

Signage at our Catholic Cemeteries



Recently signs have been posted in Gate of Heaven, Mount Olivet and Holy Cross cemeteries to provide a clearer understanding of the use of these spaces for all visitors to our cemeteries. These signs provide guidelines to help visitors during their time in the cemetery and ensure the safety and comfort of everyone.

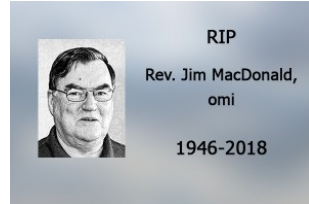
The signs include:

- parking signs to provide direction to designated parking spaces while visiting.
- no smoking signs indicating that there is no designated smoking area in any of the cemeteries.
- No dogs are allowed signs to emphasize the sacredness of the grounds, as well as in accordance with city bylaws.
- warning signs that speak to the safety for adults and children while visiting the cemetery regarding: parking, the need for children to be accompanied by an adult, and the speed limit.

A Catholic cemetery is a sacred place; it is holy ground where our faithful departed await the resurrection to eternal life. Caring well for the grounds of the cemetery are a sign of respect for those who are buried there. It is also important to make the cemetery a welcoming for the families who visit their deceased loved ones. This special respect we accord to the faithful departed and the places where they rest remind us of the hope of joyfully greeting them again, when we will be with them and the Lord forever in the heavenly kingdom.

We ask visitors to please respect the signage as we aim to provide a safe and peaceful space for all who visit our cemeteries.

RIP Fr. Jim MacDonald, omi



Late last week, Archbishop Mancini received word that Fr. Jim MacDonald, omi died in hospital in Ottawa on Monday, October 29, 2018. Fr. Jim served most recently at Saint Joseph's Parish in Bridgewater, before he was recalled to Ontario by his community, the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate (omi). Below is his obituary:

Rev. Hugh James MacDonald, omi

Died unexpectedly while struggling with health issues on Monday, October 29, 2018 in Ottawa General Hospital. He was 72. He is survived by members of his religious community, the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate; and his aunt, Mary MacDougall; his siblings, Isabel, Ken, Betty, Bernard (Mary), Claire (James McLean); and his nieces and nephews. Father Jim was born in Antigonish, on April 1, 1946, to Catherine and Hugh. He professed his first vows on September 8, 1966 and his final vows on September 7, 1970 as a Missionary Oblate of Mary Immaculate. Father Jim was ordained to the priesthood on December 21, 1985. Throughout 30 years in ministry, Father Jim served as pastor in several parishes in Nova Scotia: Margaree, Sheet Harbour, Indian Brook and Bridgewater. He also served as pastor in Davis Inlet in the Diocese of Labrador and in the Archdiocese of Ottawa, in addition to a number of years as a chaplain with Corrections Canada in Ontario. We are grateful to Father Jim's caregivers in both Nova Scotia and Ottawa. An Oblate Vigil Prayer Service was held at Canadian Martyrs Church in Ottawa last Thursday, November 1. His funeral Mass was celebrated on Friday, November 2. Interment took place in St. Theresa Cemetery, Arnprior, ON. We invite you to keep Fr. Jim's family and his community in your prayers during this sad time. Fr. Jim MacDonald may you rest in peace.



St. Agnes Parish November 11th, 2018 Remembrance Day

St. Agnes Council

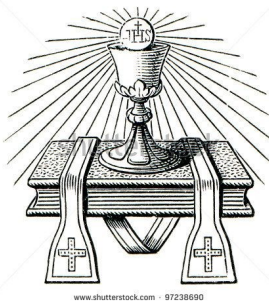


THERE ARE STILL A FEW YEARLY LIVING IN CHRIST MISSALS FOR 2018-2019 LEFT. . COST IS \$5.00. TO PURCHASE CONTACT MARLENE IN THE OFFICE.

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Website: <http://www.stagnesparish.ca>; email: stagnes@hfx.eastlink.ca
Weekday Masses: Tuesdays & Thursdays 8:00am; Wednesday & Fridays 12:10pm
Saturday: 4:00pm (anticipated); **Confessions:** Saturdays 3pm – 3:30pm.; **Sunday:** 8:30am & 10:30am
Pastor: Father Paul Morris **Email:** fatherpaulmorris@gmail.com
Religious Ed. Director: Tanya Thomson- 902-454-8281 or stagnesdre@eastlink.ca
Office Administrator: Marlene Turpin **Parish Office Hours:** 9:00am – 3:00pm
Marriages: Baptisms: RCIA & Hall Bookings contact the parish office. 902-454-8200 x2



" Adult Faith with Fr. Paul " series this fall.

Fr. Paul will be presenting **Robert Barron's " The Mass"**. The series will be presented on the following dates:

3rd Session - Nov 20; 4th Session - Nov 27;
5th Session - Dec 4; 6th Session - Dec 11.

