

St Paul’s Parish, Havre Boucher
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This Sunday Readings

Isaiah 50: 5-9 The Lord has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backward.

Responsorial Psalm 116 R. I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living.

James 2:14-18 What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works?

Mark 8: 27-35 “Whoever wants to become my follower, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me.”

The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) is celebrated every Saturday, 1:00-2:00 p.m. at St. Paul’s Church (unless it is cancelled for a funeral, etc.) and before Mass on Saturdays at St. Francis and St. Lawrence Churches. If you would like to receive Reconciliation at a different time, please phone Fr. Allan at 902-234-2387 to set up an appointment

Masses: Tuesday, September 17th to Sunday, September 22nd, 2024

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| Tuesday | 17th | Agnes Fougere | 6:00 pm | St. Paul’s |
| Wednesday | 18th | Raymond Brow | 6:00 pm | St. Paul’s |
| Thursday | 19th | Sadie Breen | 9:00 am | St. Paul’s |
| Friday | 20th | Myra Forsythe | 9:00 am | St. Paul’s |
| Saturday | 21st | Wilfred Landry | 11:00 am | St. Paul’s |
| Saturday | 21st | Ronnie Chisholm | 4:00 pm | St. Francis |
| Saturday | | Allister MacAskill | 6:00 pm | St. Lawrence |
| Sunday | 22nd | pro populo | 10:00 am | St. Paul’s |

| <u>Collection, September 8/9, 2024</u> | <u>St. Francis</u> | <u>St. Lawrence</u> | <u>St. Paul’s</u> |
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| Sunday Collection | \$273.00 | \$1090.00 | \$1385.00 |
| Loose | \$1.60 | \$5.00 | \$35.00 |
| Pastor’s Dues | | | \$105.00 |
| Needs of Canadian Church | | \$10.00 | |

The Most Holy Rosary will be recited each week day before the Mass

For Pastor’s Visits at St. Martha’s Hospital: New privacy regulations at St. Martha’s Hospital do not permit clergy to see a list of their parishioners who are patients in the hospital. Therefore, I will need to be informed by the family or patient themselves if the patient wishes me to visit them in hospital. My usual day for visiting is Tuesday, so please inform me by phone before Sunday Mass (234-2387, Glebe house) if someone wants me to visit them. ~ **Fr. Allan**

Religious Ed: Religion classes will begin Sunday, September 22. The class are provided by our generous volunteer teachers free of charge, but does cost the Parish between \$6,000 – \$7,000 per year. The parish pays for religious text books and other things needed for our classes, heat and lights etc. We are again asking parents/families to pay \$20.00 per child to register for classes payable to St. Paul’s Parish. We believe this is a reasonable fee compared to the huge costs demanded by other organizations. The classes will take place on Sunday mornings at 11 am, however, grade 7 Class time is still undecided, we will have a brief meeting with parents after mass Sunday, to decide.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament takes place every Sunday from 2:00 pm until 4:00 pm including recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3:00 pm at Our Lady of Grace, Monastery.

There will be a Community Meeting on Monday, September 23rd at 6pm in the Havre Boucher Community Centre by the RCMP to address questions or concerns, provide an update on actions that are being taken in the area and what we can do ourselves. Staff Sergeant Hillier is bringing her Street Crime Enforcement Commander and a couple of RCMP members. Please encourage residents to attend. if you have questions, please call Harris at 902-318-8333.

Prayer to St. Michael the Archangel: **St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.**

50 + Club Events; Friday **September 27, 8-11 pm** at the Havre Boucher Centre- Eddie Cummings, a vocalist from Mabou. His music is described as a blend of country and rock. Tickets for this event will be \$10, collected at the door. Everyone Welcome!

Saturday October 5, 12:00-2:00 pm Trendy Clothing & Trendy Shoes Fashion Show and Lunch. Tickets for this event are \$30 available at Havre Boucher Recreation Centre or Trendys.

