



# SAINT NINIAN CATHEDRAL PARISH

Antigonish, Nova Scotia

Easter Sunday  
April 20, 2025



*On behalf of Father Danny and the staff at St. Ninian Parish, we extend our heartfelt prayers and blessings for a holy and joyous Easter. May the Risen Christ fill your hearts with peace, hope, and the promise of new life. Alleluia!*

### COLLECTION INFORMATION

April 16, 2025  
Sunday Collection: \$4917.00  
Development & Peace: \$1927.00  
Good Friday: \$30.00  
Easter Offering: \$60.00  
Easter Flowers: \$725.00  
Pre-authorized payments April: \$10942.00

### FOUNDATION-CEILING REPAIRS

Envelopes: \$650.00

### OFFICE HOURS

Easter Monday, April 21<sup>st</sup> CLOSED

### LET US PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED PARISHIONERS AND FAMILY MEMBERS WHO HAVE DIED

Mary Rose Smith, Antigonish  
Hughie Mac Eachern, Lower South River

### MASS INTENTIONS

#### **Tuesday**

Alfred Frazer, rip

#### **Wednesday**

Andrew Milner, rip

Lydia Carty, rip

#### **Thursday**

Jacqueline Sears, rip

#### **Friday**

CWL

### DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Sunday Second Sunday of Easter April 27, 2025.  
The Divine Mercy Novena starts Good Friday April 18th

### PASTORS PICKS ON FORMED

He is risen, Alleluia!

We now enter the season of Easter and next Sunday is Divine Mercy Sunday and in Rome Blessed Carlo Acutis will be canonized. Formed is a great resource to learn and help us build our relationship with God.

Check out Divine Mercy with Fr. Michael Gaitley, which tells the dramatic history of God's love and mercy as interwoven through the transformative message of St. Faustina, the miraculous appearance of Mary at Fatima, the witness of Maximilian Kolbe, and the world-changing papacy of Pope St. John Paul II.

If you have yet to watch The Boy from Milan, this week is a great time to learn about the Church's newest saint.

Let us all be inspired by Carlo's story and discover that holiness is possible in daily life.

### BLESSED CARLO ACUTIS YOUTH GROUP

The Blessed Carlo Acutis Youth Group will resume regular meetings every two weeks on Sunday, April 27, 6-8 pm in Room 18. Dates going forward are April 27, May 11, May 25, June 8. All youths grade 9 and up are invited to join us on these evenings to share faith, fun and food!

### EASTER FLOWERS IN FAITH AND MEMORY

David Van de Sande  
Kevin Van de Sande  
Jimmy Donnison  
Donnie Teasdale  
Joe and Peg Kell  
Marie Kell  
Leo Kell  
Hugh and Veronica Kell  
Angus Kell  
Ray Baker  
Leah Duffy  
Vlasta and Tony Chesal  
Tony Chesal Jr.  
Joe Andy MacDonald  
Gerrard MacDonald  
James MacDonald  
William Church  
McCarron Family  
O'Rourke Family  
Andrea and Arend Kikkert  
Brian MacNeil  
Phil Fleury  
Martina MacPherson  
Joey MacPherson  
Marina MacNeil  
Veronica Provencher  
Brian Lynch  
Chisholm Family  
Beaton Family  
Mary A MacDougall  
Alfred and Betty Walsh  
Al Masters  
Kay McAlduff  
Doonan Family  
Norman Family  
Donald Znick  
Jimmy MacDonald  
Dan W. MacPherson  
Theresa MacPherson  
Gerard MacPherson  
Josie Chisholm  
Archie Chisholm  
Joseph Caume  
Palmyre Caume  
Joseph Augustus Caume  
Allan Tate  
Hattie and Simon Mannette  
Charles and Mary DeCoste  
Preston DeCoste  
Charlie DeCoste  
Gordon and Pearl Jordan  
Henry and Margaret Bouchie  
Ryan Muggah  
Evie Grew  
Jaunita Hensbee  
Marcel Landry  
Jerome Myette  
Jean and Charlie Kennedy  
Joe Daye Farrell  
Colleen Kennedy  
David Miller

**MAY 7, 2025**  
**SPRING DEADLINE FOR BISHOP POWER**  
**FOUNDATION**

The late Bishop William Power recognized the importance of the laity in strengthening Christian faith in today's modern world. A family charitable foundation in his name continues to support: individuals in university Catholic Studies (full or part time) and non-profit groups that:

a) empower the poor and/or

b) develop the laity for their Christian role within the church and/or

c) aid the missionary activity of the church

Applications are accepted each spring and fall for consideration. The foundation typically distributes up to \$20,000 annually to successful applicants.

Deadline is May 7 for consideration this spring.

To apply or for more information, visit:

[www.bishoppowerfoundation.ca](http://www.bishoppowerfoundation.ca)

**PRO-LIFE BOOTCAMP!**

In Canada, about 300 innocent children are aborted every single day. Do you want to learn how to defend these innocent pre-born children, and have meaningful conversations on abortion and the dignity of human life? Join for training and hands-on experience doing pro-life outreach in Halifax, NS from May 2-6 (with a May 2-3 weekend option). You can learn pro-life strategy and apologetics that will equip you to reach our culture to change minds and save lives. Application deadline: April 25th. See [www.endthekilling.ca/halifax](http://www.endthekilling.ca/halifax)

**HELP THE SAVE OUR CEILING CAMPAIGN**

The campaign is trying to create a list of former parishioners who have moved away, but are still emotionally attached to St. Ninian's. This list would be used to individually contact them and ask if they are willing to assist the parish in raising \$750,000 to fix the ceiling that is in danger of falling down. We will consider this information confidential and it will only be used for that purpose. There are sheets on the back tables that parishioners may fill out and they will be collected immediately.

