St. Peter's, Holy Guardian Angels and St. John the Baptist Parishes (902) 535-2053 Rev. John Yake, I. V. Dei

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October 24, 2021

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Previous Calendar: Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday Readings

The **First Reading**, from the book of the Prophet Jeremiah, 31:7-9, "Behold I will bring them back from the land of the north; I will gather them from the ends of the world, with the blind and the lame in their midst, the mothers and those with child; they shall return as an immense throng." Today's reading talks about the restoration of Israel and the new exodus.

The **Second Reading**, from St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews, 5:1-6, "You are a priest forever according to the order of Melchizedek." Paul develops the figure of Melchisedech as a type of Christ, the eternal High Priest of the New Covenant. Unlike the Levitical priests, Melchisedech is given no genealogy in Scripture. Paul sees in this fact the intention of the Holy Spirit to prefigure Christ's eternal priesthood.

We read in this **Sunday's Gospel** (Mark 10:46-52) that, while the Lord passes through the streets of Jericho, a blind man named Bartimaeus addresses him, crying out loudly: "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" This entreaty moves Christ's heart, who pauses, has him called and cures him.

The decisive moment was the personal, direct encounter between the Lord and that man who was suffering. They are before one another -- God with his will to cure and the man with his desire to be cured. Two liberties, two converging wills, "What do you want me to do for you?" the Lord asks him. "Let me receive my sight," replies the blind man. "Go your way; your faith has made you well." With these words, the miracle is realized -- God's joy, man's joy. And Bartimaeus, who had recovered his sight — recounts the Gospel — "followed him on the way": That is, he becomes his disciple and goes up with the Master to Jerusalem to take part with him in the great mystery of salvation. In the essential of its passages, this account evokes the itinerary of the catechumen toward the sacrament of baptism, which in the early Church was also called "Illumination."

Faith is a path of illumination; it starts from the humility of acknowledging one's need of salvation and arrives at the personal encounter with Christ, who calls [one] to follow him on the way of love. On this model the itineraries of Christian initiation have been established in the Church, which prepare for the sacraments of baptism, confirmation and the Eucharist.

In places of past evangelization — where the baptism of children is widespread — catechetical and spiritual experiences are proposed to young people and adults which enable them to undertake a path of rediscovery of the faith in a mature and conscious way, in order to assume later a coherent commitment to witness. How important is the work that pastors and catechists carry out in this field!

The rediscovery of the value of one's baptism is the basis of the missionary commitment of every Christian, because we see in the Gospel that he who lets himself be fascinated by Christ cannot do without witnessing the joy of following in his footsteps. In this month of October, especially dedicated to the mission, we understand even more that, in virtue of baptism, we have an inherent missionary vocation.

We invoke the intercession of the Virgin Mary so that missionaries of the Gospel will multiply. Intimately united to the Lord, may every baptized person hear that he is called to proclaim the love of God to all, with the testimony of his own life.

--Angelus Address, Pope Benedict XVI, October 29, 2006

Sacrament of Baptism

please call the office: Rev. John Yake, I.V. Dei

Instructors for baptism:

Mary Fougere, SJB 902) 535-2699 Rose Pâté, SP (902) 302-7011 Vera Doucette, HGA (902) 785-4018

Sacrament of Matrimony

Please call Fr. Yake six months prior to the wedding date. Call Family Service of Eastern Nova Scotia to register for upcoming courses 902-849-4772. Ask for Tasia Boucher, <u>tboucher@fsens.ns.ca</u> Weekday Liturgy

Monday, October 25, 2021

Wake time for +Alice Mombourquette

7:00 PM-9:00 PM (L'Ardoise Funeral Home)

Tuesday, October 26, 2021

Mass of the Resurrection

+Alice Mombourquette

HGA 11:00 AM

SJB Mass 4:00 PM

Wednesday, October 27, 2021SP9:00 AM+Madeline Lafford

Friday, October 29, 2021 HGA 11:00 AM + Dorothy Sampson

Weekend Liturgy

Saturday, October 30, 2021SH Mass4:00 PMHGA Mass5:30 PMFor the intention of Mary "Theresa" MombourquetteWho turns 100 on November 1, 2021Congratulations

Sunday, October 31, 2021SJB9:00 AMSP10:30 AM+ Jacob Battiste

<u>Please note:</u> Mass intentions should be arranged with Mary at office, not with Fr. Yake.

