Sacred Heart Parish Bulletin

Mass: 9:00 am – Sunday
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November 01, 2026

Solemnity of All Saints

Today's Gospel, Mt 5:1-12a:
When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he had sat down, his disciples came to him. He began to teach them, saying:
"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the Kingdom of heaven.
Blessed are they who mourn, for they will be comforted.
Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the land.
Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be satisfied.
Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy.
Blessed are the clean of heart, for they will see God.
Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.
Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the Kingdom of heaven.
Blessed are you when they insult you and persecute you and utter every kind of evil against you falsely because of me. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven."

Today is the **Solemnity of All Saints**. The Church celebrates all the saints: canonized or beatified, and the multitude of those who are in heaven enjoying the beatific vision that are only known to God. During the early centuries the Saints venerated by the Church were all martyrs. Later the pope set November 1 as the day for commemorating all the Saints. We all have this "universal call to holiness." What must we to do in order to join the company of the saints in heaven? We "must follow in His footsteps and conform [our]selves to His image seeking the will of the Father in all things. [We] must devote [our]selves with all [our] being to the glory of God and the service of [our] neighbor. In this way, the holiness of the People of God will grow into an abundant harvest of good, as is admirably shown by the life of so many saints in Church history" (*Lumen Gentium*, 40).

"This perfect life with the Most Holy Trinity—this communion of life and love with the Trinity, with the Virgin Mary, the angels and all the blessed—is called "heaven." Heaven is the ultimate end and fulfillment of the deepest human longings, the state of supreme, definitive happiness" (CCC 1024). Remember to pray for the Faithful Departed from November 1 to the 8th.

Collection
October 25, 2026

Envelopes	$220.00
Donation	$50.00
	$270.00

NOTE:

We received our first oil, for the church, since May and it was a whopping $1600.00.

Notices:

1: Johnstown Sewing/Handicraft group will meet every Thursday at 1 pm, starting October 8th. Bring a project or idea and sew, knit and/or craft with others. Everyone welcome. Location: District 10 Fire Department, Red Islands. Contact: Rita Campbell 902 631 0209

2: Weekly Wednesday morning coffee starts again on October 14, 2026, at the Red Islands District 10 Fire Hall: 9:00 am – 11:30 am. Everyone is welcome.

3: Saturday October 31st. Calling all witches, warlocks, wizards and other Halloween creatures to the Johnstown Parish Hall Saturday October 31st Time: 2pm
First will be a witch's dance and chant, followed by spooky games and snacks. So if it is your first Halloween or your 100th, please come and enjoy. Dress up is welcome but not required All are welcome

4: 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 candlelight service of remembrance at the Sunday mass on November 1st. As the names are read, a family member will be invited to come to the 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/ louisecampbel@gmail.com

5: Have Questions About the Proposed Point Tupper Data Centre? These sessions will provide information on topics including electricity, water use, environmental considerations, community benefits and employment opportunities. Attendees will also have the chance to ask questions and share feedback with the project team.

Tuesday, November 3
5pm-8pm
D'Escousse Civic Improvement Society Hall

Wednesday, November 4
5pm-8pm
Riverdale Community Centre, 106 Vince McCarthy Drive, Lower River Inhabitants
Doors open at 5pm
Project presentation at 5:45pm
Poster-board viewing and discussions from 6:30pm to 8:00pm

6: Christmas Bingo: Sunday November 8th, at the Johnstown Hall. Lots of great prizes, door prizes and a canteen. See you there.

7: The **Johnstown Community Development Cooperative** (JCDC) is holding the Annual General Meeting on Sunday, November 15th at 7:00 pm in Johnstown Parish Hall. Everyone is welcome **to** attend the AGM, although only JCDC members can vote. If you have questions or comments, please feel free to contact Rita Campbell, Chair, camprita@gmail.com, 902-631-0209 or another member of the Board (Barbara MacIntyre, Howard MacIntyre, Dave Pearson, Rhonda Walker, or Kathleen Perchaluk)

8: Prepare Your Heart for Advent with Handel's Messiah As we begin the season of waiting and hope, you are warmly invited to a live performance of Handel's sacred masterpiece, Messiah, on Sunday, December 6 at 2:00 PM at Marguerite Bourgeoys Church. Written over 280 years ago, Messiah continues to inspire millions with its powerful proclamation of faith, features the famous "Hallelujah" chorus, and brings the Scriptures to vivid life. Performed by full choir and orchestra. Admission is free (freewill offerings appreciated). Bring your family and neighbors to share in this glorious musical tradition.

9: Nov. 1, 6-9 pm Final Episode: Entre Deux Rivières/Between Two Rivers with Fr. Peter LeBlanc on CKJM FM: Coopérative Radio Chéticamp Ltée Uplifting reflections and spiritual music. After 9 years on the air, the show will mark its anniversary on Oct. 29 and air its final episode on November 1, All Saints Day. Following that, Fr. Peter LeBlanc will continue his radio ministry with special episodes for Advent/Christmas, Lent/Easter, and other celebrations. Aired on 106.1 FM in Chéticamp, 92.5 FM in Pomquet and 97.5 in Sydney. Listen via radio or the CKJM website: https://www.ckjmfm.ca/ Past shows are available on the CKJM website or via podcast at Mixcloud.com

10: Fall into Harmony 'The Cape Breton Chordsmen present 'Fall into Harmony', a concert featuring special guests Class Act, Quattro, The Accidentals, Misty Creek, and The Guitar Guys. Date: Saturday, November 7. Time: 2 pm. Place: NSCC Theatre on the Esplanade in Downtown Sydney. (New building across the street from the main campus.) Tickets $25, available from any Chordsmen or by calling Mike at 902-371-3048.'