

**STAR OF THE SEA, CANSO  
ST. AGNES, LITTLE DOVER  
ST. VINCENT DE PAUL, QUEENSPORT  
ST. JOSEPH'S, PORT FELIX**

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**FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, FEBRUARY 7, 2010**

**WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE**

Saturday, Feb. 13 - 4:30 - St. Vincent de Paul  
Saturday, Feb. 13 - 6:00 - St. Joseph  
Sunday, Feb 14 - 9:30 a.m. - St. Agnes  
Sunday, Feb 14 - 11:00 a.m. - Intentions of all parishioners

**BLESSING OF THROATS**: will take place this weekend immediately after Mass.  
The Feast of St. Blase was Wednesday, February 3.

**WEEKDAY MASS TIMES**

Monday, February 8 - 2:00 p.m. - Mass at Seaside Manor - *+Intentions of residents*  
Tuesday, February 9 - 6:00 p.m. - St Joseph, Port Felix  
Wednesday, February 10 - 6:00 p.m. - St. Agnes, Little Dover - *+Lauchie Munroe*  
Thursday, February 11 - 6:00 p.m. - Star of the Sea - *+Moe Kiley*

**RECONCILIATION/CONFESSIONS**: please contact Fr. Andrew to arrange an appointment.

**COMMUNION CALLS**: Communion will be brought the sick and shut-ins **the first Friday of each month**. If you wish to have your name or that of a family member added to the list please contact the parish office.

**ASH WEDNESDAY**

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, February 17. Ash Wednesday is a day of fast and abstinence from meat. The law of abstinence from meat binds those who are 14 and older; the law of fasting binds those from 18 to 59 years of age. Mass times are as follows:

**4:00 p.m. - St. Agnes      6:00 p.m. - St. Joseph      7:30 p.m. - Star of the Sea**

Distribution of ashes at St. Vincent de Paul will take place Saturday, February 20. We are encouraged to start our Lenten journey by sharing in the Eucharist and wearing Ashes on our foreheads.

**LENTEN DEVOTIONS**

Tuesdays, - 6:00 p.m. - St. Joseph - Stations of the Cross, followed with Mass

Wednesdays - 6:00 p.m. - St. Agnes Stations of the Cross, followed with Mass

Thursdays - 6:00 p.m. - Star of the Sea - Stations of the Cross, followed with Mass

"*Not by Bread Alone*" - Daily reflections for Lent - a limited number of this booklet is available in the entrance of our churches. We encourage you to make a donation of \$4.00 to cover the cost of the booklet. **Lent 2010**

**Calendars** will be distributed to parishioners, children and teenagers, these calendars are filled with prayers, short reflections and suggestions for Bible reading. **Please take them home and post them on your fridge and follow them daily.** Lenten prayer cards are also available.

**LENTEN DVD SERIES** - *A Lenten Journey with Father Michael Himes* - a four part series which will run during Lent. The suggested dates and times are Thursdays, Feb 18 & 25, March 11 & 18 immediately after Mass.. Themes covered are Session 1 - What is Temptation really? Session 2 - Danger & Desire; Session 3 - God Sees Onto the Heart; Session 4 - Endless Possibilities. **Please contact the Rel. Ed office if you are interested in attending.**

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

Rel. Ed. will resume **Monday, February 8** for all groups. **Mondays** - 2:45 p.m. - Groups 1 & 4 - Fanning Education Center, 5:00 p.m. - Groups 5 & 6, 6:00 p.m. at Canso Academy - remainder of Star of the Sea groups. **St. Agnes groups** will meet as indicated by their catechists.

First Eucharist & First Reconciliation - Parents

are asked to register their children for these programs by contacting the Rel. Ed. office. Anyone interested in helping with these programs, is asked to please contact Marie. **We need adult volunteers to offer the programs to the children.** Children must have completed the year three program and be registered in the year four program before celebrating First Reconciliation. To celebrate First Eucharist children

must have completed primary, year one and be registered in year two.

