

St. Francis and St. Clare of Assisi Parish



Pastor: Fr. Francesco Pirisi, FoH
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Fr. Andrew Rembarczyk

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Including the Communities of:

St. Catherine of Siena Church
6476 Bayers Road; 902-454-8221
www.saintcatherineofsiena.ca

St. Mother Teresa of Kolkata Church
6032 Normandy Drive; 902-454-5835
www.motherteresaparish.com

St. Patrick's Church
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www.saintpatrickschurch.ca

St. Theresa's Church
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Pat Belgrave, Admin. Assistant
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 |

3rd Sunday of Lent — March 15, 2020

Daily Mass Intentions

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| St. Theresa's | | |
| Tues. March 17 | 9:00 am | Gordon Thornhill † |
| Wed. March 18 | 9:00 am | Special Intention—St. Joseph |
| Thurs. March 19 | 9:00 am | All intentions in the Book |
| Fri. March 20 | 9:00 am | Gerry Upcott † |
| St. Catherine's | | |
| Sat. March 21 | 9:00 am | Nuniziata Presutti † |

Liturgy

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

Franciscan Way of the Cross – Thursdays at 7:00 pm – The Franciscan community invites you to join them to pray the Way of the Cross during this Lenten Season. The Way will be prayed every Thursday evening at 7:00 pm in the Church. (Please note: This will take the place of the weekly Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.) All are encouraged and invited to attend.



Readings for next Sunday, March 22nd:

1 Samuel 16, 1b, 6-7, 10-13
Ephesians 5.8-14
John 9.1-41

Washing of the Feet – Volunteers

Needed – As part of the Holy Thursday celebration, twelve people are needed for the Washing of the Feet. Would those parishioners willing to participate, please call the Parish Office or email news@saintcatherineofsiena.ca.



Donations for Easter Flowers - We are accepting donations for the purchase of Easter flowers. If you wish to make a donation or a donation in memory of a loved one, please mark your name, contact information and envelope number on a plain, white envelope and place it in the regular collection. We will be pleased to acknowledge these remembrances.

Religious Education



Next Sunday, March 22nd, a **Children's Liturgy** will be celebrated during the 11:00 am Mass



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St. Francis and St. Clare of Assisi Parish has the wonderful opportunity to participate in the resources and presentations of the Augustine Institute's website FORMED. FORMED is a Catholic web portal, providing access to a rich array of programs, movies, documentaries, shows, talks and eBooks - all of which could enrich both our personal and communities' spiritual lives.

To Sign Up: 1) Visit www.formed.org 2) click Sign Up 3) Select "I Belong to a Parish or Organization" 4) Find your Parish by Name (St. Francis and St. Clare Parish, 6351 North St., Halifax, NS) or by Postal Code (B3L 1P7) 5) Enter your email – You're In!

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Church News



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.



Our **Refugee Committee** has received word that Malak will be arriving in Halifax on April 6th! The Refugee Committee is ensuring that everything is in place to welcome her. Those

who pledged monies in 2018 have received correspondence to inquire as to whether they are still in a position to donate the funds as pledged. And, extra Donation Pledge Forms are available on the back table for others who may wish to support this project.



The date of our **Annual Spring Fair** has been set for Saturday, April 25th. Parishioners are encouraged to make note of this date and get started on doing some early Spring cleaning for the New-to-You table (no linens or clothing, please).

Tables will include Baked Goods, Sewing, New-to-You, Straw Game, Books, Raffles, Canteen, Silent Auction, and Children's Games. If you are interested in volunteering for the Fair, please call Paul McKenna at 902-477-0743.

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

Leadership Team Member: Donna Noddin 902-455-1617 | donna.noddin@gmail.com

St. Francis and St. Clare Parish News



St. Mother Teresa of Kolkata Church is holding a **Lenten Penitential Service** on Friday, March 27th, at 7:00 pm, following the Way of the Cross at 6:30 pm. All are welcome.



Mancini Cup – Attached to the bulletin is an invitation for Parish youth to join the St. Francis and St. Clare of Assisi Team for the upcoming Mancini Cup Soccer Fun Day on Saturday, April 25th, at the BMO Soccer Indoor Facility on Thomas Raddall Drive. Registration forms are available on the back table. Our Parish is looking to organize two teams for the soccer tournament: Junior High (Grades 6-9) and High School (Grades 10-12). Please contact Teresa Flinn (tflinn@eastlink.ca) for more information.



Ellen O'Reilly and Marg McMillan, tax volunteers with the CVITP and members of Saint Catherine of Siena Church, are offering a free income tax service to people with a low income threshold to members of St. Francis and St. Clare of Assisi Parish.

To book an appointment, please contact Ellen at 902-454-0958 or Marg at 902-454-0553.

"The next Senior's Day at St. Mother Teresa Church will be Wednesday, March 18th at 1 pm in their Church Hall. The theme is celebrating Saint Patrick's Day. All are welcome. For more information call Janet at (902) 455-3718."

There will be a Healing Mass, Thur. Mar. 19 at St. Mother Teresa's at 7 p.m. with Celebrant Father Mark Cherry. Before the Mass, there will be a time of Prayer and Adoration beginning at 6 p.m. The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed and the rosary will be prayed, followed by a silent time of Adoration. There will be a short Benediction and repose of the Blessed Sacrament at 6:50 p.m. The Healing Mass begins at 7 p.m. with prayers for healing after the Mass. All are invited to participate, as they are able. For more info. please contact Rhonda-Lynn Clarke, Ministry Coordinator at: 902 448 3660.

Meetings

St. Catherine's Pastoral Team (formerly Pastoral Council) will meet on Tuesday, March 24th, at 6:45 pm in the Church Hall. All members are encouraged to attend. Parishioners are also welcome!

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