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6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

May 5, 2024



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**This Week's Readings**

	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Reading</b>	<b>Gospel</b>
Sun, May 5	Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48	John 15:9-17
Mon, May 6	Acts 16:11-15	John 15:26 – 16:4
Tues, May 7	Acts 16:22-34	John 16:5-11
Wed, May 8	Acts 17:15, 22 – 18:1	John 16:12-15
Thurs, May 9	Acts 18:1-8	John 16:16-20
Fri, May 10	Acts 18:9-18	John 16:20-23
Sat, May 11	Acts 18:23-28	John 16:23-28

**Community's Email Addresses**

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 St Patrick digby@corpuschristins.ca  
 St Joseph weymouth@corpuschristins.ca

**Giving to Corpus Christi Parish**

There are many ways to donate to Corpus Christi Parish:

1. Weekly Offertory Envelopes
2. Cash donations
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4. PAR (Pre-Authorized Remittances)
5. Through the mail, send to Kentville Parish Office

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**Individual Confession Times**  
 Digby – every Saturday .... 10 – 11 am  
 Kentville – every Saturday .... 11 am – 12 noon  
 Windsor – 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month ... 9 – 10 am  
 Berwick – 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month ... 10 – 11 am  
 Middleton – 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month ... 10 – 11 am & after Wednesday morning Mass until 10:00 am

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament**

**Digby:** Adoration after Mass on Friday until 10:30am, 1<sup>st</sup> & last Fridays of month private adoration to follow until 12 noon  
**Kentville:** Private Adoration available in Adoration Chapel 24/7

Take time to reflect and discuss God's Word and pray before the Blessed Sacrament ... on **Tuesdays**.  
**Middleton:** 2pm to 3pm - Scripture reflection, 3pm to 4pm - Rosary during Exposition



## Mass Times & Intentions

### SATURDAY, MAY 4

Bridgetown	4:00 PM	Intentions of Sheila Porter by Tom & Linda Porter
Kentville	4:00 PM	Jack MacDougall by his Family
Digby	6:00 PM	David Burnham by Penny Murphy

### SUNDAY, MAY 5

Windsor	8:30 AM	Guy K Smith by Mary-Alma & Family
Annapolis Royal	9:00 AM	Elaine Thimot by Marilyn Harry & Family
Berwick	9:00 AM	Dick Pottie by Russell & Carolyn Turner
Kentville	10:30 AM	Gladys Coldwell by Elizabeth Tarrant-Young
Middleton	11:00 AM	Personal Intention for Fr Michael Walsh
Weymouth	11:30 AM	Herbert & Agnes Boudreau by Bobby Comeau
Wolfville	12:15 PM	Ezilda Countinho by Caroline & Julies Sequeira

### WEDNESDAY, MAY 8

Middleton	9:00 AM	Healing of Don Boudreau by Tom & Peggy Foley
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### FRIDAY, MAY 10

Berwick	9:00 AM	Michel Rouse by Judy & Rick Coulombe
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### SATURDAY, MAY 11

Bridgetown	4:00 PM	Pierre Boisbert by Jon & Lynn Main
Kentville	4:00 PM	Intentions of Peter John Nan by Mom & Dad
Digby	6:00 PM	My Grandmothers by Nancy Robinson

### SUNDAY, MAY 12

Windsor	8:30 AM	Nina Taylor by Jan, Peter & Family
Annapolis Royal	9:00 AM	Elaine Thimot by Cynthia Hamilton & Family
Berwick	9:00 AM	Intentions of Anna Schworer by Shirley Rasmusson-Samson
Kentville	10:30 AM	For my Mom & my Children & their Families (L) by Helen Walsh
Middleton	11:00 AM	Personal Intention for Fr Michael Walsh
Weymouth	11:30 AM	Louise & Marie by Joanne & Jerry Belliveau
Wolfville	12:15 PM	Ezilda Countinho by Celine, Leslie & Family

### Confirmation - Archbishop Dunn will be celebrating Confirmation:

- **Sunday, May 5** at St John's, Windsor ... 3 adults will be Received into the Church and Confirmed.
- **Sunday, May 12** at St Joseph's, Kentville ... 14 youth will be Confirmed and 1 adult will be Received into the Church and Confirmed.
- **Sunday, June 2** at St. Monica's, Middleton ... 1 adult will be Received Into the Church and Confirmed.
- **Saturday, June 8** at St. Patrick's, Digby ... 6 youth will be Confirmed.
- **Sunday, June 9** at St. Louis, Annapolis Royal ... 1 youth will be Confirmed.



