

5th Sunday of Easter

May 15, 2022



Mass Times

Windsor

Sunday 11:45

Wolfville

Sunday 10 am

Kentiville

Saturday 4 pm

Sunday 8:30 am &

11:45 am

Berwick

Sunday 8:30 am

Middleton

Sunday 10 am

Bridgetown

Sunday 8:30 am

Annapolis Royal

Sunday 9 am

Digby

Saturday 6 pm

Weymouth

Sunday 11:30 am



This Week's Readings

1st Reading

Gospel

Sun, May 15

Acts 14.21b-27

John 13.1,31-33a,34-35++

Mon, May 16

Acts 14.5-18

John 14.21-26

Tues, May 17

Acts 14.19-28

John 14-27-31a

Wed, May 18

Acts 15.1- 6

John 15.1-8

Thurs, May 19

Acts 15.7-21

John 15.9-11

Fri, May 20

Acts 15.22-31

John 15.12-17

Sat, May 21

Acts 16.1-10

John 15.18-21

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Giving to Corpus Christi Parish

Corpus Christi is blessed to have so many gifted volunteers, but there are still many areas of your Parish that require financial support, services that are unable to be completed by volunteers. Your Parish Finance & Administrative Council strives to control and minimize expenses without compromising services, but without your donations this task is futile. There have been many challenges over the last few years and expenses have been kept to a minimum, but if we are to be able to offer expanded programs, to reach those requiring our help, we need your financial support. Considering giving?

There are many ways to donate to Corpus Christi Parish:

- 1- Weekly Offertory Envelopes (envelopes are available at your church communities)
- 2- Cash donations (deposited in collection baskets at Mass)
- 3- E-Transfers directed to Corpus Christi (email: finance@corpuschristins.ca)
- 4- PAR (pre-authorized remittances) from your bank account to Corpus Christi's (application forms available upon request)
- 5- Through the mail (directed to Corpus Christi Parish – Kentville Parish Office)

Corpus Christi Parish thanks you for your financial support – How else could we fulfill our mission?

Community's Email Addresses

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Vision Prayer

Heavenly Father, by the power of Your Holy Spirit, we the faithful of Corpus Christi Parish, ask that You bless and sanctify us as we work together to implement our Vision.

We ask that You guide us as we strive to love bravely, to serve radically and to meet all whom we encounter with humility and compassion. Help us to unite joyfully and lovingly as followers of your Son, Jesus, to take His message with us wherever we go. We know that by Your grace, we can make this Vision a reality. We ask this in the name of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

Amen



Kentville Parish Office

Open hours

Monday, Tuesday & Friday

9:00 am to 1:00 pm

Box 486, 48 Belcher St., Kentville, NS

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902-678-3303

Jennifer Hilborn

parishoffice_kentville@corpuschristins.ca

Digby Parish Office

Open Hours

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday

9:30 am – 5:00 pm

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902-245-2115

Pamela Cosman

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Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, MAY 14

Kentville	4:00 PM	Maynard Barry by Wayne Barry
Digby	6:00 PM	Kelly Mackintosh by Sheila Donovaro

SUNDAY, MAY 15

Bridgetown	8:30 AM	Mona Bateman by Peter Newton
Berwick	8:30 AM	Graeme King by Dorothy & Girls
Kentville	8:30 AM	<i>Liturgy of the Word with Communion</i>
Annapolis Royal	9:00 AM	Kieran Whelan by Kay & Family
Middleton	10:00 AM	Intentions of Donald Theriault by Carolyn Gilbert
Wolfville	10:00 AM	All Corpus Christi Parishioners
Weymouth	11:30 AM	Ulysse Gaudet by Cathy LeBlanc
Kentville/Online	11:45 AM	Mike Hann by Theresa Coffey
Windsor	11:45 AM	Jackie Pothier by Alan Grant

MONDAY, MAY 16

Kentville/Online	8:30 AM	Philips Stevens & John Boyle by Josie Stevens
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TUESDAY, MAY 17

Kentville/Online	8:30 AM	Intentions of Jennifer Moore by Kaitlyn Lightfoot
Digby	6:30 PM	Peter Saulnier by the Saulnier Family

WEDNESDAY, MAY 18

Kentville/Online	8:30 AM	Intentions of St Joseph's CWL
Tideview Terrace	10:30 AM	Annette Hale by Pamela
Middleton	3:15 PM	Eileen Marie Ross by Tom & Paula Ross
Weymouth	6:30 PM	Intentions of Scott Hutley by Joanne & Jerry Belliveau

THURSDAY, MAY 19

Kentville/Online	8:30 AM	Allen & Kathleen Hynes by Catherine Farrell
A.R. Nursing Home	10:30 AM	Russell Mackintosh by Ardath Emin
Weymouth	6:30 PM	Mike Beveridge by Cathy LeBlanc

FRIDAY, MAY 20

Kentville/Online	8:30 AM	Martin Smolenaars by Clay & Edna Moran
Digby	9:00 AM	For deceased family members by Pam & Gary Moore

