



St. Agnes Parish Newsletter

April 30, 2017

3rd Sunday of April

Note: Fr. Paul will be going to the Holy Land with Fr. James Mallon and a group of Pilgrims. He will be leaving on May 14th and will return on the 26th. Fr. Gordon MacLean will celebrate the weekend Masses on May 13/14 and the 20th/21st. There will be NO weekday Masses during these two weeks. Thank you.



YES!!!! We are having our annual St. Agnes Annual Mothers Day Lobster Brunch - Sunday May 14th

from 11:30 to 1pm. Take out Available.

Tickets are \$25.00 ea (alternate is baked ham) Your special luncheon includes a fully cooked 1 1/2 lobster, potato salad & Cole slaw, roll and refreshment. With pie to finish up with . There is also a chance to win a super special Mothers Day Basket chocked full of goodies. This year we have 3 prizes 1st—Spa Basket, which includes a \$100 gift certificate to Willow Spa; 2nd prize is a pair of Grafton Theater Tickets; and our 3rd prize is a Gardening basket. So whether you want to come in and relax and have your lobster served to you, or you would rather have it to go, come on out and join us for brunch. For tickets or to reserve a ticket, call the office at 454-8200 # 2 or Tanya at 902-454-8281. Deadline for tickets is May 11th. Tickets will also be sold following Masses this weekend.

Religious Education News



We will not have Religion Classes Sunday May 14th Mother's Day, hope to see all the ladies enjoying the Lobster Luncheon .

And we will not have classes Sunday May 21st, enjoy the Victoria Day Long Weekend.



Thank you to our great St. Agnes Team of players, coaches, refs and volunteers. Your participation made the 9th Annual Mancini Cup Soccer Fun Day a

Week at a Glance

Monday May 1

Bingo—Auditorium—6:50pm
Rosary Making—Campbell Centre 6:30pm

Tuesday May 2

Prayer Meditation—Campbell Centre 1:30pm
Scripture Reading—Parlor 7pm
Private Function—Auditorium 7-9pm

Wednesday May 3

Mothers Morning Out—Auditorium —10am
Private Function—Auditorium 7-9pm

Thursday May 4

Prayer Shawl Ministry—Campbell Centre 1:30pm
Fr. Paul Adult Ed—St. Agnes Rm 6:30pm

Friday May 5

Fr. Paul Morris 17th anniversary
Indoor Walking—auditorium 9-11am
Private Function—Auditorium 6:30—9:00pm

Saturday May 6

St. Bede's Ordinariate Mass 11am.

Sunday May 7

1st Communion Retreat 11:30am
Private Functions Auditorium 3—9pm

wonderfully fun and faith filled event! Congratulations to all for being excellent ambassadors for Christ and Sportsmanship!

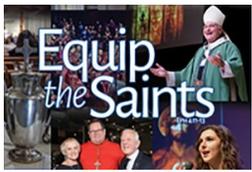


Sunday May 7th First Holy Communion

Retreat 11:30-1:00. Families and candidates preparing for First Holy Communion are asked to attend this Retreat. Lunch will be

provided. There will not be 9:30am Religion Classes for students attending the Retreat.

Rosary Making – Monday May 1st 6:30-8:30 – Everyone Invited! We are now working on Rosaries to sell at Mother's Day and Father's Day as a fundraiser for our Little Church Social Justice Projects. Specifically, Kamakwie, Serra Leone.



Together we can Equip the Saints!

Thank you to everyone who has donated to the 2017 Formation Collection. Contributing to this collection is a part of our overall diocesan collections that this year has the overarching theme: Equip the Saints. This theme implies that we can, and do, support the faith growth of all the faithful people within the Archdiocese of Halifax-Yarmouth.

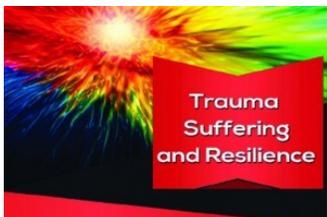
Together we are helping people become saints in the making! Funds raised from this collection will support Adult Faith Formation, Catechetical Formation, and Formation for our Lay Leaders. Please consider donating to the Formation Collection. For more information or to make a donation, visit www.halifaxyarmouth.org/donate or call Lydia Hood at 902-429-9800 ext 401. Thank you again for your continued support, both prayerfully and financially.



Columbarium at Mount Olivet to be Moved

A number of years ago, the Columbarium was installed at Mount Olivet Cemetery to provide a final resting place for families seeking a pleasant environment for their much loved family members. Over the years we have noticed a number of safety issues associated with the niches available on the back of the Columbarium.

We plan on moving the curved Columbarium forward on the cement pad to increase the space at the back. This will take place in the first week of May, and should take an entire day. To ensure the safety of families visiting the cemetery we are asking that people avoid being in the Cemetery at that time. Be assured the move will result in a safer, more attractive site for our loved ones. If you have any questions please contact Cathy Driscoll-Cainen, (902) 429-9800 ext. 308. www.halifaxyarmouth.org/cemeteries



The Archbishop James M. Hayes Symposium 2017 on Trauma, Suffering and Resilience

This year's Archbishop James M. Hayes Symposium is scheduled for May 15- 17,

2017. Sessions for the day symposium will take place between two locations: the Atlantic School of Theology and Saint Andrew's United Church on Coburg Rd. The conversations will focus on the theme: Trauma, Suffering, and Resilience.

The guest speaker for the opening night keynote is Lt. General Romeo Dallaire. This portion of the symposium is open to the public and will happen on Monday, May 15 at 7:00pm at Saint Andrew's United Church, 6036 Coburg Road. This lecture is free however, those interested in attending are asked to register at: www.astheology.ns.ca

The annual Hayes Symposium was begun by the Atlantic School of Theology in 2016 to honour the many accomplishments Archbishop James M. Hayes, former Archbishop of the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Halifax. For more information about the full symposium or to register see www.astheology.ns.ca or contact Ms. Falen McNulty at hayes@astheology.ns.ca

National Week for Life and the Family



For several years the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB) has promoted a national initiative to reflect on life and the family. This initiative is called: The National Week for Life and the Family.

Bishop Douglas Crosby, OMI, president of the CCCB, offers the following comments in his message about the upcoming week in May:

"Every year the Church in Canada sets aside one week to celebrate Life and the Family. This is a special time to reflect on the importance of the family and to renew our commitment, as followers of Christ, to upholding the dignity of human life at every stage of development, from conception to natural death. This year's Week for Life and the Family will be observed from 14 May (Mother's Day) to 21 May, with the theme, "Love Grows by Giving. . ."

Parishes across our archdiocese are encouraged to celebrate the gift our families are and join together in praying for and with our faithful families.

To read the full text of Bishop Crosby's message and to access resources to help celebrate the National Week of Life and the Family go to CCCB website and click on the Life and Family photo on the right hand side of the page.