

THE SFSC MESSENGER

St. Francis and St. Clare of Assisi Parish

We are a welcoming community of Jesus' disciples who journey together in right Faith, certain Hope, and live out His Love in Word and Deed

April 20, 2023

WHAT'S ON NEXT WEEK

- Rosary Making
- Healing Mass
- Evangelization Project
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3rd Sunday of Easter

"Their eyes were opened, and they recognized [Jesus]."



Saturday, April 22, 2023, 4:30pm

3rd Sunday of Easter
Parish Channel at St Theresa's Church

Sunday, April 23, 2023, 11:15am

3rd Sunday of Easter
Parish Channel at St Mother Teresa of Kolkata Church



The Feast Day of St. Catherine of Siena is April 29th, and the liturgy at Saturday's 9:00 am Mass at St. Catherine's will celebrate the day.

We will continue to celebrate her blessings to us on **Sunday, April 30th**, at the 11:00 am Mass in St. Catherine of Siena Church. We will also celebrate our 75th Anniversary of the establishment of our Church community. A reception will follow.

All parishioners are welcome.



**Healing Mass will be held on
April 27 @ 7pm At St. Mother
Teresa of Kolkata Church**

Join Fr. Mark Cherry of Sacred Heart Evangelization and Healing Ministry for Mass on April 27. The focus of the Mass will be the continued healing ministry of Jesus Christ through His Church. The theme of the homily will be receiving the Lord's healing, and after Mass, prayers will be offered for healing.

All are welcome.



Religious Education

St. Catherine's Church

St. Catherine's - This Sunday, April 23rd, a Children's Liturgy will take place during the 11:00 am Mass.

St. Theresa's Church

This week St. Theresa's will have an electronic version of children's liturgy available. Please contact Sr Lucia at sr.lucia.oster@gmail.com if you would like it emailed to you.

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday 4:00pm
St Mother Teresa

Saturday 4:30pm
St Theresa

Sunday 9:30am
St Patrick
St Theresa

Sunday 11:00am
St Catherine of Siena

Sunday 11:15am
St Mother Teresa

Sunday, 7:00pm
St Catherine of Siena

Mass Intentions

for the Week

Saturday, April 22
Anna Landry (9:00am)
John Chaddock (4:00pm)

Tuesday, April 25
Helen Willems (Noon)

Wednesday, April 26
Special Intention (9:00am)

Friday, April 28
Gary Langille (9:00am)

Saturday, April 29
Hugh Reid (9:00am)
Marie Oickle (4:00pm)

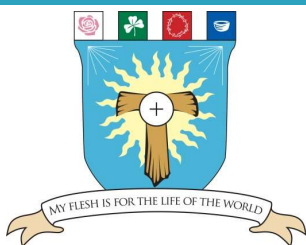
Weekday Mass Schedule

Tuesday - Noon
St Catherine Church

Wednesday - 9:00am
St Theresa Church

Friday - 9:00am
St Mother Teresa Church

Saturday—9:00am
St Catherine Church



YOUTH GROUP GATHERING

Last week we had the joy of celebrating Easter together with board games and quality time! It was awesome to gather together in community to honour the Lord's resurrection.

This week we will be discussing the lives of the Saints, the role they play in our lives, and how they serve as models of holiness. The teens will be acting out the lives of some of these remarkable men and women with interactive skits!

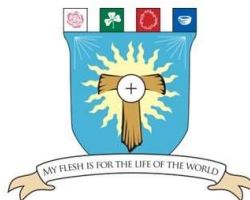
Rosary Making!!

If you wish to learn this skill and help Nova Scotians United for Life provide rosaries for our display table at Steubenville Youth Conference in July, please join us from 2-4pm Sunday April 23 and/or Sunday April 30 in the Pius X room, St Theresa's church. (must be 19+ to participate). If you can, please bring a small tray to confine rolling beads! We provide the beads, etc. You provide the willing hands! Contact info: 902 423-3114; nsul2001@gmail.com

St. Francis and St. Clare Parish Evangelization Project

Thursday April 27th 7:00—8:00pm,
St Mother Teresa Church (Robie street entrance (red door))

You are invited to participate in our Parish Evangelization Project by signing up at evangelization.halifax@gmail.com to receive a booklet. You can also download a copy in PDF provided in partnership by the Knights of Columbus. Join us as we share our insights on the second part of the booklet entitled: *Called to Love: John Paul II's Theology of Human Love* from the [Catholic Information Series](#). Please help us by inviting our brothers and sisters, our friends or family members who are not celebrating their Catholic faith, or anyone who desires to know more about our rich Catholic Tradition to join us in person. Light refreshments and snacks will be served. See you there!



The Sycamore Program is ON!!

You can still sign up. Send an email to events@stfrancisandstclareparish.ca NOW.

The program runs every Wednesday from 7pm to 8:30pm at St. Catherine of Siena Church, for 8 weeks until June 7th 2023.