SATURDAY, MAY 21

Kentville	4:00 PM	Martin Smolenaars by Marie Pierik & Peter & Agnes Nan
Digby	6:00 PM	For a special intention by Jacqueline & Bill Amirault

SUNDAY, MAY 22

Bridgetown	8:30 AM	Carolyn Marshall by Patsy Sabeau
Berwick	8:30 AM	<i>Liturgy of the Word with Communion</i>
Kentville	8:30 AM	Barry Cox by Floyd Priddle
Annapolis Royal	9:00 AM	Albert Amegah & Mary Anna Walters Amegah by Anna Alberta Amegah & Family
Middleton	10:00 AM	Intentions of Cynthina Gilbert by Carolyn Gilbert
Wolfville	10:00 AM	All Corpus Christi Parishioners
Weymouth	11:30 AM	Edward LeBlanc by Cathy LeBlanc
Kentville/Online	11:45 AM	Bernadette & Michael Walsh by Norma & Ann MacDougall
Windsor	11:45 AM	Theresa Kehoe by Joe & Ann Troke



St. Monica's Catholic Women's League invites its members and all women who seek companionship, prayer, learning, and laughter with other Catholic

women to our first spring get-together on Monday, May 9 at 2:00 pm at St. Monica's church hall.

Corpus Christi Catholic Books & Gifts: In the Easter season, the blessed holy water is a symbol of our Baptism and the wellspring of grace that sustains, strengthens, and renews us. We have special bottles in different sizes to bring this holy water into your home or to carry it with you. \$1.99 - \$2.95. Available at St. Monica's church hall after Sunday Mass, or call Mary Crooks at 902-825-6495.



The Knights of Columbus – Council 6297 will be conducting a procession in honour of our *HOLY MOTHER MARY* on May 22, 2022

after the 10:00 am Mass at St. Monica's Church in Middleton. Following the procession there will be a traditional ham and scallop potato dinner including baked beans, vegetables, rolls, pie, ice cream coffee or tea in the hall. The first 50 people to sign up on the sheet at the back of the Church will be able to receive the dinner.

YARD SALE NEWS

ST. PATRICK'S PLANT, BAKE & YARDSALE - June 3rd & 4th. No TV's or electronics please. Baked goods and plants can be brought in on Friday, June 3rd from 1 - 3 pm, sale is from 5 - 8 pm, and Saturday, June 4th from 9 am - 1 pm.

ST. ANTHONY'S Keep the date Saturday, June 25th for St. Anthony's, Berwick POST-COVID Yard Sale 8am-2pm. Got some things to donate?? Call Elaine Mailman 902-847-0480 or Eileen Floris 902-538-9135.

ST. MONICA'S CWL Indoor Yard Sale on Saturday, June 11 from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm in our church hall. We welcome clean usable donations, such as household items, décor, linens, books, puzzles, CD's, DVD's pictures, hardware, jewellery, plants and small furniture. (Please no old TV's) Items may be dropped off after Sunday Mass or on June 9/10 from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm. Thank you!! Contact persons: Marion Hole 765-4435 or Mary Crooks 825-6495.

Upcoming Priest Changes

Effective August 3rd, the changes that are directly related to our parish:

Fr. Keith Billard is being named Pastor of St. John the Apostle Parish ... working with **Fr. Jose Thomas**.

This is the South Shore parish that includes Bridgewater, Lunenburg, Liverpool, Shelburne and Barrington.

Fr. Michael Walsh will be joining us at Corpus Christi Parish and will be living at St. Monica's rectory in Middleton.



Children and Youth

Catholic Summer Camp 2022

Sunday, August 7 to Friday, August 12

Please fill this form and mail or deliver it to our
Parish Office: 65 Green Street, Yarmouth, NS, B5A 1Z6
Ph (902)742-7151 Fax (902)742-7152

Camp location: Johnston Christian Park South Range, Digby County

Please check payment of choice: \$50.00 () Early Bird () Full Payment ()
Early bird registration \$200.00 by June 30th and \$225.00 after June 30th



Rosary Bracelets - A
Steubenville
Fundraiser! If you
would like to
purchase a Rosary
bracelet,
handcrafted by our

teens, please
contact Jennifer Moore (902 799 1250)
or the Parish Office (902 678 3303).
Prices: 1 for \$20 or 2 for \$35.
Bracelets can be delivered to all churches
in the parish.

**Please join us for Liturgy of the
Word for the Confirmation
class being held at 7 pm on
Friday evenings. All are
welcome to attend.**

**Family Life and Youth presents: GOD'S LOVE
IS SO BIG! Dig Deeper with Dinosaurs!**

July 18 - 21, Saint Joseph's, Kentville July 25 - 28,
Saint John's, Windsor

Campers, (ages 4 - 11) are invited to join a fun and
faith-filled week!