**ANNUAL GOODS AND SERVICES AUCTION**

at the Mini Trail Community Centre (4382, rte. 337) Lakevale, Antigonish Co. will take place Sunday, May 4th, 2025. Doors will open at noon for viewing of Auction items and Registration with the Auction set to begin at 1:00pm. Canteen services on site. Admission is free with two chances to win your bidding item for free!

**FEDERAL ELECTION APRIL 28:**

The non-profit non-partisan organization Catholic Conscience has posted an updated party platform comparison showing party positions alongside Catholic Social Teaching about the Sanctity of Human Life; Stewardship of Creation; Family, Community and the Common Good; An Economy at the Service of All People; Solidarity; and Good Government. Find the resource and a letter from Bishop Mark Hagemoen about the election at: <https://rcdos.ca/election/>.

**WEEKLY EVENTS**

**Prayer Group:**

Tuesday - 6:30pm- Vestry- All Welcome

**OCIA Gathering**

Tuesday at 7pm

**Breaking Open the Word**

Wednesday at 9:30 am.

**ST. NINIAN CWL BURSARY**

Applications are available at the back of the church. If you are a 2025 grade 12 graduate and meet the criteria, you are invited to complete the application and return it to St. Ninian's Place at the office clearly marked: CWL Bursary application; c/o Kim Grant, or mail it (address in application) by May 1st.

**COME DANCE WITH US**

The last dance of the Spring will be Sunday April 27th with Shelly Campbell and Allan Dewar performing. 1:30pm - 4pm. Adults \$10.00 and students by donation. Light lunch provided and sponsored by MacGillivray Fuels

**SOMEONE ELSE'S SAINT**

Join local author Dr. Matthew R. Anderson for the launch of his latest book, Someone Else's Saint: How a Scottish Pilgrimage Led to Nova Scotia, which was inspired in part by his talk last year on St Ninian. It charts the course of a pilgrimage along the Whithorn Way in Scotland to a church established by St. Ninian, juxtaposed against a walk from Pomquet to Antigonish, and is interlaced with wonderful anecdotes about the historical and the mythical Ninian, and the people, places, and history of Antigonish Town and County. May 1st at 7pm at the Antigonish Heritage Museum. Music and refreshments will be provided. Hosted by the Heritage Association of Antigonish.

**SATURDAY, MAY 3RD 4PM MASS**

We Will celebrate the

STFX University Graduating Class of 2025.

Students will fill most ministries, and we encourage members of the Cathedral Parish and the wider community to join us in celebrating the achievements of these remarkable young people. As part of the procession, we will light the X candle, which will be placed in the sanctuary. We would like to invite any STFX alumni in the parish interested in lighting one of the candles to contact Muffy McIntyre at [mmcintyr@stfx.ca](mailto:mmcintyr@stfx.ca).

**ANTIGONISH LIONS CLUB**

are having their monthly Pancake and Sausage Breakfast on Sunday April 27 from 9-12 at the Lions Den on 13 Highland Dr. Ext. The proceeds will go towards the Antigonish Challenger Baseball Program.

### **PRAYER/ REFLECTION**

It is impossible to exaggerate the value of hope. Hope is to the spirit what bread is to the body. Our disappointments may be many, our joys may be small, but hope is great. The resurrection of Jesus is the basis of our hope. God of power and love, through the resurrection of your Son you have kindled in our hearts the hope of eternal life. Guard this hope with your grace, and bring it to fulfilment in the kingdom of heaven.

## *Message from Father Danny:*

Alleluia, the Lord is Risen! What joy we feel today as we celebrate the resurrection of the Lord after our Lenten journey of renewal. We are now spiritually prepared to live the joy of the Easter season with new life. The Easter season will bring with it the celebrations of First Communions, Baptisms and Marriages, all wonderful signs of hope and new life.

This week the Cozy Café, held at SNP served over two hundred university students with soups, biscuits, fruit, and other goodies.

On Monday, Bishop Kirkpatrick welcomed priests and laity from the diocese and treated them to wonderfully delicious soups and sandwiches as well as biscuits made by our CWL.

This Sunday, after the masses, I will be leaving for Halifax for a family dinner and on Monday to Quispamsis to spend a night with my brother and family. This will cut my trip to Portland, Maine to just six hours. My friend, Drewe Freme will be marrying Britany Beauchesne, and I'm honoured to be the presider at St. Joseph's Church.

With all the wonderful events this upcoming weekend at the Cathedral know that I will be presiding at a special event as well in the joy of the Easter Season.

Many thanks to all who helped to make the celebrations of the Sacred Triduum beautiful and meaningful.

To the servers, hospitality ministers, lectors, ministers of Holy Communion, music ministers, staff, decorators, and sacristans a very special thank you.

Your dedication and service to our Cathedral Parish is deeply appreciated.  
He is Risen, Alleluia, Alleluia

*God Bless,  
Father Danny*