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| Sa | 1 | Pope Francis |
| Su | 2 | Bishop Brian Dunn |
| Мо | 3 | Seminarians |
| Tu | 4 | Candidates to the Permanent Diaconate |
| We | 5 | Deacon Greg Murphy |
| Th | 6 | Fr. Paul Murphy |
| Fr | 7 | Fr. Jonathan Nnajiofor |
| Sa | 8 | Fr. Anthony O'Connor |
| Su | 9 | Fr. Jim Oliver |
| Mo | 10 | Fr. Patrick O'Neill |
| Tu | 11 | Fr. Frank Pellerin |
| We | 12 | Deacon Leo Penny |
| Th | 13 | Deacon Francis Pham |
| Fr | 14 | Fr. Peter Piva |
| Sa | 15 | Fr. Vargheese Puthuparambil |
| Su | 16 | Deacon Art Riley |
| Мо | 17 | Deacon John Scott |
| Tu | 18 | Deacon Roy Smith |
| We | 19 | Fr. Vincent Van Zutphen |
| Th | 20 | Fr. John Yake |
| Fr | 21 | Fr. Callistus Abazie |
| Sa | 22 | Fr. Frank Abbass |
| Su | 23 | Fr. Paul Abbass |
| Мо | 24 | Fr. Jake Andrea |
| Tu | 25 | Fr. Antolin Asor |
| We | 26 | Fr. Peter Baccardax |
| Th | 27 | Fr. John Barry |
| Fr | 28 | Fr. Leo Boone |
| Sa | 29 | Fr. Dan Boudreau |
| Su | 30 | Fr. Donald Boudreau |
| Мо | 31 | Fr. Andrew Boyd |

Prayer for Priests, Deacons

Diocese of Antigonish

Please Pray for a Priest/Deacon Each Day

Let us show our love and appreciation for our priests, deacons and others serving in our diocese, by praying each day. Please use the calendar in this pamphlet as your guide for your daily prayer intention.

> Eternal Father, we lift up to you these and all the priests, deacons of the world.

> > Sanctify them.

Heal them; guide them.

Mold them into the likeness and holiness of your Son, Jesus, the Eternal High Priest.

May their lives be pleasing to You. In Jesus' name we pray. **AMEN**

There are some prayers included on the inside of this brochure which you may use. You may have other forms of prayer that you would prefer, such as

> Mass Fasting **Eucharistic Exposition** Rosary Holy Hour **Other Devotions**

O Jesus, Eternal High Priest, live in (name of priest/deacon), act in him, speak in and through him.
Think Your thoughts in his mind, love through his heart.
Give him Your own dispositions and feelings.
Teach, lead and guide him always.
Correct, enlighten and expand his thoughts and behavior.
Possess his soul; take over his entire personality and life.
Replace him with Yourself.
Incline him to constant adoration and thanksgiving;
pray in and through him.
Let him live in you and keep him in this intimate union always.
O Mary, Immaculate Conception, Mother of Jesus and Mother of Priests, Pray and intercede for (_____).

Let us pray for priests and deacons:

The Holy Father

Fill him with your grace, Lord. Cardinals, Archbishops and Bishops Give them your gifts, Lord Diocesan Priests/Deacons Never leave them, Lord Priests in seminary work Give them your wisdom, Lord.

Those in hospital work Give them constancy, Lord Those who are ill Heal them, Lord. Those who are in danger Deliver them, Lord. Those who are weak Strengthen them, Lord. Those who are poor Relieve them, Lord Those who are zealous Help them, Lord.

Those who are worried Give them peace, Lord Those who are old Sustain them, Lord. Those who are young *Impel them for your glory* Lord. Those who are alone Accompany them, Lord. **Missionary Priests** Protect them, Lord. Those who are preachers Enlighten them, Lord. Those who direct souls Instruct them. Lord. Parish priests *Give them prudence, Lord.* **Religious** priests Make them perfect, Lord.

For all priests, deacons

Give them your wisdom, Lord. Give them virtue. Give them patience and charity. Give them obedience and kindness. Give them a burning zeal for souls. Give them an intense love for the Eucharist. Give them loyalty to the Holy See and their Bishops. Give them respect for their dignity. Give them a great love for Mary. Give them rectitude and justice. Give them the gift of counsel. Give them strength in their labours. Give them peace in their sufferings. Give them humility and generosity. Let them be the light of souls. Let them be the salt of the earth. Let them practice sacrifice and self-denial. Let them enkindle hearts with the love of Mary. Let them be other Christs. Let them be holy in body and soul. May they be men of prayer. May faith shine forth in them. May they be concerned only for the salvation of souls. May they be faithful to their vocation. May their hands know how to bless. May they burn with the love of You and Mary. May all their steps be for the glory of God. May the Holy Spirit possess them, and give them his Gifts and fruits in abundance.

Let us pray:

O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, you are the soul and the life of the Church. Hear the prayers we offer for priests and deacons. We ask this through the Immaculate Heart of Mary, their protector and guide. **AMEN**