*Keep these candidates in your prayers.*

## Welcome Archbishop Brian Dunn

- Archbishop Dunn will be present for Eucharist this weekend in Windsor, Wolfville & Kentville.
- On June 1-2, he will celebrate Eucharist in Berwick, Middleton & Bridgetown.
- And on June 8-9, he will be with the people of Annapolis Royal, Digby & Weymouth.

**Ladies Prayer Breakfast** will be held at St Anthony's, Berwick on Saturday, **May 4**. This will be the last prayer breakfast for this season with the next one happening in September.

**Coffee Social - St Joseph's (Kentville)** will be held after Mass on **Sunday, May 5**.

**Friendship Sunday – St. Francis (Wolfville)** will take place after Mass on **Sunday, May 5**.

**Spring Gospel Concert & Hymn Sing** – Kentville Baptist, **Sunday, May 5, 6:30 pm**. Music by Mark Riley & Friends, Rewind, ADC Alum Quartet, as well as the church choir and tone chimes. Freewill offering. *All welcome!*

**13th Annual Convention of the Halifax-Yarmouth CWL Council** is being held at St Joseph's (Kentville) on **May 4 & 5**. Hosted by CWL Councils of St Joseph's, St Monica's and St Louis. Please welcome members from around the diocese.

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**St. Monica's CWL (Middleton)** will meet on **Monday, May 6** at 1:30 pm in our church hall, including interesting guest speakers from the Valley Care Pregnancy Centre. All women are welcomed to come and enjoy companionship as we pray, learn, grow, and serve together in a spirit of joy and hope. We will be glad to see you!

**Cemetery Clean up (Kingston)** Volunteers are needed for clean up at St. Lawrence Cemetery in Kingston on Saturday, **May 11** at 9:00 a.m. If you are available, please contact Robert Estey at 902-804-1611.



**Confirmation & Mother's Day Brunch (Kentville)** On Sunday, **May 12** after Mass, there will be a Brunch to celebrate Confirmation and Mother's Day at St Joseph's, Kentville. Brunch menu will include **Quiche Lorraine** (or youth menu), fresh fruit bowl, hashbrowns and ham. All are welcome!

## Women's Retreat with Fr. Dominic Sultana May 17-19 Middleton

In the routine and bustle of daily life, finding moments for spiritual renewal is essential, yet often overlooked. St. Monica's Catholic Women's League extends a heartfelt invitation to pause, reflect, and explore deeper meanings at our upcoming retreat, "**Finding My Life Purpose.**" This special gathering is for all women of all ages, as we seek to nurture our spiritual growth and to discern our unique purpose as it is evolving in the different stages and circumstances of our lives.

It will take place at St. Monica's church hall (Middleton) on Friday, May 17, 6- 8 pm; Saturday, May 18, 9 am - 4:30 pm; and Sunday, May 19, 9 am - Noon, including Mass. There will be opportunity for Confession on Sat at 4:30 pm. The retreat is free and includes lunch and refreshments.

To help us plan well, **please register** by contacting Mary Crooks at 902-825-6495 or [mtcrooks@hotmail.com](mailto:mtcrooks@hotmail.com), preferably by **May 11**. Come and be nourished by the meaningful presentations, uplifting companionship with other women in faith, and singing with joy!

**Special Collection Envelopes** May 4-5, there is a special collection envelope for the **Pope's Pastoral Works**.....used by the Pope to help those stricken by natural disasters. Please write cheques to *Corpus Christi Parish*.

**Twelve Baskets Foodbank (Middleton)** May needs include coffee, flakes of ham/chicken, canned tomatoes, pasta sauce, laundry & dish soap, cookies, crackers, hand/body soap, toothpaste, toilet paper, salt & pepper and Prayers

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**Seniors' Community Shredding Event** – Fri, May 17 10:00 – 1:00 pm at the **Kingston Lions Club** Parking Lot. Identity Theft is the number one growing crime in North America. Documents containing your name, phone number, address, financial, legal or medical information should be shredded before recycling. For more information call Seniors' Safety Director, Trishe Colman at 902-670-0725. Bring your documents; they will shred them for you!

**Yard Sale (Middleton)** St. Monica's CWL invites you to our Bountiful Indoor Yard Sale on **Sat, May 25** from 8 am to 1 pm. You are welcomed to donate items that you no longer need and to find items that you do need! Lots of choices for men, women, and children, such as jewelry, tools & hardware, household items & home decor, linens and clothing, pictures & frames, books & puzzles, toys, small kitchen appliances & furniture, electronics, vintage & antiques, garden & plants. You may bring items to the church hall on Wed, Thurs, and Fri, May 22, 23, and 24 from 9 am to 6 pm. Due to limited space in our church hall and other events taking place there, please bring your items at these times. If you would like us to pick them up, please call Marion Hole. We look forward to seeing you and are grateful for your support. For more information or to volunteer, please contact Marion Hole (902-765-4435) or Mary Crooks (902-825-6495).

