple little prayer: Stay with us Lord! Be our companion as we journey on the road ahead.

**Faternally,**  
+ **Wayne Kirkpatrick**  
(Most Rev.) Wayne Kirkpatrick  
Bishop of Antigonish

## PANDEMIC PRAYER GROUP EXTENDED

The on-line Prayer Group (using Zoom) to pray (the Rosary daily with Scripture Readings) for our Physicians, Nurses, Health Care Workers, Volunteers, Patients, and Families particularly those who serve at St. Martha's Hospital, will continue to meet at least until the end of June. Our prayers are needed!

The Zoom Prayer group **meets on-line at noon and we start praying at 12:10** each day. If you want to join us, please contact me at [religioused@saintninian.ca](mailto:religioused@saintninian.ca) or call and leave a message at 902-863-2338 extension #3 and I will send you an invitation to the meeting. You are most welcome to join even if you cannot attend daily, or if you can only join at the beginning of our session but will have to leave early.

Leonarda MacNeil, ofs Director of Religious Education & Covid Coordinator

## OFFERING HOPE AND SUPPORT IN LATIN AMERICA

The good people of Honduras are struggling as we all are with the global pandemic. It is especially difficult for the poor who cannot afford to not work or pay for medication and hospitalization. They depend on the support of the generous in society.

Our Diocese has held a close relationship with the people of Latin America since the 1950s when our priests lived among the poor delivering the Good News and helping them develop entrepreneurial skills. The Credit Union, known as Cooperativa Sagrada Familia, is the largest and most successful banking operation in Central America and it was started by our Priests from the Diocese of Antigonish.

**The annual Latin America Collection is held in our diocese, usually in June.** Some parishes have the envelopes in their yearly collection package. If you do not have a marked envelope but are able to help, please drop your donation in an envelope marked Latin America Committee for your parish to forward on your behalf.

**To learn more about our diocesan connection to Latin America** and the projects supported by our Latin America committee, see our blog:

<https://www.antigonishdiocese.com/offering-hope-and-support-in-latin-america/>

*Actions speak louder than words; let your words teach and your actions speak. - Saint Anthony of Padua*