

Parish News

Mass Schedule

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

Date	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers
Sat. Oct. 19, 4:00 pm	Jack Redden	Catherine Trenholm
Sun. Oct. 20, 10:00 am	Harvey van Zutphen	Janet van Zutphen
Weekday Masses		
Mon. Oct. 14 9:30am	Mass for Thanksgiving Day	
Tues. Oct. 15 6:00pm	(R) William Keays by Roberta McEwan	
Wed. Oct. 16 6:00pm	(R) Fr. Vincent by Joe & Carmen van Zutphen	
Thur. Oct. 17 6:00pm	Sisters of the Immaculate by Barbara MacLellan	
Fri. Oct. 18 6:00pm	(R) Theresa MacDonald by Archie MacDonald	



St. Peter’s Parish
Port Hood
Oct. 13, 2024

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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:

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Bulletin

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Send notices no later than 12
noon on Wednesdays.

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brevity or clarity.

Thank you,
Tudi MacEachern

Message from the Pastor

“The Rosary is the ‘weapon’ for these times.” (St. Padre Pio) In the heart of every person, there is a desire to be in union with God. Such a union is realized and deepened by a life of prayer. As Christians, we have been called to a life of prayer. Jesus showed us what it means to be a person of prayer. He has offered us his Spirit to lead us in a life of prayer. In our openness to the workings of the Holy Spirit, we are directed to the spiritual treasury of the Church. Within this Church’s vast treasury, we find her cherished prayer methods. Such methods have made saints, mystics, and spiritual masters, out of ordinary people just like us. The methods work when they’re used. The prayer methods of the Church are countless, however, there are certain favored methods in the history of the Church. One of the favored prayer methods is the Rosary. The Rosary is one of the more structured prayer methods. October is the month the Church devotes to the Holy Rosary and the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary. (October 7) Pope St. John Paul II has said, “The Rosary, though clearly Marian in character, is at heart a Christ-centered prayer. It has all the depth of the gospel message in its entirety. It is an echo of the prayer of Mary, her perennial Magnificat for the work of the redemptive Incarnation which began in her virginal womb.” Rosary is fully scripture-based, and it is a meditation with Mary on the mysteries of Redemption realized by Jesus Christ. It is to walk the life of Christ through the eyes of His Mother. Our eyes are ever fixed on Our Savior, but under the loving guidance of the Mother, He gave us on the Cross. St. John Paul II referred to the devotion of the Rosary as a “genuine training in holiness” that guide Christians in the contemplation of the great mysteries of our Faith. He implored the faithful to pray the Rosary, most especially for peace in the world. The Rosary has been a unique weapon in spiritual warfare and is especially suited in praying for peace throughout the world. It is also a great defender in family life. St. Pius X has said, “The Rosary is the most beautiful and the richest in graces of all prayers; it is the prayer that touches most the Heart of the Mother of God...and if you wish peace to reign in your homes, recite the family-Rosary.” According to St. John Paul II the revival of the Rosary in Christian families will be an effective aid to countering the devastating effects of the crisis typical of our age”. The Rosary is much needed in a time like ours. We must beseech Our Lord through His Mother to heal the deep wounds that exist in us and in our culture. So, it is essential that we pray the Rosary for peace and for the family, but more than anything, the Rosary guides us on our journey to holiness. Pope Francis says, "In the Rosary, we turn to the Virgin Mary to guide us into closer union with her Son Jesus, meditating on the Mysteries of Christ’s life.” Our Christian call is a call to holiness...a life in communion with Christ. So, today we need every possible weapon at our disposal to fight against evil and to lead a holy life, and this is why the Rosary is so important. It is not enough that we pray it as individuals, we need to bring it into our domestic churches in our homes. We need to teach our children to pray the Rosary and pray it together as a family. In order to grow in holiness, to save our families, for peace in the world especially in the context of the ongoing wars and for the conversion of the whole world, let us pray the Rosary. Let us add this prayer to our daily routine and this month is a good time. Let us give it a try and see how it transforms our life. Invite everyone to actively participate in the solemn celebration of the Rosary in our parish.

Father Bill Burke will be in our parish from Oct. 27th to the 30th to lead us in our parish mission. If you are willing to have him for lunch or dinner on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, please contact Linda Beaton at **902-787-3040**.

