



**St. Agnes Parish Newsletter**  
**4th February 2018**  
**5th Sunday in Ordinary Time**



**Commissioning of our Youth**  
**Altar servers**

will take place this Sunday February 4th at the 10:30am mass. Please keep these young people in your prayers and join us in congratulating them on entering this most special Ministry in our Liturgy.

**Congratulations to:**

Curtis Simms, Felicity Sapp  
Mattea Josey, Will Lacey &  
Sophia Sablone



**Lenten Adult Faith Study**  
**and Sharing**

As in previous years, for the holy season of Lent we will have the opportunity to gather with other parishioners to learn and discuss various themes and practices related to Lent—prayer, fasting and almsgiving—as well as the spirituality and customs associated with the Lenten season

We will gather to discuss the upcoming Sunday, Fr. Paul will have a PowerPoint presentation of a certain theme associated with it. We will then break out into small groups for discussion and sharing. Always an amazing experience to learn and hear from our brothers and sisters in Christ.

In past years these have been really entertaining evenings. Please mark these dates now and plan

on bringing someone along with your, Tuesday evenings from 6:30—8:30pm. February 13, 20, 27 & March 6, 13 & 20th.

**Evening Agenda**

- 6:30pm Gathering/Prayer
- 6:40pm PowerPoint presentation
- 7:20pm Small group discussion
- 8:05pm Large group discussion
- 8:30pm Conclusion.



**Ash Wednesday Masses**

Our Masses for Ash Wednesday, February 14 are 12:10pm and 7:00pm. With Ashes distributed at both Masses.



**SHROVE TUESDAY**

**Shrove Tuesday, February 13th from 5pm to 7pm in the Auditorium.**

Hosted by: 26th

Halifax, Beavers, Cubs and scouts Our delicious menu will consist of pancakes, Sausage Desert & juice, Coffee/Tea Cost Adults \$8.00—Child \$4.00 (under 12) For more information: contact 26halifax@gmail.com All proceeds go directly to the 26th Halifax Scouting Group



## Religious Education News

**First Reconciliation Retreat** – Sunday Feb. 4<sup>th</sup> 11:30am – 1:00pm in the auditorium. Children preparing to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time are asked to attend the Retreat, along with their parents / guardians. We will explore this wonderful healing Sacrament and review the process of going to Reconciliation. Lunch will be provided.

**Burning of the Palm:** many thanks to all who brought in your old palm, the response was overwhelming. As you know the old palm is burned to create fresh ashes which will be used in our Ash Wednesday Masses. We will be burning the palm this Sunday at 10:10 am on the rectory front steps. All are welcome to join us.



**Sacrament of First Reconciliation** will be celebrated Friday Feb. 9<sup>th</sup>. Families are asked to meet in the church by 6:30pm. After the service we will enjoy some cake and refreshments in the auditorium.

**Friday Lenten Lunches for children and youth** – Fridays in Lent we will gather for Mass at 12:10pm, followed by a warm lunch in the auditorium. In keeping with our Catholic observances this year our Lenten Lunches will be meatless. Children attending Westmount School will be chaperoned to and from the church. Children at other schools will require parent transportation. All children and youth are welcome! Friday's in Lent – Feb.16<sup>th</sup>, Feb.23<sup>rd</sup>, March 2<sup>nd</sup>, March 9<sup>th</sup>, March 23<sup>rd</sup>.

**RCIA Rite of Election Sunday Feb.18<sup>th</sup> 3:00pm** at Saint Mary's Basilica. Please pray for our Catechumens and Candidates as they journey towards the Easter Vigil and reception into the Roman Catholic Church. *May you be blessed and strengthened in Christs love – Jack McBeath, Warren McBeath, Silas Eddy, Sharon Barrett, Sean Kontak and Charlotte Roach.*

### [Week at a Glance](#)

#### **Saturday February 3**

Funeral—Mark Cleary 10am.

#### **Sunday February 4**

Burning of palm—front of rectory 10:10am  
Private Function—Auditorium 7-9pm

#### **Monday February 5**

Bingo—Auditorium— 6:50pm

#### **Tuesday February 6**

Meditation—Cambell Centre 1:30pm  
St. Agnes Council KOC Mtg—Auditorium -7pm

#### **Wednesday February 7**

Chebucto Links—Campbell Centre 10a—12p  
Playgroup—Auditorium—10a—12p  
Private function 8:30—9:30pm

#### **Thursday February 8**

Prayer Shawl Group—Campbell Cen. –1:30pm  
Private function—Auditorium –9pm—10pm

#### **Friday February 9**

Quilting—Campbell Centre 9am—12p  
Indoor Walking—Auditorium –10-11am  
Private function—Auditorium 4:30—5:30pm  
First Reconciliation—6:30pm

#### **Saturday February 10**

Private function—Auditorium— 9am—2pm

#### **Sunday February 11**

L'Arche— Auditorium -1-4pm  
Private Parish Function—10:30am—2pm  
Private Function—Auditorium 7-9pm

***Our second collection this weekend Feb 3/4 is for Pro Life. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.***