



SAINT NINIAN CATHEDRAL PARISH

Antigonish, Nova Scotia

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 26th, 2025



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PARISH OFFICE

Monday- Friday:
8:30am-12:30pm - 1:30pm-4:30pm
121 St. Ninian, Antigonish NS
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MASS TIMES

Mon-Fri: 9am
Saturday 4:00pm
Sunday: 8:30am and 10:30 am

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays: 3:00pm-3:45pm

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Carleton MacNeil

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Our Mission Statement

"St. Ninian Cathedral is the Episcopal Seat for the Diocese of Antigonish, Nova Scotia. We humbly welcome all who wish to nurture their faith through sharing the Word, breaking the Bread, and celebrating God's love for us. Guided by the Holy Spirit, our mission is to worship and serve God through prayer and service to God's people, and by striving to live our lives in the likeness and image of God."

MASS INTENTIONS:

Tuesday: Simon and Jude

Sarto Bradshaw - RIP

Catherine "Tada Boyd" O'Neil - RIP

Vangie Dempsey - RIP

Wednesday

Erica Cameron - RIP

Frank Maas - RIP

Souls in Purgatory

Thursday

Sally MacLennan - RIP

Greta MacDonald - RIP

Jane Landry - RIP

Friday

Catholic Women's League - Living and Deceased

Anna Campbell - RIP

Henry Bekkers - RIP

ALL SAINTS DAY MASS:

Saturday, November 1st at 9AM.

We will have the relics of some saints that we keep in our cathedral exposed. Incense may be used.

MASS OF REMEMBRANCE FOR ALL SOULS:

Wednesday, November 19th at 6:30PM

ANNUAL SILENT AUCTION FUNDRAISER FOR HIGHLAND ACADEMY OF LEARNING:

**Friday, Nov. 7, from 7-10 p.m.
Heatherton Community Centre.**

Entertainment by Mary MacIntosh, great items to bid on throughout the evening, prize draws, food and cash bar. Tickets are \$15 and are available at the door or in advance at the Respect Life Centre, 27 St. Andrew's St.

For information call Clare at (902)870-4850.

FOR WHOM WILL TOLL THE BELL?

Volunteers wanted to assist with ringing the bell before funerals. Stop by the office if you're interested. No experience required, two arms preferred.

REST IN PEACE:

Evangeline "Vangie" Dempsey, Halifax

Trudy Cormier, Antigonish and Saint John

Margaret MacIsaac, Clydesdale

EXPLORING OUR CATHOLIC FAITH:

Tuesdays from 3:30-4:30pm

SNP.

Join us for conversations about Catholicism.

THE PIPES THE PIPES ARE CALLING!

This Monday, October 27 at 6pm

Bottom floor SNP.

1-hour beginner piping and drumming lessons for all ages.

2ND FALL SERIES SQUARE DANCE/CEILIDH:

Sunday, October 26th, 1:30-4:00PM.

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Chrissie Crowley: fiddle.

Junior Fraser: guitar.

Leona Williams: keyboard.

Admission is \$10 for adults; students by donation and children under 12 free. Dance tutorials and a light lunch.

Proceeds to the **Parish Roof Repair Fund.**

SUPPORTED BY MACDONALD CHRYSLER

INCENSE WARNING:

On November 2nd during the Feast of All Souls
10:30am Mass, incense will be used.

THE CATHOLIC CHURCH OPPOSES MAID

On All Souls Sunday throughout the Diocese, we want to raise awareness of the Church's position. As we gather to pray for our deceased and reflect on how we, as Christians, view death, it is also an appropriate time to highlight our opposition to MAiD, because it violates the sanctity and inviolable dignity of human life, constitutes an intrinsically evil act of killing, reflects a dangerous cultural shift that treats persons as disposable, and contradicts the Church's call to accompany the suffering with genuine compassion and palliative care.

PASTOR'S PICKS:

This week on Formed: Is Halloween really a pagan holiday—or is it deeply Christian? In this episode of What Catholics Believe, Dr. Ben Akers explains the Catholic roots of Halloween, its connection to All Saints' Day and All Souls' Day, and how Catholics can celebrate it faithfully.

