

St. Peter's Parish Port Hood June 2, 2024

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<u>Baptisms</u> By appointment, please call. Parish Office

<u>Marriages</u> 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

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Bulletin parishbulletin@hotmail.com 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. June 8, 4:00 pm	Leon Livingstone	Jon Kommes
Sun. June 9, 10:00 am	Mary J. Mac Donald	Donna MacDonald
Weekday Masses		
Mon. June 3 6:00pm (R) Special Intention by Fr. Eugene		
Tues. June 4 6:00pm (R) Edward Beaton by Billy & Marlene MacMillan		
Wed. June 5 6:00pm (R) Wayne Murphy by Jeanette MacNeil		
Thur. June 6 6:00pm (R) MacKinnon family by Jeanette Campbell		
Fri. June 7 6:00pm (R) In reparation for the sins of Canada		

Message from the Pastor's Desk

I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh." (John 6.51) A Eucharistic Miracle is reported to have happened in the life of St. John Bosco (Don Bosco). On a feast day, all the boys in his Oratory school at Turin, Italy, were scheduled to receive Holy Communion from him at the Holy Mass. At the Communion time he opened the ciborium containing the sacred hosts and found it almost empty and no altar bread was consecrated during the Mass as the sacristan had completely forgotten to put out altar breads to be consecrated. The 650 students were lined up to receive. Don Bosco paused only a moment. Then he lifted his eyes to heaven, breathed a little prayer, grasped the ciborium, and started to administer Communion to the kneeling boys. Marvel upon marvels, each time he removed a host, another appeared to replace it. Thus, there were enough to take care of 650 students, and probably some left besides. Naturally, this miraculous multiplication could not be kept quiet at the Oratory. His associates asked St. John about it, and he agreed that something remarkable had occurred. "God is good" he said, "and He saw to it that the boys were taken care of." Today we celebrate the Feast of Corpus Christi-the Church's special feast in honor of the Eucharistic Body and Blood of Christ.

The last two precious gifts given to us by Jesus are the Holy Eucharist as our spiritual food on Holy Thursday and Jesus' mother Mary as our spiritual mother on Good Friday. The Feast of Corpus Christi reminds us of the abiding presence of our loving God as Emmanuel (God with us), which is celebrated yearly in order that we may give collective thanks to our Lord for his living with us in the Eucharist. This feast also gives us an occasion to learn more about the importance and value of the "Real Presence" of Jesus in the Eucharist, so that we may appreciate the Sacrament better and maximum benefit from receiving Communion. As we celebrate this Feast today, let us appreciate the "Real Presence" of Jesus in the Holy Eucharist, by receiving him with true repentance for our sins, due preparation, and deep reverence. Let us be Christ-bearers and conveyers as by receiving Holy Communion, we become Christ-bearers as Mary was, with the duty of conveying Christ to others at home and in the workplace, through love, mercy, forgiveness, and humble and sacrificial service. Let us offer our lives on the altar along with Jesus' sacrifice, asking pardon for our sins, expressing gratitude for the blessings we have received, and presenting our needs and petitions on the altar. Let us love the Eucharist...live the Eucharist... adore and worship Jesus Christ in the Eucharist. Let us pray with St. Thomas Aquinas: "O Sacrament most holy! O Sacrament Divine! All praise and all thanksgiving be every moment Thine!"

Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus: The Feast of Sacred Heart of Jesus is celebrated on **Friday**, **7**th **June**. **Holy Hour in the Church from 4.45pm to 5.45pm followed by Benediction and Holy Mass.** It is suggested that you consecrate your family to the Sacred Heart of Jesus on this day at a convenient time with all the family members gathered together.

<u>Holy Hour</u>: Holy Hour in honour of St. Joseph on **June 5th** (First Wednesday), from 4.45pm to 5.45pm in the Church followed by Holy Mass at 6.00 pm.

<u>Feast of the Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary:</u> The Feast of the Immaculate Heart of Bl. V. Mary is celebrated on **Saturday, June 8, 2024.** A rosary procession will be held outside the Church after the 4.00pm Holy Mass.

<u>2024 Graduates:</u> The parish is honouring the Graduates of 2024 at the 10.00 am Holy Mass on Sunday, June 9th at 10:00am Mass. Please contact Ellen Murphy @ 902-631-0613 to make sure your participation.

<u>Priests' Retreat</u>: Prayers are requested for the priests of our Diocese who are making their annual retreat from 2nd to 7th of June (Sunday to Friday). Fr. Sunny will be away this week to attend the retreat.

KOC Planning Committee: The KOC planning committee meeting will be held on **Sunday**, **June 2nd**, **2024**, **at 7:30 pm in the Church Hall.** Rosary at 7:00 pm. All members are requested to attend, as this is an important meeting to discuss our activities for 2024–2025.

<u>CWL</u>: The CWL are accepting applications for their CWL Bursary. Applicants must be involved within the Parish and Parish activities and are moving on to post secondary institutions in the fall. Those who are interested, please send your application letter by email to **little.ann7740@gmail.com**. Deadline is June 7th.

