

St Paul’s Parish, Havre Boucher
 St. Lawrence Parish, Mulgrave
 Francis of Assisi Parish, St. Francis Harbour
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This Sundays Readings Acts 2:1-11 Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them.

Responsorial Psalm 104 R. Lord, send forth your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.

1 Corinthians 12: 3b-7, 12-13 Now there are a variety of gifts, but the same Spirit.

John 20: 19-23 “Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; If you retain the sins of any, they are retained.”

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, May 21 to Sunday, May 26, 2024

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| Tuesday | 21st | Josephine & Evangeline Keay | 6:00 p.m. | St. Paul’s |
| Wednesday | 22nd | Russell Boucher | 6:00 p.m. | St. Paul’s |
| Thursday | 23rd | Anne Boucher | 9:00 a.m. | St. Paul’s |
| Friday | 24th | Paula Breen | 9:00 a.m. | St. Paul’s |
| Saturday | 25th | Ryan Muggah | 11:00 a.m. | St. Paul’s |
| | | pro populo | 4:00 p.m. | St. Francis |
| | | Seward DeCoste | 6:00 p.m. | St. Lawrence |
| Sunday | 26th | Fr. Roy Boucher, OMI | 10:00 a.m. | St. Paul’s |

| <u>Collection, May 4/5, 2024</u> | <u>St. Francis</u> | <u>St. Lawrence</u> | <u>St. Paul’s</u> |
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| Sunday Collection | \$235.00 | \$840.00 | \$1995.00 |
| Loose | \$10.00 | \$31.00 | \$62.35 |
| Pastors Dues | | | \$355.00 |
| Cemetery | \$60.00 | \$125.00 | \$190.00 |
| Latin America Program | | \$10.00 | |

Baptism: we welcome to the parish of St. Paul **Emily Jane Anne O’Neil**, infant daughter of Trevor and Tara O’Neil, Frankville. Emily will be baptized this Sunday, May 19. May God bless her, and with the constant love and example provided by her parents, godparents and Church, may Emily become the saint she is called to be.

Deacon David Rankin will be ordained to the priesthood for the Diocese of Antigonish on Friday, May 31st at St. Ninian Cathedral. Please keep David in your prayers for ordination.

Flu & Colds seem to be running rampant in our area these days, and some people are coughing and infecting others, please wear a mask if you have cold or flu symptoms. Thank you!

The Diocese of Antigonish requires the **emails** of all people who deal with children, vulnerable adults, and with church collections and deposits, and anyone with keys to our churches, to participate in a free, online course for Responsible Ministry offered by Ecclesiastical Insurance, our Insurance Company. This is mandatory for the pastor, religion teachers, choir directors who deal with youth, anyone who brings communion to persons in their homes or in nursing homes or hospitals, collection counters, money depositors, treasurers of any church committee or ministry and anyone with keys to our buildings. Please provide your email to Fr. Allan or to Mary as soon as possible. The online course is only 49 minutes long. Thank you.

The Sacrament of Confirmation: will take place on Sunday, June 2, 2024 it would be nice to have a good turnout of Parishioners, and especially choir members. It is unfortunate that the choir has dwindled down to 4 or 5 people or less on some Sundays. Anyone who is able to sing, please come join us. It sends out the message that our Parish is alive and well, especially with the bishop attending. Thank you! The following students that will receive this Sacrament are Keenan Allain, Sadie Anderson, Brittany Bennett, Xavier Bennett, Cabeb Bowie, Lucas Brennan, Lily Meagher, Matthew Partridge, Laura Snow. Please keep them in your prayers as they journey closer to receiving this Sacrament.

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.**

St. Paul's Eucharistic Ministers: we are in need of Eucharistic Ministers at St. Paul's Church, if you are in good standing with the church please consider this important ministry. If you are available please see Fr. Allan.

The Annual Global Relay for the Sanctification of Priests will take place on June 7, 2024. At midnight on June 7, the Rosary Relay with groups praying the Holy Rosary in one part of the world and will continue to be passed on to other countries until the world is encircled in prayer over a 24-hour period. Please join in this prayer individually, as a family, as a parish or prayer group.

The Mother of Sorrows Pioneer Shrine needs major repairs, and its board is seeking to raise \$50,000.00. If you wish to help, you could enroll a friend as a gift or give in memory of a loved one.

50 + Club There will be an Information Session on Estate Planning with Wayne McMillan as guest speaker Thursday, May 23, 7:00 PM Havre Boucher Community Centre Everyone welcome

The Antigonish Town and County Library offers outreach assistance with accessing Virtual Care at the Havre Boucher and Area Community Centre. Our Virtual Health Navigator can help you access health care in a private setting within the community centre. Please call 863-4276 for an appointment or more information.

Changes 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*

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 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.

St. Francis of Assisi: For 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.

The IG Wealth Management Walk for Alzheimer's will be on Sunday, May 26 at the Havre Boucher Community Centre Register your family as a team or come as an individual. Registration opens at 1 pm and the Walk starts at 2 pm. The Society is also looking for volunteers to help on Walk day. For more information, please visit walkns.ca or call 1-800-611-6345.

What are your Charisms? Come and discover! Saturday, May 25, 2024 9:00 AM - 4:30 PM Our Lady of Monastery, 940 Monastery Rd, Monastery, NS Father Frank Pellerin, A.S.C. and Cathy MacDougall, MRE will provide you with insights to discovering your God given charisms and how to use them for the glory of God in your community. Father Albert MacPherson, O.S.A. will celebrate a healing Mass. Pre-Registration required by **May 19** \$25.00 per person After May 19th \$30.00 per person. Lunch and snacks included with registration! Visit www.ourladyofgracemonastery.ca for brochure and registration form, for more information contact Cathy at **902-968-1280** or email mcmacdougall@hotmail.com

HAVRE BOUCHER VETERANS' ASSOCIATION ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM) The Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the Havre Boucher Veterans' Association will be held on **Monday, May 27, 2024** @ 7:15 PM - at the McGillivray Room - St. Paul's Church. A regular meeting will follow the AGM. All meetings of the Association are open to open invitation to anyone who may be interested in joining the Association. You **DO NOT** have to be a family member of a Veteran to join the Association. The purpose of the Association is to keep an annual memorial day (November 11) and to preserve the record and memories of those who served or are serving in Her Majesty's Armed Forces and to see that such services shall not be forgotten by the Community. We strongly encourage membership in the Association to maintain the Cenotaph, Wall of Remembrance in the Community Center and other ongoing projects.