



Fr. John MacPherson, Pastor
 Fr. Keith Billard, Associate Pastor
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5th SUNDAY IN LENT

April 3, 2022



Mass Times

Windsor

Sunday 11:45 am

Wolfville

Sunday 10 am

Kentville

Saturday 4 pm

Sunday 8:30 &
11:45 am

Berwick

Sunday 8:30am

Middleton

Sunday 10 am

Bridgetown

Sunday 8:30 am

Annapolis Royal

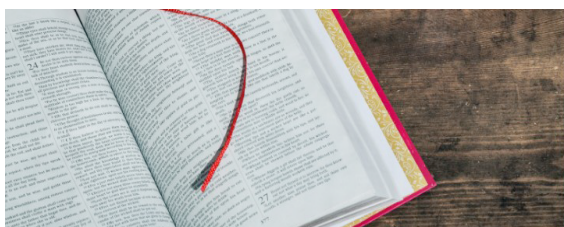
Sunday 9 am

Digby

Saturday 4 pm

Weymouth

Sunday 11:30 am



This Week's Readings

	1st Reading	Gospel
Sun, Apr 3	ISAIAH 43.16-21	JOHN 8.1-11
Mon, Apr 4	DANIEL 13.1-9,15-17,19-30,33-64	JOHN 8.12-20
Tues, Apr 5	NUMBERS 21.4-9	JOHN 8.21-30
Wed, Apr 6	DANIEL 3.13-20, 24,49-50,91-95	JOHN 8.31-42
Thurs, Apr 7	GENESIS 17.3-9	JOHN 8.51-59
Fri, Apr 8	JEREMIAH 20.7,10-13	JOHN 10.31-42
Sat, Apr 9	EZEKIEL 37.21-28	JOHN 11.45-57

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Good Samaritan: The parable of the Good Samaritan is one of the best known of Jesus' parables. We all like to have people care for us and lend us a hand when we need it. It shows us the love Jesus has for each and every one of us. This coming week, can you find an extra good deed to do? Find an extra way to make someone feel loved and valued.

Thank you for your donations to Corpus Christi.

Your Parish Administrative Team, that includes many volunteers, manages the counting of collections each week, making bank deposits, doing the bookkeeping, issuing annual tax receipts, and many other aspects of Parish Giving.

You can donate through:

- Weekly offering envelopes
- Cash donations in the collection basket at Mass
- E-transfers directly to Corpus Christi's bank account:
finance@corpuschristins.ca
- PAR - pre-authorized remittances from your bank account to Corpus Christi's bank account
- Mailing a cheque to the Kentville Office



Reconciliation for Lent

Annapolis Royal – Tuesday, April 5th – 10:30 am

Digby - Tuesday April 5th - 7:00 pm

Kentville - Wednesday, April 6th - 6:30 pm

Weymouth – Wednesday, April 6th – 7:00 pm
& Thursday, April 7th – 11:00 am

Windsor - Friday, April 8th - 7pm
(Stations of the Cross at 6:30 pm)

COMMUNITY LUNCHESES- On Wednesdays at 11:30 am The Knights of Columbus Community Kitchen at Corpus Christi St. Monica's, Middleton and on Fridays at 11:30 am St. Pat's Community Kitchen, Digby both continue Free Take Out Meals. "The Knights of Columbus Bishop Gallagher Council 6297 are looking for volunteers who will prepare soup and sandwiches and provide cookies for the Take Out Community Kitchen between 11am to 12pm on Wednesdays of each week at St. Monica's Church, Middleton. If anyone is interested in volunteering, please contact Roger Lirette at 902-824-3467 or 902-765-3086 or email at llirette@storm.ca



Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, APR 2

Digby	6:00 PM	John Allison by Angela O'Neil
Kentville	4:00 PM	George Pellerine by Dennis & Barb Nash

