



*St. John the Baptist Parish
Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church*

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Who invite you to celebrate ...

Sunday Eucharist:
Saturday:
4:00pm St. John the Baptist
Sunday:
9:30am St. John the Baptist
11:30am Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Reconciliation

Saturday 3:15-3:45pm
Sunday 8:45-9:15am

Baptism - as requested

Marriage - one year notice (to be certain all requirements are met)

2nd Sunday of Lent

March 17, 2019

This week's Calendar

<u>Saturday</u>	4:00pm	<u>Mass</u> at St. John the Baptist
<u>Sunday</u>	9:30am 11:30am	<u>Mass</u> at St. John the Baptist <u>Mass</u> at Our Lady of Perpetual Help
<u>Monday</u>	9am	<u>Mass</u> at St. John the Baptist
<u>Tuesday</u>	9am	<u>Mass</u> at St. John the Baptist
<u>Wednesday</u>	9am	<u>Mass</u> at St. John the Baptist
<u>Thursday</u>	NO MASS	
<u>Friday</u>	10:30 6:30pm	<u>Mass</u> at Glen Haven <u>Stations of the Cross</u> , led by St. John the Baptist Parish Council
<u>Saturday</u>	4:00pm	<u>Mass</u> at St. John the Baptist
<u>Sunday</u>	9:30am 11:30am	<u>Mass</u> at St. John the Baptist <u>Mass</u> at Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Stations of the Cross

We are thankful for St. John the Baptist Parish Council for leading the Stations of the Cross next Friday, March 22, at St. John the Baptist at 6:30pm.

<u>Weekly Collection</u>	<u>March 9/10</u>
Envelope Collection	\$2,963.00
Loose Collection	\$142.00
Total	\$3,105.00
PAD Income (<i>averaged for month</i>)	\$488.33
Average Weekly Expenses	\$4,200.00
Shortfall this week	\$606.67
Envelopes distributed	255
Envelopes returned 60%	152
PAD Contributors	26
Average Contribution	\$22.46

Thank-you for your continued generosity!

Deanery Masses:

Our Lady of Lourdes:

Mon, Wed, Fri – 9am; Thurs - 6:30pm

Holy Name:

Mon, Fri – 9am; Wed - 6:30pm

Stella Maris:

Tues, Thurs - 6:30pm

Income Tax Receipts for 2018

are available in the Gathering Area of St. John the Baptist Church.

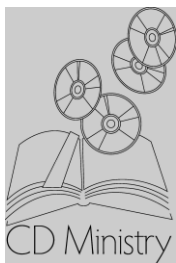
Lenten Reflection Booklets These are available at the entrances to the churches and the cost is \$3. You can take the booklets home and return the money (in the envelopes provided inside the booklets) with the collection.

The Alpha Spring Program

is happening in the Pictou Deanery for a 10-week period. Forty people are participating! Please keep these people in your prayers.

A Note of Thanks from Elaine and David Sponagle re Chalice

We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks for choosing to give through our Chalice gift catalogue. Your love and generosity truly makes a difference for many children, families, and communities in need in the developing world. This year across Canada, we had a 4% increase in gifts given through our Christmas gift catalogue. Thanks to these gifts, more children will be healthy, happy, and prepared to learn, and more families will be secure, self-reliant, and able to look forward towards a better future.



CDs Available for Borrowing In the Pastoral Office, there are a number of CDs focusing on Lent such as *Meditations on the Stations of the Cross* by Dr. Ron Thomas and *My Beloved Son-Meditations for Lent* by Fr. Robert Barron. There are also many others dealing with different topics - for example, Hurt and Suffering, Love and Courtship, Prayer, Marriage and Family, topics for Young Adults and also a number geared towards children. Please come into the office and browse these titles. Borrow them today or come in and have a look at the total collection!

Fling into Spring An auction and silent auction will take place at Sharon St. John United Church, Stellarton on **Friday, April 5**. Viewing will take place at 6:30pm and the auction will begin at 7pm. There will be local entertainment, tea, coffee and a dessert table! Tickets are \$5 and are now available. Proceeds will be in support of the Capital Campaign.

Spring Gospel Concert Second United Baptist Church, 330 Washington St., New Glasgow Sunday, March 17 at 3pm. Everyone welcome. Freewill offering with fellowship and lunch following concert.

A Prayer for this week:

As I go about my day, Lord, I try to see you in all those I meet. Your human nature, reflected in all of us, draws me to you and allows me to glimpse your divine nature. I am transformed by your love for me, and seek to share your glory with all. Amen.



Gospel Action:

Think of an area of your life that may be in need of a conversion or transformation. Take a positive step toward initiating such change.

Happy St. Patrick's Day!

Parish Ministry Schedule

MARCH 23/24

Readers

Saturday

Marie MacKay
Mike Willis

CWL

Sunday

Cindy Brown
Elaine Sponagle

Altar Servers

Justin Purnoko
Mark Atwood
Ivan Willis +

Brenda Johnson
Anne Willis
Julia Brown +

Ministers of Holy Communion

Maryanna MacMillan
George Manos
Shirley Manos

Joan MacDonald
Jan Hodgson
Linda MacDonald

Gift Bearers

Anna Lakenman
& Maryanna MacMillan

Sheila MacMillan
Annette Mason
Debbie Reid

Ministers of Hospitality

Jim Gillis
Ivan Willis
Maryanna MacMillan (ramp)

Sheila MacMillan
Annette Mason
Debbie Reid
Krista Cullen