

CWL Hour of Reflection — The St. Rose of Lima CWL is hosting an Advent Reflection at St. Rose of Lima church on Sunday, December 3, 2023 at 2:00 pm. All are invited and welcome to participate.

St. Rose of Lima Knights of Columbus Christmas Tree Lot — The lot is moving next door to the Sobeys Gas Bar in Fall River. This is a collaboration with the Burgess Family Tree Lot. If you are purchasing a real tree, please consider them. Free delivery will be available to Church members.

St. Rose of Lima Knights of Columbus "Socks for Souls" Campaign — The Knights will once again be collecting socks and gloves for those in need this winter. Please place your donations in the designated box at the entrance of St. Rose of Lima Church by December 10, 2023.

Thanks from Saint Vincent de Paul — The SVDPS would like to thank parishioners for their overwhelming contribution to its annual collection. They received approximately \$10,000 and are using it immediately to help people in the Parish.

St. Vincent de Paul Society
Phone: 902-476-8626
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Facts about the Saint Vincent de Paul Society:

1. We are a Catholic lay organization that tries to see Christ in the poor.
2. The Society spent more than \$2.2 million dollars this year supporting those living in poverty within our Halifax area.
3. Hope cottage is our Catholic Soup Kitchen, owned and run by Saint Vincent de Paul.
4. Hand in Hand in Spryfield is our thrift store and contribution centre, owned and operated by Saint Vincent de Paul.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) — The group meets each Thursday at St. Bernard Church Hall from 7:00 to 8:30 pm. Please contact Fr. Gerald at frgerald@standrebessette.net if you have any questions.

Open House to Celebrate Florence Benere's 95th Birthday — This will take place on Sunday, December 3, 2023 from 2:00 to 4:00 pm at the Enfield Fire Hall. No gifts please. However, donations of non-perishable goods for the food bank are welcome.

Caring & Sharing — Caring & Sharing-Angel Tree Food Bank is now taking registrations for the 2023 Christmas season. Adopt a family by contacting Allison Gilby at caringsharingaaf@gmail.com or call Pam Hutchinson at 902-476-7982. Monetary donations can be sent c/o 50 Old Enfield Road, Unit 2, Enfield, NS B2T 1C9 or e-transferred to caringandsharingants@gmail.com. Additional details can be found on the letter posted on the bulletin board.

The Musquodoboit Valley Foodbank — The foodbank is getting ready for Christmas and anticipating needing to meet more needs than ever. Please consider helping us this year with a monetary donation, non-perishable food, toiletries, socks, mittens, and toys for the Angel Tree. We will also need lots of cookies. Financial donations can be e-transferred to mvfoodbank2020l@gmail.com.

Beacon House Top 10 for November: Kraft Dinner, boxed cereal, mayonnaise, granola bars, crackers, canned beans or stew, canned meat, diapers, fruit cups, and hygiene products (toothpaste, toothbrushes, soap, razors, deodorant, shampoo, tampons/pads, shaving cream).

This notice was approved by the Supreme Court of Nova Scotia

NOTICE OF SETTLEMENT IN CLASS ACTION

To all individuals who were sexually abused by a priest of the Roman Catholic Episcopal Corporation of Halifax or Roman Catholic Episcopal Corporation of Yarmouth between April 14, 1954 and March 31, 2020 and have not previously settled or otherwise released either the Roman Catholic Episcopal Corporation of Halifax or Roman Catholic Episcopal Corporation of Yarmouth.

The Court has approved a settlement which provides compensation to eligible class members who file a claim for sexual assault and meet the requirements of the claims process.

If you opted out of the class action, the settlement will not impact you.

If you are part of the lawsuit as a Class Member, you can submit a claim for a payment of money as compensation. The amount of money that you may receive will depend on the specifics of the claim you submit. The potential amount of money to be paid to a Class Member whose claim is accepted will likely range from \$30,000 to \$350,000.

For further information, visit <https://kmlaw.ca/cases/catholic-priest-sexual-abuse-class-action/> or call 1-833-630-1785, or email catholicabuseclassaction@kmlaw.ca.

You must submit your claim for compensation before December 14, 2023. If you do not submit your claim for compensation before December 14, 2023, you will lose your right to compensation.

Happy 3rd Anniversary Archbishop Brian J. Dunn — November 27 will mark Archbishop Dunn's third anniversary of becoming the archbishop of the Archdiocese of Halifax-Yarmouth. To celebrate this significant moment in his ministry, he will celebrate the 12:15 Mass at Saint Mary's Cathedral Basilica on Monday, November 27. The faithful of the Archdiocese are invited to join him that day. Let us pray in gratitude for the ministry and leadership of Archbishop Dunn. May the Holy Spirit continue to guide and gift him with all he needs to care for the faithful of this local Church.

Celebrate our Diocesan Feast Day: December 8 — Starting this year, we will celebrate December 8, the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, as our *diocesan feast day*. Join Archbishop Dunn as he presides at a special 7:00 pm Mass at Saint Mary's Cathedral on December 8. Let's gather to entrust the people and parishes of our diocese to the care and intercession of Mary.

On November 14, 2022, the settlement of the class action suit against the Episcopal Corporation of Halifax and the Episcopal Corporation of Yarmouth was approved. Now we are in the Claims Period. This is a period of notification to the public which requires action on the part of the Archdiocese as well as the parishes. This notification period began on Monday, December 19, 2022 and concludes on Thursday, December 14, 2023.