

# St. Francis and St. Clare of Assisi Parish



**Parish Administrator:**  
Fr. Pio Libby, Moderator, FoH

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One Parish community at these locations:

**St. Catherine of Siena Church**  
6476 Bayers Road  
www.saintcatherinesofsiena.ca

**St. Mother of Teresa of Kolkata Church**  
5032 Normandy Drive  
www.mogetherteresaparish.com

**St. Patrick's Church**  
2263 Brunswick Street  
www.saintpatrickschurch.ca

**St. Theresa's Church**  
6351 North Street  
www.sttheresaschurch.org

**Administrative Assistants:**

**St Theresa's & St. Catherine of Siena**  
Pat Belgrave, 902-454-8221  
Monday - Friday, 8:30am - 1:00pm

**St. Mother Teresa of Kolkata:**  
Cheryl Delaney, 902-454-5835  
Tues. & Thurs. 9:00am - 2:00pm

**St. Patrick's:**  
Cheryl Delaney, 902-429-1300  
Wed. & Fri. 9:00am - 2:00pm

**Religious Education Coordinators:**

St. Catherine's - Donna Noddin  
St. Mothers Teresa - Susan Sarty  
St. Patrick's - TBA  
St. Theresa's - Sr. Lucia

## PARISH MASS SCHEDULE

**St. Catherine of Siena**  
Sunday - 11:00am & 7:00pm  
Tuesday - Noon

**St. Theresa's**  
Saturday 4:30pm; Sunday 9:30am  
Wednesday - 9:00am

**St. Patrick's**  
Sunday 9:30am  
Thursday - 5:15pm

**St. Mother Teresa of Kolkata**  
Saturday 4:00pm; Sunday 11:15am  
Friday - 9:00am

## ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA'S CHURCH BULLETIN

*Home of the Franciscans of Halifax*

**NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**August 7, 2022**

### MASS INTENTIONS

Tuesday, August 9<sup>th</sup> – Special Intention  
Saturday August 13<sup>th</sup> – Frank Sasinek  
Tuesday, August 16<sup>th</sup> – Joseph MacDonnell  
Saturday August 20<sup>th</sup> – Roger Pettipas  
Tuesday, August 23<sup>rd</sup> – Frank Sasinek  
Saturday August 27<sup>th</sup> - Michael Aloisi  
Tuesday, August 30<sup>th</sup> – Lillina Pagnottella  
Saturday, September 3<sup>rd</sup> – Frank Kenney  
Tuesday, September 6<sup>th</sup> – Frank Sasinek  
Saturday, September 10<sup>th</sup> – Roger Pettipas

### CONGRATULATIONS TO THE NEWEST MEMBER OF THE CHURCH'S FAMILY!



On Sunday, July 31st, we welcomed Amelia Alexandra, daughter of Iwona Borycz-Stevens and Joshua Stevens, into the community of faith. May the Spirit she has received, guide her as she grows in greater understanding of her faith and holiness!

**FEAST OF ST. CLARE OF ASSISI**  
**– THURSDAY, AUGUST 11<sup>TH</sup>**



Join us in celebrating the **Feast Day of St. Clare**, one of the Patron Saints of our Parish. Mass will be celebrated on Thursday, August 11<sup>th</sup>, at

St. Patrick's Church at 7:00 pm. This change of time from the usual 5:15 pm Mass has been made to make it possible for more parishioners to attend. Following Mass there will be a social gathering in the Hall so that parishioners of the four churches can meet each other while celebrating our Feast Day.

St. Clare was born in 1193 in Assisi to a noble family. Before her birth, her mother received a sign that her daughter would be a bright light of God in the world. As a child she was already very strongly drawn to the things of God, praying fervently, devoutly visiting the Blessed Sacrament, and manifesting a tender love towards the poor.

When she was 18, she heard St. Francis preaching in the town square during Lent and she knew at once that God wanted her to consecrate herself to Him. The next evening, Clare left her house at night, ran to meet St. Francis and his companions at the church they were staying in, and shared her desire to follow him in his way of life. He received her, gave her his tunic, cut off her golden locks, and sent her to a Benedictine convent, because she could not stay with the brothers. Her younger sister Agnes soon joined her and the two had to resist much pressure from their family to return home.

When Clare was 22, St. Francis placed her in a small house beside the convent and made her superior, a post she would serve for the next 42 years until her death. Many young noble women left all they had to take on the habit of the 'Poor Clares'.

Clare's reputation for holiness was such that the Pope himself came to her deathbed in 1253 to give her absolution, and wanted to canonize her immediately on her death, but was advised by his cardinals to wait. Clare died in absolute tranquility, saying to one of the brothers at her side "Dear brother, ever since through His servant Francis I have known the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, I have never in my whole life found any pain or sickness that could trouble me." She was canonized in 1255, two years after her death.

**FRANCISCANS OF HALIFAX – THURSDAY EVENING**  
**CONFESSIONS CANCELLED FOR AUGUST 11<sup>TH</sup>**



As St. Francis and St. Clare of Assisi Parish is celebrating the Feast of St. Clare on Thursday, August 11<sup>th</sup>, Confession time with the FoH is cancelled for that evening as we will be together celebrating Mass at St. Patrick's.