SYCAMORE

If you missed Divine Mercy Adoration last Sunday, click the links below to view it and pray it now:

Devotion

Adoration Divine Mercy Sunday, Parish Channel at St Theresa's Church

Divine Mercy Prayer Guide

Adoration/Confession

1st Wednesday of the Month

St. Mother Teresa

7:00pm - Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration, Confession available

Wednesdays

St. Theresa's Church

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament follows 9:00am Mass

Adoration with Benediction until 4:30pm

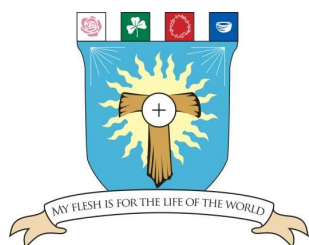
Thursdays

St. Catherine's

7:30pm - Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration, Confession available

FRANCISCAN Weekday Mass with Morning Prayer

Tuesdays - Fridays @
7:00-7:45am
at St. Catherine's Church



Coronation Day Tea

Saturday, May 6th, 2pm to 4pm
Saint Patrick's Church Hall
2263 Brunswick Street

Price \$20.23 per person

Sandwiches, sweets, tea, coffee.

Children FREE—Hot dogs with Coronation relish from Quebec; Cookies, milk or juice.

Join others for conversation on what was seen on the televised Coronation of King Charles III of Canada

Bring your favourite Royal souvenir to show others.

Raise a glass of Punch to toast the King and Canada.



Proceeds to Chisholm Education fund held by Saint Patrick's.



Sir Joseph A. Chisholm was Mayor of Halifax, later Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Nova Scotia.

Please contact the Parish Office at 902-454-8221 or email events@stfrancisandstclareparish.ca to book your tea space
Cash payment accepted at hall on May 6th for reserved space.

Annual Mother's Day Event Parent's Resource Centre



The annual Mother's Day Event at the Parent's Resource Centre is currently being organized by the Centre. St. Patrick's community has supported this event for many years. This year we will support the Parent Resource Centre through a money collection to help with the brunch that will be served to the mothers of our neighbourhood.

All members of the parish community are welcome to support this annual event.

Donations will be received until Sunday, May 7th. Please place your donation in an envelope marked Mother's Day Event and place in the collection basket. Thank you for your continued support of this special event for the mothers of our neighbourhood.

For further information, please see Michele O'Neill, email:

micheleoneill@ns.sympatico.ca or Colleen Doucette, email: cdoucette@aol.com



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St Theresa
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MEET OUR TEAM

Fr Nathanael DesRoches
Administrator

Archbishop Martin Currie
Pastoral Support

Rev Mr Len Moore
Rev Mr Paul Carnell
Rev Br Grant McLean

Sr Rita Hanna, FoH

Ruth Bartholomeusz
Operations Manager

Pat Belgrave
Admin Assistant

Cheryl Delaney
Admin Assistant



HOPE COTTAGE



On March 30th, 12 dozen muffins, 12 dozen cookies, and a tray of juice packs were delivered to Hope Cottage by the Society of St. Vincent de Paul at St. Catherine's by Hal & Miriam Dobbelsteyn. Our next food delivery is scheduled for June 14th. If you are interested in assisting with this project, please contact Miriam at 902-455-9573. Thank you.

DIOCESE NEWS

CCO Summer Mission in Halifax

This summer from May 11 - June 9 the Archdiocese of Halifax-Yarmouth will host a mission for Catholic Christian Outreach (CCO) that will see roughly 20 students and 4 staff travel to Halifax from across Canada to proclaim the Gospel and advance the work of evangelization.

These students will be divided onto teams that will serve the peninsula parishes of Good Shepherd, St. Francis and St. Clare, and St. Mary's Cathedral Basilica.

There will also be public events that all those within the region will be able to take part in that will help to train people to be effective evangelists and leaders. Stay tuned to hear how you might be involved in this mission project, and please pray in particular for those coming on mission, as well as those in the parishes they will be serving.

Caring for our Common Home

Pope Francis' encyclical, *Laudato Si'*, speaks about the need for urgent action to address the climate crisis. During this Easter season, all Christians are encouraged to pray and act together for the Love of Creation.

During Earth Week (April 16 - 23), consider engaging in a climate justice activity, whether engaging in prayer with others in your community, attending an online webinar, or participating in a climate action walk.

For example, in Halifax the People's Parade for Life on Earth will take place on Earth Day, Saturday, April 22nd (Rain Date: Sunday, April 23rd, 2023). Everyone will gather at 1 pm at the wave on the Halifax waterfront. The parade will begin at 2 pm and end at the Peace & Friendship Park with a community gathering.

Anyone wishing to submit announcements for the bulletin is asked to send them to bulletin@stfrancisandstclareparish.ca by Tuesday of that week.

St. Francis and St. Clare of Assisi Parish

Email: office@stfrancisandstclareparish.ca

Parish Office Hours for April: Monday—Friday, 9:00am—1:00pm

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