



SAINT NINIAN CATHEDRAL PARISH

Antigonish, Nova Scotia

26th Sunday in
Ordinary Time
September 27th, 2026



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Monday-Friday:
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121 St. Ninian, Antigonish NS
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MASS TIMES

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

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays: 3:00pm-3:45pm

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

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Tony Secco

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Helen Kennedy

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Carmen Anderson

CEMETERY PLOT ARRANGEMENTS

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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

St. Michael, St. Gabriel and St. Raphael

Mike Muise- RIP
Paul MacDonnell - RIP
Special Intention for the Living

WEDNESDAY

Feast of St. Jerome

Margaret Dunn RIP
Soldiers in Purgatory
Special Intention for the Living

THURSDAY

Feast of St. Therese

Leah Duffy - RIP
Mabel & Leo Duffy- RIP
Holy Souls in Purgatory

FRIDAY

Holy Gardian Angels

Francis MacDonald - RIP
Betty McCarthy - RIP
Betty Mac Donald - RIP

SANCTUARY LAMP INTENTIONS

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For the Strength and hope for the elderly.

Blessing for the Mac Donald Family.

*In Memory of Little Man, Safe in the Arms of
Jesus*

OCIA INFORMATION

Are you, or someone you know, interested in learning more about the Catholic Church or becoming Catholic? Perhaps you are baptized but have not yet received the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Anyone interested in exploring or deepening their faith is welcome. Please contact the Parish Office for more information.

ST. CARLOS YOUTH GROUP

Youth Group will meet next Friday October 2nd, at 6-8pm. Room 018. Ages 14 and up are warmly welcome.

PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED

Miriam Cormier, Antigonish

BAPTISM

WE WELCOME TO OUR PARISH COMMUNITY

Margaret Rose Oostvogels,
daughter of James and Jessica

COLLECTION SEPTEMBER 20TH

Sunday Collection: \$7506.00
Needs of the Canadian Church: \$694.00
Initial Offering: \$25.00
New Years Day \$90.00
Diocesan Levy: 450.00
Priests Pension: \$50.00
Development and Peace: \$50.00
Religious Education: \$50.00
Good Friday: \$100.00
Easter Offering: \$100.00
Needs of the Canadian church: \$255.00
Cemetery: \$60.00
Maintenance Fund: \$100.00
Pre-authorized payments September: \$11,822.00

MEMORIAL DONATION

A donation of \$1,000.00, given by a parishioner in loving memory of their parents.
We sincerely thank them for this thoughtful gift and for their continued support of St. Ninian Parish.

PLEASE NOTE

Office will be closed on Wednesday September 30th for National Day for Truth and Reconciliation Day.

OPENING MASS FOR THE 2026-2027 CATECHETICAL YEAR

Sunday Sept 27th 10:30am
All Grades 2 to 8 students, Confirmation candidates, Children's Liturgy children, parents and catechists are asked to come Sunday Sept 27th at 10:30am to celebrate the Eucharist together and receive a blessing as we embark on a new year of learning about God and our faith.

CWL MONTHLY MEETING

The monthly CWL meeting will be held on Monday, October 5th, in Room 018.
Executive Meeting: 6:00 p.m.
General Meeting: 6:30 p.m.
All members are welcome!

RELIGION & CONFIRMATION

Grades 2–8: Wednesdays, 6:30–7:15 p.m., St. Ninian Place. Grade 2 First Communion and new students must register.

Confirmation (Grades 9–12): Sundays, 6:00–7:15 p.m., Room 21. Students must be Baptized and have received First Communion.

Approximately 11 Sundays.

Still time to register!

religiously@saintninian.ca | 902-863-2338

BUILDING & GROUNDS COMMITTEE

Will meet on Thursday, October 1, at 6:30 p.m.

We appreciate the dedication of our current members and welcome new members who would like to share their time, talents, and ideas in caring for our parish facilities and property.

New and returning members are welcome!

BRENT MACLEAN AND FRIENDS

2pm St. Ninian Place

Featuring Darren Murphy, Paul Teasdale, Norman, John & Anysee Mac Isaac, Carah Kennedy, Shirley Teasdale, Jam Mullen and Charlena Teasdale

35th ANNUAL LIFE CHAIN

Parishioners are invited to participate in the 35th annual LIFE CHAIN hosted by the Catholic Women's League and the Knights of Columbus. Join in prayer and peaceful, prayerful witness for the conversion of hearts toward the sanctity of all human life, especially the unborn. Date: Sunday, October 4th, from 1:45 to 3:15 p.m. at St. Ninian Cathedral.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Eucharistic Adoration will be included at that time within the Cathedral, and public witness on the front lawn outside the Cathedral.

