

*Weekday & Sunday Mass Schedules & Mass Intentions for the week of April 29- May 5*

<b>Tuesday April 30</b>	<b>St. Anthony's 6:30pm</b>	<b>No Mass</b>
<b>Wed. May 1</b>	<b>St. Augustine's 9:00am</b>	<b>No Mass</b>
<b>Thursday May 2</b>	<b>St. Augustine's 9:00am</b>	<b>No Mass</b>
<b>Saturday May 4</b>	<b>St. Patrick's 4:00pm</b>	
<b>Sunday May 5</b>	<b>St. Augustine's 9:00am</b> <b>St. Anthony's 11:00am</b>	<b>Pro populo</b> <b>Susan MacDonald – requested by Colleen &amp; Jim Ferguson</b>

**Two of St Augustine's parishioners were recognized for their volunteer efforts during the Municipality of the District of Chester Volunteer Recognition Ceremony on April 10.**

**Mary Jane (MJ) Barkhouse** was nominated by the Chester Curling Club. Since her arrival in Chester in 2001, MJ has volunteered with Shoreham Ladies Auxiliary, being involved in organizing and preparing fundraising dinners and selling tickets for their other activities. She was a valued member of the Chester Curling Club and organizes meals for many bonspiels. MJ volunteers with Relay for Life and is always on hand to help with the Bingo tables at the Mackerel Snappers Picnic, she bakes and supports ALS events as well as Schizophrenia fundraiser. MJ has been a caregiver for her own and other families in the community. She is warm friendly steady and dependable and is a positive supporter to many in our community.

**Anne Ward** was nominated by St. Augustine's Guild. Anne has served on the Board of Harbour House and was involved with the Chester Figure Skating Club in the past. She currently serves as an "extraordinary minister of the Eucharist" and recently retired as president of the Guild, after serving for more years than any of the current members can count. In that role Anne had taken on responsibility for decorating, cleaning, serving food, organizing events, receptions, and fundraisers, and twice annual birthday parties at Shoreham all while recruiting and motivating a team of volunteers and serving as a mentor. Anne teaches Catechism and has also served on Parish Council. In addition to her church related volunteer activities, before retiring from teaching she would volunteer for extracurricular events, such as carnival and theatre productions and was always willing to go the extra mile for her students.

## Second Sunday of Easter

*April 28, 2019*

*St. Augustine's Parish, Chester  
St. Anthony's, Hubbards & St. Patrick's, New Ross*



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**Good Friday – Envelopes - \$726.00; Loose - \$110.00 – Total - 836.00**

**Easter – Envelopes - \$2129.00; Loose - \$313.00 – Total - \$2442.00**

## Bishop Robert Barron

April 22 at 7:47 PM ·

"Friends, the terrible news about the terrorist attacks in Sri Lanka reached me yesterday immediately prior to offering Easter Mass. While the victims were close to my heart in prayer, I was overcome with outrage at what was not only an assault on human dignity but a sacrilege against God. In every age of the Church's life there is persecution and martyrs, and our time is no exception. But it seems to me that our own age has become exceptional in regards to the persecution of Christians. Fear of violence is the day to day reality for scores of Christians throughout the world. Justice and truth demand that the persecution of Christians be distinctly named and repudiated without equivocation, for it threatens not only the Church, but all people of good will. Violent attacks on religious believers, exercising their right in conscience to worship and to peacefully live a unique way of life, is an attack on civilization. An assault against the human dignity of one group is an assault against the dignity of all humanity. A sacrilege against God is a sacrilege against all who in good conscience believe. May the Lord Jesus receive all those whose lives were unjustly taken from them and may they take their place amongst the great martyrs of the Church."

([https://business.facebook.com/pg/BishopRobertBarron/posts/?ref=page\\_internal](https://business.facebook.com/pg/BishopRobertBarron/posts/?ref=page_internal))

"Thomas had not seen the risen Christ, and so he refused to believe that Jesus had really risen. Jesus does not rebuke him, but he does point out that "blest are they who have not seen and have believed." One reason why we are so far from the Kingdom is that we refuse to believe what we have not seen. We have not experienced a world without war, so we refuse to believe that peace is possible. We have always had poor among us, so we refuse to believe that poverty can be eliminated. We see only our own economic system and we refuse to believe that anything else will work. The saying of Jesus echoes through the centuries: "blest are they who have not seen and have believed." Blest are those prophetic voices raised in anticipation of a new day, a new world of justice and peace. They "no longer look for Jesus among the dead," but find him instead in life and in the fullness of life. They base their lives on their total faith that we "have become a new creation."

Will the world ever succeed in changing that selfish and bellicose mentality which, up to now, has been interwoven in so much of its history? It is hard to foresee; but it is easy to affirm that it is toward that new history, a peaceful, truly human history, as promised by God to men of good will, that we must resolutely march. [Pope Paul VI, Address to the United Nations \(1965\) Para. 22](#) (Gerald Darring)

## **Name Our New Parish**

The Parish 16 Transition Team is proposing the name of our new Parish be Holy Apostles Parish as suggested by Fathers Roberto, Sebastian and Jose. Holy Apostles Parish meets the following criteria:

1. Feast Day is not a conflict with the existing Parish names
2. Not using Saint in the new name does not conflict with existing Parish names
3. Allows each existing Parish to maintain their current identity in conjunction with "Community of Faithful", example St. Augustine's Community of Faithful
4. Does not conflict with a Parish name currently in use, or used in the past, in the Archdiocese of Halifax/Yarmouth

This weekend we will distribute Ballots and you can indicate your approval of the new Parish name as **Holy Apostles Parish** or suggest an alternative name that meets the above criteria. Thank You!

**Your Transition Team Committee Members are Linda Hiltz, Mark Raymond, Don Horne**

There will be no weekday Mass this week as Fr. Jose will be attending the annual Priests' Retreat.

Today, April 28, will be the final Sunday School class for this term.

Next Sunday, May 5, Landen Harvey will be receiving the sacrament of Confirmation. A reception will be held at the Glebe after Mass. All are welcome to attend.

**Development & Peace – Share the Journey** – Thank you for your generous support of the 2019 Share Lent campaign! Development & Peace – Caritas Canada thanks you for your Share Lent donation. Thanks to your generosity, **\$816.00** was collected in our parish. This sum will help support the actions of our sisters and brothers in Africa, Asia, Latin America and the Middle East. If you have not had a chance to donate, there is still time to place your Share Lent envelope in the Offertory or to donate on line at [devp.org/give](http://devp.org/give). Thank you for continuing to pray for all those who are working to build a world of peace and justice.

