St Paul's Parish, Havre Boucher St. Lawrence Parish, Mulgrave

Francis of Assisi Parish, St. Francis Harbour

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<u>This Sundays Readings</u>: Matthew 21: 1-11 (Gospel before Procession with Psalm)

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Isaiah 50: 4-7 I did not hide my face from insult and spitting. I know that I will not be put to shame. Responsorial Psalm 22 R. My God, My God, why have you forsaken me? Philippians 2: 6-11 Jesus humbled himself. Therefore God highly exalted him. Matthew 26: 14-27:66 The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ.

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.

Extra Confession Times: Saturday, April 1, 3:30 pm, St. Francis; Saturday, April 1, St. Lawrence after Mass (6:45 pm); Wednesday, April 5, St. Paul's 6:30 p.m.

NO Bible Study: this Wednesday, April 5,

<u>*The Share Lent Collection*</u>: assists the Canadian Catholic Organization for <u>Development and Peace</u> in their projects to develop the Global South.

Holy Week: is the week which precedes the great Feast of the Resurrection on Easter Sunday: it includes the last days of Lent and the beginning of the Easter Triduum. During Holy Week, the Church celebrates the mysteries of salvation accomplished by Christ in the last days of his life on earth, beginning with his messianic entrance into Jerusalem. (From The Ordo, 2022-2023 p. 191)

Masses: Tuesday, April 3, to Sunday, April 9, 2023

Monday,	April 3, Mass of Chrism (Blessing of Oils, Renewal of promises by Priests)	3:00 p.m. St. Ninian
Tuesday,	April 4, Robert Melong	6:00 p.m. St. Paul's
Wednesday,	April 5, Emily Stewart	6:00 p.m. St. Paul's

The Sacred Paschal Triduum

Through his Paschal Mystery, the Lord Jesus redeemed the human race and gave perfect glory to the Father. By dying, Christ destroyed our death; by rising, he restored our life. For this reason, the Easter Triduum when we celebrate the suffering, Death and Resurrection of our Lord, is the high point of the Liturgical Year. The Easter Solemnity is to the year what Sunday is to the week. (From the Ordo, 2022-2023, p. 199)

Thursday of the Lord's Supper (the Holy Mass and the Priesthood are instituted by Christ)

Nora Haywood4:00 p.m.St. FrancisDarrell DeCoste6:00 p.m.St. Paul's(At least one hour of adoration at the altar of repose should take place after each Mass)

Friday of the Passion of the Lord (Good Friday) (Celebration of the Lord's Passion) 1:00 p.m. St. Francis

3:00 p.m. St. Paul's

(Good Friday is a universal day of **<u>fasting and abstinence from meat</u>**)

Holy Saturday, The people of God remain in prayer and fasting at the tomb of the Lord, meditating on his sufferings, death, and descent to the dead. The Church abstains from Mass today, with the altar left bare until the Vigil Service.

The Resurrection of the Lord The Easter Vigil Saturday,	Max LeVangie	8:00 p.m.	St. Paul's
<u>Easter Sunday</u>	pro populo Melvin Haywood Art Carter	10:00 a.m.	St. Paul's St. Francis St. Lawrence

Baptism: Lucy Hazel Coleman, infant daughter of Mitchell Harris Coleman and Jillian Diane Hadley, Halifax, will be baptized this Saturday, April 1, at St. Lawrence Church. May her parents, godparents, family and Church help her to become the disciple of Christ and saint she is called to be.

Thank you! We, the family of Cyril Levangie would like to express our sincere appreciation for the tremendous support expressed by so many during the brief hospitalization and subsequent death of dad/Cyril through visits, calls, cards, food, and attendance at both the wake and funeral. We wish to thank Fr Allan and those who assisted in the funeral mass, Mary, those who worked at the mass card/charitable donation table, and all those who worked at and contributed to the funeral luncheon. We feel blessed to belong to such a compassionate and supportive community. May God bless each and every one of you. *Sincerely, Dolores and family*

The cost of **biofuel** for **St. Lawrence Church** for the month of February was **\$5,193.53**!

Collection, March 25/26, 2023	<u>St. Francis</u>	St. Lawrence	<u>St. Paul</u>
Sunday Offering	\$416.00	\$480.00	\$1455.00
Loose	\$5.00	\$13.00	\$11.00
Pastor's Dues			\$90.00
Fuel		\$40.00	
Development & Peace (Share Lent)	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$40.00
Easter Flowers IMO Winnie Pelrine, Marc Amirault & Sandra White			\$25.00 From Wayne, Debbie, Stella, Willie, Kelsey & Luka White

Stations of the Cross: St. Paul's, Wednesdays, 6:00 p.m.

<u>Chalice</u>, the Catholic Charitable organization, will be having a Sponsorship Weekend in our 3 parishes on June 10-11. We need volunteers in each parish to give out information at a table displaying information on Chalice at each church entrance. If you can help please speak to Fr. Allan.

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

Liturgy Committees: St. Lawrence Parish presently does not have a liturgy committee. A liturgy committee works with the pastor to plan and schedule liturgies, especially at Christmas, Lent, Holy Week and Easter. A liturgy committee seeks to find new people to serve as eucharistic ministers, lectors, singers and hospitality ministers; to take the lead in decorating the church for various seasons and holy days; to discuss appropriate music; to enhance the sacred nature of the Mass and other liturgies. I am proposing that St. Lawrence Parish establish a liturgy committee of at least 4 people who can commit themselves to several meetings a year. There should be someone from the music ministry on the committee and preferably the person who prepares the gifts and the Roman Missal and lectionary for Mass. Please speak to Fr. Allan if you are interested.

<u>The Good Friday Collection</u> is requested by the Holy See to help maintain the Church's holy places in the Holy Land, so important to the faith of Christians everywhere and also to support the faithful who struggle to survive under political and economic oppression and persecution.

<u>The Pontifical Collection</u> will be taken during Good Friday celebration on April 7, 2023. Those who are unable to attend the service, or who prefer to contribute online, may do so by Interac e-transfer or CanadaHelps by visiting **www.commissariat.ca/supporting-us**

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. <u>*Hand sanitizing and mask- wearing by</u> 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 <u>not</u> 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.

<u>Please Note</u>: Liturgies for the Holy Triduum (Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter) should not be broken up among parishes, but be celebrated entirely in a parish. During the Triduum (Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Easter Sunday), funeral Masses are forbidden.

Income Tax time is here again: Pat Shea is offering her services to anyone needing assistance with income tax returns. This is open to anyone and is free of charge. Please phone Pat at 234-3054 or cell at 902-537-03011

<u>Flea market at the Mulgrave Fire Hall May 6th, 2023</u> "in aid of St. Lawrence parish oil fund". The take in at the door and the cost of the tables will be donated to the church. There will be a flea market table for the parish if anyone has items to donate for this table call Evangeline at 902-747-2601 or drop off. Time 11a.m. to-2 p.m. Admission \$1.00 Tables \$10.00 each To book a table for crafts, Bake Table, or flea market items call Evangeline at 902-747-2601.