KOC Meeting: Regular monthly council meeting will be held on **Sunday, October 20, 2024 @ 7:30 pm in the Church Hall. Rosary at 7:00 p.m.** The monthly meetings are scheduled for the 3rd Sunday of every month at this time.

Thank You: The Knights of Columbus would like to thank everyone who participated in the Life Chain last Sunday. Your participation was very much appreciated.

KOC ROAST BEEF DINNER: (\$30 eat-in or take-out) with choice of pie **Tuesday, Oct. 15 from 4-6:30.**

Work Schedule:

Monday	Oct 14: 4:00 pm Peeling Vegetables and hall preparation
Tuesday	Oct 15: 2:00 pm Meal Prep and serving the meal
Tuesday	Oct 15: 6:00 pm Cleanup

SOLEMN CELEBRATION OF ROSARY: As October is specially dedicated as the Month of Rosary, the Solemn celebration of the Rosary with the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will be held for **9 days in October, beginning on Wednesday the 16th to Friday the 24th**. On Weekends, **20 minutes before the Holy Mass** and on Weekdays, **after the 6.00pm Holy Mass**. The solemn celebration of Rosary will be a preparation for the parish Mission Retreat.

Special Intentions for Rosary

Wed. Oct.16 : For World Peace
Thu. Oct.17 : For the Sick
Fri. Oct.18 : For Parish Mission and the Preacher
Sat. Oct.19 : For People in Farming & Fishing (**Rosary at 3.40pm followed by Holy Mass**)
Sun. Oct.20 : For Youth (**Rosary at 9.40am followed by Holy Mass**)
Mon. Oct.21 : For the Protection and the Sanctification of children & Young Adults
Tue Oct.22 : For the Sanctification of Families
Wed. Oct.23 : For the Departed Souls
Thu. Oct.24 : For Priests, Religious, Church leaders & for Vocations to Consecrated Life

PARISH MISSION: Please mark your calendar for the Parish Mission in our church from **2024 October 27-30 (Sunday to Wednesday)** preached by **Rev. Fr. Bill Burke** Pastor of St. St. Marguerite Bourgeoys Parish, Sydney. **On Sunday October 27 talk will be from 7.00pm to 8.00pm. Monday to Wednesday: 6.00pm Holy Mass; 6.30pm Talk.** On Monday and Tuesday Fr. Bill will be available for confession/drop in chat from **2.00pm to 4.00pm**.

PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL: The parish has constituted the Parish Finance Council for a term of three years. The following are the members: **Charley MacDonald (Chairperson), Suzanne Heukshorst (Secretary), Melanie MacDonald, Harvey van Zutphen, Sandy MacKinnon, Louis MacInnis, Leon Livingston (Parish Pastoral Council Chairperson) and Rev. Sunny Sebastian (Administrator).** **Kate Beaton (Bookkeeping) will be an invitee in the Council meetings.**

Relic of Blessed Carlo Acutis: St. Ninian Cathedral will host the **relic of Bl. Carlo Acutis**, the young Italian boy who died at the age of 15 in 2006 and is to be officially canonized as a saint in 2025. Acutis was best known for his devotion to the Eucharist and his dedication to using modern technology and the Internet to spread knowledge of the faith. All are invited to venerate the relic on **Tuesday Oct. 22**. The day's events at the Cathedral will begin at **11.00am** with adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, and **display of the relic beginning at 2.00pm**. Monsignor Anthony Figueiredo, who is accompanying the relic from Italy, will talk about Bl. Carlo and lead prayers. At **4:30pm** all are invited, with a special emphasis on youth and families, to gather in St. Ninian Place for a warm supper of chilli, while taking part in a special presentation by Catholic youth and a "Journeying with Christ" session. **Bishop Kirkpatrick will celebrate Holy Mass at 6:30pm**, including a special blessing with the Relic, followed by a concluding reception. If your parish would like to bring a group of youth or a large group of faithful, please contact St. Ninian Cathedral at admin@saintninian.ca or 902-863-2338 to help in planning for food preparation.

John Allan Cameron Song Session featuring Darrell Keigan on Thanksgiving Monday, October 14th from 2-4pm at Glencoe Station Hall. Admission: \$15

In association with Celtic Colours, the Chestico Museum will host *Stepping Through Time* on Tuesday, October 15th at 2 pm. Mary Janet MacDonald and a few guests will share memories of learning to step dance and relate stories of ceilidhs and events from the late 1950s to the present day. Tea will be served. The cost is \$10.