



Bulletin

Sacred Heart Parish
Eucharist Schedule: Saturday 4:00

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October 23, 2021
Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Masks are
Mandatory in the
Church**

The **First Reading**, from the book of the Prophet Jeremiah, 31:7-9, "Behold I will bring them back from the land of the north; I will gather them from the ends of the world, with the blind and the lame in their midst, the mothers and those with child; they shall return as an immense throng." Today's reading talks about the restoration of Israel and the new exodus.

The **Second Reading**, from St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews, 5:1-6, "You are a priest forever according to the order of Melchizedek." Paul develops the figure of Melchisedech as a type of Christ, the eternal High Priest of the New Covenant. Unlike the Levitical priests, Melchisedech is given no genealogy in Scripture. Paul sees in this fact the intention of the Holy Spirit to prefigure Christ's eternal priesthood.

We read in this **Sunday's Gospel** (Mark 10:46-52) that, while the Lord passes through the streets of Jericho, a blind man named Bartimaeus addresses him, crying out loudly: "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" This entreaty moves Christ's heart, who pauses, has him called and cures him.

The decisive moment was the personal, direct encounter between the Lord and that man who was suffering. They are before one another -- God with his will to cure and the man with his desire to be cured. Two liberties, two converging wills, "What do you want me to do for you?" the Lord asks him. "Let me receive my sight," replies the blind man. "Go your way; your faith has made you well."

With these words, the miracle is realized -- God's joy, man's joy. And Bartimaeus, who had recovered his sight — recounts the Gospel — "followed him on the way": That is, he becomes his disciple and goes up with the Master to Jerusalem to take part with him in the great mystery of salvation. In the essential of its passages, this account evokes the itinerary of the catechumen toward the sacrament of baptism, which in the early Church was also called "Illumination."

Faith is a path of illumination; it starts from the humility of acknowledging one's need of salvation and arrives at the personal encounter with Christ, who calls [one] to follow him on the way of love. On this model the itineraries of Christian initiation have been established in the Church, which prepare for the sacraments of baptism, confirmation and the Eucharist.

In places of past evangelization — where the baptism of children is widespread — catechetical and spiritual experiences are proposed to young people and adults which enable them to undertake a path of rediscovery of the faith in a mature and conscious way, in order to assume later a coherent commitment to witness. How important is the work that pastors and catechists carry out in this field!

The rediscovery of the value of one's baptism is the basis of the missionary commitment of every Christian, because we see in the Gospel that he who lets himself be fascinated by Christ cannot do without witnessing the joy of following in his footsteps. In this month of October, especially dedicated to the mission, we understand even more that, in virtue of baptism, we have an inherent missionary vocation.

We invoke the intercession of the Virgin Mary so that missionaries of the Gospel will multiply. Intimately united to the Lord, may every baptized person hear that he is called to proclaim the love of God to all, with the testimony of his own life.

--Angelus Address, Pope Benedict XVI, October 29, 2006

Collection:
Oct 16/21

Envelopes	\$215.00
World Mission Sunday	\$50.00
	\$265.00

Notices:

1: The Annual General Meeting of the Johnstown Community Development Co-operative will take place on Sunday, November 7, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. at the Johnstown Parish Hall, Johnstown, NS.
Betty MacNeil, Secretary, JCDC Ltd.

3: In remembrance of our loved ones: November is the month of remembering those who have died. It is customary in our parish to remember our loved ones who have died since November of the previous year. Consequently, there will be a candle light service of remembrance on the Saturday mass on November 6th. As the names are read, a family member will be invited to come to the candle stand to light a candle. Those to be remembered can include parishioners who have died during the year, relatives of parishioners whose burials took place in other parishes or relatives of people who were buried in Johnstown. Please call or email Louise at 902-535-3107/ louise.campbell@stpeterscable.com.

3: Christmas Merchandise Bingo: Sunday November 14: Time: 2:00 pm. No canteen will be provided. Covid19 restrictions will be followed including proof of vaccination. The bingo will be held at the Parish Hall

4: Christmas Bake Sale: Sacred Heart Ladies Group will be hosting a Christmas Bake Sale on Sunday December 5th. Come and do some Christmas Baking without the hassle. We will also be looking for donations to the Bake Sale, so if you have time to help bake that will be greatly appreciated. Time: 10am – 12pm. This will be our last event for the year

5 Mass For Shut-Ins - 59th Season Begins Oct. 17

The regular schedule of Sundays at 11:30 am will resume Oct. 24.

Clergy, groups, and music ministers interested in recording episodes are invited to book their time by contacting Nick Vince, Mass for Shut-Ins Coordinator, at 902- 539-6188 or toll-free 1-800-656-5311 ext 222, or email nick@dioceseofantigonish.ca Questions? Contact Fr. Patrick O'Neill, producer, Mass for Shut-Ins, at (902) 562-9810

6” Fr. Greg MacLeod Lecture Series - The legacy of the Indian Residential School System: How did we get ourselves in this situation? By Dr. Scott Hamilton. Who conducted research on behalf of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission addressing the location and nature of cemeteries and burial places associated with the schools.

Dr. Scott Hamilton is a professor of Anthropology at Lakehead University in Thunder Bay, Ontario.

He specializes in northern Plains and Subarctic Indigenous archaeology, the fur trade and ethnohistory.

Tuesday, Oct. 26th, 2021 7:30 pm

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/6807403604>

Meeting ID: 680 740 3604

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