## **STAR OF THE SEA NEWS**

### Ministries Schedule for Sunday, February 14

Lectors -Jennie Greencorn & Ginny Boudreau  
Euch. Ministers - Janet Delorey  
Presentation of Gifts - Veronica Peitzsche & Janet Delorey  
Church Cleaning - Eddie & Florence Garcia  
Ushers/Coll.- Eddie Garcia & Barry Lumsden  
Hospitality - Deanna Nickerson & family  
Sacristan - Margie Horne  
Servers - Whoever is available

New Ministries Schedule - is available in the entrance of the church.

Even Split Bingo - will be held Sunday, February 7 at 7:00 p.m. in the Canso Fire Hall. Games will be .05 a card with the last two games at .10 per card.

Prize Bingo - will be held Sunday, February 21 at 7:00 p.m. in the Canso Fire Hall. Donations would be greatly appreciated.

Parish Council - Regular monthly meeting is scheduled for **Sunday, February 14** immediately after Mass. All members are requested to attend.

**We are presently seeking a parishioner who is willing to make a commitment to parish council**, please contact the parish office to volunteer. Our constitution requires us to have 12 elected members.

Liturgy committee Meeting - is scheduled for Tuesday, **February 16 at 7:00 p.m.** in the Glebe. All committee members are requested to attend. We extend an invitation to parishioners from all of our parishes to become involved in the Liturgy Committee. We could use input from all parishes when scheduling events.

Ways and Means Star of the Sea - Club 100 - on sale February 24, Giant Bake Sale - March 27, Telethon - March 13, 1 -5 p.m. and an Auction - tentative date - April 24. A suggestion was made to hold a letter writing campaign asking for donations from former parishioners and those who have ties to our parish. We need several people to work on this project, if you are interested please contact Diggy or Marie. Tickets are now on sale for a **fuel oil voucher value - \$300.00**, contact Diggy to buy or sell tickets. Please offer to help with a project that interests you. If you have any ideas please contact Diggy. Thank you for your anticipated help.

## **ST. JOSEPH NEWS**

Family Night is well underway on Friday evenings at 7:00 p.m. We begin with Religious Education, followed by fun, games and lunch. We strongly encourage Parents, Grandparents and Parishioners to attend these very important events. It is wonderful to experience the growth of the Christian community as we meet and share.

## **BETHANY CENTER EVENTS**

Care for Care givers - A time for nurturing body and spirit in an atmosphere of welcome and quiet. There is an opportunity for discussion, a meal together, and quiet – private room and /or Bethany grounds. Topic: Managing stress with Gladys MacDougall  
Facilitators: Joan Fultz, csm and Donna Brady, csm  
Bethany Center, Antigonish  
Wednesday, February 10, 10 am – 2:30 pm  
Cost \$20.00 Please pre-register

Oasis Day - Come and enjoy a time to be, a time to pray, a time to rest! The theme is “Lent - the spring time of the soul”. There is also opportunity for spiritual direction if so desired.

Facilitator: Claire MacNeil, csm

Bethany Center, Antigonish

Wednesday, February 17, 9 am – 4:00 pm

Cost: \$25 Please pre-register

Book study on “Catholicism at the Crossroads; How the Laity Can Save the Church” by Paul Lakeland  
Bethany Center, Antigonish begins Wednesday evening, February 24 at 7:00 pm

This book is so timely, it could have been written just for the Antigonish Diocese. It provides a constructive framework for working through the issues we face and moving toward an adult church.

Cost: Book plus donation for sessions

Call 902-863-4726 or email:

[bethanycenter@themarthas.com](mailto:bethanycenter@themarthas.com)

## **SUNDAY COLLECTIONS**

<b>St. Agnes (34)</b>	265.00
Loose	15.50
<b>Star of the Sea (67 )</b>	724.00
Loose	31.00
<b>St. Joseph (33)</b>	392.00
Loose	19.00
<b>St. Vincent de Paul (12)</b>	135.00
Loose	17.00

## **VALENTINE FEST**

### **PORT FELIX PARISH HALL**

**SATURDAY, FEB. 13<sup>th</sup> 2:00 - 5:00 P.M.**

Mini Straw Booth

Candy/Variety Wheel

Fish Pond

Fudge Sale

Hot Dogs and Hamburgers

Ice Cream Social ( donation)

Complimentary Hot/Cold Beverages

***Come One, Come Call, Come and enjoy !***