

St. Francis and St. Clare of Assisi Parish



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Pat Belgrave, Admin. Assistant
 St. Theresa's:
 Monday 9:00 am–11:30 am
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St. Catherine's:
 Wednesday 9:00am–5:00 pm

Cheryl Delaney, Admin. Assistant
 St. Mother Teresa of Kolkata:
 Tues. & Thurs. 9:00 am–Noon;
 1:00 pm–4:00 pm

St. Patrick's:
 Wed. & Fri. 9:00 am–1:00 pm

Religious Education Coordinators:
 St. Catherine's—Donna Noddin
 St. Mother Teresa—Susan Sarty
 St. Patrick's—Sr. Bernadette
 St. Theresa's—Sr. Lucia

SUNDAY MASS TIMES

<u>St. Catherine of Siena</u>	<u>St. Mother Teresa of Kolkata</u>	<u>St. Patrick's</u>	<u>St. Theresa's</u>
Sunday 11:00 am & 7:00 pm	Saturday 4:00 pm; Sunday 10:00 am	Sunday 10:00 am	Saturday 4:30 pm; Sunday 9:30 am

6th Sunday of Ordinary Time — February 16, 2020

Daily Mass Intentions

<u>St. Theresa's</u> Tues. Feb. 18	9:00 am	Antonio Reggi †
Wed. Feb. 19	9:00 am	The Sampson Family †
Thurs. Feb. 20	9:00 am	All intentions in the Book
Fri. Feb. 21	9:00 am	Thomas & Mildred Hartnett †
<u>St. Catherine's</u> Sat. Feb. 22	9:00 am	Bride & James Timms †

Liturgy

RESPONSORIAL



The response to the Psalm chosen for the 6th Sunday of Ordinary Time states "Blessed are those who walk in the law of the Lord." and the readings provide guidance for a way of life that allows us to walk this path.

We are familiar with the teachings of Jesus in the Sermon on the Mount and today's Gospel speaks to us in the word of St. Matthew about the ancient law and the teaching of Jesus as he instructs his disciples and prepares them for their mission.

Today's Gospel is a selection of verses from what is frequently referred to as the Sermon on the Mount and deals with the law. When Matthew speaks of "The Law and the Prophets" he means the whole law - none of the scriptures will be done away with, it will be fulfilled. Jesus said to his disciples, "Do not think I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets. I have come not to abolish but to fulfill." Jesus expects his disciples to do more than the Law requires. Jesus forbids not merely murder (Thou shall not kill) but also lesser forms of injury to others. The importance of forgiveness is so great that it comes before even strict religious duties. "first be reconciled to your neighbour." The Psalm says "Teach me O Lord the way of your statutes and I will observe it to the end. Give me understanding that I may keep your law and observe it with my whole heart."

6th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Frank Lynch



Blessed are those who walk in the law of the Lord!



Parishioners are asked to return, by next weekend, their palm from last year. This palm will be burned in order to make ashes for distribution on Ash Wednesday. Thank you.

On **Ash Wednesday**, Mass will be celebrated at 9:00 am at St. Theresa's. The Offering at will be for the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

Religious Education



This Sunday, February 16th there will be religious education classes for grades Primary to Nine following the 9:30am Mass.

Next Sunday, February 23rd there will be Children's Liturgy during the 9:30am Mass and Confirmation class following Mass

Church News

The parish office will be closed, Monday, February 17th for Heritage Day



ROLL OVER The number drawn last week - #120 - was not played so we have a roll over in the amount of \$142.00.

This week's prize will be over \$250.00!

Next Draw Date: Sunday, February 16, 2020

Should you have any questions email TRIPLE-T@eastlink.ca.

TRIPLE-T Raising funds for St. Theresa's Church

SHROVE TUESDAY



PANCAKE SUPPER
5:30-7:30pm
\$5.00/person
\$20/family

St. Theresa's Church

JOIN US IN THE HALL FOR
St. Theresa's
MOVIE NIGHT
featuring "The Chronicles of Narnia"

Fun

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22nd
5:30-8:00pm
HOT DOGS, DRINKS,
AND POPCORN FOR ALL!

KIDS, YOUTH AND ALL AGES!
INVITE YOUR FRIENDS!
ALL WELCOME!

The St. Theresa's Pastoral Team has two great events coming up this month that we want you to put in your plans:

- Saturday, February 22nd @ 5:30 we are holding a **Movie Night** for All Ages.
- Tuesday, February 25th @ 5:30 we are putting on a **Shrove Tuesday Pancake and Sausage Supper** .

All are welcome at both, and we hope to see you at these lovely community events!

