Parish of Saint Leonard



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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.

Our Sunday Gatherings
Saturday 4:00 pm
Sunday 9:00 am & 11:00 am
Sacrament of Reconciliation
After 4:00 pm Mass on Saturday.

After 4:00 pm Mass on Saturday, or by appointment.

Psalm Sunday March 23&24, 2024

First Reading: Isaiah 50.4-7

Psalm 22

Second Reading: Philippians 2.6-11

Gospel: Mark 14.1-15.47

Weather permitting, weekday Masses resume Wednesday, Thursday & Friday @ 12:15. Stations of the Cross will be on Fridays, 11:30 am during lent.

Supporting Ourselves as a Parish

Weekend of March 16-17, 2024

Envelopes 180 \$ 2882.00 Loose \$ 255.65 Total \$ 3137.65 Share Lent \$ 996.40 For the Poor \$1,195.00

We remember.... Our celebrations of Baptisms, Matrimony & Christian Burial....

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Shirley Aucoin, George Muise, John Gregory MacDonald, Kenny O'Connell & Eva Burke.

May they rest in peace.

Amen

Mass for Shut-Ins 61st airs on Sunday mornings on CTV channel at 11:30 am and is available for viewing on our Diocese of Antigonish YouTube Channel.

Receipts for Income Tax have been mailed out. Our Thanks goes out to each and everyone who contributed to the support of our parish during the past year.

We Believe Passion (Palm) Sunday. During his public ministry, Jesus performed many healings and miracles but often told those healed not to publicize what had happened. Arriving in Jerusalem to complete his earthly mission, Jesus embraced the publicity and reverence he had previously downplayed.

<u>Baptismal Preparation</u> - Parents who wish to have their child baptized are required to attend a Baptismal Preparation Session. To register or for more information please contact St. Leonard Pastoral Centre at 782-777-1253 or capermarian1954@gmail.com

<u>UPCOMING</u> EVENTS - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

- takes place on Mondays beginning 10:00 am ending at 3:00 pm with Divine Mercy Chaplet. All are welcome. Stop by!

Donations to our parish are appreciated and can be submitted in the following ways:

Contribution Envelopes:

Envelopes can be found at the entrances of the church or at the Parish Office. Please fill in name and address.

E-transfer: <u>bookkeeper@parishofsaintleonard.com</u> Pre-authorized Debit: call 902-862-2255 to arrange Mail: 5310 Union Hwy, River Ryan, N.S. B1h 1B2

Faith Formation - Please Note**

Regular Tuesday Evening gatherings will continue at 6:30 pm. These sessions are open to children from 4 years old to 13 years of age and candidates for First Eucharist & First Reconciliation

First Eucharist is for children Grade 2 and older.

First Reconciliation is for children Grade 4 and older.

Confirmation is for young people in Grade 9 or higher and will take place on Mondays at 7:30 pm

For more information, please contact St. Leonard Pastoral Centre at **capermarian1954@gmail.com**

782-777-1253

Thank you and God Bless.

Confirmation Parent meeting to be held Monday, March 25, 2024 at 7:00 pm at the Pastoral Centre.

Parish Secretary

The Parish of Saint Leonard is seeking a Secretary/administrative assistant. The Parish Secretary works closely with the Pastoral Team, other staff and volunteers, and the New Waterford and Area Cemetery Society to help ensure effective, efficient, and appropriate daily operations. This is a thirty (30) hour, five (5) day a week position. Applicants should have a diploma/degree for administrative assistants and/or secretaries, or previous clerical experience. Must be proficient in Microsoft Word, able to manage the parish Facebook, and some knowledge of web building. Record maintenance, (hardcopy, and excel) general office duties, greeting the public, answering inquiries and the ability to strictly maintain confidentiality is required. The successful applicant must possess the ability to function independently and collaboratively and have a satisfactory Child Abuse Registry check and Police check. Interested parties may drop off resumes in person to the Pastoral Centre (5310 Union Highway) or email:

pastoralcentre@parishofsaintleonard.com

WAYS & MEANS COMMITTEE

This committee will look at ways and means to raise money for our Parish Community. This could be organizing a 50/50 draw, planning dances and meals, and numerous other possibilities. The Committee will work with the Hall Committee (which takes care of events that include a liquor license and bar).

The <u>first meeting</u> will be held on Thursday, April 25 at 7:00 pm at the Pastoral Centre to choose chairperson, secretary, treasurer and to begin brainstorming for practical and achievable action plans.

We also need a volunteer to contact for Hall Bookings.

Contact **Basil Boudreau at 902-577-5140** for inquiries regarding Booking the Hall.

Parish of St. Leonard - Holy Week Liturgies 2024

Monday, March 25, 2024 3:00 pm - Mass of Chrism, St. Ninian Cathedral, Antigonish

Wednesday March 27, 2024 12:10pm - Lenten Mass

Holy Thursday, March 28, 2024-7:00pm - Mass of the Lord's Supper, 8:00pm-9:00pm - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

Good Friday, March 29, 2024-2:30pm - Way of the Cross, 3:00pm - Solemn Good Friday Service

Holy Saturday, March 30, 2024 8:00pm - Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday, March 31, 2024 9:00am and 11:00 am - Mass

There will be a practice for servers and sacristans: Sunday, March 24 following 11:00 am mass for the Good Friday Service

Thursday, March 28 at 6:00 pm for the Holy Thursday Mass

Saturday, March 30 at 7:00 pm for Easter Vigil

Thank you!

The Parish of Saint Leonard extends a sincere thank you to the *Knights of Columbus*, New Waterford, for their donation to offset the cost of producing the weekly bulletin. May God continue to bless you in your work as a service club.

Hospitality Committee

This committee is being formed to fill the void left when our CWL had to fold. The members of this group will plan social activities for our Parish: arrange for sandwiches & sweets, organize set-up and clean-up for Parish events such as Confirmation/Bishop Reception, First Communion Reception, Monthly Community Tea after Sunday Mass, and those sorts of things. We will not be Organizing receptions for funerals.

<u>First meeting</u> will be held **Tuesday, April 23 at 2:00** pm at the Pastoral Centre to choose a president, vice-president, secretary and finance manager as well as preliminary plans for May 18th.