

Saint Mary's Cathedral Basilica

July & August 2024

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Office Hours

Monday-Friday, 8:30am-4:30pm (closed 12-1)

Cathedral Hours

Monday-Friday 8:30am-4:00pm

Saturday 8:30am-4:30pm

Sunday 8:00am-7:00pm



Archbishop:

Most Rev. Brian Dunn

Rector:

Very Rev. Craig Cameron

Deacon:

Rev. Mr. Bernie Young

Pastoral Assistant:

Sr. Bernadette Cool, FoH

Liturgical Coordinator:

Cameron Barrett

Music Director:

Kim Tan-Fleck



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Livestream the 10:30am Mass at

livestream.com/halifaxyarmouth/cathedral

Liturgy and Sacraments

Mass Times

Monday - Saturday 12:15pm *

Sunday 8:00am, 10:30am (with incense)
& 5:00pm

Reconciliation

Tuesday 7:00pm - 8:00pm

Saturday 10:00am - 11:00am

Adoration

Tuesday 7:00pm - 8:00pm

Friday 11:00am - 12:00pm*

*Please see our website for the most up-to-date information (and below)

Weekly Events

Guided Tours will be held Monday to Friday at the Cathedral from July 15 to August 30. Tours will begin at 10 am, 1 pm and 2:30 pm.

Rosary for Vocations will be prayed every Saturday at 11:30am. All are welcome!

The Holy Heart Schola Cantorum sings Vespers (Evening Prayer) in Gregorian Chant every Sunday at 6:30pm. All are invited to join in or listen to this beautiful sung prayer to mark the end of the Lord's Day.

The Gathering - Join Catholic young adults for fellowship following the 5pm Mass in the Currie Room every Sunday. IG: @cyag_thegathering
FB: ST. Mary's Basilica Young Adults

Adoration - Join us weekly on Tuesdays from 7:00pm to 8:00pm and Fridays from 11:00am to 12:00pm.

From the Rector's desk...

Dear Friends in the Christ,

I extend my heartfelt gratitude to all who have contributed to our parish through volunteer work and financial donations. Your dedication to our 28 ministries is deeply appreciated and vital to our community's vibrancy and mission. I also want to sincerely thank Archbishop Dunn for his pastoral visit to the Cathedral. His praise for our collective service in contributing to the four pastoral priorities is a testament to your missionary efforts. We have excelled in liturgical excellence, compassionate social justice outreach, and ongoing development of effective religious education programs. I am particularly grateful to Deacon Young for his steadfast ministry and to all the parish staff for their tireless hard work. Special thanks go to Trudy Comeau and Bruce Holland for their leadership as Chairpersons of our Pastoral Council and Finance Council, respectively. As we bid farewell to Greg Doyle and Bernie Murphy, who are retiring, I want to acknowledge their loyal service to our community. We welcome Kim Tan-Fleck and Br. Grant McClean, FoH to our parish staff team and look forward to the fresh perspectives and energy they will bring. Please mark your calendars for August 15th, when we will celebrate the Feast of the Assumption of Mary at the Cathedral. Following the Mass, we will have our Parish BBQ to acknowledge and thank all our volunteers. This event is an excellent opportunity for fellowship and to show appreciation for the hard work and dedication of those who serve our parish in many capacities. I pray that everyone has a safe and Holy summer. Please be assured of my love and prayers for you all. Again, Thank you for your ongoing support and commitment to our parish community. May God bless you all. I remain yours in the Lord, FRC.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

New Mass on Tuesdays Evenings starting September 2

Starting Tuesday, September 2 we will have a 6:30 pm Mass followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. The Mass is in preparation for the upcoming Eucharistic Congress in October.

Friday Adoration Moving

Starting Friday, August 2, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will move to after the Friday, 12:15 Mass.

Mass Intentions for July & August

A full list of the Mass Intentions for July and August can be found at the Information Booth, on the bulletin board as you enter the Cathedral and on our website at www.stmcathedral.com

FORMATION CORNER

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults - Would you or someone you know like to start the journey of discovering the richness of the Catholic faith and of coming into full communion with the Catholic Church? Please contact the Parish office for more information

Baptism - Looking to have your child baptized into our shared Faith and want to know the process? Contact the office for more information.

Marriages - Looking to get married at Saint Mary's? Contact the office for more information.

PARISH EVENTS OVER THE SUMMER

Soul Fire & Praise

Come and join us for Soul Fire which is a night of prayer and Praise and Worship. We meet at 6:30 pm every other Friday night. We hope to see you on Friday July 12 & 26 and August 9 & 23.

CCO Summit

Join us on Saturday, July 20 in the Cathedral for a time of adoration and deepening of the faith.

Mass of Thanksgiving for Daily Bread Volunteers - July 29

On Monday, July 29 we will celebrate the many and vast contributions of our faithful Daily Bread Volunteers at our 12:15 daily Mass. Everyone is welcome to join us in prayer.

August 10 - Diaconal Ordination at Saint Mary's Cathedral.