SUNDAY, APR 3

Bridgetown	8:30 AM	<i>Liturgy of the Word with Communion</i>
Berwick	8:30 AM	Graeme King by Joe & Bobbi McGrath
Kentville	8:30 AM	All Corpus Christi Parishioners
Annapolis Royal	9:00 AM	For the Intentions of Cynthia Gilbert by Marilyn Harry
Middleton	10:00 AM	Arthur McKenzie by Peggy Foley
Wolfville	10:00 AM	Ted Ueffing by Truus Ueffing
Weymouth	11:30 AM	Daniel LeBlanc and his grandfather, Paul Theriault by Alvina & Micheal LeBlanc
Kentville/Online	11:45 AM	Lorraine Pottie by Hector & Joan Pottie
Windsor	11:45 AM	Jackie Pothier by Joe & Ann Troke

MONDAY, APR 4

Kentville/Online	8:30 AM	Souls in Purgatory
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TUESDAY, APR 5

Annapolis Royal		Russel Mackintosh by Eric & Leah Brown. 10:00 am
Kentville/Online	8:30 AM	Louisa Patterson by Norman & Maggie Lambert
Digby	6:30 PM	Ingrid Jungling by Monika Treleaven

WEDNESDAY, APR 6

Kentville/Online	8:30 AM	Armeline Guay by Selba Perkins.
Tideview Terrace	10:30 AM	Nora MacDonald by Chuck & Margaret Mills
Middleton	3:15 PM	Mona Bateman by Tom & Peggy Foley
Weymouth	6:30 PM	Famille Dugas by Bucky & Medora Dahlgren

THURSDAY, APR 7

Kentville/Online	8:30 AM	Bernie Fitzgerald by his Grandchildren
Weymouth	10:30 AM	Paul Belliveau by Marion & Greg MacDonald (NOTE TIME CHANGE)

FRIDAY, APR 8

Kentville/Online	8:30 AM	Deceased members of Clay & Edna Moran's Family by Theresa Coffey
Digby	9:00 AM	Anne Hutchinson by Walking By Faith Bible Study Group

SATURDAY, APR 9

Digby	6:00 PM	Kelly Mackintosh by Pat Levings
Kentville	4:00 PM	Deceased members of the Kenny Family by Ann Young

SUNDAY, APR 10

Bridgetown	8:30 AM	Mona Bateman by Tom & Lois Porter
Berwick	8:30 AM	<i>Liturgy of the Word with Communion</i>
Kentville	8:30 AM	Catherine Profit by Barbara Montford
Annapolis Royal	9:00 AM	Tommy McClafferty by Marilyn Harry and Carolyn & Cynthia Gilbert
Middleton	10:00 AM	Helen MacDonald by Dan & Grace
Wolfville	10:00 AM	All Corpus Christi Parishioners
Weymouth	11:30 AM	Diane American by Cathy LeBlanc
Kentville/online	11:45 AM	Nancy Pemberton by Mary, Russell & Nathan Gammon
Windsor	11:45 AM	David McDonald by Jan & Pony Poulin

The Resurrection of Christ Brings Forth Forgiveness

by Fr. Ron Rolheiser o.m.i.

Forgiveness is the only thing that is new and it is the message of the resurrection.

The world contains only one thing that is truly novel, forgiveness. Everything else is an old tape repeating itself endlessly over and over again. There is normally only one song that gets sung: **betrayal-hurt-resentment-non-forgiveness**. That pattern never changes. There is an unbroken chain of unforgiven resentment and anger stretching back to Adam and Eve.

We are all part of that chain. Everyone is wounded and everyone wounds. Everyone sins and everyone is sinned against. Everyone needs to forgive and everyone needs to be forgiven.

Betrayal is an archetypal structure within the human soul, just as sin is innate within the human condition. We, all of us, betray and sin. We betray ourselves, betray our loved ones, betray our communities, and sin against our God. Everyone stands in need of forgiveness.

But we are also, each one of us, betrayed and sinned against. We are betrayed by our loved ones, by churches, by our communities, and, in a manner of speaking, even by our God. It is not for nothing that, on the cross, Jesus, incarnating there all that is human, cries out: "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" We all feel betrayed at that deep level sometimes. Hence, as badly as we need to be forgiven, we also need to forgive.

