

Parish of Saint Leonard

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The Parish Church of Saint Leonard is located at 3180 Mount Carmel Avenue, New Waterford, NS

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OFFICE HOURS - MONDAY TO FRIDAY - 9:30 AM - 12 NOON

CHAPEL HOURS - TUESDAY TO FRIDAY - 9:30 AM - 12 NOON

Our mission: To be a visible sign of the Body of Christ in our welcome, witness and celebration of all that we are as People of God.

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Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 11, 2019

Reading I: Wisdom 18.6-9
Reading II: Hebrews 11.1-2, 8-19
Gospel: Luke 12.32-48

We Remember ... Our celebrations of Marriage and Christian Burial ...

We congratulate our newly married couples this summer... *Doreen Lynk & Cory Harte, Deborah Desveaux & Stephen MacLeod, Jessica MacPherson & Patrick MacKay.*

We pray for those who have died... *Donna Jewer, Henry Matths, Margaret Ann Moore.*

We Celebrate ...

Our Sunday Gatherings for Eucharist

Saturday	4:00 PM
Sunday	9:00 AM 11:00 AM



Our Daily Gatherings

Monday	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 10:00AM – 6 PM
Tuesday	No Mass
Wednesday	No Mass
Thursday	No Mass
Friday	10:00 AM Mass

In the case of a funeral on Monday, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will begin at 1:00 PM

In the case of a funeral on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, or Friday Daily Mass will be cancelled.

Sacrament of Baptism

Baptisms are usually held on the third weekend of each month, at our 4 PM Saturday and 11 AM Sunday Liturgies.

If you wish to celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism, please contact the Pastoral Centre (862-2255).

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Before Weekday Masses, or by appointment.

Sacrament of Marriage

If you wish to celebrate the Sacrament of Marriage, please contact the Pastoral Centre at least 6 months in advance.

Farewell to Bishop Dunn

On Sunday, October 6th, a Farewell Celebration will be held for Bishop Brian Dunn who has been appointed to the Archdiocese of Halifax. Everyone is invited to the event. Details will follow.

We Believe ... Jesus' instructions on how to be ready for the coming judgment continue in the stories and sayings found in today's Gospel. We are not to be like the greedy rich man in last Sunday's Gospel who planned to store his great harvest in barns rather than share it. We are, rather, to share our wealth with those in need. The antidote for the anxiety brought on by the coming judgment is to relinquish our possessions and provide for the needs of others. Our treasure will be in heaven where it will not wear out or be destroyed. The other major way to be ready for the coming judgment is to be watchful. In Luke's Gospel, Jesus tells a parable about watchfulness to begin making this point. We must be like servants waiting for the master's return from a wedding banquet, which, even now, can last for a few days in the Middle East. We must be watchful so that even if the master comes after midnight, we will be ready for him. This is what the coming of the Son of Man will be like.

The Feast of Saint Monica – Aug. 27

Here are some amazing facts about this incredible saint that are sure to inspire your faith in God's omnipotent power!

1) **St. Monica's example converted her husband and mother-in-law** - Even though the fourth-century saint was a Christian, her parents gave her away to a man named Patritius. Both he and his mother were pagans and had violent tempers. St. Monica endured this with patience and kindness, and her example eventually led to their conversions to Christianity.

2) **She prayed for St. Augustine for 17 years before his conversion** - Much of what St. Monica is known for is her persistence in prayer. Her son, St. Augustine of Hippo, lived a life of immorality, most notably that of lust and impurity, before converting to Catholicism. Throughout these years, she endured a tremendous amount of suffering. Augustine rejected

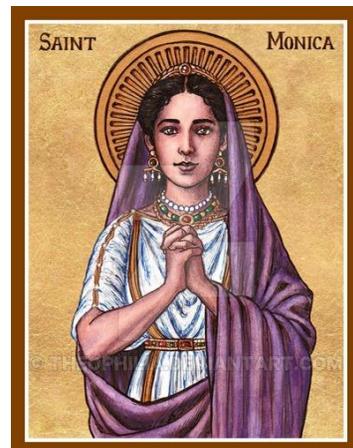
her on multiple accounts, but she continued to love, pray and nurture her son throughout his wayward time.

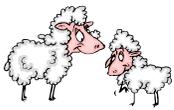
3) **She felt discouraged, but never gave up** - St. Monica cried many times over her son's transgressions, but received affirmation from God on several accounts. St. Monica had a dream in which she wept over her son, and a figure told her that he was still with her.

4) **She knew her purpose in life** - St. Monica wept, prayed and sacrificed for her son for many years. Her greatest desire in life was to see her son's conversion to Catholicism, and once this happened, she believed her purpose in life had been fulfilled. She said to Augustine just a few days before she came down with a fever that caused her death: "My son, speaking of myself, nothing earthly delights me any longer. I do not know why I am still here or why I should remain here. I have no further earthly desires."

5) **She is the patron saint of wives, mothers, conversions, alcoholics and abuse victims** - Especially in a time where conversion is needed in our world and we see the tragedy of abuse in our Church, St. Monica is a great example of faith and hope. God's grace is infinite, and he will never abandon us, even if it seems as if he is not present.