<u>Chapel Renovation</u>: The first phase of the chapel renovation, i.e. the new sacristy (vestry) for the church is underway and thanks to all those who contributed by their volunteer work. The second phase of the work, i.e., the expansion of the chapel is to begin on Monday, June 3rd and look forward to some volunteers to help with the removal of the inside walls and the top level of the floor on June 3rd and 4th. Those willing, may contact Joseph van Zutphen at 902-787-2467 Blessed Sacrament Chapel when completed



The Annual Cemetery Workday sponsored by the Knights of Columbus and the Cemetery Committee is on Saturday, June 8th, beginning at 9 AM and ending by noon. Bring a rake and a shovel; also bring a friend. In preparation for clean-up activities family members are asked to remove old floral wreaths and Remembrance Day wreaths from grave sites. We thank the families of deceased parishioners for their assistance in the maintenance and care of our parish cemeteries. We ask that no articles be placed on graves which might interfere with the mowing of the cemeteries. Only flowers or objects which can be directly attached to the headstone are permitted as well as solar lights placed directly beside the tombstone. Thank you for your support.

The World in Prayer For Priests: The Annual Global Rosary Relay for the Sanctification of Priests will take place **on June 7, 2024**. On this day, countries around the world will pray and offer their Holy Rosary in Thanksgiving to God for Priests and to implore the protection and loving care of our Lady, mother of all priests, for all her priestly sons. **At midnight on June 7**, the Rosary Relay will begin with groups praying the Holy Rosary in one part of the world and will continue to be passed on to other countries until the entire world is encircled in prayer over a 24-hour period. You may pray individually, as a family, as a parish or prayer group.

<u>The gift shop at Mother of Sorrows Pioneer Shrine</u> in Mabou, Cape Breton is now open seven days a week as follows: Monday to Saturday from 10am to 4pm, Sunday from 11am to 5pm. The Shrine is open daily for visitation as it has been all winter. For inquiries call-902-945-2221

<u>SUMMER CAMP</u>: The Religious Education ministry of St. Peter's Parish, Port Hood, presents: Summer Camp 2024! DRAMA, MUSIC, ART. Camp 1: July 8-29; Camp 2: August 5-26. Monday mornings 9:00 am-12 noon at the St. Peter's Parish Hall. Camp is for children of ages 5-13 (Ages 14-18 can register for free to be a camp leader). Register for one or two months. We will prepare a different theatre play-backdrop, props, music, and costumes-to perform at the end of each month. For more information or to register contact: Sheila MacIsaac: 902-631-2512 or Maria Jardine: 902-483-5234. Register by June 10: \$15 for 4 weeks. Late registration (while space available): \$25 for 4 weeks (If registration is an issue, don't worry, sponsorship is available).

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: As the renovation of the chapel is underway, the daily adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is in the church now. The Eucharistic adoration is from 9.00am to 3.00pm (Monday to Friday) on Saturday from 9.00am to 1.00pm and on Sunday from 11.00am to 3.00pm. if anyone would like to sign up for a special hour of adoration, may call Cathy MacDonald @ 902-787-2627. "The Church and the world have a great need of Eucharistic Adoration. Jesus waits for us in the Sacrament of Love." (Pope St. John Paul II)

Steubenville Conference: The Diocese of Antigonish has a group of young people going to the Steubenville Conference. The conference is scheduled from July 5-7, 2024, in St. Mary's University Halifax. The theme for this year is ILLUMINATE. In this present age, it's so easy to get caught in the darkness. We are all looking for a place to be welcomed. A place full of light! This year's conference will be all about finding that light in Christ. Please contact Michelle Gouthro at 902-919-4453 those who interested. For teaser on the conference, visit are а https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=pqKdkLvSmPA.

Thank You: The Family of the late Bruce Cameron (Mabou), as well as his companion Caddy MacDonald, wish to extend heartfelt thanks to the many families, friends, and all those who helped in various loving ways to lighten our heartache during this difficult time. Your acts of kindness will never be forgotten. We wish to express our gratitude and deep appreciation to all who attended Bruce's visitation and funeral mass, but also to those who called, visited, brought food, sent flowers and cards, or made charitable donations. Sincere thanks to Father Eugene Morris, the Eucharistic Ministers, Altar Servers for the Holy Mass that greatly honored and celebrated Bruce's life. Thanks also to the Dares-MacNeil Family for the beautiful music. To all others who assisted in the visitation, Holy Mass, and reception. We thank you for making this celebration of Bruce's life so special. Tremendous gratitude to the Funeral Director, Johnena MacLellan, and the staff from the Sunset Funeral Co-op. Bruce will be sadly missed, but never forgotten. Our hearts are forever filled with our memories of his warm smile, his hearty laugh, and his endless kindness.

<u>Plaques</u>: 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 bithat name on to Mary Buchanan at **maryfbuchanan1@gmail.com**. The cost is \$200. Please make cheque payable to St. Peter's Parish Building Fund.

Dr. Dòmhnall Uilleam Stiúbhart, a professor from the University of Highlands and Islands on the Isle of Skye, will give a talk at the **Chestico Museum on Friday, June 7th at 7 PM**. The subject will be Scottish folklorist Alexander Carmichael, charms, blessings, and prayers. Dr. Stiúbhart will weave in some thoughts about folk belief and customs with an eye to how Nova Scotian perspectives might differ from those of the Scottish Highlands. Tea will be served. Admission is free. Donations gratefully accepted.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT IN THE CHAPEL

(9.00AM TO 3.00PM EVERYDAY)

"Remember your church in your Will."

Welcome!!!

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