

## April 2019

Mo	1	Pope Francis
Tu	2	Bishop Brian Dunn
We	3	Seminarians
Th	4	Candidates to the Permanent Diaconate
Fr	5	Fr. Vincent Van Zutphen
Sa	6	Fr. John Yake
Su	7	Fr. Callistus Abazie
Mo	8	Fr. Paul Abbass
Tu	9	Fr. Jake Andrea
We	10	Fr. Antolin Asor
Th	11	Fr. Peter Baccardax
Fr	12	Fr. John Barry
Sa	13	Fr. Leo Boone
Su	14	Fr. Daniel Boudreau
Mo	15	Fr. Donald Boudreau
Tu	16	Fr. Andrew Boyd
We	17	Fr. Bill Burke
Th	18	Fr. Charles Cameron
Fr	19	Fr. Francis Cameron
Sa	20	Fr. Barrett Clare-Johnson
Su	21	Deacon Robert Coleman
Mo	22	Fr. Bill Crispo
Tu	23	Fr. Duaine Devereaux
We	24	Fr. Evo Di Pierro
Th	25	Fr. Daniel Doucet
Fr	26	Fr. Bedford Doucette
Sa	27	Deacon Michael Doyle
Su	28	Fr. Michel Exalant
Mo	29	Fr. Conrad Edwards
Tu	30	Fr. Andrew Gillies

# *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 (\_\_\_\_\_).

**AMEN**

### ***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*

On all the Church --- *Lord, have mercy*