Let us look to St. Monica's example of persistence—that God will never abandon us, even in the hardest of times





Tending The Flock



Supporting Ourselves as Parish

Collection for **Sunday, August 4, 2019** - Envelopes (285) \$4,224.00 + Loose: \$307.35 = \$4,551.35

Cemetery \$ 1, 228.00

Thank-you for your continued support!

Upcoming Meetings

New Waterford & Area Cemetery Society Wednesday August 14 7:00 PM Pastoral Centre

Summer Slowdown

Please note that with summer comes some changes with our Pastoral Services. Our regular office hours will be reduced to **Monday to Friday from 9:30 AM to 12 Noon for the months of June, July and August.** During these months, the **Blessed Sacrament Chapel** located in the Pastoral Centre will be open from **Tuesday to Friday from 9:30 AM to 12 Noon.** Please expect some delay in response time for office needs.

Welcome Travelers

Thank you for joining us in prayer. May your stay in our community be enjoyable and your journey home be safe. God bless you!



Book Launch – Fr. Greg MacLeod: A Life

Father Greg MacLeod lived a life devoted to Cape Breton Island, all humanity, and God. He loved good food, friendship, folk music—and he was always ready to dance. Greg also loved to inspire attitudes and to instigate activities, to make life better for people. He left behind a legacy of improvements at home and abroad.

Rooted in his birthplace of Sydney Mines, Cape Breton, Father Greg was a voracious world traveler, seeking knowledge to bring home to his economically troubled island. All the while, wherever he landed, Greg organized for Community Economic Development through cooperative action and worker control.

His travel companion for over forty years, author Daniel Doucet inherited Greg's papers and private journals which bring this vigorous biography to life. Dan Doucet wrote: "Somehow loving people and mobilizing them was, for Greg, one and the same thing."

Cape Breton University invites everyone to the book launch party on August 14 for Father Greg—The Life of Greg MacLeod, a new book by Daniel Doucet. The party starts at noon in the CBU Library.



Happy Birthday!

Happy Birthday wishes are extended to Florence Beaton who is celebrating her 90th birthday! May God continue to bless you!

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Happiest of Birthday Wishes are also extended to Gloria Timmons who is turning 104! May all your days be full of God's blessings.



Opportunities for Prayer

✠ **Vision TV** – Daily Mass is broadcast **Monday to Saturday at 9:00 AM and repeated at 1 PM.** Devotions in honor of Our Mother of Perpetual Help on **Wednesdays at 9:30 AM.**

✠ **EWTN – Rosary at 8:30 AM, 12:30, 4:30 & 10:30 PM**

✠ CHANNEL 262 – Rosary at 8:30-9:00 or 12:30

✠ Live Mass – 9:00 AM (Replayed at 1:00PM).

● **Support & Share Grief Support Group** – for those who have experienced the loss of a loved one. Upcoming Sessions:

Aug 14 – 7-9 PM – 188 George St. Sydney

Aug 28-- 7-9 PM – Town House, Glace Bay

Sept 2-- 7-9 PM – Miners Memorial Manor, Sydney Mines

Everyone is welcome and no registration is required.

● **Young Adult's Prayer Group Mondays, 6-8 pm St. Theresa Parish, Sydney** Welcoming all young and young at heart to evenings of charismatic praise and worship. Help us to build our community and discover where the Spirit is leading us.

● Annual St. Anthony Cemetery Sunday Service Will take place this year on August 11th at 2:00pm. A BBQ following the Service again this year. (In case of rain, the service will be held in Holy Cross Parish)

● Learning Together to Live the Call: Celebrating 175th Anniversary – Closing Celebrations

Echoing the Good News: Saturday, Sept. 14, St. Joseph, Port Hawksbury (9:30AM-3:00PM) Lunch provided. "A Deeper Love" with Dr. Anne Jamieson (Contact: Debbie Aker (902) 539-6188. **LIVING THE CALL** – Sunday, Sept 15. St. Ninian Cathedral – 2:00 PM session and Dialogue with Dr. Anne Jamieson 4:00 PM Mass with Bishop Dunn and Apolostolic Nuncio Luigi Bonazzi. (Hot/Cold buffet to follow).

● **Divine Mercy Conference Aug. 30-Sept. 1** Our Lady of Grace Monastery Details available on the monastery website:

www.ourladyofgracemonastery.ca

● Gift Shop Summer Hours – Mother of Sorrows Pioneer Shrine

Starting Sunday, June 30th, the gift shop will be open 10:00 am until 5:00 pm Monday to Saturday and 12:00 noon to 5:00 pm on Sunday.

● **The New Waterford Library**, 3390 Plummer Avenue (next to Tim Horton's) offers computer access, wifi, ebooks, audio books, dvd's, cd books, community room for non-profit, and much more. All memberships are free of charge. Phone 862-2892 for more information!

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Contacting Us ...

For *Pastoral Centre Services* such as records, certificates, appointments, etc. please call 862-2255 during regular office hours. Feel free to leave a message, and we will be certain to get back to you as soon as we can.

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