



**St. Peter's Parish
Port Hood
July 2, 2023**

Contact Information

Fr. Sunny Sebastian, Pastor
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Parish Office

(902) 787-3317

Parish Office Hours

Wednesday to Friday from
10.00 am to 12.00 pm.

Website

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Baptisms

By appointment, please call.
Parish Office

Marriages

Please call Parish Office at least
six months in advance.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Tuesday to Friday from 5:15pm
to 5:45pm & on Saturday from
2:00pm to 3:30pm

To book Parish Hall call:

Ann MacDonald 902-787-2213
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Bulletin

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Send notices no later than 12
noon on Wednesdays.

Please note that bulletin notices
may be edited for
brevity or clarity.

Thank you,
Tudi MacEachern

Parish News

Mass Schedule

4:00 pm on Saturday and 10:00 am on Sunday

Date	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers
Sat. July 8 4:00pm	Gerard MacPhee	Marlene MacMillan
Sun. July 9 10:00 am	Coline MacEachern	Ann MacDougall
Weekday Masses		
Mon. July 3	6:00pm Special Intention by Fr. Eugene Morris	
Tues. July 4	6:00pm (R) Cameron MacDonald by Donald MacDonald	
Wed. July 5	11:00am Funeral Mass (No Evening Mass)	
Thur. July 6	6:00pm (R) Edward Beaton by Marion & Neil Beaton	
Fri. July 7	6:00pm In reparation for the sins of Canada	

Message from the Pastor

"...and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple—truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward."

(Mathew. 10:42) There is a story about a poor boy who later became a doctor. This boy used to sell goods from door to door to pay his way through school. One day when he was hungry and had nothing to eat, decided to ask for a meal at the next house. A young woman opened the door, and instead of asking for meal, he asked for water to drink. She thought he looked hungry, so brought him a large glass of milk. He drank it so slowly, and then asked, "How much do I owe you?" "You don't owe me anything," she replied. "Mother has taught us never to accept pay for a kindness." He said ... "Then I thank you from my heart." Some years later when this boy had become as a specialized doctor, a lady was brought to him for treatment. He recognized the patient as the girl who gave him the milk some years back. After the treatment the bill given to her and in the bill, it was written, "Paid in full, with one glass of milk". Tears of joy flooded her eyes as her happy heart prayed: "Thank You, God, that Your love has spread broad through human hearts and hands."

Christian disciples or followers are to love God and the people around, through hospitality, generosity, commitment in humble service, and the practice of corporal and spiritual works or acts of mercy or charity. As true Christians we need to be hospitable and generous. Christ comes to our door in many disguises. Hospitality means acknowledging the presence of God in others and serving Him in them, especially those in whom we least expect to find Him. The virtue of hospitality is the virtue of recognizing the presence of God in others and nourishing this presence. We, as individuals and as a community, are to look for opportunities to be hospitable. There are plenty of ways of offering hospitality. Maybe hospitality is offered through a kind word to a stranger or even a smile. A kind smile or a "hello" to someone waiting with us in a grocery line may be the only kindness that person encounters all day. In a cold and inhospitable world, a caring person becomes an oasis of encouragement and companionship. We become fully alive as Christians through the generous giving of ourselves. What is more important than sending money for charitable causes, is the giving of ourselves to people, primarily in the way we think about them, for, from that, will flow the ways we speak to them and about them, forgive their failings, encourage them, show them respect, console them, and offer them help. Such generosity reflects warmth radiating from the very love of God. Saint Mother Theresa once said, "The Gospel is written on your fingers." Holding up her fingers, one at a time, she accented each word: "You-Did-It-To-Me." Mother Teresa then added: **"At the end of your life, your five fingers will either excuse you or accuse you of doing it unto the least of these."**

House Blessing: Those who would like to have their houses blessed and consecrated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus may write down their names and other details on the **sign-up sheet** on the table at the back of the church.

Plaques: In the past we offered families the opportunity to place the names of loved ones on a plaque in the back of the church. We plan to continue this practice. We will print and mount plaques on a bi-yearly basis. If you would like to have the name of someone engraved on such a plaque may pass that name on to Mary Buchanan at maryfbuchanan1@gmail.com. The cost is \$200. Please make cheque payable to St. Peter's Parish Building Fund.

Holy Hour: On Wednesday 5th July (First Wednesday) Holy Hour in honour of **St. Joseph** at 4:45 pm in the Adoration Chapel. (Rosary in the chapel). **Holy Hour** in honour of **Sacred Heart of Jesus** on the First Friday (July 7) with the **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament** in the Church.

Merchandise & Talent Auction: Join us on **Saturday, September 30, 2023**, at the Creignish Recreation Centre at 6.00pm (viewing), 7.15pm (auction). All proceeds from the auction will go tot the Stella Marish Parish heating fund. Please support our auction during a fun evening with friends. For more information or to make donations contact: Karen Foye (902-625-3665 or karenfoye@hotmail.com), Mary MacFarlane (902-631-0636 or rmal.mackkinnon@ns.sympatico.ca), Karen MacDonald (902-631-3731 or mackneilkaren@hotmail.com). Follow us on [www.facebook.com/Stella Marish Creignish](https://www.facebook.com/StellaMarishCreignish).

The first ceilidh of the Chestico Museum Summer Ceilidh Series will be Thursday, July 6th at 7 PM at the museum. Performing will be by John Donald Cameron (fiddle) and Barbara Cameron (guitar and vocals). Admission is \$5. Tea will be served.

The Chestico Museum presents a children's song writing circle and reading with Jennifer Britton on Friday, July 7th at 10 AM. Children are invited to join author and singer-songwriter Jennifer Britton for a songwriting circle, following the reading and performance of her new book, *If You Could Be Anything*. Books will be available for purchase and signing.

Port Hawkesbury Ceilidhs: Tuesdays @ 7:30 - 9pm, Port Hawkesbury Civic Centre, 606 Reeves Street, Port Hawkesbury, NS Admission: \$15.00 Under 16 free Season pass \$150.00. July 11: **Shelly Campbell | Allan Dewar | David Rankin | Ian Cameron**

Welcome!!!

St. Peter's Parish extends a warm and cordial welcome to all the visitors to Port Hood!!!

"Remember your church in your Will."