Fourth Sunday of Easter (A) April 25/26, 2026

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This Sunday's Readings

Acts 2: 14, 36b-41 God has made Jesus both Lord and Christ.
Responsorial Psalm:23 R. The Lord is my shepherd: I shall not want.
1 Peter 2: 20b-25 Now you have returned to the shepherd and guardians of your souls.
John 10: 1-10 I am the gate for the sheep.

Sunday Collection April 1819, 2026	St. Francis	St. Lawrence	St. Paul's
Sunday Offering	$240.00	$815.00	$1556.00
Loose	$10.00	$5.00	$65.00
Good Friday		$60.00	$50.00
Pastor's Dues			$30.00
Heat Pump		$20.00	
Development & Peace			$20.00

The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) is celebrated every Saturday, 1:00-2:00 p.m. at St. Paul's Church (unless it is cancelled for a funeral, etc.) and before Mass on Saturdays at St. Francis and St. Lawrence Churches. If you would like to receive Reconciliation at a different time, please phone Fr. Allan at 902-234-2387 to set a time,

Masses Tuesday, April 28 to Sunday, May 3

Tuesday	April 28	Gilbert DeCoste	6:00 pm	St. Paul's
Wednesday	April 29	Lilian MacPherson	6:00 pm	St. Paul's
Thursday	April 30	Catherine Fougere	9:00 am	St. Paul's
Friday,	May 1	Danny Avery & Sharon DeLorey	9:00 am	St. Paul's
Saturday	May 2	Vincent Pelrine	11:00 am	St. Paul's
.		Patsy Grady	4:00 pm	St. Francis
.		Joe Miles	6:00 pm	St. Lawrence
Sunday	May 3	pro populo	10:00 am	St. Paul's

Bible Study, **Wednesday April 29, St**. Paul's Church (wakeroom), at **10:30 am.** We examine the Scriptural readings for the coming Sunday. All are welcome

Facts about Saint Francis of Assisi: In 1215, Francis was present at the Fourth Lateran Council, one of the most significant Church councils, where he encountered Saint Dominic, founder of the Dominican Order.

Communion Calls: Thursday April 30 and Friday morning, May 1,

Holy Hour, Friday, May 1, 11:00 a.m. St. Paul's wakeroom. All are welcome.

Blessing of the Boats: Havre Boucher Wharf; Sunday, May 3, around 11:15 am.

Prayer to St. Michael the Archangel: St. Michael the Archangel defends us in battle. Be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen

Thank you to St. Lawrence Catholic Woman's League for paying for the new Easter candle for the church. We are grateful also for the C.W.L. who prepare and host the funeral luncheons in our parish, and for many kindnesses they give to us.

St. Lawrence Cemetery has benefited greatly for many years by the work of Jack Hoben who has helped people situste new graves for their deceased and kept a record of where gravs are located. Because of a recent injury Jackie is no longer able to continue this service. Might you be able to help with this essential work for the parish? If so please talk to Fr. Allan. Thank you to Jackie for his generous service.

This Sunday, April 18/19 is designated as MAID Awareness Sunday or Dignity Sunday to raise awareness of the importance of protecting life at every stage and of opposing the expansion of MAID to include mental health as the only qualifying condition. (See the Bishop's Pastoral Letter)

The Havre Stitch'n Sew, invites you to join them for Tea & Dessert. With quilts and quilted items on display May 9, 2026, 1-3 pm Havre Boucher Community Centre Donations welcomed! In Partnership with the Havre Boucher & Area Cultural Development and Recreation Association,

Hospital Visitation: Because St. Martha's Hospital and the other hospitals no longer provide lists of patients to pastors, clergy and lay ministers, we have no way of knowing when our parishioners are in hospital. To visit a parishioner, I therefore need that person or one of the relatives to tell me they would like to be visited. – ***Fr. Allan***

St. Paul's Confirmation will be celebrated on Sunday, **May 24,** (Pentecost) at 10:00 am, 9 Students will be confirmed by Rev. Bishop Wayne Kirkpatrick. On Sunday **May 31,** 3 children will celebrate their First Holy Communion Please remember these students in your prayers. Thank you!

St. Lawrence Parish invites parishioners, past and present, as well as friends of the Parish, to assist with its **Heat Pump Fund** if you are able. The new system and electrical upgrade cost $58,811, minus a rebate from the province of 19,905.23. The parish received a loan of 36,374.27 at 4% annual interest from the Diocese of Antigonish. Monthly payments will be $821.30 per month for four years. Donations to help us pay for this loan can be made to St. Lawrence Parish and receipts will be **issued that can be used as a charitable donation on your income tax return. We are grateful to all who support St. Lawrence Par**ish.

Mass Intentions: Beginning in the New Year 2026, we respectfully ask that if you are asking for a Mass for deceased loved ones, you limit such requests to one Mass per person **per year**, preferably on the anniversary of their death (or near to that date if the actual date has been booked ahead of time). The problem for some years now is that we have had a large backlog of Masses to be said for more recently deceased people in our 3 parishes. (In some cases there may be 20 or 30 Masses to be said for a person, but few places to fit them in.). Thank you for your cooperation.

CORAH (Centre of Rural Aging and Health) is pleased to share a full lineup of engaging activities for April! Join us at the CORAH Café for friendly conversation or explore new places during our Travel Talk session. Keep moving with our Chair Yoga classes and Tai Chi in Creignish and unwind with Meditation. For those who love creativity and games, we're offering Crafternoon, Doodle Art, Scrabble Club, and a Mahjong Workshop. Gardeners can get their hands dirty at our Seed Sowing Workshop, while lifelong learners can attend informative sessions such as the Industrial Electrical Student Presentations, Probate Law Explained, and our Perimenopause & Menopause Presentation. There's something for everyone this month—come learn, connect, and have fun with CORAH!

Hank's Jamboree: will take place on Sunday, **April 26th**, at 1:00 p.m. A light lunch will be provided, admission is $5.00. Proceeds go to the Havre Boucher Community Centre. All entertainers welcome! Follow us on Facebook at **Hanksjamboree**