Come celebrate and pray for Charley Vaughan as he is ordained a permanent deacon at 10 am.

August 15 - Solemnity of the Assumption of Mary

Please join us on Thursday, August 15, for our 12:15 Mass as we come together to celebrate the Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary and the Solemnity of our cathedral. After Mass, we will take time to recognize and celebrate the many contributions of our faithful volunteers who help make the cathedral a vibrant and welcoming community. We will have a barbecue in the courtyard together.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Parish Office Volunteers

There is an exciting opportunity to support our parish ministry! Volunteer in the parish office, with morning and afternoon time slots available. Join a dedicated team that supports parish ministries through administration. Experience a workspace filled with faith and laughter. Contact the parish office to volunteer and make a meaningful impact today!

Pastoral and Finance Councils positions

As mentioned by Fr. Craig at our Parish AGM he is seeking dedicated volunteers to join the Pastoral and Finance Councils. These critical roles require faith-filled, committed individuals who are both eager learners and educated doers. We need strategic thinkers who can provide valuable counsel on the parish's mission direction while ensuring financial responsibility. The Pastoral Council is crucial in guiding our parish life's spiritual and pastoral life. As a member, you will help shape our evangelization efforts, enhance catechetical programs, advocate for social justice, and strengthen our parish identity. Your insights and commitment will be instrumental in fostering a vibrant and faith-filled community. The Finance Council ensures that our parish resources are managed prudently and transparently. Members review and develop budgets, oversee financial planning, and ensure that our financial practices support the parish's mission and goals. Your expertise and dedication will help sustain our parish's financial health, enabling us to continue our ministries effectively.

In September, we will hold a nomination process to fill both councils' positions of Chair, Secretary, and Members-at-Large. This is not just an opportunity to serve your parish, but also a chance to grow in faith and make a significant impact. We invite you to be part of this inspiring journey. If you feel called to serve in this capacity or know someone who would be an excellent fit, please consider participating in the nomination process. Together, we can ensure our parish thrives and fulfills its mission. For more information, please get in touch with the parish office. Thank you for your prayerful consideration and willingness to serve.

Volunteer Opportunities at the Cathedral

Our parish seeks enthusiastic volunteers who love the Lord and have hearts for service. Vital volunteer positions are open across various ministries, and we need individuals who are passionate about building a stronger, more vibrant parish community. We have opportunities in **Cathedral Care** for those who can help care for and improve our facilities, ensuring they remain welcoming and functional for all. For those who love Liturgy and Music, your talents can enrich our liturgical services and create a more beautiful spiritual experience for our members. If you want to support people experiencing poverty, we need compassionate individuals to assist with our outreach programs, providing essential aid and comfort to those in need. Additionally, we seek volunteers for Religious Education, where you can help nurture our children's and adults' faith, guiding them in their spiritual journey.

Our parish community is diverse, and so are the volunteer roles we offer. Whether you are an introvert who thrives behind the scenes or an extrovert who enjoys being front and center, there is a place for you. We especially need support in Parish Communications and Technology Support. Your skills can help improve how we connect, inform, and engage with our parishioners. If you feel a calling to serve in any of these areas, we encourage you to get in touch with the parish office for more information. Your involvement will help us continue to fulfill our mission and build a stronger, more connected parish community. Thank you for prayerfully considering this opportunity to serve.

Daily Bread Outreach

Is looking for donations of coffee, canned tuna, cookies, and cheese spread (such as Cheez Whiz) for our Daily Bread Outreach Program. As always, your generous support of this ministry is greatly appreciated. The donation box is located at the back of the church.

Check out our website www.stmcathedral.com/ministries to find a full list of ministries and ministry leads.

Getting Ready for the Eucharistic Congress
October 18-20

The Eucharist, the Body and Blood of Christ, has the power to heal the wounds of our world. Our Eucharist Congress, October 17 - 120th, will break open five ways in which the Eucharist heals our families, communities, and world. The Eucharist can:

1. **RESTORE:** It restores our relationship with God.
2. **EQUIP:** It empowers us for our mission.
3. **SERVE:** It commits us to serve the poor and marginalized.
4. **INSPIRE:** It calls us to worship.
5. **UNITE:** It strengthens the unity of the Church.

Recognizing the healing power of the True Presence of Christ, the Eucharist is the result of encountering Jesus in a deeply personal yet at the same time communal way. The impact of knowing the transformative Love of Christ changes us and our world.

FINANCE CORNER

INCOME VS. PROPORTIONAL GIVING

	Annual income	1%	5%	10%
Suggested	\$20,000	\$4	\$20	\$40
Weekly	\$30,000	\$6	\$30	\$60
Gift to	\$40,000	\$8	\$40	\$80
Parish	\$50,000	\$10	\$50	\$100
	\$60,000	\$12	\$60	\$120

To calculate what you would like to give based on your annual household income, please complete the chart below:

Annual income	% you wish to give	Divide by 52	Weekly offering
\$	%	\$	\$