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This Sundays Readings Isaiah 43:16-21 I am about to do a new thing; I will give drink to my chosen people.

**Responsorial Psalm 126, R. The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.
 Philippians 3:8-14 I have suffered the loss of all things, in order that I may gain Christ.
 John 8: 1-11 Let anyone among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone.**

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, April 5 to Sunday, April 10

Tuesday,	April 5,	Special Intention	6:00 p.m.	St. Paul's
Wednesday,	April 6,	Leonard, Anna & Joe Melong (Stations the Cross & Mass)	6:00 p.m.	St. Paul's
Thursday,	April 7,	Special Intention	9:00 a.m.	St. Paul's
		Clement Lee (Stations of the Cross & Mass)	10:30 a.m.	St. Lawrence
Friday,	April 8,	Robena Young	9:00 a.m.	St. Paul's
Saturday,	April 9,	Yvonne Brow	11:00 a.m.	St. Paul's
	Palm Sunday,	Jimmie Ehler	4:00 p.m.	St. Francis
	Palm Sunday,	Art Carter	6:00 p.m.	St. Lawrence
Palm Sunday,	April 10,	pro populo	10:00 a.m.	St. Paul's

Stations of the Cross after Mass at St. Francis of Assisi Church, Saturdays during Lent.

Collection March 26/27	St. Francis	St. Lawrence	St. Paul's
Sunday Offering	\$475.00	\$315.00	\$1450.00
Loose			\$75.00
Pastor's Dues			\$100.00
Church Maintenance		\$20.00	
Church Donation		\$20.00	

Lent has a penitential character. During lent, penance is an important requirement of Christian life. Fulfillment of this duty involves prayer, works of piety and charity, and self-denial by fulfilling one's obligations more faithfully and especially by observing the prescribed fast and abstinence.

Reconciliation: Congratulation to the following children who celebrated the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Saturday, Emily Bennett, Kenlee MacIntyre, Elsa Meagher, & Bently Smith. May God Bless them as they journey toward First Holy Communion on May 1, and please keep them in your prayers.

New Members for St. Lawrence Parish Council: are needed. Please consider nominating someone or serving on this important committee. Nominees should be regular church goers.

St Francis of Assisi Parish will collect non perishable food items for Guysborough and Area Food Bank on Saturday April 02, and Saturday April 09.

The New Sunday Missals 2021-2022 on sale at Church entrance. The cost is \$5.00

St. Paul's Church Roof Fund: The cost of our new roof was \$33,206.25, a significant hit on our operating fund. If you wish to contribute above and beyond your usual contribution, please put your donation in an envelope with your name, envelope number, and marked Roof Fund. Thank you!

CCCB-PRAYING FOR UKRAINE The Executive-Committee of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB) has condemned the escalation of tensions and violence in the Ukraine marked by Russia's invasion February 24. "In solidarity with the head of the Ukrainian Catholic Church, His Beatitude Sviatoslav Shevchuk, in unison with Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew, with the people of Ukraine as well as with Canadians of Ukrainian origin and descent, we encourage the faithful and all people of good will to pray for the imminent restoration of peace, dialogue, and human fraternity." Read the statement:

<https://www.antigonishdiocese.com/prayers-for-the-ukraine>

Hospital Visitations: St. Martha's Hospital is not allowing any casual visits by anyone, including clergy unless it is an emergency. Clergy have to make an appointment through the pastoral care department to see a patient. ~ **Fr. Allan**

Antigonish Community Ukrainian Relief Effort Members of the Antigonish community are looking for your help to raise funds in support of the Ukrainian Humanitarian Relief Effort. Cheques must be made out to “Antigonish Community Ukrainian Relief Effort” and mailed out to P.O. Box 1311 Antigonish NS B2G 2L6 You can also donate by making an e-transfer to ukrainianrelief22@gmail.com **Note:** Tax receipts are **not** provided in this particular fund raiser.