Junior Leader, (ages 12 - 15) and Senior Leaders,
(16 - Adult) are needed

and may be committed one day, a few days or all
of the camp as game, craft,

bible story, adventure leaders or as kitchen,
administrative, supply coordinator,
social media support.

To register or for more information: Jennifer
Moore (902 799 1250) or the
Parish Office (902 678 3303)



**Please keep all the young
children in your prayer's
that will be receiving their
1st Communion on May 29th at
St. Joseph's Church in
Kentville.**

Little Church - Available at Saint
Joseph's, Kentville (11:45 am -
youth room) and St. John's
Windsor (11:45 am in the hall) bi-
weekly.

St. Joseph's Kentville

May 15 - Love One Another

May 29 - Love like Jesus, First
Communion and the Crowning of
Mary

St. John's, Windsor

May 22 - A Promise

**Yard Sale: The Steubenville
teens will be hosting a yard sale
at St. Joseph's in Kentville.
Donations of gently used items
may be dropped off at St.
Joseph's Church. Thank you.**

Huge Stones and Locked Doors

by Fr. Ron Rolheiser o.m.i.

Soren Kierkegaard once wrote that the Gospel text he strongly identified with is the account of the disciples, after the death of Jesus, locking themselves into an upper room in fear and then experiencing Jesus coming through the locked doors to bestow peace on them. Kierkegaard wanted Jesus to do that for him, to come through his locked doors, his resistance, and breathe peace inside him.

That image of locked doors is one of two particularly interesting images inside the story of the first Easter. The other is the image of the "large stone" that entombed the buried Jesus. These images remind us of what often separates us from the grace of the resurrection. Sometimes for that grace to find us, someone must "roll away the stone" that entombs us and sometimes the resurrection must come to us "through locked doors".

First, about the "stone":

The Gospels tell us that early on Easter morning three women were on their way to the tomb of Jesus intending to embalm his body with spices but they were anxious about how they would remove the large stone that sealed the entrance of his tomb. They were asking each other: "Who will roll away the stone?"

Well, as we know, the stone had already been rolled away. How? We don't know. Jesus' resurrection happened with no one there. Nobody knows exactly how that stone was rolled away. But what Scripture does make clear is this: Jesus didn't resurrect himself. God raised him. Jesus didn't roll away the stone, though that's what we generally assume. However, and for good reason, both scripture and Christian tradition strongly affirm that Jesus didn't raise himself from the dead, his Father raised him. This might seem like unnecessary point to emphasize; after all, what difference does it make?

It makes a huge difference. Jesus didn't raise himself from the dead and neither can we. That's the point. For the power of the resurrection to enter us something from beyond us has to remove the huge, immovable rock of our resistance. This is not to deny that we, ourselves, have goodwill and personal strength; but these, though important, are more a precondition for receiving the grace of the resurrection than the power of the resurrection itself, which always comes to us from beyond. We never roll back the stone ourselves!

Who can roll back the stone? Perhaps that isn't a question we're particularly anxious about, but we should be. Jesus was entombed and helpless to raise himself up, all the more so for us. Like the women at that first Easter, we need to be anxious: "Who will roll back the stone?" We can't open our own tombs.

Second, our "locked doors":

It's interesting how the believers at that first Easter experienced the resurrected Christ in their lives. The Gospels tell us that they were huddled in fear and paranoia behind locked doors, wanting only to protect themselves, when Christ came through their locked doors, the doors of their fear and self-protection, and breathed peace into them. Their huddling in fear wasn't because of ill-will or bad faith. In their hearts they sincerely wished that they weren't afraid, but that good will still didn't unlock their doors. Christ entered and breathed peace into them in spite of their resistance, their fear, and their locked doors.

Things haven't changed much in two thousand years. As a Christian community and as individuals we are still mostly huddling in fear, anxious about ourselves, distrustful, not at peace, our doors locked, even as our hearts desire peace and trust. Perhaps, like Kierkegaard, we might want to privilege that scripture passage where the resurrected Christ comes through the locked doors of human resistance and breathes out peace.

Moreover, this year, given this extraordinary time when the coronavirus, *Covid 19*, has our cities and communities locked down and we are inside our individual houses, dealing with the various combinations of frustration, impatience, fear, panic, and boredom that assail us there. Right now we need a little extra something to experience the resurrection, a stone needs to be rolled away so that resurrected life can come through our locked doors and breathe peace into us.

At the end of the day, these two images, "the stone that needs to be rolled away" and the "locked doors of our fear", contain within themselves perhaps the most consoling truth in all religion because they reveal this about God's grace: *When we cannot help ourselves we can still be helped and when we are powerless to reach out, grace can still come through the walls of our resistance and breathe peace into us.* We need to cling to this whenever we experience irretrievable brokenness in our lives, when we feel helpless inside our wounds and fears, when we feel spiritually inept, and when we grieve loved ones lost to addictions or suicide. The resurrected Christ can come through locked doors and roll back any stone that entombs us, no matter how hopeless the task is for us.

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