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THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ~ NOVEMBER 5, 2023

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WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday, Nov. 11 - 6:00 p.m. - St. Joseph - †Timothy Tibbo; †Donna Cashin

Sunday, Nov. 12 - 9:30 a.m. - St. Agnes Hall - †William "Junior" Peitzsche - 11:00 a.m. - Star of the Sea - †Anita Richard

NOTE - **St. Vincent de Paul, Queensport** is closed for the winter. Parishioners are encouraged to attend the 6:00 pm Saturday Mass at St. Joseph, Port Felix.

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Thursday, November 9 – 6:00 p.m. - St. Anthony's Chapel - ♥For the Faithful

<u>COMMUNION CALLS</u> - If you know of someone who is unable to get out to Mass and would like to receive Holy Communion, please call the parish office to have their name added to the list.

MEMORY TREES - November 2nd - Sunday, January 7, 2024. Minimum donation will be \$5.00 and a loved one's name will be written on a ball. Donations will be deposited to the parish of your choice. Memorial cards are available in the entrance of the Church.

REFLECTION ON TODAY'S READINGS

TRUE GREATNESS LIES IN SERVICE - Jesus condemns the hypocrisy and vanity of the Pharisees and Scribes: "Everything they do is done to attract attention." It is not so much about the names "Rabbi", "Master", "Father", and "Teacher". Jesus condemns the attitude of those who love and covet titles instead of service, putting heavy burdens on others' shoulders but lifting none. Jesus said, "The greatest among you must be the servant of all" (Mt 23:11). There are two classes of people on earth: those who serve/help and those who seek to be served/helped. To which do you belong? In the divine government, God works through the instrumentality of his creatures. Thus, the spiritual gifts are said to be gifts bestowed to be given. In service, therefore, we become channels of God's grace to one another. A candle loses nothing by lighting another candle. A teacher is fulfilled by the number of students he has taught. Hence, it is to the extent that we share our life and giftedness in service to others that we become great.

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS

Star of the Sea (23)	710.00
Winter Fuel (4)	80.00
Nativity Scene	350.00
St. Agnes (16)	250.00
Loose	10.00
St. Vincent de Paul (4)	90.00
Loose	5.00
St. Joseph (21)	252.00

Thank you so very much

ST JOSEPH NEWS - *Weekly Bingo* -is over for this year, a huge thank you for your support.

<u>Card Plays</u> - continue Tuesdays, at 7:30 p.m. All are welcome <u>Christmas Prize Bingo</u> - will be held Sunday, December 3, 2:00 p.m. in the parish hall. Donations of prizes would be greatly appreciated.

ST. AGNES NEWS - Bingo - Sundays at 7:00 p.m. in the parish hall.

STAR OF THE SEA NEWS

<u>Property/Finance Committee</u> - will meet Tuesday, November 7 at 6:15 p.m. We welcome new members. Please help out!

Ministries Schedule. November 12

Lastan Danie Lavia

Lector - Donna Lewis

Cleaners - November 5 - 11 - Harry Delorey

<u>Nativity Scene</u> - a new Nativity Scene has been purchased and with your amazing generosity the cost has been fully covered! Thank you so very much.

STAR OF THE SEA CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS - Special thanks to all who came and helped out. We will need to purchase new pew markers for Christmas. There are FREE decoration items in the entrance of the church. please help yourself.

EVENTS - STAR OF THE SEA

Prize Bingo - Thank for your support! Profit was \$1,096.00.

<u>Trivia Night</u> - Will be held Saturday, November 18 at 7:00 p.m. in Canso Hazel Hill Fire Hall. Please pre-register with a committee member.

<u>Christmas Bazaar</u> - will be held Saturday, December 2, 12 noon at Canso Hazel Hill Fire Hall. Donations would be greatly appreciated. Donations of <u>Baked</u>

Goods, Candy/Fudge, Parcel Post, Crafts or a Bingo Prize are needed.

Lunch will be served for \$8.00. Please note: If we have extra donations for bingo, they will be held over for another bingo later in the year. Donations can be dropped off to the vestry or to the Fire Hall on Saturday after 10:00 a.m.

<u>Ticket Draw</u> - Canso Coop Grocery Certificate, value \$300.00. Draw date December 12. Tickets will be available from committee members.

REMEMBRANCE DAY - Canadians pause in silence to remember those who dies in war and to 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. Service will be held at the Cenotaph, 11:00, leaving the Royal Canadian Legion at 10:45 am on Saturday November 11.

PRAYER INTENTION - For comfort and prayer for all families who are mourning the loss of loved ones as we celebrate their lives and love. We pray to the Lord.

NOTES

<u>St Ann's Parish in Guysborough</u> will be hosting a Mission with Bishop Wayne Kirkpatrick being the Celebrant. Starting time 6:30 on November 8 and 9. All are welcome.

Cursillo Weekend - Women's: Nov. 9-12

Our Women's Cursillo weekend will be held at Camp Bretondean with Rector

Sharon MacNeil. Please pray for our Rectors and teams as they prepare to start their meetings. For more info contact Sean O'Leary 902-565-9323 or Karen MacSween 902-317-542.