We have hurt others and we have been hurt. We have sinned and we have been sinned against and when we wake up to that we have a choice: Like Judas we can cleanse ourselves of this, figuratively speaking, by taking what we have gained by our sin, the thirty pieces of silver, and throwing it back into the temple and walking away, purified, but unforgiven, walking straight towards suicide. Conversely, though, we can do like Peter, after his great betrayal, weep bitterly and then return, humbled, compromised and scarred, but forgiven, walking solidly into life. In forgiveness lies the difference between the choice for suicide and the choice for life.

But forgiveness is not easy. An old adage says: To err is human, to forgive is divine. More accurately, one might put it this way: **To forgive is the grace that is given by the resurrection.**

The resurrection of Jesus has many dimensions. At one level, it was a physical event. The dead body of Jesus was raised, the cosmic universe at its deepest level suddenly had a new set of laws, and the very atoms of this universe, as nature first arranged them, were re-arranged. Something radically new, physically new, as radical and new as the original creation, appeared within history. This aspect should never be, as it recently has been, understated.

However the resurrection was also a spiritual event and that too is important. In the resurrection of Jesus we are given not just the potential for a resurrected body and a resurrected cosmos, we are given as well the possibility of forgiveness, of being forgiven and of forgiving each other. That new possibility and its radical novelty should also never be understated. From the beginning of time until Jesus' resurrection, dead bodies stayed dead. And from Adam and Eve until that same resurrection, wounded and dead hearts stayed wounded and dead. All that has now changed. There are new possibilities.

What is new in the resurrection is not just the unbelievable new possibility of physical resurrection. The resurrection gives us to the equally unbelievable possibility of the newness of life that forgiving and being forgiven brings. In our day to day lives that is how we are asked to appropriate the resurrection of Jesus, by forgiving and by letting ourselves be forgiven.

In Mark's account of the death and resurrection, our human condition is symbolized by a young man who was following Jesus' journey to the cross from a safe distance. At a certain point this young man, who is wearing only a white linen cloth, is seized. He escapes his captors and flees naked, leaving the cloth behind. That betrayal is yours and mine. But we next meet him on Easter Sunday, sitting on the tomb of the resurrected Jesus, wearing again his linen cloth and announcing to the whole world that Jesus has been raised, that an unbelievable newness has burst into our world, and that there is something even beyond our wounds, sins, and betrayals. The chain of anger has been broken.

Schedule for the Easter Triduum

Holy Thursday

7pm Kentville
7pm Middleton
7pm Weymouth

Good Friday

1pm Bridgetown
3pm Windsor
3pm Wolfville
3pm Kentville
3pm Berwick
3pm Middleton
3pm Annapolis Royal
6pm Digby

Easter Vigil (Saturday)

7pm Digby
9pm Windsor
9pm Middleton

Easter Sunday

8:30am Kentville
9am Annapolis Royal
9am Bridgetown
10am Wolfville
11am Berwick
11:30am Weymouth
11:30am Kentville

Dinner Theatre Information Session

On Sunday, April 10th, at 7 pm, in St. Anthony's church hall, we will hold an information session for all who might want to help in any way with a pre-Christmas Dinner Theatre production. We will discuss what kind of production is manageable, dates, times, food, acting etc., and how to move forward. Please join us and find out how you can support this fun event. If you can't make the meeting but would like to be involved, please let Gisela Currie know, at 902 847- 1739.

St. John's, Windsor: There will be fundraiser for Ukraine at St John's Hall on April 24 after Mass. There will be Hospitality with a free will offering. If you are interested in contributing a plate of food or helping out, please contact Lisa Bradley at 902-757-2637 or marklisabradley@eastlink.ca.



Knights of Columbus next scheduled meeting is Wednesday April 6th at 7 pm in the Multi-Purpose Room at Corpus Christi, St. Joseph's, Kentville.

The Knights of Columbus would like to thank all the parishioners that supported their fish chowder supper. A special thanks goes out to the youth for setting up the multi-purpose room.

SALE

The Kings Kikima Grannies will be holding a Spring Sale of Jewellery, Jewellery Art, Plants and More. Saturday April 23rd....., Wolfville Lions Hall.....9 am-2 pm. We continue to support Grandmothers in Kikima Kenya who are now raising their grandchildren whose parents were lost to HIV/Aids. Thank You for supporting our project.

