

St. Francis and St. Clare of Assisi Parish



Pastor: Fr. Francesco Pirisi, FoH
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Including the Communities of:

St. Catherine of Siena Church
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www.saintcatherineofsiena.ca

St. Mother Teresa of Kolkata Church
 6032 Normandy Drive; 902-454-5835
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St. Patrick's Church
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St. Theresa's Church
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 St. Theresa's:
 Monday 9:00 am–11:30 am
 Tues. & Thurs. 9:00 am–Noon

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> |
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| 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 |

The 5th Sunday of Ordinary Time — February 9, 2020

Daily Mass Intentions

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| St. Theresa's | | |
| Tues. Feb. 11 | 9:00 am | Antonio Reggi † |
| Wed. Feb. 12 | 9:00 am | Maria and Giuseppe Santilli † |
| Thurs. Feb. 13 | 9:00 am | All intentions in the Book |
| Fri. Feb. 14 | 9:00 am | The Theriault Family † |
| St. Catherine's | | |
| Sat. Feb. 15 | 9:00 am | The Nash Family † |

Liturgy



World Day of the Sick was instituted by Pope John Paul II in 1992. He designated February 11th, the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes, to be an annual day of prayer and consideration of the sick and of those who care for them. At the **11:00 am Mass**

next Sunday, February 16th, there will be an opportunity for parishioners within our community to receive the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick. Through receiving this sacrament, the Holy Spirit will give strength, peace and courage to help those overcome the difficulties of chronic sickness, serious illness or old age.

Religious Education



Our next "**Gathering**" will take place on Sunday, February 16th, from 10:15-10:45 am for students from grade primary to nine.

Church News

St. Catherine's
REFUGEE
 Sponsorship Committee

On Thursday, July 27, 2017, we welcomed our first Syrian refugee family after listening to Pope Francis' 2015 challenge to "not be taken aback by their numbers, but rather view them as persons, seeing their faces and listening to their stories, trying to respond as best we can to their situation."

Again, in May of 2018, parishioners of St. Catherine's were approached with another opportunity to sponsor a Syrian refugee. A fellow parishioner who, herself, had immigrated to Canada a few years ago had a sister who also wanted to come to Canada from Syria. At that time, financial support needed to be pledged to start the process and parishioners responded. Now, it is expected that within four to ten weeks, she will be arriving in Canada!

Next Steps: 1) Refugee Committee members will ensure that everything is in place to welcome our soon-to-be, newest Canadian. 2) Those who pledged monies in 2018 will receive direct correspondence to inquire as to whether they are still in a position to donate the funds as pledged. 3) And, attached to the bulletin is a form that will allow others, if they so wish, to support this project.



There will be a session held on Safe Environment Protocol part of **Responsible Ministry Protocols** of our Church.

The session will be held on February 22nd from 10:00 am - 11:30 am in St. Mother Teresa of Kolkata's Church Hall, 6032 Normandy Drive. It is being led by Ann James and Rachel Jacques from the Human Resource Department at the Pastoral Centre. All those who volunteer with children and vulnerable adults, and our money counters are requested to attend. All parishioners are most welcome.

Happy 72nd Anniversary!!



- In 1948, Archbishop John T. McNally established the parish community of St. Catherine of Siena with Reverend Frank Carroll as Pastor. On February 15th, in 1948, the first Mass was celebrated by our newly formed parish at

the military barracks on the corner of Oxford Street and Bayers Road.

Happy 72nd Anniversary to all parishioners!

Meetings

St. Catherine's Pastoral Council will meet on Tuesday, February 18th, at 6:45 pm in the Church Hall. All members are encouraged to attend. Parishioners are also welcome!

Diocesan News

Antigonish Welcomes a New Bishop – This past Tuesday, February 4th, the faithful of the Diocese of Antigonish welcomed and installed the Most Reverend Wayne Kirkpatrick as their new Archbishop. With this action, Co-adjutor Archbishop Dunn's duties to that Diocese are now complete and his move to the Archdiocese of Halifax-Yarmouth is fully realized. In the coming weeks and months, he will physically move his belonging to Halifax and make a plan to get to know the people and Parishes that make up our Diocese. Please prayer for both these men as they take on these important leadership positions in our Church. May their work and ministry continue to be guided and blessed by our Triune God.

Flu Season Advisory – As announced at Mass last week-end, communion will be distributed under one species only, that is, only the Precious Body will be offered and not the Precious Blood. This is a decision of the Diocese as the flu season begins. They encourage the faithful to be more aware of the risk of the flu and be vigilant about minimizing that risk where possible.

Bayers Road Dedicated Bus Lanes Project



- On Wednesday, January 29th, parishioners who attended the HRM Open House had an opportunity to discuss with HRM staff and Councillors their concerns on this project. The HRM is open to receive

concerns and parishioners are encouraged to email planhrm@halifax.ca or write to the Integrated Mobility Plan, Halifax Regional Municipality, PO Box 1749, Halifax, NS B3J 3A5.

For your convenience, the concerns as expressed by your Pastoral Team, are as follows:

1. Concern that our neighborhood is becoming a traffic corridor.
2. Concern on how it will impact our community overall – we are losing 4.5 feet of property, losing spots in our parking lot but these are just the material impacts on our community.
3. Very concerned about on-street parking still being available. Parking restrictions during peak hours of traffic is understandable. Monday to Friday - Inbound from 7:00-9:00 am, Outbound from 3:00-6:00 pm. Please note that these are the same parking restrictions as negotiated for Göttingen Street, also a part of this transportation study.
4. If parking is restricted, our community has concerns for when funerals are held during the week, for the elderly, those with disabilities, and families that come to our community to celebrate their faith and/or to attend events, including community groups that use our hall (without charge) on a weekly basis. We are not just a Sunday morning community.
5. What is the overall vision for Bayers Road and how is this project going to accomplish it?
6. How will crosswalks on Bayers Road be affected by this plan? (We should not have less crosswalks in our neighborhood.)

The proposed plan, at this stage, is to have NO ON-STREET PARKING from 6:00 am to 6:00 pm, Monday to Friday. This would have a significant, negative impact on our community and everyone is encouraged to make their views known. At this time, information on traffic numbers for Bayers Road have been requested from the HRM, and further information on this data will be shared when received.

<https://www.halifax.ca/about-halifax/regional-community-planning/transportation-planning/transit-priority/bayers->

Weekday Mass Times:

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

Confessions at St. Catherine's

Saturday following the 9:00 am Mass

Praying the Rosary (in Spanish)

Monday evenings 7:00 pm
St. Catherine's Church

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Thursday Evenings 7:00–8:00 pm
St. Catherine's Church
Monday–Friday 9:30am–4:30pm
in St. Theresa's Chapel

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