

**St. Peter, Holy Guardian Angels and St. John the Baptist Parishes
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**May 29, 2022
Ascension of the Lord
World Communications Day**

St. Joan of Arc

The *Roman Martyrology* commemorates **St. Joan of Arc**, the patron saint of France.

Saint Joan was born on January 6, 1412, in the village of Domremy to Jacques and Isabelle d'Arc. Joan was the youngest of their five children. While growing up among the fields and pastures of her village, she was called Jeannette but when she entered into her mission, her name was changed to Jeanne, la Pucelle, or Joan, the Maid.



As a child she was taught domestic skills as well as her religion by her mother. Joan would later say, "As for spinning and sewing, I fear no woman in Rouen." And again, "It was my mother alone who taught me the 'Our Father' and 'Hail Mary' and the 'Creed;' and from none other was I taught my faith."

From her earliest of years Joan was known for her obedience to her parents, religious fervor, goodness, unselfish generosity and kindness toward her neighbors. Simonin Munier, one of Joan's childhood friends, tells how Joan had nursed him back to health when he was sick. Some of her playmates teased her for being 'too pious.' Others remembered how she would give up her bed to the homeless stranger who came to her father's door asking for shelter.

Joan was 'like all the others' in her village until her thirteenth year. "When I was about thirteen, I received revelation from Our Lord by a voice which told me to be good and attend church often and that God would help me." She stated that her 'Voices' were Saint Michael the Archangel, Saint Catherine and Saint Margaret. At first her 'Voices' came to her two or three times a week but as the time for her mission drew near (five years later), they visited her daily telling her to 'Go into France' to raise the siege of Orleans, conduct the Dauphin Charles to Reims for his crowning and to drive the English from the land.

Joan went to the neighboring town of Vaucouleurs, which means Valley of many colors. There she spoke to the loyal French governor by the name of Sir Robert de Baudricourt. After many rejections he finally agreed to send her to the Dauphin who at the time was living at the castle of Chinon.

On the evening of February 23, 1429, she began her mission for God. In the company of six men, she rode through the Gate of France on her way to Chinon.

Joan reached this town on March 6th, but was not received by the Dauphin, Charles, until the evening of March 9th.

After being accepted and approved by a Church council headed by the Archbishop of Reims, Joan was allowed to lead the Dauphin's army. This part of her career was meteoric. She entered Orleans on the evening of April 29th and by May 8th the city had been freed. The Loire campaign started on June 9th and by June 19th the English were driven out of the Loire valley. The march to Reims started on June 29th and by July 17th Charles was crowned King of France in the cathedral of Reims.



From this time on, for reasons known only to King Charles, the king no longer valued Joan's advice and guidance. She had always told him that God had given her 'a year and a little longer' to accomplish His will but the king seemed to take no notice of it. For almost a year he wasted what time remained to Joan, until in frustration, she left the court. Her last campaign lasted from the middle of March until her capture at the town of Compiègne on May 23rd, 1430. Her 'year and a little longer' was over.

Abandoned by her king and friends, she started her year of captivity. As a prisoner of the Burgundians she was treated fairly but that all changed when on November 21st, 1430, she was handed over to the English. How she survived their harsh treatment of her is a miracle in itself.

The English not only wanted to kill Joan but they also wanted to discredit King Charles as a false king by having Joan condemned by the Church as a witch and a heretic. To obtain this goal the English used those Church authorities whom they knew to be favorable to them and the staunchest of these was Bishop Cauchon.

Joan's trial of condemnation lasted from February 21st until May 23rd. She was finally burnt at the stake in Rouen's market square on May 30th, 1431.

Twenty-five years later the findings of Joan's first trial were overturned and declared 'null and void' by another Church court, who this time was favorable to King Charles. It was not until 1920 that the Church of Rome officially declared Joan to be a saint. Her feast day is celebrated on May 30th.

—Excerpted from [St. Joan of Arc Center](#)

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, tboucher@fsens.ns.ca

Weekday Masses

Tuesday, May 31, 2022

SJB 4:00 PM

Wednesday, June 1, 2022

SP 9:00 AM

Friday, June 3, 2022

HGA 11:00 AM

Saturday, June 4, 2022

SH 4:00 PM

HGA 5:30 PM

Sunday, June 5, 2022

SJB 9:00 AM

+ Donnie Richard

SP 10:30 AM

*** Special Intentions**

Receipts

Holy Guardian Angels

May 21, 2022

Envelopes & Loose \$ 800.25

Candles \$ 32.10

Total \$ 832.35

St. John the Baptist

May 22, 2022

Envelopes & Loose \$ 779.55

Total \$ 779.55

St. Peter's
May 22, 2022

Envelopes & Loose	\$ 571.00
Candles	19.00
Improvement Fund	25.00
Papal Charities	126.00
Cemetery Donation	75.00
<u>Total</u>	\$ 816.00

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Holy Guardian Angels Parish will mark a very important milestone in the lives of parishioners and community members. Year 2023 signals the 200th anniversary of our diocesan membership, a notable contribution made by our ancestors to the spiritual and cultural life of our brothers and sisters. To honor their sacrifices and contributions we must recall their selfless service and decide how to preserve their memory. On Sunday afternoon, June 5th we invite you to gather at the L'Ardoise Community Center to exchange ideas and suggestions as we commence planning for a 200th anniversary celebration. Time of our meeting is 2:00 P.M.