Contact: Janet and Martien Bekkers at 902-863-5061 or email: thebekkersfam@hotmail.com

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS:

Monday

Piping and Drumming 6-8:30pm Main Hall

Tuesday

Prayer Group 6:30pm Vestry

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Wednesday after 9am Mass

Flame of Love Rosary & Chaplet of Divine Mercy

Religious Education Classes 6:30-7:15pm

Thursday after 9am Mass

Breaking Open the Word

Friday after 9am Mass until 3pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

St. Carlo Acutis Youth Group 6-8pm

Sunday

Confirmation Clases 6pm-7:15pm

INDIGENOUS RECONCILIATION FUND

ANNUAL COLLECTION

OCTOBER 3-4TH

The Indigenous Reconciliation Fund was established in 2022 by Canada's Catholic Bishops to support healing and reconciliation initiatives. The fifth annual collection in our diocese will launch the weekend of Oct. 3-4, 2026, concluding the Season of Creation and on the first weekend of Mi'kmaq History Month. Donations may be made at any time in church collections with envelopes marked 'Indigenous Reconciliation Fund' or online through the Donate link on our website.

For details on funded projects and the application process: <https://irfund.ca/>

CALLING YOUTH

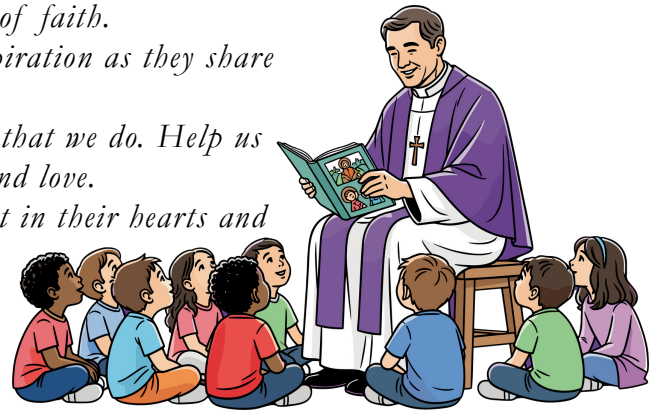
Are you in Grades 8–12 and interested in leadership and helping others? St. Ninian Parish is starting a Youth Leadership Group where young people can develop leadership skills while planning and leading activities such as street outreach and day camps.

The group will be youth-led, with an adult present at all meetings.

For more information, contact Sam Lazzuri at samuellazzuri@gmail.com.

Prayer for Our Religious Education Program

Loving God, we ask your blessing upon the students, parents, teachers, and catechists of the St. Ninian Parish Religious Education Program.
Bless our students with open hearts and curious minds as they learn more about you and grow in their faith. May they always know that they are loved by you and welcomed by our parish community.
Bless their parents and families with wisdom, patience, and strength as they guide their children and encourage them in their journey of faith.
Bless our teachers and catechists with joy, compassion, and inspiration as they share your love and the teachings of our faith.
May you remain at the centre of our lives and guide us in all that we do. Help us to grow together as a community of faith, hope, and love.
May the students of St. Ninian Parish always carry your light in their hearts and share it with others.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.
Amen.



Letter from Father Danny

An old saying: “to live is to change, to become holy is to have changed often.” That really sums up the call to ongoing conversion in our lives. Sometimes you make the wrong choice, and it can often seem like an unfixable, the end of the line. God never operates in those terms. God is the source of all infinite changes and do overs, and the Gospel today presents a situation where an initial ‘no’ turned into a ‘yes’ upon some reflection.

On Thursday at noon, I landed in Halifax from Dublin, I had a wonderful view as the flight turned at Newfoundland and came along the coast of home, I could see Deepdale and a few minutes later Antigonish and then the plane started its descent, the day was so beautiful and clear. It’s still hard grasp that I can be having a coffee and porridge in Dublin in the morning with friend and then home for tea at lunch time. The trip was wonderful and I spent most of the time visiting with friends, even taking a flight to Birmingham for two nights.

In speaking with some priests in Dublin, they have similar issues as here; churches closing, lack of vocations, and cost of upkeep, yet we keep going with the great support we have. It’s a small world! After the anniversary Mass, all gathered for the anniversary dinner at a hotel just outside Dublin. There I noticed the U.S. national women’s rugby team, I got talking to one of the players, and she mentioned that some of her coaches were from Canada. One thing led to another, and I ended up speaking with one of the coaches who was from Halifax and said his girlfriend, Steph Gillis, had gone to X, I said, “I know her!” she is Leonarda’s niece. You just never know who you are going to run into, even in Dublin. Small world indeed!

Have a wonderful week, enjoy the change of colour!

God Bless, Father Danny

SAINT NINIAN PLACE PRESENTS BRENT MACLEAN & FRIENDS

FEATURING:

*Authentically
Local*



DARREN MURPHY



PAUL TEASDALE



NORMAN, JOHN &
ANYSLIE MACISAAC



CARAH KENNEDY



SHIRLEY TEASDALE



JAM MULLEN



CHARLENA TEASDALE

HOSTED BY:



LEWIS MACINTOSH



IN PARTNERSHIP WITH:



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ADMISSION IS FREE TO ALL AGES

SUPPORTED BY:

