

Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish

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Sacraments

Baptism:

Three month notice and baptism preparation course.

Marriage:

Six month notice and marriage preparation course.

Call the parish office for times and preparation and celebrations.

Immaculate Conception

337 Pleasant St.
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Saint Anthony *Saint Faustina Mission*

26 Courtney Rd.
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Saint Paul

197 Windmill Rd.
Dartmouth, NS B3A 1G1

Saint Peter

10 Maple St.
Dartmouth, NS B2Y 2X3

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

November 17, 2019

Year C

First Reading Malachi 4.1-2

Responsorial Psalm Ps 98

"The Lord is coming to judge the peoples with equity."

Second Reading 2 Thessalonians 3.7-12

Gospel Luke 21.5-19

Parish Directory

Priests

Fr Jim Richards, *Pastor*

Fr Nathanael DesRoches, FoH,
Associate Pastor

Fr Charles Burke and Bishop Martin Currie,
In Residence

Deacons

Rev Mr Jack MacNeil

Rev Mr Bernie Young

Parish Staff

Lydia Hood, *Pastoral Associate*

Sherry LaPierre, *Office Administrator*

Greg Bécigneul, *Director of Music and Liturgy*
(*Saint Peter*)

Catastrophes, disasters, wars, insurrections, etc. are not signs of the end of the world, but of how far we actually are from the end.

We hasten the end not by being fearful of these events, but by being faithful to Jesus' work of establishing God's kingdom.

Preaching, teaching, and living in Jesus' name is the one sure way of discipleship that hastens Jesus' Second Coming and secures for us eternal life.

The First Reading describes the day when evil will be destroyed and those who fear God will walk in the light of God's justice. On this day the end will come because God's purpose will have been accomplished.

There are billboards and doomsday criers who point to catastrophes and evil as signs of the end times.

What happens when we change our perspective and realize that the end times will be upon us only when goodness and justice reign?

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Mass Times

Immaculate Conception

Sunday.....11:00am

Monday.....7:00pm

Saint Anthony

Friday.....9:00am

Saturday.....4:00pm

Saint Faustina

Sunday.....1:00pm

Saint Paul

Sunday.....9:15am

Tuesday.....6:30pm

Thursday.....6:30pm

1st Friday.....10:00am

Saint Peter

Sunday.....9:30am

.....7:00pm

Tuesday.....12:00pm

Wednesday...12:00pm

Thursday.....12:00pm

Saturday.....4:00pm

Reconciliation: Prior to Sunday and weekday Masses or by appointment.

Baptisms & Marriages: Please call the parish office.

Bulletin announcements must be submitted to st.peters.dartmouth@ns.sympatico.ca by **9:00am Tuesday**.

Parish Ministries

We are rebuilding our website to better serve the needs of our new parish community. As a part of this process, we will need to know what ministries are in our parish to share on our website. For your ministry to be included on the website, please email stpeterpa@gmail.com with the ministry name, a short description of the ministry activity, and the name and email of a contact person. If you have questions or concerns, please call Lydia at 902-466-6183.

Pre-Authorized Giving

Thank you to all who presently donate to the church. Have you considered Pre-Authorized Giving? This method ensures your donation is received, even when you are away from the parish. We invite ALL PARISHIONERS to consider using this donation method. New forms will be available at all churches to sign up for pre-authorized giving for Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish. Donations are STRICTLY confidential. Thank you for your continued support of the parish.

Social Media

We can now be found on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram as **OLGDartmouth**. Please like and follow us for news and updates in the parish.

Mental Health Program Christmas

Gifts at all Churches

Once again we are collecting Christmas gifts for inpatients and residents of the Nova Scotia Hospital, Abby J. Lane Building and East Coast Forensic Hospital. Please pick up a suggested gift list from the entrances and drop your new, unwrapped gift off at the main entrance.

The Book of Remembrance at all Churches

The Book of Remembrance has been placed in the sanctuary. We invite you to add the names of family members and friends who have gone before us.

Recitation of the Rosary....

Immaculate Conception

Every Sunday before mass.

Saint Paul

Wednesday evenings at 6:30pm.

Saint Peter

Every Tuesday at 11:30am before the noon mass.

Equip the Saints Community Collection

Our Community Collection period has begun! The weekend of October 26th & 27th was your first opportunity to give to the Community Collection. We are thankful to all who contribute in a variety of ways to this special diocesan collection that focuses on forming our various faith communities and equipping one another to be living saints in our world today. Prayerfully consider what you can contribute and mark the weekend of November 23rd & 24th the Feast of Christ the King, as the next time you can place your gift in the collection basket at your parish. Donations can be made at anytime: Online at www.halifaxyarmouth.org or mailed to: Equip the Saints, Archdiocese of Halifax-Yarmouth, 1559 Brunswick Street, Suite 101, Halifax, NS B3J 2G1. Collection material and envelopes were mailed directly to people's homes and copies of this material are available at our parishes. Archbishop Mancini has said many times, he alone cannot renew our local Church. He needs your help and he invites your contribution: "Just as our mission is shared, we also must combine our efforts in the task of formation in Christian living. I invite you to pray about deepening your own formation. Ask the Holy Spirit to guide your discernment and in thanksgiving let us give generously to our diocesan collection." Thank you for your generosity!

Yearly Missals at all Churches

The new Missals 2019/2020 (Year A) are now available.

Workbooks for Proclaimers of the Word at Saint Peter

The new workbook is available in the sacristy or through the Parish Office. Cost is \$10.

F.O.O.D. Advent Backpack Project

This year marks the 15th consecutive Advent for our Backpack Project. Over the past years, our parish has partnered with five other Dartmouth churches to fill backpacks with treats such as chocolates, gifts such as gloves, hats, and socks, and personal items like toothpaste, shampoo and so on. These backpacks are given as Christmas presents to the patrons of Feeding Others of Dartmouth, our downtown Dartmouth soup kitchen. In previous years we have had so much generosity that we have delivered not only backpacks, but gift bags for multiple other local charities as well. Last year, more than 900 gift packages were delivered – an amazing demonstration of the impact our individual contributions can make. This project is an amazing collaboration between 6 parishes!

Starting this week, you will find, at the entrances of the church, re-useable grocery bags containing a list of suggested items. Please take a bag home, fill it with items, and deliver the bag back to church before Thursday, December 12th.

We look forward again this year, to your generous support for this Advent project.

Chalice Gift Catalogue

Chalice (Catholic Charity) invites you to share the blessings of Christmas with children in the developing world.

Our Christmas Gift Catalogue allows you to purchase a gift for someone in need in honour of a friend or a loved one. A beautiful handwritten card will be sent to the recipient, telling them of the gift that is given.

Please find the gift catalogues at the back of your church. Any gift purchased through the catalogue will receive an official tax receipt. For more information, please call 1-800-776-6855 or visit www.chalice.ca.

Weekly Bulletin Deadline

If you'd like to place a notice in the bulletin please do so by e-mail to the parish office by Tuesday at 9am. At times the bulletin will need to be sent to print before the office closes on Tuesdays, so don't wait, send your notice as early as possible, even the week before the weekend you'd like the notice to appear. We'll do our best to accommodate.

Evening Prayer at Saint Peter

Beginning on Wednesday, November 27th at 7:00pm, we will celebrate evening prayer.

This will continue each Wednesday evening during the Advent season.

This ancient prayer format includes the thanksgiving for light, psalms, a scripture reading and prayers of intercession.

All are welcome to this half hour liturgy as we give praise to God, pray for the needs of the Church and World and journey through the Advent Season.

Family Resource Centre at Saint Paul

Saint Paul will be collecting items each week to deliver to the Dartmouth Family Centre's trading cupboard, to help families in need within the Dartmouth North community and surrounding areas.

Items, including unopened diapers, wipes, toilet paper, sanitary items, as well as non-perishable food items, are welcomed.

Please drop your items in the box at the front entrance.

St. Vincent de Paul Christmas Dinner at Saint Peter

Planning is now underway for our annual Christmas Dinner for our neighbours in need. It will be held on Sunday, December 15th from 12 noon to 2pm in the Saint Peter church hall. We are looking for donations of turkeys, vegetables and pies.

Volunteers are needed on the 14th for potato peeling at 9am and on the 15th to prepare food, set-up, serve and clean up.

If you are able to donate and/or volunteer, please call Anne MacIsaac at 902-466-3144. This year we are looking to compile a list of volunteers so that we will know if all areas are covered.

St. Vincent de Paul at Saint Peter and Immaculate Conception

We sincerely thank the many parishioners who are keeping our shelves stocked. We have an abundant supply of rice and dry pasta. This week we are placing special emphasis on the following food items:

Canned beans, canned vegetables and Kraft dinner.

**(F.O.O.D.) Feeding Others of
Dartmouth at Immaculate Conception**

A big thank you to all who participated in any way with the preparation last Friday evening. Your help is greatly appreciated.

**Christmas Sponsors at Saint Peter and
Immaculate Conception**

If individuals, groups or businesses are interested in sponsoring a family or a single person at Christmas, please call Anne Maclsaac at 902-466-3144.

Choir Corner at Saint Paul

If you are interested in joining the Saint Paul choir, please contact Ern Reti, Choir Director at ernoreti@eastlink.ca. If you have any hymns you would like to hear, please put them in the Suggestion Box or see Ern. Also, please see Ern if you have any requests for Christmas Eve.

Coffee Social at Saint Paul

Please join us downstairs every Sunday following Mass for our Coffee Social. We always welcome and appreciate your donations of baked goods and sandwiches.

**Advent/Christmas Liturgies Sign Up
Sheets at Saint Peter**

Lay Ministers are advised that the sign-up sheets for the Advent/Christmas liturgies as well as the Wednesday Evening Prayer are available now in the Sacristy.

**The Senior's Group Gathering at Saint
Peter**

On the first Tuesday of each month seniors gather to celebrate Mass at noon followed by a light lunch in the room behind the tapestry. It is always a nice time. Consider coming along if you have not already. All are welcome. The next event is Tuesday, December 3rd.

**Christmas Basket at Immaculate
Conception**

We are once again collecting things for our Christmas Basket. Items such as candy, gift cards, novelty items, movie passes or anything related to the Christmas season you may think of.

We will be selling tickets on the basket.

**Men's and Women's Association at
Saint Paul**

PUZZLES

If you have any puzzles that you wish to donate, please bring them in as we are getting requests.

Christmas Raffle Continues

Three Christmas Baskets with one of them containing a beautiful hand-made lap quilt. Tickets are \$2 each or five for \$5.

Bingo

The Men's Association bingos on Saturday, November 23rd and Saturday, December 14th from 2-4pm (\$10 - 3 cards). Tell your family and friends.

Family Christmas Feast Tickets

The Christmas Feast will take place Sunday, December 8th at 1pm (\$15/adult; \$10 children under 10). If you are interested in attending please see or call Bill (902-464-0334) or Paul (902-463-5962) to reserve your tickets.

Family Christmas Feast Help

If you are interested in helping out at the Family Christmas Feast, please see Paul or Bill. From 2:00pm-4:00pm. (\$10 - 3 cards). Tell your family and friends.

Everything Christmas Sale

November 17th and 24th after 9:15am mass.

**Development and Peace at Saint Paul
"For our Common Home" Campaign**

Saint Paul parishioners are encouraged to sign the Solidarity Letter petition, which will demonstrate our solidarity with the people of the Amazon.

Your support is very much appreciated.

Take-Out Meals at Saint Paul

Take-out meals – \$5 each

(All meals include a roll)

November 17th ~ Lasagna

November 24th ~ Roast Beef Dinner

Weekend of Grace

The 14th Weekend of Grace for Women Conference with Keynote Speaker Barbara Heil will be held April 24th-26th, 2020 at the Lord Nelson Hotel, Halifax, NS. Attendance through pre-registration only. Early-bird registration of \$179 before December 31, 2019. Visit www.weekendofgrace.com for more information.

Choir Rehearsals Postponed at Saint Peter

Children's choir rehearsals will resume on Wednesday, November 27th at 4:00pm. Church doors open at 3:30pm. Adult choir rehearsals will resume on Wednesday evening, December 4th.

Remembering Our Saints

Saint Cecilia	November 22 nd
Saint Clement & Saint Columban	November 23 rd
Saint Andrew Dung-Lac & Companions	November 24 th

Keep Christ in Christmas Parade:

The Keep Christ in Christmas Parade will take place on Sunday, December 1st at 2pm. Parade starts at St. Paul Church, 197 Windmill Road, proceeds to St. Anthony's Church, Courtney Road and concludes at Bethel United Baptist Church on Windmill Road. Prayers will be said at each church.

Knitting Ministry at Saint Peter

If you would like to join our knitting ministry after Christmas please contact Lydia 902-466-6183. We will meet weekly on Tuesdays from 1:30pm – 3pm at the church hall. All skill levels are welcome. Yarn available.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event / Meeting</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Location</u>
Sunday, November 17&24	Everything Christmas Sale	After 9:15am mass	Saint Paul
Wednesday, November 18	Mass For the Faithful Departed	7:00pm	Immaculate Conception
Wednesday, November 20	Children's Choir Cancelled	4:00pm	Saint Peter
Wednesday, November 20&27	Adult Choir Cancelled	7:00pm	Saint Peter
Saturday, November 23	Men's Association Bingo	2:00pm-4:00pm	Saint Paul
November 23/24	Equip the Saints Community Collection	All Mass Times	All churches
Tuesday, November 26	Mass For the Faithful Departed	6:30pm	Saint Paul
Wednesday, Nov 27 & Dec 4, 11 & 18	Evening Prayer	7:00pm	Saint Peter
Sunday, December 1	Keep Christ in Christmas Parade	2:00pm	Saint Paul
Tuesday, December 3	Seniors Gathering	After noon mass	Saint Peter
Sunday, December 8	Family Christmas Feast	1:00pm	Saint Paul
Thursday, December 12	Feast Day of Our Lady of Guadalupe		
Saturday, December 14	F.O.O.D. Advent Backpack Project Sorting Day	10:30am	Saint Clement
Saturday, December 14	Men's Association Bingo	2:00pm-4:00pm	Saint Paul
Sunday, December 15	St. Vincent de Paul Dinner for our neighbours in need	12:00pm-2:00pm	Saint Peter Hall 3 Crichton Avenue

ARCHDIOCESAN INFORMATION

Catholic Cemeteries of Halifax

Our Catholic Cemeteries have a two-fold purpose in the Community. They provide a permanent resting place for the mortal remains of our beloved dead and they are a comfort and inspiration to the living as a sign of the faithful that have passed before us and have entrusted this faith to the next generation of Catholics. They offer a comforting environment in which love for family and friends is remembered, hope is rekindled, and faith is awakened, renewed and strengthened. Faith and hope in our own resurrection are to be focal points in the way we celebrate the passing of a person from this life to the next. We celebrate with respect the earthly journey of someone who has been created in God's image, has been baptized and redeemed through Christ's death and resurrection, and who now has reached the promised destination, not the terminal point of one's existence. The Catholic Cemetery is a sacred place; it is holy ground where our faithful departed await the resurrection to eternal life. This is why the grounds of the cemetery are cared for and made as attractive as possible, maintained in this way as a sign of respect for the dead who rest in peace. The special respect we accord to the faithful departed and the places where they rest remind us of our hope of joyfully greeting them again, when we will be with them and the Lord forever. Many of our older parishes have cemeteries on or near the grounds of the church, providing the opportunity to visit family graves when we visit the parish church. In the Halifax area, the Catholic Cemeteries of Halifax is responsible for three cemeteries: Gate of Heaven on Old Sackville Road in Lower Sackville, Holy Cross on South Park Street in downtown Halifax, and Mount Olivet on Mumford Road, Halifax.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Angel Tree Christmas

350,000 children in Canada experience the stigma and separation of having a mother or father in prison. You can let them know they are remembered and loved by their parent this Christmas season. All it takes to reach out to one child is \$35.

Prison Fellowship's Angel Tree Christmas program connects church communities and individuals with the families of inmates through the delivery of a Christmas gift on behalf of the incarcerated parent. This brings children the joy of receiving a gift, but more importantly it tells them that mom or dad is thinking about them at Christmas time. For inmates, your support helps them experience the love of God during a time marked by guilt and loneliness. Strengthening family ties improves healthy transitions into community. We need your help to bring the hope and joy of Christmas to families impacted by incarceration in the Halifax area. If you would like to become an Angel Tree sponsor, please contact Joy Steem at Halifax Community Chaplaincy: joy.communitychaplain@gmail.com, call 902.329.2224, or visit www.halifaxchaplaincy.ca

Men's Prayer Breakfast

There will be a **Men's Prayer Breakfast on Tuesday, November 19 at 7AM** at the Dartmouth Seniors Service Centre, 45 Ochterloney Street. The guest speaker will be the **Rev. Dr. Catherine Simpson** who has extensive experience in Pastoral Care - a topic of great interest to many. Plan now to attend, and register that intention on this website [http by 10AM Monday, November 18](http://www.dcmfcb.ca) [://www.dcmfcb.ca](http://www.dcmfcb.ca) or call Bob at 902-210-0740. All men are welcome so why not invite a friend (who then registers!). Cost is \$10. The food is great and the fellowship is fantastic - a warm welcome awaits you!

Christmas Tea and Sale – Saturday, December 7

12:00pm – 2:00pm (Doors open at 11:45 A.M.) St. James United Church Hall, Dartmouth. Call office for tickets, 902-464-8852, or buy at door.

Tea: Sandwiches, sweets, tea and coffee.

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