Phase 3 of Covid – 19 Recovery Plan, begins Monday, March 21

1. Masks are no longer mandatory but are **recommended**.
2. Social distancing is no longer mandatory, but is recommended.
3. **Hand sanitizing** before and after Holy Communion will continue to be practiced by the **priest and Eucharistic Ministers**
4. Sharing the Chalice and shaking hands at the Sign of Peace will **not** take place.
5. People who wish to receive Holy Communion on the tongue should wait for everyone else to receive Communion first.
6. All other mandates, i.e. Proof of vaccination and capacity limits, are no longer in effect.
7. The holy water fonts at the Church entrance will remain empty.
8. At Sunday Masses we will resume the procession of the gifts (bread, wine, and the collection) to the altar; collecting the offerings with collection baskets in the pews; the assistance of at least one Eucharistic minister at St. Paul and St. Lawrence churches at communion and more ministers when necessary.

Synod: ‘Come back to me with all your heart’: **Lent 2022 Lenten Calendar for your Synod** Fast from Idle Gossip, Feast on Purposeful Silence. Special children, parents or parishioners, we love those in our special relationships but can chafe against the frustrations of disagreement, unhappiness, or discontent. Inviting conversation and offering silence to reflect and listen can ease the tension, clear the air, and allow us to see the limitless blue sky behind the occasional dark cloud.

Almsgiving: Offer to host synod conversation at your home with family and friends or in your parish. Take notes to record your conversations, if that’s agreeable, to share with your Synod journey, or embrace this process for your personal exploration. **Prayer:** Offer up a Stations of the Cross, giving thanks for the sacrifice of Jesus for all of us and the invitation issued by Pope Francis to share in his journey.

In the Diocese of Canada: The practice of covering the crosses and images throughout the Church from this (5th) Sunday of Lent onward may be observed. Crosses remain covered until the end of the celebration of the Lord’s Passion on Good Friday. They are uncovered at the beginning of the Easter Vigil. (From the Ordo Liturgy Calendar 2021-2022, p. 192)

Confessions: Wednesday, April 6 at 7:00 pm St. Paul’s

Confessions: Fr. Allan, St. Francis of Assisi, Saturday, April 9, 3:30p.m. and after Mass, if necessary

Confessions: Fr. Allan St. Lawrence, Saturday, April 9, 5:30 -6:00 p.m., and after Mass, if necessary.

Confessions: St. Ninian Cathedral, various priests, Saturday, April 9, 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Holy Week: Monday, April 11 to Easter Sunday, April 17

Monday April 11 Mass of Chrism (Blessing of the oils, renewal of priestly promises) 4:00 p.m. St. Ninian Cathedral

Holy Thursday April 14, **Mass of the Lord’s Supper** (All Masses, including funeral Masses are forbidden on this day, except for the Chrism Mass and the evening Mass of the Lord’s Supper. This celebration includes washing of the feet and celebrates the institution of the Holy Eucharist, and the institution of the priesthood).

4:00 p.m. St. Francis **4:00 p.m.** St. Lawrence (Fr. Bill) **6:00 p.m.** St. Paul’s

Good Friday April 15 **Passion of the Lord** (Day of Fasting, i.e. one full meal, 2 small meals, no eating between meals, binding for ages 18-59, and abstinence from meat, binding for ages 14 and older. This service is **not** a Mass, and celebrates Jesus’ sacrifice of his life on the cross for all believers.) **1:00 p.m.** St. Francis / **3:00 p.m.** St. Lawrence / St. Paul’s **3:00 p.m.**

Holy Saturday April 15, (There are no liturgies of the Church on this day as the Church meditates on Christ’s sufferings, death and descent to the dead. We are encouraged to maintain the paschal fast we began on Good Friday).

Easter Vigil (Sat., April 15) (The people of God keep watch as they await the resurrection of the Lord and celebrate the sacraments of initiation, i.e., baptism, confirmation and Eucharist.) **8:30 p.m.** St. Paul’s

Easter Sunday, April 16 (Celebration of the Lord’s Resurrection) **9:00 a.m.** St. Francis, **10:00 a.m.** St. Lawrence (Fr. Bill) **10:30 a.m.** St. Paul’s (Please Note time change for Mass at St. Paul’s)

Good Friday Fish or Corn Chowder; Friday, April 15, 2022. 4-6 pm at the Trinity United Church Hall, Mulgrave Take Out only. The cost for the Fish or Corn Chowder, rolls, dessert \$12.00 for pre-orders phone Sadie Jamieson at 902-747-2695 or Trinity Church Hall at 902-747-3376. Limited supply after pre-orders are filled. First come First Served. Thank you for your continued support!!!