

Parish News

Mass Schedule

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

Date	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers
Sat. Nov. 23, 4:00 pm	Jack Redden	Janice Campbell
Sun. Nov. 24, 10:00 am	Coline MacEachern	Ann MacDougall
Weekday Masses		
Mon. Nov. 18 6:00pm Special Intention by Fr. Eugene Morris		
Tues. Nov. 19 6:00pm Souls in Purgatory by Joanne/Wayne Lambe		
Wed. Nov. 20 6:00pm Deceased members of the CWL by CWL		
Thur. Nov. 21 6:00pm Protection of unborn & culture of life by Joe/Carmen		
Fri. Nov. 22 6:00pm (R) Glen MacDonald by Annie Mae& Melanie MacDonald		



St. Peter’s Parish  
Port Hood  
Nov. 17, 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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Thank you,  
Tudi MacEachern

From the Pastor’s Desk

“But about that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father”. (Mark.1: 32) End of the world has always been a favourite subject for books, movies, leaders of several religious groups and astrologers. A French “prophet” and astrologer Nostradamus (1503-1566) foretold that the world would end when Easter fell on April 25. This happened in 1666, 1734, 1886 and 1943; but world did not end; it will occur again in 2038. In 1379, St. Vincent Ferrer (1350-1419) a Spanish Dominican monk predicted the end of the world to happen in AD 3936 based on the number of verses in the Book of Psalms (2537 verses). A very popular book published in 1989 was titled, ‘89 Reasons Why the World Will End in 1989’. The plot of the film Omega Code, released in October 1999, involved a portrayal of the “rapture” at the imminent “Second coming” of Jesus, when “born again” and “saved” Christians, both alive and dead, are supposed to fly upward in the air to meet Jesus. Over 17 million copies of Tim LaHaye and Jerry Jenkins’ “Second Coming” novel, Left Behind, were sold by July 27, 2000. On October 23, 1844, motivated by an apocalyptic leader William Miller, thousands of Christians sold their earthly possessions, dressed in white robes, climbed to the tops of the highest mountains they could find, climbed to the tippy-tops of trees to get even higher, and waited for Jesus to return. It is this paranoid fear of the end of the world that led members of the People’s Temple Full Gospel Church to die in the mass suicides organized by Jim Jones on November 18, 1978. This is how people react to the reality of the coming of the end of the world. Even today there are people who believe in such predictions. But Jesus has said, “about that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father”.

Through the readings for this Sunday Jesus invites us to be ready for the day of the coming of the Lord at any time. The Gospel passage from St. Mark reminds us of Jesus’ words about His glorious return to earth with great power and glory as Judge in order to gather and reward God’s elect. The reading reminds us that God will ensure that the righteous will survive the ordeal and will find a place with Him. Through the parable of the fig tree, Jesus warns us all to read the “signs of the time,” and reminds us that we must be ever prepared to give an account of our lives to Jesus our Judge, because we cannot know “either the day or the hour” of our own death or of His final coming. When or how this world will end is of no great importance to us; what is important is that we shall leave this world one day and our eternity will depend on the state of our consciences at the moment of our departure. So true disciples are to watch and wait in a state of readiness. Instead of worrying about the end time events, we are asked to live every day of our lives in loving God in Himself and as living in others through our committed service. Thus, we will enter into a deeper relationship with God, which will continue when we pass through death into the eternal life. The thought of the end of the world should never be a thought that is depressing, disheartening, or frightening because we are in the hands of a good and loving God. Christ’s second coming gives us the message that God is journeying with us in the trials and difficulties of life, and that His word is ever-present as a light of hope. Let no one frighten us with disturbing descriptions of the end of the world because “the end” is all about the birth of everyone and everything into eternity.

**New Missals for 2025:** The new missals for Year C will be sold before the Holy Mass on the weekends of November **16/17 and Nov 23/24**. The cost is \$5.00.

**CWL:** The CWL will be hosting their annual Auction on Saturday, **November 30<sup>th</sup>**; canvassing will be taking place door to door at the local businesses in our area in the coming days. Those businesses or individuals who would like to donate items to be auctioned off for our annual fundraiser would be greatly appreciated and can contact Ann MacDonald (little Ann). More details to follow for this event.

**Funeral Luncheon:** After much discussion, our members came to the decision that when a lunch is prepared for a family after a funeral, we have no other choice but to ask for a minimum donation of \$250.00. With the increasing cost of food and other items that we use, and being a non-profit organization, we have to take this step in order to continue to provide this great service in the future to our families and communities.

**Reminder:** Time is running out for a chance to buy a ticket on our, one of a kind, hand stitched quilt. If you wish a ticket, \$5.00 each or 3 for \$10.00, contact Jeanette at 902-787-2898. Any CWL member who has tickets, please return them, to Jeanette after November 18<sup>th</sup>. Thanks for your cooperation.

**KOC:** Regular monthly meeting will be held **Sunday, November 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024, at 7:30 pm** in the Church Hall with **Rosary at 7:00 pm**.

**KOC Hot Roast Beef Dinner:** Scheduled for Saturday, **Nov. 16, from 4-6:30**. \$25...Eat In or Take-out. Dessert, Apple Crumble with/without ice cream.

**The ICMH Auxiliary** will be holding its Christmas Sale & Tea on **Sunday, November 24<sup>th</sup> from 2 -5 pm** at the Inverness Legion, Central Avenue. Sales includes Bake Table, Craft Table, Christmas Table, Parcel Post, Raffle Items, Silent Auction, Visit from Santa, Face Painting and Coloring Table. Tea tickets-\$5.00 "Eat In or Take Out". Our area is asked to supply wrapped articles for Parcel Post worth at least \$2.00 marked Man, Woman or Child. A canvasser will call on you for a donation. For further information contact Alice Landry at 902-787-2491.

**CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAIR** on Sunday, November 17th, 10 am-2 pm at the Port Hood Fire Hall. Admission \$2, under 12 FREE. Light lunch available for purchase.

**Hunters Breakfast:** Glencoe Station Hall-Nov. 23, Nov. 30 from 7-11am; \$15 per person.

**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.

**The November winners of the JCC weekly Lottery** for \$500.00 are: November 7<sup>th</sup>: Charlie/Marion Graham, #543. Judique; 14<sup>th</sup>: Florence Beaton, # 650, Beaton Road; 21<sup>st</sup>: Ann Marie Livingston, #512, Port Hood; 28<sup>th</sup>: Stanley/Angela MacLeod, Judique.

**Fr. Greg MacLeod Lecture Series:** The annual Fr. Greg MacLeod Lecture Series will be happening at Cape Breton University on Monday, November 18th, 2024, starting at 6:30 pm in the Yvonne LeVert Hospitality Room. The lecturer is Lisa Power, and the theme of the lecture is entitled: **JUST FOR TODAY—How living Just for Today makes our lives?** Those who cannot attend in person can attend online by signing into the Newman Society Instagram page by visiting: [www.instagram.com/cbuchaplaincy:igsh=MTRzaHJtmwljeG5pMG](https://www.instagram.com/cbuchaplaincy:igsh=MTRzaHJtmwljeG5pMG).

## **ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT IN THE CHURCH (9.00AM TO 3.00PM)**

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