Sanitary Policies for St. Paul, St. Lawrence, and St. Francis of Assisi Parishes: We strongly recommend the wearing of masks during cold, flu and COVID outbreaks; hand sanitizing and masks for Eucharistic Ministers at all times; bowing, not hand shaking, for the sign of peace; and being the last to receive Communion for those receiving on the tongue.

Cemetery Rules: We remind everyone that our cemeteries are owned by the Church, the Catholic Episcopal Corporation of Antigonish, and laws for cemeteries are made by the parishes. Cemetery plots are **not** owned by the families of the deceased. Therefore, no one is permitted to plant trees or bushes or flowers on a cemetery plot. No one is allowed to place statues on plots, or ornaments that interfere with mowing. Gravestones are to be installed only in consultation with cemetery representatives (Clem Munroe, St. Paul's; Jack Hoben, St. Lawrence; Dannie Grady St. Francis). And if there is already a grave stone (or stones on a double plot), no one is permitted to place another gravestone on the same plot to mark the burial of cremains in that plot. Please respect and follow our laws for the order and beauty of our cemeteries.

Cemetery Fees: Parishioners are reminded of the following policies passed by parish councils, and approved by the pastor regarding cemetery fees

St. Paul's: For Parishioners No cost. (A parishioner is a Catholic who lives within the boundaries of the parish, **or** who lives close and attends Mass here faithfully and supports the parish using church envelopes).

Non-parishioners \$400.00 payable to St. Paul's Cemetery Fund for a new plot; \$100.00 for burial of cremains in an existing plot.

St. Lawrence: For parishioners and non-parishioners: \$200.00 payable to St. Lawrence Cemetery Fund, for burial in a new plot. There is no fee for burial of ashes in an existing plot or Parishioners

\$200, 00 payable to St. Francis of Assisi Cemetery Fund for burial in a new plot; \$100.00 for burial of cremains in an existing plot. **For Non-Parishioners** \$300.00 for burial in a new plot; \$100.00 for burial of cremains in an existing plot.

Conscience Protection of Nova Scotia Doctors: Imagine a healthcare system where death is considered a therapeutic treatment. *Imagine being a Christian doctor in that system.* Imagine being told by your medical regulator that you are abandoning your patient if you don't make arrangements for them to get an assessment for euthanasia. That healthcare system is in Nova Scotia today. The Nova Scotia medical regulator has a policy that forces physicians to refer patients for euthanasia and other controversial procedures. *Forty courageous Christian physicians* have told Nova Scotia's medical regulator that they cannot abide by this policy. When they are at their most vulnerable, people may choose euthanasia if they don't have suitable options to live. We need physicians who will go the extra mile to ensure their patients are connected with the support and services they need. Nova Scotia physicians are too important to patient care to be sacrificed for the sake of an unnecessary policy. Write Nova Scotia regulator today to tell them you want this policy to be changed: <https://bit.ly/NSRegulator24>. (Copies of a draft letter to the Nova Scotia Government are also available at the Church entrance.).

Learn to Play Pickleball: For adults brand new to pickleball. This program runs for 4 weeks on Wednesday's from 6:00pm to 8:00 pm at the community centre in Havre Boucher (September 11, 18, 25, and October 2nd). Cost is \$12/person and space is limited. Proceeds go to the community centre. Please email rreid9781@gmail.com to secure your spot.

Hank's Jamboree: Please note that due to unforeseen circumstances, the September 22nd show is cancelled.

CORAH (Centre of Rural Aging & Health) for older adults age 55+ – We look forward to offering regular sessions again beginning on Monday, September 16th with lots of great opportunities to connect, move, and be socially active. We look forward to sharing a coffee with you at our café, enjoying a film in our theatre, sitting in on sessions relating to Pain Relief, Meditation, Care giving, Brain Health, Estate Planning, a Death Café, and so much more. For more information, or to register, call Monica at 902-625-4252.