Stations of the Cross

St. John's Fridays at 6:30 pm
St. Anthony's Fridays at 6:30 pm
St. Joseph's, Kentville Fridays at 6:30 pm
St. Monica's Fridays at 2:00 pm
St. Alphonsus, Bridgetown Wednesdays at 4:00 pm
St. Louis' Fridays at 3:15pm
St. Patrick's – Friday's at 7:00 pm
St. Joseph's, Weymouth Friday's at 6:30 pm

St. Monica, Middleton: An alfombra (carpet) will be constructed and on display over Easter in the hall of St. Monica's Church. This is a custom in many Central American countries and churches during Lent. It is made of natural materials, often depicting the themes of Easter. Come and view it during the Triduum.

Way of the Cross at St. Monica's at 2:00 pm on Fridays during Lent. The Catholic Women's League invites all parishioners to join us in praying that the peace of Christ may reign in the Ukraine and Russia, the suffering be eased, the refugees find safety, and all who labour for justice, mercy, and compassion be strengthened.



Children and Youth

Little Church: Would you like to support faith formation for our littlest disciples? Volunteers are needed at Saint Joseph's (Kentville) and Saint John's (Windsor) once or twice a month. Little Church takes place during the Liturgy of the Word and provides an introduction to the Liturgy through gospel readings, prayers of the faithful and more. For more information please contact Jennifer Moore, familylifeandyouth@corpuschristins.ca or 902 799 1250

Feed the Teens:



Thank you to everyone who has already generously supported our Confirmation group with snacks and treats. We are excited to welcome our teens back to in person gatherings and need your

support in stocking our cupboards. Snacks and treats may be dropped off at Saint Joseph's (Kentville). Also, an envelope (marked, 'Feed the Teens') may be dropped in any collection basket or e-transferred to: finance@corpuschristins.ca. Thank you!

Confirmation Candidates and leaders made 70 Easter cards for seniors in a local nursing home and the children participating in **The Journey** and **Living Lent** programs have been busy doing 'Good Deeds' all as part of the Samaritan Lenten project.

What are you doing July 8 - 10, 2022?

Come to Steubenville with us! We are looking for high school teens, young adults (peer leaders) and adults (chaperones) from across the parish to join us for this exciting summer conference! For more information please contact Jennifer Moore, familylifeandyouth@corpuschristins.ca or 902 799 1250



Did you know ?

IHS - this is the name "Jesus" abbreviated into 3 Greek letters. Since the Middle Ages, this has been written as IHS and in this form it is often found in church decorations. In English this monogram has been popularly but erroneously rendered as "I Have Suffered."

I.N.R.I. - these letters are usually found above the image of the crucified Jesus on a crucifix. They are the first letters of the Latin title written by Pilate: *Jesus Nazarenus Rex Iudaeorum* or "*Jesus of Nazareth, King of the Jews.*"

YARD SALE TIME AGAIN:

St. Patrick's, Digby will be having their ANNUAL SPRING YARD SALE on Friday, April 29th 5 - 8 pm and Saturday, April 30th from 9 am - 1 pm. Items for this sale can be dropped off at the church hall on Monday April 25th from 1 - 4 pm or on Thursday from 1 - 4 pm.

St. Anthony's in Berwick will be having their ANNUAL YARD SALE ON SATURDAY, JUNE 25TH. Please save all your good items this spring clean-up and we will tell you when and where to deliver all the goodies.

Thank you Note:

On behalf of our family and myself I wish to thank my parish community for the many prayers, visits, food and warm wishes during Helen's illness and passing. May God bless you abundantly. Gordon MacDonald

Corpus Christi Catholic Books & Gifts: We have a variety of First Holy Communion crosses, rosaries, books, figurines, lapel pins, laminated prayer cards, and greetings cards to mark this sacramental celebration. Available at St. Monica's church hall after Sunday Mass, Wednesday Adoration, and Friday Way of the Cross, or call Mary Crooks at 902-825-6495.

Fish Chowder Supper: St. Anthony's in Berwick will be having a fish chowder after the Good Friday service. It will be from 4 to 5:30 with both eat in and take out.