

Parish News

Mass Schedule

4:00 pm on Saturday and 10:00 am on Sunday

Date	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers
Sat. May 18, 4:00 pm	Harvey van Zutphen	Janet van Zutphen
Sun. May 19, 10:00 am	Malia Watts	Linda Beaton
Weekday Masses (In the Chapel)		
Mon. May 13 6:00pm	Intention by Fr. Eugene Morris	
Tues. May 14 6:00pm (R)	Ethel Chisholm by Rod Chisholm	
Wed. May 15 6:00pm (R)	Kaye MacInnis by Quinn/Florence MacDonald	
Thur. May 16 6:00pm (R)	Theresa Moran by Donald A. MacEachen	
Fri. May 17 6:00pm (R)	Trevor McDaniel by Kaye Brady	



St. Peter's Parish Port Hood May 12, 2024

Contact Information

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Parish Office Hours

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Baptisms

By appointment, please call.
Parish Office

Marriages

Please call Parish Office at least
six months in advance.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Tuesday to Friday from 5:15pm
to 5:45pm & Saturday from
2.30pm to 3.30pm

To book Parish Hall call:

Ann MacDonald 902-787-2213
Ellen Murphy 902-631-0613

Bulletin

parishbulletin@hotmail.com
Send notices no later than 12
noon on Wednesdays.

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may be edited for
brevity or clarity.

Thank you,
Tudi MacEachern

From the Pastor's Desk

"...Go into all the world and proclaim the good news to the whole creation."

(Mark 16: 15) Giacomo Puccini is an Italian composer known primarily for his operas. It was during his battle with terminal cancer in 1922 that he began to write *Turandot*, which many now consider as his best work. He worked on it day and night, despite his friends' advice to rest, and to save his energy. When his health deteriorated, Puccini said to his disciples, **"If I don't finish Turandot, I want you to finish it."** He died in 1924, leaving the work unfinished. His disciples gathered all that was written for *Turandot*, studied it in great detail, and then proceeded to write the remainder of the opera. The world premier was performed in La Scala Opera House in Milan in 1926, and Maestro Arturo Toscanini, Puccini's favorite student, conducted it. The opera went beautifully, until Toscanini came to the end of the part written by Puccini. He stopped the music, put down the baton, turned to the audience, and announced, **"Thus far the master wrote, but he died."** There was a long pause; no one moved. Then Toscanini picked up the baton, turned to the audience and, with tears in his eyes, announced, **"But his disciples finished his work."** The opera closed to thunderous applause and found a permanent place in the history of great works. Jesus instructs us in his Ascension message to finish His work of saving humankind by proclaiming His Good News by words and deeds.

Christ's Ascension was the culmination of God's Divine plan for Christ Jesus, his return to his Father. Jesus' Ascension is the climax of all his words and works done for us and for our salvation. Though it is a culmination it was not the conclusion because Though Jesus is now with God in glory, He continues to remain with us, dwelling within us together with the Father and the Holy Spirit. The focus of this Feast is the Heavenly reign of Christ. The Lord being *"seated at God's right hand,"* means that He alone will be in control of the continuing plan of salvation through the Holy Spirit, unrestricted by time, space, or culture. It is there, at the *"right hand of God,"* that Jesus continues to make intercession for all of us with the Father. Thus, the Paschal Mystery-Jesus' Passion, Death, Resurrection, Ascension, and the sending of the Holy Spirit—is a single, unbroken Reality, which is to be understood by Faith. On this day of the Solemnity of the Ascension, as Christians we are called to be the proclaimers and evangelizers of the Gospel today in this world. As we celebrate the Lord's return to His Father in Heaven-His Ascension—we are being commissioned to go forth and proclaim the Gospel of life, love, hope, and peace, by the witness of our lives. On this day of hope, encouragement, and commissioning, let us renew our commitment to be true disciples everywhere we go, beginning with our family and our parish, as St. Paul says, **"leading a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called."** (Eph: 4:1)

Parish Council: The next Parish Council meeting is on Tuesday, May 14 @ 7:00 pm in the glebe.

KOC: Regular monthly council meeting will be held **Sunday May 19th, 2024, @ 7:30pm in the Church Hall.** Rosary at 7:00 pm.

KOC Bursary: Knights of Columbus are once again offering Bursaries to the 2024 graduates. Applicants must be the members of St. Peter's Parish and planning to attend a recognized Post-secondary education program in the Fall of 2024. Any person applying must complete an application form, which can be found in the back of the church and be returned to our council on or before **June 2nd, 2024.**

The Chisholm Bursary Committee are now accepting application for bursaries for the 2024-2025 year. St. Mary's, St. Andrew's, St. Peter's Parish members who are attending post secondary education next year are welcome to apply. Please email **chisholmbursary@gmail.com** for an application.

A Memorial Mass will be celebrated on **Saturday, May 18, at 10:30am** for the souls of the faithful who have departed over the winter months, and whose remains and cremains have not yet been buried in the parish cemetery. The coffins and urns will be interred on **May 16 and May 17.** Following the Mass on Saturday, priests will bless each grave and say memorial prayers. For next of kin who wish to contact the cemetery committee to arrange for burials, please call **Hughie John Beaton (902-787-2322)** or **John Gillies (902-787-3441).** If this date does not suit the family and you wish to arrange another burial date, please contact the parish office **(902-787-3317).** *(Cemetery Committee: Hughie John Beaton, Bernie Gillies, John Gillies, Martha Gillis, Colleen MacLeod & Fr. Sunny)*

Steubenville Conference: The Diocese of Antigonish has a group of young people going to the Steubenville Conference. The conference is scheduled from **July 5-7, 2024, in St. Mary's University Halifax.** The theme for this year is **ILLUMINATE.** In this present age, it's so easy to get caught in the darkness. We are all looking for a place to be welcomed. A place full of light! This year's conference will be all about finding that light in Christ. Please contact **Michelle Gouthro at 902-919-4453** if interested. For a teaser on the conference, visit <https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=pqKdkLvSmPA>.

CWL: Dues for 2024 is now due. The amount due is \$34.50. It may be sent to Anne MacDougall (902-227-5268), 431 Shore Road, Judique, NS B0E 1P0 or you may put it in the church collection in an envelope clearly marked with **member's name** and **"CWL Dues"**.

Plaques: In the past we offered families the opportunity to place the names of loved ones on a plaque in the back of the church. We plan to continue this practice. We will print and mount plaques on a bi-that name on to Mary Buchanan at **maryfbuchanan1@gmail.com.** The cost is \$200. Please make cheque payable to St. Peter's Parish Building Fund.

The Mother of Sorrows Pioneer Shrine Mabou: The Mother or Sorrows Pioneer Shrine in Mabou is a place of prayer and devotion, of piety and faith, a Catholic Shrine which welcomes visitors of all faiths and interests. To maintain the Shrine and the Gift shop and keep it going, support from generous and good-minded people are sought. As the Shrine is a registered charity, those who make donations will be issued tax receipts for income tax purposes. Become a "Friend of the Shrine", enrol a friend as gift or "In Memory" of a loved one and help to maintain the Shrine. **Weekly 'May devotions' on every Friday from 7.00 to 8.00pm.**

The Judique Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a **Brunch on Sunday, May 19th** at the **Judique Community Center** from **10:30 to 12:30.** Adults \$12.00, Children \$6.00

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT IN THE CHAPEL

(9.00AM TO 3.00PM EVERYDAY)

"Remember your church in your Will."