

St Paul's Parish, Havre Boucher
 St. Lawrence Parish, Mulgrave
 Francis of Assisi Parish, St. Francis Harbour
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This Sundays Readings: Sirach 15:15-20 The Lord has not commanded anyone to be wicked.
 Responsorial Psalm 119 R. Blessed are those who walk in the law of the Lord!
 1 Corinthians 2: 6-10 God decreed wisdom before the ages for our glory.
 Matthew 5: 17-37 You have heard what was said of those of ancient times; but I say to you...

Lent is coming! Ash Wednesday is on February 22. If you have palm branches from Palm Sunday last year, you may bring them to Fr. Allan to be burnt and used for the ashes of Ash Wednesday. Lent is a time for penance and repentance, for almsgiving and prayer, for working to change attitudes that are not pleasing to God.

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 up an appointment.

Bible Study: Bible Study on Wednesday, February 15th. 10:30 a.m. St. Paul's Church (wake rooms). All are welcome. We discuss the readings for the coming Sunday Mass.

Masses: Tuesday, February 14, to Sunday, February 19, 2023

Tuesday,	Burky Fougere	6:00 p.m.	St. Paul's
Wednesday,	Charlie LeVangie	6:00 p.m.	St. Paul's
Thursday,	Veronica Brow	9:00 a.m.	St. Paul's
Friday,	Johnny Fougere	9:00 a.m.	St. Paul's
Saturday,	Barb & Wayne Fougere	11:00 a.m.	St. Paul's
	pro populo	4:00 p.m.	St. Francis
	Joe Wood	6:00 p.m.	St. Lawrence
Sunday	Those named, Living and Dead, on the Christmas Angel Tree 10:00 a.m. St. Paul's		

<u>Collection, Feb. 5, 2023</u>	<u>St. Francis</u>	<u>St. Lawrence</u>	<u>St. Paul</u>
Sunday Offering	Cancelled	Cancelled	\$965.00
Loose			\$15.00
Initial			\$25.00
Pastor's Dues			\$230.00
Roof Fund			\$25.00

Baptism: We welcome to our Catholic Faith, **Lucy Hazel Coleman**, infant daughter of Michelle Coleman and Jillian Hadley, Halifax. The Church reminds us that parents are always the first and most important teachers of their children in the ways of faith. May Lucy Hazel become the true disciple of Christ God calls her to be, guided by her parents, godparents and Church. Lucy will be baptized next Saturday, February 18th at St. Lawrence Church.

Mass Intentions: For a number of years we have been providing forms for Mass intentions. They help ensure that the Mass is said at the Church and date that you prefer. If you do not fill out this form there is no guarantee that the Mass will be said in the place you want. (For example, I say some Masses at the R.K. MacDonald and Port Hawkesbury Nursing Homes). Please fill out these forms rather than writing the information on a small piece of paper. Thank you – *Fr. Allan*.

Addendum to the previous notice: If you are writing out a cheque for a Mass, please make it out to St. Paul's Mass Stipend Account, regardless of what parish the Mass is for.

Thank You: We would like to offer a sincere thank you to all who attended Mom's (Mary Wood) visitation and Funeral Mass. To all those who brought Food to our homes, called, visited, sent mass, sympathy cards and enrollments. Thank you. Thanks to those who donated to The JaxMac Foundation and Mulgrave and Area Resting Place, to Carol and gang for the lovely luncheon, To Fr. Allan for a beautiful service and Ty Wallace for his wonderful music and To all the grandchildren who took part in the service. Thanks to CL Curry Funeral Home for their kindness and professionalism during this difficult time. Mom would be proud. *The Wood Family*

The cost of heating at **St. Lawrence Church** will increase substantially beginning January 2023. We have been paying 29 cents per .9 litres. The new cost will be \$1.16 per .9 litres, according to DSM Canada who provides our biofuel (Fish oil).

St. Lawrence Parish is in need of **readers** for Mass. If you are a regular church-goer and wish to read, please speak to Fr. Allan.

St. Lawrence Choir: anyone wishing to join the choir please contact Evangeline Breen at 902-747-2601. We welcome all new members.

St. Paul's Church Roof Fund: The cost of our new roof was \$31,206.25, a significant hit on our operating fund. If you wish to contribute above and beyond your usual contribution, please put your donation in an envelope with your name, envelope number, and marked Roof Fund. Thank you!

Covid – 19 Regulations for St. Paul, St. Lawrence and St. Francis of Assisi Parishes

1. Masks are Highly **Recommended**
2. Social distancing is **Highly Recommended.**
3. ***Hand sanitizing and mask- wearing by the priest and Eucharistic Ministers** will take place when serving Holy Communion.
4. Sharing the Chalice and shaking hands at the Sign of Peace will **not** take place.
5. **Holy Communion will take place on the hand only, or in a pyx, but not directly on the tongue.**
6. All other mandates, i.e. Proof of vaccination and capacity limits, are no longer in effect.
7. The holy water fonts at the Church entrance will remain empty
8. At Sunday Masses we will resume the procession of the gifts (bread, wine, and the collection) to the altar; collecting the offerings with collection baskets in the pews; the assistance of at least one Eucharistic minister at St. Paul and St. Lawrence churches at communion and more ministers when necessary.

Our Lady of Grace Chapel Father Albert MacPherson, OSA at will be available in the Chapel each Friday from 3:00 pm until 5:00 pm for Reconciliation.