Knights of Columbus Yard Sale will be on June 18th and 19th from 9:00 AM till 4:00 PM. We will be accepting donations of goods and maybe some help as **"Many hands make light work"**

For all parishes: The Richmond Co. Men's Choir is actively singing again. The men sing in a different parish in Richmond Co. one **Sunday/Saturday** of each month (**excluding July & August**). If you love to sing, come join us! They practice in the Louisdale Church every second week from 7:15 PM till 8:15 PM. The choir will be in Glendale on May 29th at 10:00 AM Mass.

Upcoming Events

"I draw great hope in his ability to listen"

Synod conversation participant on Pope Francis

Sharing your story gives you a voice in the Synod process and holds great value to us who are privileged to hear it. Submissions to the Synod will be accepted until June 3.

The Synod team stands ready to assist. Contact Jennifer Hatt, Communications

Officer, jennifer@dioceseofantigonish.ca, ph 902-759-2181 or

visit www.antigonishdiocese.com/listeningchurch

Thank you for journeying with us!

We invite you to our Diocesan Synod Closing Celebration

Sunday, June 5, 3 pm in St. Ninian Cathedral, Antigonish

Mass celebrated by Bishop Wayne Kirkpatrick followed by a light reception in St. Ninian Place. Please join us to honour contributions to our diocesan Synod phase and pray for our next chapter of engagement as 'church'

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Friday, June 3

Deadline in our diocese for individual and group submissions to the Synod

Email: ListeningChurch@dioceseofantigonish.ca or jennifer@dioceseofantigonish.ca

Mail: Listening Church, Diocesan Pastoral Centre, PO Box 100, Stn A Sydney NS. B1P 6G9

Phone: Jennifer Hatt, 902-759-2181

Save The Dates!

Stay tuned for details

Sunday, June 5, 3 pm

St. Ninian Cathedral

Closing celebration for the diocesan listening phase of the Synod of Bishops

Mass celebrated by Bishop Wayne Kirkpatrick, followed by a light reception

Tuesday, June 7, 7:30 pm

Holy Family Church, Sydney Mines

'Mama's Faith'

A tribute to mothers and their faith in stories and song

June 19, 4 pm (Atlantic time)

Virtual Nationwide Rosary for the Family

In preparation for the 10th World Meeting of Families (WMF), the CCCB Standing Committee for Family and Life is hosting a live and nationwide Rosary for the Family via Zoom Webinar. The virtual event will be facilitated by several families from across the country. It is the hope that this moment will be an opportunity to gather at the national level in prayer as well as to witness alongside other faith-filled families.

To register for the Zoom event:

https://cccb-ca.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_R5OXeN5DRSuTDN6quptG4w

June 24

Global Rosary Relay for Priests

Worldpriest is inviting you once again to join us on June 24 (Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus) in the Global Rosary Relay to pray and offer the Holy Rosary for our Beloved Priests. On this special day, the entire globe will be united in prayer for our Priests. Last year, Canada won a special award from Worldpriest for Outstanding Participation and Promotion of the Global Rosary Relay. We are hoping to multiply our numbers even more this year.

You may pray the Holy Rosary in your home, gather in your parish church, as a prayer group, etc.

For more information about Worldpriest/The Global Rosary Relay, please see:

www.worldpriest.com

If you are interested in joining us, please contact:

Isabel Gillis (Canadian Worldpriest Representative)

4isabelgillis@gmail.com

902-870-3831

NOTE: The website of the diocese has many items, too many to repeat in a parish bulletin. Go to www.antigonishdiocese.com



Mama's Faith Concert

- she taught me by just being herself.
If you knew my mama, you would
say "enough said!"



BRUCE GUTHRO

- Taught me to treat
all people the way you
want to be treated.



ANDREW DOYLE



KIM DUNN

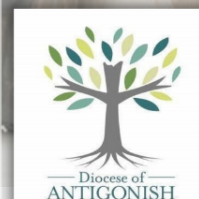
-She always said: Trust God first.
be truthful, honest, kind and
Love each other.

June 7, '22 7:30pm
Holy Family Church
Tickets \$20
info 736-8333

Sydney Mines



Pope Francis launched the Synod in Fall 2021, an invitation world-wide calling us to 'be the church', to reach out in caring and support each other and our neighbours in need. For generations, Mamas have lived this 'church' and led by example, passing down their faith and caring for their families and communities.



Proceeds to support our local women's shelters