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 St. Lawrence Parish, Mulgrave
 Francis of Assisi Parish, St. Francis Harbour
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This Sundays Readings Exodus 3:1-8a, 13-15 Moses, you tell the children of Israel: I AM has sent me to you.
Responsorial Psalm 103 R. The Lord is merciful and gracious.
1 Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12 Our ancestors' experience in the desert under Moses is recorded to instruct us.
Luke 13:1-9 Unless you turn back to God, you will perish as they did.

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, March 22, to Sunday, March 27

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| Tuesday, | March 22, | Philip Baldwin | 6:00 p.m. | St. Paul's |
| Wednesday, | March 23, | Kaye Anderson (Stations of the Cross & Mass) | 6:00 p.m. | St. Paul's |
| Thursday, | March 24, | Isabel (Cameron) Delaney | 9:00 a.m. | St. Paul's |
| | | Gary Clancey (ill) (Stations of the Cross & Mass) | 10:30 a.m. | St. Lawrence |
| Friday, | March 25, | Elizabeth Breen | 9:00 a.m. | St. Paul's |
| Saturday, | March 26, | Thelma Crispo | 11:00 a.m. | St. Paul's |
| | | Carl Haywood | 4:00 p.m. | St. Francis |
| | | pro populo | 6:00 p.m. | St. Lawrence |
| Sunday, | March 27, | Special Intention | 10:00 a.m. | St. Paul's |

| Collection March 12/13, 2022 | St. Francis | St. Lawrence | St. Paul's |
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| Sunday Offering | \$355.00 | \$540.00 | \$1730.00 |
| Loose | \$10.00 | | |
| Pastor's Dues | | | \$85.00 |
| Initial Offering | | | \$10.00 |
| Development & Peace | | | \$100.00 |
| Missals | | | \$10.00 |
| Church Maintenance | | \$10.00 | |
| IMO Cemetery Fund | | | IMO Johnny Fougere \$65.00 |
| Building Fund | | | IMO Johnny Fougere \$150.00 |

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.

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.

Funeral Receptions: St. Lawrence CWL has decided to postpone holding Funeral Receptions until April 1st, 2022, due to Covid restrictions and the lack of volunteers. We will reassess on April 1st, 2022. If anyone would like to go on a list of volunteers to assist us, please call Jessie Guthro at 902-625-1618

The funeral Mass for Jeffrey Peters will be Friday, March 25 at 1:00 p.m. at St. Francis of Assisi Church, St. Francis Harbour.

Funeral Announcement for the late Alton W. Carr of St. Andrew's, formerly of St. Francis Harbour, who passed away on December 21, 2021. Visitation will be held on Friday, April 8th at Dennis Haverstock Funeral Home in Guysborough from 2-4 and 7-8 pm. Funeral Mass will take place on Saturday, April 9th, at St. Andrews Catholic Church at 11 a.m. Burial to follow at St. Frances Harbour.

Thank you: We the Family of the late Inez Pettipas wishes to express a sincere thank you to those who were so kind during our recent loss. Special thank you to Fr. MacPhie, altar servers, readers, those who sent sympathy cards, made memorial donations and mass offerings. Your kindness will not be forgotten. ***The Family***

Thank you: the family of the late Johnny Fougere wishes to express thier heartfelt thanks to all who supported them during this difficult time. Special thanks to Fr. Allan MacPhie and all who took part at the Mass and the wake. Thanks to all who gave donations, phone calls, Mass intentions, and food. Your kindness will always be remembered. ***Mary & Family***

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***

Liturgy Meeting: Tuesday, March 22, 6:30 p.m.

Income tax time is here again: Pat Shea is offering her services to anyone needing assistance with income tax returns. This is open to anyone and is free of charge. Please phone Pat at 234-3054 or cell at 902-537-0301

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!

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

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.
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.

Synod: 'Come back to me with all your heart': Lent 2022 "This Lenten call to renewal of our hearts is also a public call for renewal in the heart of the Church," Bishop Kirkpatrick says in his Lenten letter, inviting us to journey with the Synod this Lenten season. There are many ways to journey with the Synod, such as: offering prayer, reflecting on issues of importance to you in the church today, filling out a survey, or hosting a conversation. Learn more about what is available by contacting Debbie at the Emmaus Centre daker@dioceseofantigonish.ca, 902-539-6188 or toll-free 1-800-656-5311 ext 226) or visiting our website.

Lenten Calendar for your Synod Journey March 16-23 Fast from Discouragement; Feast on Hope we can feel powerless to change anything or help anyone. But Pope Francis in his Synod invitation reminds us that we are church, we are loved, and we have much to share. **Almsgiving:** Write a letter to Pope Francis, or create a video, or piece of art. Share your creation with our Synod journey, or keep it for personal reflection. **Prayer:** Submit a prayer intention to Bishop Kirkpatrick, who will be holding intentions in daily prayer during the diocesan Synod journey.

Message From Bishop Kirkpatrick: My Dear Clergy and My Dear People, For those who want to make a donation to assist the people of Ukraine, we have been directed to CNEWA – Catholic Near East Welfare Association, founded by the Holy Father, shares the love of Christ with the churches and peoples of the East. The Ukrainian bishops of Canada are working together with their churches to join CNEWA's campaign. To date, CNEW Canada has raised over \$350,000 for Ukraine. Fraternaly Bishop Wayne Kirkpatrick [https:// www.antigonishdiocese.com/prayers-for-the-ukraine/](https://www.antigonishdiocese.com/prayers-for-the-ukraine/) To make a secure donation contact: <https://cnewa.org/ca/campaigns/ukraine/> Charitable Registration Number 867757502 RR0001

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>

Catholic Bishops of Canada invite all Canadian faithful to join Pope Francis and to pray for peace

17 March – Ottawa – On Friday, 25 March 2022, Pope Francis will consecrate Russia and Ukraine to the Immaculate Heart of Mary during the celebration of Penance that he will preside over at 5:00 p.m. (Rome time), in St. Peter's Basilica. Pope Francis wishes to place the people of Ukraine and Russia under the protection of Mary, the Mother of God, with a special liturgical act. To this end, he will consecrate the two countries to the Immaculate Heart of Mary at a penitential celebration. This act has been well received by the Catholic Bishops in Ukraine, as well as by the Russian Bishops.

In response to Pope Francis' decision to consecrate both Ukraine and Russia to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, the Ukrainian Catholic leaders will prepare with a novena that will **start on 17 March 2022**. They hope that all Catholic faithful from around the world will join them. In view of this appeal, the Catholic Bishops of Canada, unites with the Holy Father, invite their faithful and all people of good will to participate in the novena with the following prayer:

God of peace and justice,
we pray for the people of Ukraine today.
We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons.
We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow,
that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them.
We pray for those with power over war or peace,
for wisdom, discernment and compassion to guide their decisions.
Above all, we pray for all your precious children, at-risk and in fear,
that you would hold and protect them.
We pray in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace.
Amen