**Bursaries** The Knights of Columbus – Bishop Gallagher Council 6297 provide bursaries of \$500 to two graduating students every year. Our Council is inviting students from the Church communities of St Anthony's, Queen of Heaven, St Monica and St Alphonsus to apply for one of the bursaries. For applications email: Russ Gaudet [gkrussgaudet@gmail.com](mailto:gkrussgaudet@gmail.com). Applications are available now and close on **May 26**.

**St. Monica's Bookstore (Middleton)** We have gifts and cards especially for First Holy Communion and Confirmation, including rosaries, crosses, books, laminated prayer cards, figurines, and plaques. Available at St. Monica's church hall after Sunday Mass, or call Mary Crooks 902-825-6495 to arrange another time, or for special requests.

**Library/Bookstore (St. Joseph's – Kentville)** We have a growing variety of books to sign out and also to purchase, along with a number of religious items. Books/items are located across the hallway from the parish office ... plus we have a large selection of books to sign out near the Adoration Chapel.

## A Parish Unity Challenge

As a means of uniting our 9 churches, the Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) is promoting a challenge to every parishioner. Between May and October of this year, we invite you to attend Mass in as many of these churches as you are able. Each is set in a community with something of interest. So, you can combine a Mass and an outing and learn something about our large parish and your fellow parishioners.

**Pamphlets** for the challenge will be available after Mass at each of the churches over the next few weeks. Inside the pamphlet, there is a list of the churches along with their addresses and Mass times. There is also space for you to mark when you visit any particular church as well as space for signatures of contacts you made from that community.

There may even be a prize for those who get to all 9 churches! *Happy Travels to those who take up this challenge!*



## Catechetics Registration – Entire Parish

May is registration month for Catechetics in Corpus Christi Parish. As Catechetics for this year winds down, we are preparing for Catechetics for next September. We need to register the children and youth who will be attending our Grade primary to grade 8 programs in May so we know what to order for materials for next fall.

We want those presently attending catechetics to update a few items and there are longer forms for those just beginning their faith journey with us.

Registration forms are available in the churches. They can be placed in the offering, returned to the church office, or emailed to the Kentville liaison at [kentville@corpuschirstins.ca](mailto:kentville@corpuschirstins.ca)

Please register by **May 31** so your children and youth will have the appropriate materials next September.

# Catholic Summer Camp 2024

Sunday, August 7 to Friday, August 12

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*For more information, contact the Corpus Christi Parish Office.*

*A lot of great memories to be made!*

## **Priest Retreat**

The priests of the Archdiocese of Halifax-Yarmouth will be at the Our Lady of Hope Retreat Centre in PEI this week for their annual retreat. Please keep them in your prayers!



## Baby Bottle Campaign



The **Valley Care Pregnancy Centre (Kentville)** & the **Tri-County Pregnancy Care Centre (Yarmouth)** are local Christian Missions ministering throughout the Annapolis Valley and Yarmouth area. Churches partner together to share the grace and truth of Jesus with young women and men facing life and death decisions. This mission is active in ministering to needy women and men facing crisis pregnancies, struggling with parenting and bringing healing to those suffering deep regret after an abortion. These Pregnancy Centres offer ongoing support, counselling, material aid, love, and the Gospel of Jesus Christ to everyone who needs help. It is the goal of this mission to save lives, see hearts turn to faith in Jesus and be connected to the local church.

This **Baby Bottle Campaign** is one way we can all work together to pray, raise awareness in the community and supply practical support for these Moms, Dads and Babies in need. It's really simple. On Mother's Day, **May 12**, just take a baby bottle home, pray for this mission and over the next few weeks put a donation of cash or cheque in the bottle and **return it to church** on Father's Day, **Sunday, June 16**. Please write cheques to *Valley Care Pregnancy Centre* or *Tri-County Pregnancy Centre*.

It's a simple and effective way to make a powerful impact for the Gospel here in our own backyard. Together, we can make a big difference. By this time next year, a baby will be born who would not have existed if it were not for your support. Thank you.



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## Humour???

An 87 year-old man and his 85 year-old girlfriend, both living in an assisted living home, decided to get married. They went for a walk to discuss the wedding, and passed a pharmacy.

They entered, and the man told the pharmacist, *"We're going to get married. Do you sell blood pressure medication?"*

*"Yes, indeed,"* the pharmacist replied.

The woman asked: *"Do you also sell walkers, vitamins, Geritol, and medicine for arthritis, rheumatism, sinus infections, and gout?"*

*"Sure do,"* the pharmacist replied.

*"Fine,"* the man said. *"We'd like to register here for our wedding gifts, please."*



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