Listen to the Catholic Saints Podcast:

<https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/catholic-saints/id1597828386>

Pray the Litany for the Faithful Departed:

<https://watch.formed.org/videos/litany-of-the-faithful-departed>

Watch Eternal Rest on Formed:

<https://watch.formed.org/eternal-rest>

MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST:

Saturday November 8th, 8:30AM.

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Guest speaker Angus "Tando" MacIsaac.

Tickets: \$25 at parish office (902-863-2338) and from Kenny Stewart (902-870-3354)

Proceeds go toward improvements to St. Ninian Place

BRENT MACLEAN AND FRIENDS RETURNS:

November 2nd, 2:30pm.

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Featuring Tracey Wallace, Lisa Hallett, and Cairista and Patty MacIaac. Free admission.

MASS FOR SHUT INS HAS NOW BEGUN ITS 63RD SEASON

Sundays at 11:30am.

Recorded Masses are available for viewing on our diocesan website and YouTube channel

COLLECTION INFORMATION:

October 12th, 2025

Sunday Collection: \$6977

Cemetery: \$280

Candles: \$497

Diocesan Levy : \$24

Pre-authorized payments (September): \$11,342

St. Ninian's Cathedral thanks you!

DRINKING WITH THE SAINTS:

Saturday, November 1st at 7pm.

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Join us for our second annual Drinking With The Saints. The Saints are gathered for their annual All Saints' Day party in a heavenly pub for an evening of trivia and open mic, and they want you to join. Proceeds go to St. Ninian Parish Foundation ceiling project.

\$25 per person

HALLOWEEN STORYTELLING:

On October 27th at 7PM.

Antigonish Heritage Museum.

Around a campfire or indoors depending on the weather. BYOLC! (Bring your own lawn chair). Sponsored by the Antigonish Heritage Association and the Antigonish Highland Society.

MEETINGS:

Finance Meeting

Tuesday, October 28th at 7:00pm

SNP Foundation

Wednesday October 29th at

Parish Pastoral Council

Thursday October 30th at 7:00pm

WEEKLY EVENTS:

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)

Sunday after 10:30am Mass

Vestry Prayer Group

Tuesday evenings at 6:30pm

Religion Classes

Wednesday at 6:30pm

Choir Rehearsal

Wednesday at 7:00pm

Rosary

Wednesday after 9am Mass

Flame of Love Rosary Chaplet of Divine Mercy

Thursday after 9am Mass

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Friday after 9am Mass until 1pm **(THIS FRIDAY ONLY, THEN BACK TO 3pm)**



Have mercy on me, a sinner

May you act rightly, love sincerely, and walk humbly with God. May you treat each other in the same friendly way Christ has treated you, and may the peace of Christ reign in your minds and in your hearts.

Message from Fr Danny

Our Gospel speaks to us once again about prayer, the prayers we offer for ourselves as well as the prayers we offer for others. Today we learn of the importance of humility in our prayer. It is the humility of the second man in the gospel that Jesus says will get his prayers answered. He is not demanding of God anything except to draw close and be given the grace to do better.

How blessed we are to have such beautiful weather to allow us to enjoy the outdoors and the beautiful Fall colours. It is not unusual on Sunday after the masses to meet people holidaying in our area. They love the brightness and peace of the Cathedral; the vibrant assembly and all the area have to offer.

On Friday, a bus tour from St. Joseph Parish in North Sydney arrived at 2:30 with 54 pilgrims and their pastor, Fr. Doug. In celebration of the Jubilee Year and walk through the Holy Doors.

I received a text and picture from a friend, Matt Cullen, in Toronto of he and Paul MacLean.... both were in Ottawa to call the Senators-Oilers Game on TSN. Matt said Paul was kind and noticed his X ring, the conversation went from there.

On Friday I did make it to Broad Cove and continued to Sydney to Sr. Clair's, 100th birthday. Her mind was so sharp and so blessed for her health. I also visited with Sr. Millie and Sr. Isabel, both who worked here and who have dementia issues but very peaceful.

Last Saturday my niece gave birth to a baby boy, Rory Liam, in Saint John. So nice to have good news.

Happy Halloween, Father Danny