



**St. Peter's Parish  
Port Hood  
Nov. 5, 2023**

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Parish Office Hours

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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 & Saturday from  
2.30pm 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	Altar Servers
Sat. Nov. 11 4:00pm	Ellen Murphy	Donnie McIlone	Laina Shanks Kate Calder
Sun. Nov. 12 10:00 am	John Gillies	Catherine Trenholm	Christian Gillis Samuel Watts
<b>Weekday Masses</b>			
Mon. Nov. 6 No Mass			
Tues. Nov. 7 6:00pm (R) Donnie MacDonald by John & Teresa van Zutphen			
Wed. Nov. 8 6:00pm (R) Al Beaton by Donald MacDonald			
Thur. Nov. 9 6:00pm (R) Gerard MacEachern by Sandy & Francene Gillis			
Fri. Nov. 10 6:00pm (R) Wayne Murphy by Ian Batherson			

### Message from the Pastor

**“The greatest among you will be your servant. All who exalt themselves will be humbled, and all who humble themselves will be exalted” (Mathew. 23: 11-12)**

There was a lion who was very proud of himself. He decided to take a walk one day to demonstrate his mastery over all the other creatures. He marched his way through the forest until he came across a bear to whom he asked, **“WHO IS THE KING OF THE JUNGLE, BEAR?”** **“Why of course you are, mighty lion.”** He went on until he found the tiger. **“WHO IS THE KING OF THE JUNGLE, TIGER?”** **‘Why you are, great lion.’** Next the lion found the elephant. **“WHO IS THE KING OF THE JUNGLE, ELEPHANT?”** The elephant instantly grabbed the lion with his trunk and spun him around a few times and slammed him to the ground. He then stepped on him a few times, picked him up and dunked him in the water and then threw him up against a tree. The lion staggered to his feet and said, **“LOOK, JUST BECAUSE YOU DON’T KNOW THE ANSWER, YOU DON’T HAVE TO GET SO UPSET!”**. It was actually the lion who wasn’t getting it. He was missing the truth, just as some of the religious leaders of Jesus’ time who have been more concerned with self-promotion than with giving loving service to others. Christ-like leadership calls for integrity and honesty from all those in authority, whether priests, parents, teachers, or politicians. There should be in leaders no double standards. Rather, there should grow a deep sense of equality with, and mutual respect between, leaders and those they rule. Each should seek to serve the other. Service, not status, is the mark of every community, and true humility is the only position its members should seek. The Church invites and challenges all to render humble, selfless, diligent, committed, loving service to others in the community without expecting honor or rewards in return. We Christians are called to become servant leaders in a serving community: The Church is a servant community. We are also challenged to live the Faith we profess and not be hypocrites: that our deeds should match our words. We are dared to learn the art of self-examination; that is, instead of pointing a criticizing finger at all the leaders I know, political, religious, or otherwise, I must ask myself the question: **“Am I so different from them?”** Instead of criticizing others for their failures, let us ask whether we are different from them in discharging our duties in the family and in the parish community.

**NOTICE:** All are invited to attend a luncheon at the Parish Hall, in celebration of the five youth of St. Peter’s Parish who will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation, following Sunday Mass on **November 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023**. The luncheon is jointly organized and sponsored by the CWL and KOC.

**Confirmation:** The Sacrament of Confirmation in our parish will be on **Sunday, November 12, 2023, at the 10.00AM Holy Mass** officiated by Bishop Wayne Kirkpatrick. Reception to follow in the parish hall. **First**

**Confession:** April 13 at 9:00am. **First Communion:** May 12 at the 10:00am Mass. To register for **First Communion** contact Sarah Watts at [sarahlizwatts@hotmail.com](mailto:sarahlizwatts@hotmail.com).

**Livestream Talk on Liturgy:** The parishes and individuals are invited to join a Livestream talk **Three Days but One Feast- Celebrating the Triduum in the Parish** offered by **Fr. Bill Burke**, Pastor of St. Marguerite Bourgeoys Parish, Sydney. This talk will take place on Tuesday, November 7, 2023, 7:00pm, at St. Joseph Church, Port Hawkesbury. This presentation will be available to watch live on our Diocesan Website ([www.antigonishdiocese.com](http://www.antigonishdiocese.com)). Pastors, parish pastoral councils, liturgy committee members and all interested parishioners are invited to login for this event.

**Remembrance Day (November 11):** Let us remember with gratitude our fellow country men and women who died in war and pray for the victims of aggression and inhumanity throughout the world. This is a day to pray for peace, to consider what we are doing as individuals, as a community and as a nation to bring God's peace into the world. This is a day when a believing community should rededicate itself by prayer and action to the ideals Jesus gives us in the Beatitudes.

**Tickets: CWL members:** All quilt tickets and money must be returned by November 16<sup>th</sup> to Jeanette MacNeil. Any problem please call me at 902-787-2898.

**Western Cape Breton Cursillo Movement:** ULTREYA on November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Mass at 6:30pm in the Old Renewal Centre Chapel (Gaelic College Mabou) Ultreya to follow at 7:15pm in the vestry of St. Mary's Church, Mabou.

**Christmas Craft Fair:** The 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Christmas Craft Fair will take place at Port Hood Fire Hall on **Sunday, November 12<sup>th</sup> from 10.00am to 2.00pm**. Admission: Adults-\$2.00; under 12-free. The proceeds to the Port Hood & District Volunteer Fire Department.

**Poppy Campaign:** If anyone wishes to purchase a wreath or Cross for Remembrance Day or would like to donate to the Community Wreath in memory of someone, please contact Doris Carver, 569 Marble Hill Road. **Phone: 902-787-3068** (Any day after 1.00pm until November 9<sup>th</sup>)

**Just a reminder that the Hope Chest in Mabou** (we are next to the arena) is open Tuesday to Saturday from 9-3 for shopping or donation drop-off. The Hope Chest is a non-profit shop selling used clothing, books, flea market items, as well as beautiful cards and crafts from the Angel's Loft Workshop. The Hope Chest supports initiatives at L'Arche that are not covered by government funding, provides meaningful work for members of the community, supports the environment by keeping useful items out of our landfills, and provides a joyful place for people to shop right in their own rural area year-round. We also have a Facebook site where more unique and larger items are auctioned off each week. We encourage people to follow the group and join in the fun. Thank you for your support! <https://www.facebook.com/groups/2677720168984088>

**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, you may pass that name on to Mary Buchanan at [maryfbuchanan1@gmail.com](mailto:maryfbuchanan1@gmail.com). The cost is \$200. Please make cheque payable to St. Peter's Parish Building Fund.

**Haddock Dinner - Judique Community Centre**, Fri. Nov. 10th ,4:00-6:00pm \$20.00

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT IN THE CHAPEL  
EVERYDAY  
From  
9.00AM TO 3.00PM**

**"Remember your church in your Will."**