Finance Corner

Last weekend we distributed the February envelope with the bulletin for our special monthly collection to support the **2020 My Extra Help to Keep St. Theresa's Strong Campaign**. If you have not yet received your envelope, we encourage you to pick up one at the entrances from our Greeters and return it during the offertory collection at the next Mass you attend or drop it off at the Rectory to get a charitable donation receipt for your 2020 income tax return. **A suggested special offering of \$10-\$20 or more, if possible, would greatly assist.** Remember how well we did in 2019. With 10 special monthly collections and some great fundraising events, Parishioners made offerings in 2019 that totaled over **\$40,000!** We count on you to continue your generous support and commitment to St. Theresa's Church. **Together let's keep St. Theresa's strong and growing to serve the Lord!**

TRIPLE-T

Several years ago, St. Theresa's **Step Up Fundraising Committee** heard the call to develop a creative and innovative way to raise funds, have fun and serve the Lord. Their efforts were inspired and they kick started a number of events including weekly Parish Fundraiser called the **Triple-T**. The Committee and its volunteers ensure that the "Toonie Deposit Boxes" are in place at each weekend Mass and that the prize is delivered to the winner. If you are unfamiliar with the **Triple-T**, brochures are available by the deposit boxes in the entrances of the Church. The people responsible for the deposit boxes would be happy to help you register for your own number to play each week. Half of every toonie played helps to keep St. Theresa's strong through improvements to our facilities. Thank you to all the volunteers who ensure that every week this fundraiser is well administered. The dedication and efforts of all the volunteers help us financially and allow us to have some fun at the same time.

C.W.L. News

Did you know that Hope Cottage goes through at least one can of coffee per day. Our CWL is once again collecting cans of coffee for Hope Cottage during February and into March. Please give your coffee to Sharon MacKinnon. Can't go shopping- then please give a monetary donation and we will do the shopping for you.

Our CWL is happy to contribute \$100 in memory of Teresa Orman to our church to be used to purchase much needed purificators and corporals.

St. Francis and St Clare Parish

Every Friday during Lent (except Good Friday), Mass will be celebrated at 12:00 noon at St. Catherine's (February 28th, March 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th and April 3rd).

A **LENTE LUNCHEON** will be held each Friday during Lent (except Good Friday) following the 12:00 noon Mass in St. Catherine's Church Hall. Price is \$8 and includes Fish Chowder or Soup, tea biscuit, dessert, tea & coffee. Everyone is welcome.

Diocesan News

A Blessing NOT a Burden: Persons with Disabilities and Euthanasia - A presentation by Deacon Larry Worthen at two locations: St. Thomas Aquinas Hall on Monday, February 24th, at 7:00 pm and St. Clements Church, 16 Gaston Rd., Dartmouth on Monday, March 2nd at 7:00 pm. Disability organizations are very concerned that disabled people will choose euthanasia because of lack of adequate health and social services supports. We should be offering the disabled love and support, not euthanasia. Deacon Larry Worthen has worked with the homeless, people with mental health concerns, the physically disabled, the elderly, and people at end of life. He is currently Executive Director of the Christian Medical and Dental Association of Canada.

Steubenville Night of Worship - Don't miss our next Steubenville Night of Worship! We had a great turnout last month for our first Night of Worship (NOW) of 2020. Mark your calendars for our next NOW: When: 7:00 pm, Tuesday, March 10th Where: Good Shepherd Parish (St. Thomas Aquinas Church – 1725 Oxford St., Halifax). All are welcome for this great chance to experience a taste of Steubenville Atlantic!

Do You Have a Cathedral Story to Share? - More than simply a beautiful building, more than just a parish, Saint Mary's Cathedral Basilica has been a welcoming space for Roman Catholics and people of all faiths for almost 200 years. We know that many of the parishioners and visitors to the Basilica have wonderful memories of their life events large and small that have taken place at Saint Mary's. If you or a family member have stories to share, we'd love to hear them and share them on our website. To share your story, email your stories to us at vbobyk@saintmarysbasilicafoundation.ca.

Community News

"Theology on Tap" - Want to meet young adults who also want some answers to questions of faith?

A five-month series of speaker and discussion, sponsored by THE GOOD SHEPHERD PARISH, is an opportunity for young adults (ages 20-40) to explore issues and topics that relate to the Catholic faith.

There will be different guest speakers each month, Q & A period, discussions and social time.

Date: Wednesday, February 19th

Location: St. Agnes—Campbell Centre (left of gym)

Time: 6:30—8:00pm

This event is free. Bring a friend.

Weekday Mass Times:

Tuesday - Friday 9:00 am at St. Theresa's

Saturday 9:00 am at St. Catherine's

Confessions at St. Theresa's:

Saturday 3:15 pm –4:00 pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

Monday to Friday from 9:30am until 4:30 pm

Saturday 3:30 pm - 4:30 pm

in St. Theresa's Chapel