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*Saint Catherine of Siena Parish
"Home of the Franciscans of Halifax"*

*33rd Sunday of Ordinary Time
November 18, 2018*

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Daily Mass Intentions

St. Theresa's

Tues. Nov 20 9:00am Duncan & Millie MacLellan †
Wed. Nov. 21 9:00am Silvano Saccomandi †
Thurs. Nov. 22 9:00am All the intentions in the book
Fri. Nov 23 9:00am Antonio Reggi †

St. Catherine's

Sat. Nov. 24 9:00am Bonnie Davis †

Liturgy

**IN LOVING
MEMORY**

Theresa Lynn Bachynski
M. Richardine Brousseau
Barbara Ann Cormier
Oliver 'Paul' Cormier
Loris Di Quinzio
Sergio Di Quinzio
Dorothy Lorraine Herring
M. Carmella Ivy
Sr. Therese Frances Legere
David Nicholas Power
James Alexander Strachan
Sidney John Frederick Winter
Keith Murray Woods

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. And may perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.

Weekday Mass Times:

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

Weekend Mass Times

Sunday 11:00 am
7:00pm (rosary at 6:25pm)

Confessions at St. Catherine's:
Saturday following the 9:00am Mass

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Monday—Friday 9:30 am—4:30 pm
in St. Theresa's Chapel



**This poor man cried,
and the Lord heard him
2018**

"This poor man cried, and the Lord heard him" - These are the words of Psalm 34 that frame the Second **World Day of the Poor** and around which the message that Pope Francis wanted to offer to the Church can be summarized in three words: shout, respond and free. These are three verbs that identify God's action and reveal his merciful love for man.

When we hear the word "poverty", we can think of many things: poverty of spirit, lack of love, isolation, etc. On World Day of the Poor, Pope Francis invites us to focus on material poverty in which individuals, families, and communities lack access to the basic things they need to live and thrive: nutritious food, adequate housing, safe neighborhoods, good education, healthcare, and decent jobs with fair pay.

Today, Pope Francis asks us to hear the cries of the poor among us with open ears and hearts and to respond in faith as we work for justice.

The **2019 St. Joseph's Sunday Missal** is available for purchase at the back table. The cost is \$3.00 each.

Advent Folders can be found on the table at the back of the Church.



Coming to an Advent near You!

His Top Hat and Pilgrim Shoes are ready! Back by popular demand, Fr. Paul MacIntosh of the Franciscans of Halifax is set to lead us on our second journey through Charles Dickens', **A Christmas Carol**. This Christmas classic, first published in 1843, is a compelling tale of greed, love

and charity as the citizens of London await the joyful arrival of Christmas, all except, Ebenezer Scrooge. Fr. Paul will continue his reflections on the characters involved in this classic, their spirit, and how they allow us to reflect on our spirit and lives today. An enjoyable and thought provoking Advent preparation.

The first gathering will take place on Friday, November 23rd, at 7:00 pm in St. Catherine's Church, 6476 Bayers Road, and will continue on November 30th, December 7th & 14th. All are welcome.



Religious Education



Our next "Gathering" will take place on Sunday, November 25th, from 10:15-10:45 am for students from grade primary to nine.

Parish News



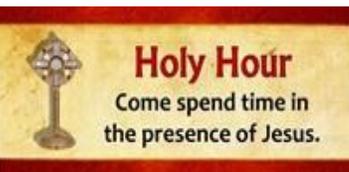
ST. CATHERINE'S CHRISTMAS BINGO will be held on Sunday, December 2nd, at 2:00 pm (doors open at 12:30

pm). Each regular game is for a turkey with four specials being played for baskets filled with lots of Christmas goodies and a ham. The final game is for a turkey, ham, and the GRAND basket of Christmas goodies. Books (regular games) are \$5.00, and each special is \$1.00. Fun for all ages. Everyone is welcome!

Meetings

St. Catherine's Pastoral Council will meet this Tuesday, November 20th, at 6:45 pm in the Church Hall. All members are encouraged to attend.

Franciscan News



The Franciscan Choir, under the direction of Sr. Ilaria, will host Holy Hours on the Tuesdays of Advent - December 4th, 11th, and 18th - at 7:00 pm in the Church.



This Wednesday, November 21st, is the third Wednesday of the month, which means that Theology on Tap will be taking place from 6:30-8:00 pm at La Piazza Resto Café, 6430 Chebucto Road.

The Franciscans of Halifax invite all young Adults 20 to 40 years old to join with them for this great opportunity to learn and discuss our faith, and most of all, to grow in fraternal love with each other.

Our guest speaker for this event will be Fr. Craig Cameron speaking on Vocations and Discernment.

If you have any questions, please contact Br. Nathanael FoH at 902-233-7827.

Diocesan News

Renewal of Covenant with the Atlantic School of Theology – On Thursday, November 8, 2018, Archbishop Mancini took part in a covenant renewal service at the Atlantic School of Theology (AST). The Archdiocese is one of three founding parties of the theology school that started in 1971. At the service, Archbishop Mancini, along with his contemporaries in the other two founding parties (Anglican Church, United Church), signed the covenant in front of students, faculty, staff and alumni in the Saint Columba Chapel on campus.

This significant moment reinforces the partnership struck between our local Catholic, Anglican, and United Church communities continuing to work together to provide solid academic and pastoral education that forms ministry leaders to serve the mission to spread the Good News of Jesus Christ.

AST has a number of courses and programs that are of interest to Catholics as they seek to understand our faith more deeply. Of particular note is the Diploma of New Evangelization and various courses taught by Sr. Joan Campbell, CSM (scripture) and Dr. David Deane (systematic theology). For more information on AST visit: www.astheology.ns.ca

Stewardship is...

*"Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in clouds' with great power and authority."
(Mark 13:26)*

How would you spend your day if you knew it was the last day you would spend on earth?

The point of today's gospel is that the end-time is always imminent.

Each of us must allow Christ to work in and through us to ensure that we recognize and use the gifts he has given us.

...EVERYTHING we think, say, and do after we say "I believe"