NOTE**** there will be no session on Nov 13th, as it is our Parish Memorial Mass Everyone is invited!! Bring a friend - this is a great way to set our hearts upon Advent and Christmas.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

There will be no Religious Education classes this Sunday—November 11—Remembrance Day,



Friends & Family Hike – Sunday Nov. 11th 1:30pm We will meet at Long Lake Provincial Park, just off the Northwest Arm Dr. Trail is pet, stroller and family friendly. We begin in prayer, walk for about 40 mins and then regroup for Hot Chocolate and Cookies. Hope you can come for some time in God's beautiful gift of earth and nature. Please note this is weather permitting, if its raining we will reschedule.

Family Advent Wreath Making will be Sunday Dec.2nd 11:30am. This is wonderful opportunity to kick off Advent with a beautiful wreath and joyful heart. Boughs, wreath forms, decorations and refreshments will be on hand. Cash Donations accepted towards the Little Church Mission.

DROP & SHOP – Need some time for Christmas shopping, baking or napping ☑ Bring your littles to our Drop & Shop for some supervised fun, games, crafts and snacks - food and supplies will be provided. Times are Friday Dec.7th 5:30pm-9:30pm and Saturday Dec.8th 9:00am-6:00pm. Hourly rate of

\$10.00 per family. Please register with Tanya at stagnedre@eastlink.ca



RCIA – The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. Are you feeling called to complete your initiation into the Christian Faith? Would you like to explore the possibility of becoming Catholic? Come talk to us. We would like to walk with you as you embark on a life changing journey. First gathering will be Tuesday Oct. 30th 6:30pm – 8:30pm. To register please contact Tanya Thomson at 902-454-8281 or stagnedre@eastlink.ca

Please come even if you're in the early discerning / thinking phase. We would love to meet you and answer any questions you may have.

St. Agnes Memorial Mass



In Remembrance for all those who have died in the past year will be held on Tuesday November 13th @ 7pm. All are welcome to join us for this special Mass. As in the past we would appreciate donations of sandwiches and sweets for the reception following the Mass. Please bring them to the Auditorium during the day between the hours of 9 and 4pm.



Basketball Free Throw Championship,

Saturday Nov 24th 9-12 St Agnes Auditorium. The St Agnes Knights of Columbus will hold their annual Basketball Free Throw competition open to all boys and girls ages 9-14 as of Dec 31, 2018. Registration will be at 9am in the gym, refreshments will be provided. Please let your friends know they are welcome to participate in this event. Registration forms will be available to pick up at the back of the Church. Any questions please email Peter Bonner at gk16817nskofc@gmail.com.



Catholic spiritually devoted to praying for the Faithful Departed. Please take a moment and make a note in the book of remembrance of anyone special who has passed away, and who you would like to be prayed for during the month of November at Mass. There are 2 books available, one at the entrance to the church and one on the railing at the altar.



Our Prayer Shawl Ministry has resumed. Come on out and join our ladies every Thursday at 1:30pm in the Campbell centre meeting room. Come be part of this special group who are making a spiritual impact in the lives of our brothers and sisters needing comfort and strength during difficult times. For information contact **Karen Howard at 902-443-6506**. Our next blessing of the prayer shawls will take place at a Healing Mass Friday November 30th, 2018 at the 12:10 mass. All are welcome to attend.

Meditation - Just in case you have not heard our Meditation sessions have resumed. At St Agnes, we offer Meditation sessions weekly giving you the opportunity to explore the spiritual wisdom of silent prayer. Sessions are every **Tuesday at 1:30 pm**. In the Campbell Centre meeting room. Come and join us and experience a different, yet meaningful style of prayer with our Lord. For additional information regarding Meditation sessions call **Karen Howard at 902-443- 6506**.

Remembrance Day Ringing of the Bells. On Sunday November 11th starting at sunset (4:51pm) St. Agnes will be joining all churches across the Country in a salute to the 100th anniversary of the signing of the Armistice to end the First World War. We will be tolling the bells 100 times with a very short interval between tolls. This War was devastating in its consequences for all and did not distinguish between the battlefield and home, young and old, Catholic or non Catholic .



A World War I Remembrance

Week at a Glance

Sunday November 11

No Religious Ed Classes
Friends and Family Hike 1:30pm
L'Arche –Auditorium 1-4pm
Private function –Auditorium 7-9

Monday November 12

NO MASS
Parish Office closed.

Tuesday November 13

Meditation—Campbell Centre 1:30pm
Adult Faith—St. Agnes Rm 7-9pm
Private function—Campbell Centre 7-9pm
Parish Memorial Mass 7pm

Wednesday November 14

Chebucto Links—Campbell Centre 10am
Playgroup—Auditorium 10am
Baptismal Prep—St. Agnes Rm 7pm

Thursday November 15

Prayer Shawl Ministry Campbell Cent. 1:30pm
Liturgy Comm. Mtg—St. Agnes Rm 7pm
Private Function—Campbell Cnt. 6pm

Friday November 16

Quilting—Campbell Centre- 9-12
Indoor Walking —Auditorium—10—11am

Saturday November 17

KOC Regional Meeting—Auditorium 8-4pm

Sunday November 18

Children of mary—St. Agne 2pm
Private Function—Auditorium 2-5pm
Private Function—auditorium 7-9pm

Monday November 19

NO MASS
Magnificat—Campbell Centre—1:30pm
Bingo—Auditorium 6:50pm

NOTE :

There will be No Mass on Wednesday November 21, due to the Peninsula Priests Meeting.