



SAINT NINIAN CATHEDRAL PARISH

Third Sunday of Advent December 12th, 2021

MASS TIMES

TUE-FRI	9:00 AM*
SATURDAY	4:00 PM
SUNDAY	8:30 AM and 10:30 AM
RADIO MASS	Sunday, 8:25AM

CONFESSION

SATURDAY	3:15PM—3:45PM
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* When there is a funeral, the funeral takes the place of week day mass.

SOLEMN EVENING PRAYER (ADVENT)

WEDNESDAY	7:00PM
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COLLECTION INFORMATION:

December 5th

Sunday Envelopes	\$ 6967
Special Envelopes	\$ 1120
Recovery	\$ 55
Loose Money	\$ 455
Total Collection	\$ 8597
# of Envelopes Received	164

Pre-authorized debit: For the month of December 2021, we will receive 90 donations totaling \$8,096 equaling \$2,024 weekly

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Third Sunday of Advent

Joy is a blend of laughter and tears.

It is looking for the happiness that comes in small packages, knowing that big packages are few and far between.

It is making the most of the present, enjoying what is at hand right now.

Joy is love bubbling over into life.

Joy is the flag we fly when Christ, the Prince of Peace, Resides in our hearts.

COVID-19 UPDATE

The Parish Office will resume normal operations on Monday, December 13th. Thank you for your understanding.

MEMORIAL BOWS

Again this year we will be placing two trees in the sanctuary that will be decorated with memorial bows bearing the names of those who have died. Donations can be placed in an envelope marked "memorial bows" and place it in the Sunday collection or drop the envelope off at the Parish Office, (902) 863-2338. Any monies received will be put into the St. Ninian Parish Foundation

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Christmas Eve, December 24th: 6:00PM Mass
8:30PM Carols
9:00PM Mass

Christmas Day, December 25th: 8:30AM Mass
10:30AM Mass

Feast of the Holy Family, December 26th: 8:30AM Mass
10:30AM Mass

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

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ST. NINIAN'S RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

First Communion Class (Grade Two): Classes resume in January. Dates to be announced.

Grades 3-6 Classes: Classes resume in January. Date to be announced. *

Grades 7-8: Done for the year. Congrats!

* Grade 4: Sacrament of Reconciliation is postponed until the New Year.

MEETINGS & GATHERINGS IN ST. NINIAN PLACE: DEC 13TH-19TH

Please contact the parish office for more information on how to join these groups. All are welcome!

MONDAY

Rm017	7:00PM	Grief Support Group
Main Hall	All Day	Blood Donor Clinic

TUESDAY

Rm017	1:00PM	Opportunity Shop
Rm021	6:00PM	Brierly House
Vestry	6:30PM	Faith and Sharing Group
Church	6:00PM	St. Ninian Choir Rehearsal

WEDNESDAY

Main Hall	5:00PM	Cozy Café
Rm018	6:30PM	Building Committee

SATURDAY

Main Office	11:00AM	Reconciliation
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RESPECT LIFE CENTRE 2022 CALENDARS

The 2022 Respect Life Centre Calendars are now available for \$20 each at the Respect Life Centre, 27 St. Andrew's St., Antigonish, or by calling (902)863-6636 or 863-3873. They make the perfect Christmas gifts, featuring pictures of local children, a monthly Scripture quote, and a saint for every day, along with a chance at 16 cash prize draws of \$250 each -- a total of \$4,000 in prizes. Please consider supporting local pro-life efforts by purchasing at least one of these great calendars.

SUNDAY MASS LIVESTREAM

We are excited to inform that we will be livestreaming Sunday Mass every Sunday at 10:30AM starting on November 21st. The livestream will be available on our website saintninian.ca

RECONCILIATION

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available on Saturday, December 18th from 11AM-1PM following Covid-19 protocols. Reconciliation will take place in the main Parish Office and the Music Room across from the Parish Office.

BAMBINELLI SUNDAY

"Bless the Baby Jesus" This wonderful tradition originates in the papacy of Pope St. John Paul II and is celebrated when the children of Rome and their families fill St. Peter Square on Gaudete Sunday, the Third Sunday of Advent, for the blessing of the Gesu Bambino, the 'little baby Jesus.' On this day, the children bring from home their Christ-child figures, and returning home the figure is set safely out of sight for the remainder of Advent until happily placed in the creche with the arrival of Christmas. On the Third Sunday of Advent, parishioners are invited to bring their Christ Child from their nativity scene for the blessing that will take place during the final blessing.

CHRISTMAS CHEERS PROGRAM 2021

As the Christmas season approaches we, members of the Saint Vincent de Paul Society, rededicate ourselves to serve our community with love, respect, justice and joy. And, once again, we appeal to you, the parishioners of St. Ninian's Parish for support for our annual Christmas Cheer Program. All financial donations or gift cards will gratefully be accepted. Beautiful cards acknowledging gifts made in memory of a loved one, or as an alternative form of gift giving to honor someone in your life, are available at the Parish office. Tax receipts for donations of \$20 or greater will be available in the new year.

HISTORY CABINET

We will be using our heritage cabinet to display an assortment of nativity scenes/sets during the Advent and Christmas seasons. If you have one (or more) that you would be willing to loan for the next few weeks, please drop it off at the parish office or call Barry at (902) 338-1263 to arrange pick up. Examples that express the diversity of our global Christian community are especially sought. Thank you.

"CATCHING FIRE BECOMING FLAME" – A GUIDE FOR SPIRITUAL TRANSFORMATION

Leonarda MacNeil, OFS will be hosting a video series. The video speaker is Fr. Albert Haase, OFM but it applies to everyone. This will be offered over Zoom on Monday evenings 7pm to 8:15pm. Please register by Sunday evening Dec 12th, and provide your email address. Phone 902-863-2338 ext #3 or E-mail: religiously@saintninian.ca.

No one heals himself by wounding another.
- Saint Ambrose