Beginning on Thursday, August 18<sup>th</sup>, all are invited to join the FoH each week for a Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration & Confession at 7:30 pm at St. Catherine of Siena Church.

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**MASSES FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED**



As in past years, the Catholic Cemeteries offices will have outdoor Masses for the Faithful Departed at all our cemeteries over the summer.

This year's dates are:

- Mount Olivet Cemetery Mass, Mumford Road Saturday, August 13<sup>th</sup>, at 10:00 am (Please note that the Mass is outside on the cemetery grounds. Please bring a lawn chair. In the event of rain, the Mass will be celebrated at St. Theresa Church, 6351 North St.)
- Holy Cross Cemetery Mass, South Park Street Thursday, September 15<sup>th</sup>, at 5:00 pm

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**ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA BURSARIES AWARDED**



Congratulations to Evan Marriott, who was this year's recipient of our St. Catherine of Siena Bursary. Evan, good luck with your post-secondary studies!

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**AUGUST 15<sup>TH</sup>: CELEBRATE OUR DIOCESAN FEAST DAY**



The Feast of the Assumption of Mary is the day that we celebrate the patron of our Diocese, the Blessed Virgin Mary. Join Archbishop Brian Dunn to celebrate the

Solemnity of the Assumption of Mary at St. Mary's Cathedral Basilica. Gather with the faithful from across the Diocese at 12:00pm Mass (please note the earlier time!). A reception will follow in the courtyard. All are welcome!

This significant feast day recalls the spiritual and physical departure of the mother of Jesus Christ from the earth, when both her soul and her body were taken into the presence of God. Venerable Pope Pius XII confirmed this belief about the Virgin Mary as the perennial teaching of the Church when he defined it formally as a dogma of Catholic faith in 1950, invoking papal infallibility to proclaim, "that the Immaculate Mother of God, the ever-Virgin Mary, having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul into heavenly glory."

Mary, Mother of God, pray for us!

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**HEALING MASS – AUGUST 18TH AT 7:00 PM AT ST. MOTHER TERESA OF KOLKATA CHURCH**



Join Fr. Mark Cherry of Sacred Heart Evangelization and Healing Ministry for Mass on August 18<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 pm at St. Mother Teresa of Kolkata Church. The focus of the Mass will be the continued healing ministry of Jesus Christ through His Church. The

homily will focus on receiving the Lord's healing, and prayers for healing will be offered after Mass. All are welcome.

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**STEWARDSHIP**



There are a number of ways you can donate.

Visit: <https://saintcatherineofsiena.ca/donate> to see how to donate by electronic fund transfer, mail or how to sign up for pre-authorized payments. Please be assured that any donations received will be

assigned to your account and income tax receipts will be issued. Thank you for your continued generosity!

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**DIOCESAN NEWS:**

**COME AND SEE!**



Philip invited Nicodemus to come and see the man from Nazareth who would change his life. We too are called to do the

same: invite people to personally encounter this man Jesus that we follow. This can sound like a daunting task. There is help! Sign up for a four-session e-mail video series that helps you discover the process of effectively inviting someone you know to a parish evangelization program. It will also help build your confidence in sharing your faith with others. Visit: [www.halifaxarmouth.org/invite](http://www.halifaxarmouth.org/invite)

**CONCERTS AT THE CATHEDRAL**



You are invited to "Concerts at the Cathedral" at St. Mary's Cathedral Basilica! Come hear the magnificent Casavant Frères pipe organ on **Wednesday evenings at**

**7:00 pm in August, beginning August 3<sup>rd</sup> to August 31<sup>st</sup>.** Featured performers include: organists Shawn Whynot, Rev. Patrick J. Salah, Michael Gnemmi, and Kim Tan-MacNeill, and soprano Lindsay O'Rourke. Admission by freewill offering (suggested \$10). Length approx. 45 minutes. Free parking in church lot.

**PARISH LIVESTREAM MASS LINK:**

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC4QgKeNNdXQOpZaxOhNNGzg/featured>

**FRANCISCAN OF HALIFAX MASSES CELEBRATED AT ST. CATHERINE'S CHURCH:**

Tuesday to Friday – 7:00 to 7:45 am Mass

Saturday – 9:00 am Mass - Morning Prayer will take place at 8:30 am, and Confessions will be heard after Mass

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION/CONFESSION:**

Monday - 7:30 to 8:30 pm (to participate arrive before 7:30 pm) – St. Theresa's Church

Wednesday – after 9:00 am Mass to 4:30 pm with Benediction - St. Theresa's Church

Wednesday – 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the month, 7:00 pm – Exposition/Adoration/Confession– St. Mother Teresa's Church

Thursday – Franciscans of Halifax hold Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration & Confessions - 7:30 pm – St. Catherine's Church (not on August 11<sup>th</sup>)

**YOUTUBE CHANNELS:**

Parish - <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC4QgKeNNdXQOpZaxOhNNGzg/featured>

Franciscans of Halifax - <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC9L3qlfstB9xYyv2ZMOqc0g/videos>