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**5th Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 4, 2024**

Pastor: Fr. Michael Barker

Mass Schedule for February 4-11, 2024

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| Sunday | Feb. 4 | 9:30 a.m. | Hr. Main | William, Anna Marie, Chris, Jack, Willie, William C. Buckle/ Alban Murphy | |
| Sunday | Feb. 4 | 11:00 a.m. | Holyrood | Parishioners/ George & Ann Murphy/ James & Bridget Mason/ Margaret & William Costello and family/ Margaret & Joe Kelly and Jim Kelly | |
| Tuesday | Feb. 6 | Private Mass | | | John Veitch/ John Leo & Nora Penney/ Catherine Florence Penney |
| Wednesday | Feb. 7 | Private Mass | | | Jessica Quinlan/ Jenny Woodford (living-daughter-in-law of Mark & Marion) |
| Thursday | Feb. 8 | Private Mass | | | Jack & Mary G. Corbett/ Annie Hawco/ Vivian Penney/ Mary & Michael Boland |
| Friday | Feb. 9 | Private Mass | | | John & Marc Andrew Connor |
| Sunday | Feb. 11 | 9:30 a.m. | Hr. Main | Parishioners/ Raymond & Mary Ellen Hickey/ Margaret & Simon Hickey/ Ellen Hickey & Betty Ann Fewer & deceased Hickey family members | |
| Sunday | Feb. 11 | 11:00 a.m. | Holyrood | Harry Dohey/ Brendan Hunt/ Jerome & Mary Crawley/ John Gosselin & Ole Jule/ Eleanor Merritt/ Bill Costello/ Lawrence, Norah & Michael Healey/ Susanna & Michael Hickey and the Healey & Hickey families | |

Sunday, February 11, 2024

You are my refuge, Lord; with deliverance you surround me.

| Day | Readers | Sacristans | Eucharistic Ministers | Music Ministry |
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| February 11 9:30 a.m. Hr. Main | Bob Myers | Theresa Earles | Dave Woodman | Maria Woodford & Tony Myers |
| February 11 11:00 a.m. Holyrood | Mary Hynes-Nolan | Mary Hynes- Nolan | Barbara McGrath | Choir |

Hr. Main for the Month of February:

Holyrood

Church Cleaners: Linda Dalton (co-ordinator), Diana Woodford, Janice Dalton, Julia Costello, Joan Dalton (Woodford), Alice Dalton

Sacristans to care for the church:
March 3rd - 23rd : Jeanette Mahoney

Collection Monitors: Mary Myers, Gerald & Frankie Dalton

Linens: Wanda Lewis



Revenue for Holyhood

Collection for January 28th: Regular Sunday - \$1222.00; Initial Offering - \$20.00; Fuel - \$65.00; Insurance - \$30.00; Restoration - \$220.00; Community Support - \$100.00; Dues - \$200.00

Revenue for Hr. Main

Collection for January 28th: Regular Sunday - \$745.00; Fuel - \$175.00



FEBRUARY 4 - FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY

TIME: In today's Gospel, we see Jesus, after healing "many who were sick with various diseases"

and casting out "many demons", rising early in the morning and going out to a deserted place to pray. When his disciples find him and tell him that everyone is searching for him, Jesus says, "Let us go on to the neighbouring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also, for that is what I came out to do". Prayer, being in communion with God, was crucial to Jesus' ministry. It gave him strength and enabled him to keep his focus on his mission to preach the good news of salvation. The lesson for us, as Jesus' disciples, is to maintain a balance in our lives. Just as work is balanced by rest and relaxation, so too our ministry involvement must be balanced by prayer. Praying, being in communion with God, will give us the strength we need to continue our service to others and to make the mission of the Lord Jesus truly our own.



FEBRUARY 14 - ASH WEDNESDAY.

On this day we begin our Lenten journey. *Ash Wednesday is a universal day of fasting and of abstinence from meat.* As Catholics, we observe

the Lenten fast by limiting ourselves to one full meal and two smaller meals. *The law of fasting binds those from 18 to 59 years of age. The law of abstinence from meat binds those who are 14 and older.*

Holy Cross and Sts. Peter & Paul 2023 Income Tax Receipts are available at the church entrances.

Home Visits. Any sick or shut in parishioners who would like a visit from the Priest, please contact either parish office.

Bulletin. If you would like to receive the weekly bulletin via email, please contact either parish to have this set up.



Prayers & Sympathy to the family and friends of **William "Bill" Penney** who passed away on January 31, 2024 of Holy Cross Parish. May his soul and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the Mercy of God, Rest in Peace.

Royal Canadian Legion Branch 64, Holyhood. Coombs Care Job Fair on Feb 2nd from 11:00 -4:00 pm. The Branch is hosting a **♥♥Valentine's Dance♥♥** on February 10th, the romancing will commence at 10:00 pm. Music by Bob Redmond. On February 18th a Cornhole Tournament will take place at 2:00 pm. Proceeds to fund the **Wall of Honour.**

Topsail United Church will be holding an eat in Pancake Supper on Tuesday, February 13th at 6:00 pm. Menu of *all you can eat* pancakes, breakfast sausage, dessert, tea and coffee. Cost: \$12 adults; children under 10 \$6. To reserve tickets please call the church office between 9 -12 noon at 709-834-4567.

The Season of Lent



Lenten Season. Lent begins on Ash Wednesday and lasts until the beginning of the Mass of the Lord's Supper which marks the start of the Easter Triduum. Lent is the yearly celebration by the Church of its corporate conversion in Jesus Christ. It has a twofold purpose: it helps catechumens to prepare for celebrating the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation, and First Holy Communion) at the Easter Vigil, and it invites those who are baptized to prepare through penance and prayer to renew their baptismal vows at Easter, the greatest Feast of the Liturgical Year. Thus, Lent recalls or prepares for Baptism and emphasizes a spirit of penance. The baptismal and penitential themes are reflected in the Lenten readings.

