

**STELLA MARIS & ST. MARGARET'S PARISHES**  
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Ascension of the Lord (Year C)

May 17, 2026

1st Reading Acts 1:1-11

2nd Reading Ephesians 1:17-23

Gospel: Matthew 28:19, 20

Weekend Mass Schedule:

Saturday, May 16th 5 pm, Stella Maris Church Joseph Hartford

Sunday, May 17th, 9:30 am, St. Margaret's Church Parishioners

Sunday, May 17th, 11 am, Stella Maris Church Parishioners

Please Note:

Weekday Masses are celebrated in Stella Maris Church unless otherwise announced.

Tuesday, May 19th No Mass

Wednesday, May 20th No Mass

Thursday, May 21st, 6 pm Special Intention

Friday, May 22nd, 12 noon Dougald MacLellan

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 11 -11:45 am before the weekday Masses in the Church.

Marian Cenacle: Mondays, 11 am in the Church

Holy Hour: Saturdays, 10:30 am in the Church

Lectors: May 23rd & 24th

Sat, May 23rd, 5 pm Ann Lok

Sun., May 24th, 9:30 am Brian MacDonald

Sun., May 24th, 11 am Frank MacDonald

Gift Bearers: May 23rd & 24<sup>th</sup>

Sat., May 23rd, 5 pm Gift Bearers

Sun., May 24th, 9:30 am Isabel & Barry Eisenhower

Sun., May 24th, 11 am Gift Bearers

Sunday Offerings: Thank you!

May 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup>

Stella Maris: \$1,743.60 St. Margaret's: \$1,416.45

Building Fund Stella Maris: \$85.00 St. Margaret's: \$120.00

Please Note:

With the heat pumps now installed in Stella Maris Church we are no longer seeking Heating Donations. Please make donations to the "Building Fund" which is ongoing. Thank you for your support.

Please Note:

Anyone making a donation by cheque, please check to assure it is signed and date is correct.

Prayer Line - Please Note: Calls to the Prayer Line are to be made to Bernice O'Connor 258-2808 between 10 am - 6 pm. Otherwise please leave a message with your request and it will be passed along to the group.

Family Mass will be celebrated the second Sunday of the month at 11 am Mass in Stella Maris Church. Reception to follow in the vestry.

Holy Hour/Adoration on Sunday, June 7th following 11 am Mass. Personal confessions will be available.

Bible Study is cancelled until further notice while Fr. Daniel has time to rest and recover.

Holy Communion will be taken to the sick and shut-ins on second Thursday of the month. If you wish to receive Holy Communion please contact the Parish Office with your name, phone number, and civic address. If no one is in the office, please leave a message with your information.

St. Margaret's Sunday Rosary is prayed on Sundays at 9am before Mass. All are welcome.

Stella Maris Rosary for Peace will be prayed for before the Mass on Saturdays, 4 pm and on Sundays, 10am. Everyone is welcome to attend.

St. Margaret's Finance Committee is looking to add two new members, one male and one female, to the committee. Anyone that may be interested in joining are asked to please contact Chairman Donnie MacLellan or Secretary Mary Anderson.

Stella Maris Parish – Volunteers are needed to assist with preparation for the Masses especially now on Tuesdays. If you are willing to assist you would be doing tasks such as laying out vestments, setting up the altar, placing vessels (chalices, etc), linens, books, lighting candles and putting them away after the service. If you would like further information please call Stella Maris Parish Office 258-2462.

Stella Maris Fundraising Committee seeks help as we six are getting tired & could use a helping hand on the committee. We'll have less events to fundraise for but need a steady flow of income headed by a fundraising Committee. Please consider giving us a hand so we may start a turnover of team members every two years. Thank you, The Fundraising Committee

Inverness Food Bank needs your help! You can contribute by placing non-perishable food items or essential family supplies in the basket at the churches or businesses that may have a box set up. Monetary donations can be mailed to Inverness Food Bank. PO Box 123, Inverness, NS B0E 1N0. Memorial cards are available if you wish to donate in memory of a loved one. For further information please contact Olga Smith 259-7015 or Ruth Watts 258-7583. Thank you for your support.

ICMH Auxiliary Spring Fling & Tea on Sunday, May 31st, 2 -5 pm at Royal Canadian Legion, Inverness. Inverness & area are asked for baked goods for the tea; Broad Cove & area are asked for fudge. For information please contact Olga Smith 902-258-7015.

Mill Road Grows Community Garden & Greenhouse – All ages are welcome to all activities. Wednesday, May 20th., 3 pm Seniors' Guided Fiddlehead Hunt. Meet at Mill Road to depart, tea and free transport for seniors. Saturday, May 23rd, 9 am Community Workshop - Planting & raised beds. Watch for changes due to weather. See all our activities on Facebook at Mill Road Grows or call 902-258-5768.

Event Coordinator for the 70th Annual Broad Cove Scottish Concert, July 26, 2026. The position is for a 14 week period @ 35 hours/week. The anticipated start date would be mid-May, 2026. The successful candidate will be an enthusiastic self starter who is able to work independently. Previous experience in the field of event planning and coordination would be an asset. Candidates must be enrolled in a post-secondary program, preferably in the field of marketing, advertising or tourism, and have good Social Media Skills. A good understanding of the culture and music associated with the concert, would also be beneficial. For more information or to submit a resume, please contact the parish office at 902-258-2462.

St. Margaret's Groundskeeper Position: 10 weeks/35 hours per week. The successful candidate will be responsible for general groundskeeping and preparing for the Broad Cove Concert. Duties include mowing grass, painting, erecting signs, minor repairs, cleaning and general set up for concert. Post concert employee

Required to do grounds clean up, store benches, remove signs, etc. Interested persons may submit their to Stella Maris Parish office. For further information please contact 258-2462.

HAPPY VICTORIA DAY!