October 17, 2021 receipts

Holy Guardian Angels	
Envelopes & Loose	\$452.00
Candles	16.80
Total	<u>\$ 468.80</u>

St. Peter's	
Envelopes & Loose	\$ 785.00
Candles	9.00
Cemetery road	20.00
Parish Dues	15.00
Total	<u>\$ 829.00</u>
Saint John the Baptist	
Envelopes & Loose	\$ 925.00
Cemetery	545.00
Mission Sunday	115.00
Total	\$ <u>1,585.00</u>

COMMUNITY EVENTS

<u>To view updated information for East Richmond Catholic Parishes</u> please use eastrichmondcatholic.com rather than searching for St. Peter's Parish.

<u>Reception at Community Centre</u> to follow funeral Mass on Tuesday, October 26, 2021

Operation Christmas Child: We will be participating in this project this year. However, there has been a delay in the shipping of the shoeboxes and they won't be available in the churches until the weekend of October 23rd. In the meantime you could start your shopping early for the items for your box. Boxes will be sent to Central America and West Africa. The return date for the boxes in November 14. Please support this worthy cause. **St. John the Baptist CWL**

Religious Christmas Cards for sale: There are available many different designs and also mixed packs of religious Christmas cards through <u>www.lifecyclebooks.ca</u> You may order on line or Maureen Sampson of HGA has ordered several mixed packs for anyone in our surrounding communities who may be interested. The cost is \$5 for a pack of 10. **Phone 902-587-2517** for more information.

<u>There will be a general meeting of St. John the Baptist CWL</u>, River Bourgeois, on Tuesday, October 26, immediately following the 4 PM Mass.

<u>St. Peter's Parish Council next meeting</u> will be held November 15, 2021 at Eva Landry's house at 6:00 PM

Parishioners wanting to host family funeral receptions –

Food caterers in the St. Peter's area are listed below, **please notice this corrected list:**

- Louie's Cosy Corner Restaurant, 9985 Grenville Street, St. Peter's, 902-535-3195
- Foodland Supermarket, 10004 Grenville Street, St. Peter's, 902-535-2277
- Tim Hortons, 9966 Grenville Street, St. Peter's, 902-535-3773
- Robins Donuts, 10041 Grenville Street, St. Peter's, 902-623-0259
- Bras D'Or Lakes Inn, 10095 Grenville St., St. Peter's, 902-535-2200

Sundays with Fr Patrick and John Ratchford 7 pm on Facebook Live Featuring conversations about church teachings and issues Join live or watch later on Fr Patrick's Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/frpatrick.oneill

Mass For Shut-Ins 59th Season Begins Oct. 17

Mass on Oct. 17 will air on CTV at **9:30 am for that week only.** The regular schedule of Sundays at 11:30 am will resume Oct. 24. Clergy, groups, and music ministers interested in recording episodes are invited to book their time by contacting Nick Vince, Mass for Shut-Ins Coordinator, at 902-539-6188 or toll-free 1-800-656-5311 ext 222, or email <u>nick@dioceseofantigonish.ca</u> **Questions?** Contact Fr. Patrick O'Neill, producer, Mass for Shut-Ins, at (902) 562-9810

October 14, 2021 **My Dear Clergy and Faithful,**

The concerns of people have been heard and there is recognition of the need to allow families to mourn the passing of loved ones. Yesterday, Doctor Strang informed faith leaders that Section 16.8 of the Public Health Order of the province has been revised "to incorporate legal authority for a business or organization (including a faith organization)" such as our churches to host a funeral service outside the Proof of Vaccine Protocol if it adheres to the following:

(a) a maximum of 25 persons attend (excluding the officiant and funeral home staff);

(b) all persons in attendance wear a mask at the funeral service, both indoors and outdoors;

(c) all persons (staff and attendees) who are unwell do not attend the funeral service; and

(d) any business or organization that hosts a funeral service outside the parameters set out sections (a) to (c) must adhere to the POV Protocol.

An online update will be issued today to reflect this change. This change applies only to funeral services and not the visitation or reception. It also does not apply to wedding services.

Fraternally,

+ Wayne Kirkpatrick

Bishop Wayne Kirkpatrick