Eucharistic Congress 2024: Communion to Heal the World

Matthew: 23.8

Thanks to your prayers, promotion, and support of the Eucharistic Congress, there are over 600 people registered! It is exciting that so many people from

across the Archdiocese of Halifax-Yarmouth want to encounter Christ in this particular way.

The Archdiocese would like as many people as possible to be a part of the first ever Eucharistic Congress here in our local Church. So in the coming days, organizers will be re-assessing the venue space to see if they can open up more seats. They will also develop a livestream schedule for the parts of the Congress that can be made accessible online.

You can still join a waitlist to attend the Congress in person by going to halifaxyarmouth.org/congress2024.

Don't forget the way the parish is helping us prepare our hearts and minds for this Congress:

Presence: The Mystery of the Eucharist

There are two sessions left in this 4-part video series which explores the truth and beauty of Christ's real presence in the Eucharist. All are welcome.

St. Bernard Church (Granville Room) Wednesdays October 2 and 9 @ 1 pm St. Rose of Lima Church (Mitchell Hall) Thursdays October 3 and 10 @ 6:30 pm

Eucharistic Adoration



An Invitation from Jesus

Spending time with someone who loves us is a treasure. **Jesus loves you! Spend time with Him. He is truly present in the Eucharist. His Heart is waiting patiently for you.**

When can I visit Jesus?

Adoration of the Most Holy Eucharist is offered:

St. Rose of Lima Church:

- Every Friday after 9:00 am Mass until 12:00 pm (confessions also heard during this time).
- The last Wednesday of the month after 6:30 pm Mass until 7:45 pm.

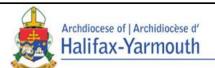
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Come Let Us Adore Him!

On September 30, we recognize the **National Day for Truth and Reconciliation**. In light of this, Archbishop Dunn invites people across the Archdiocese of Halifax-Yarmouth to contribute to the local efforts towards reconciliation and healing. Along with the options provided in his letter, you can also place an envelope marked "Truth and Reconciliation" in the weekly collection.



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Established in 2021 by the Archdiocese of Halifax-Yarmouth, the **Reconciliation and Healing Fund** supports local initiatives that address the historical trauma, intergenerational impacts and systemic injustices faced by Indigenous people in collaboration with Mi'kmaq communities. In recognition of Truth and Reconciliation Day and Nova Scotia Treaty Day, our hearts are drawn to continue to support our Indigenous brothers and sisters.

To honour these important days, I encourage the faithful to take time to pray for all those impacted by residential schools and learn about the residential school system on September 30th.

The following day, October 1st, Treaty Day marks the beginning of Mi'kmaq History Month in Nova Scotia, a history that will reflect a future of fruitful collaboration and collective goals. The Mi'kmaq Pastoral Council, comprised of Indigenous and non-Indigenous members, helps advise me on the pastoral needs of First Nations communities and reflects our commitment to this future.

Every contribution to the Reconciliation and Healing Fund will directly support local projects, determined through consultation with Mi'kmaq leadership, the Mi'kmaq Pastoral Council, survivors, elders, and community members.

How can you contribute?

- Donate online here.
- Send a donation by e-transfer to finance@halifaxyarmouth.org Please note "September 2024 Donation" in the memo box.
- You can also mail your donations directly to us at: 1559 Brunswick St., Suite 101, Halifax, Nova Scotia, B3J
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I ask you to prayerfully consider supporting the 2024 Reconciliation and Healing Fund throughout the months of September and October. The fund is a means for us, locally, to go beyond our national pledge and make efforts within Nova Scotia to take more concrete steps toward healing and reconciliation with Mi'kmaq communities in our diocese.

Sincerely in Christ,

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Archbishop of Halifax-Yarmouth

Treaty Day Mass: October 1 —

October 1 is recognized as Treaty Day in Nova Scotia. A variety of activities are planned for the day by a Treaty Day organizing team made up of Mi'kmaq community members. This includes a Treaty Day Mass at 10:30 am at Saint Mary's Cathedral Basilica. All are welcome to join in this special liturgy.

Of note this year, Grand Chief Norman Sylliboy will present Archbishop Dunn with an eagle feather. In Mi'kmaq culture the eagle feather is an important and significant symbol of honor and esteem representing the community's connection to the Creator. To receive the gift of an eagle feather is considered a great honour. This gesture also signifies the commitment of the Archdiocese and the Mi'kmaq to walk together a path towards healing and reconciliation.



"In Service to One - In Service to All"

Saint Bernard's Knights of Columbus would like to take this opportunity to thank parishioners throughout St. André Bessette Parish for your outstanding support over this past year. The 1st principle of our Order is "charity" and of course it is our mission to come to the assistance of those in our communities less fortunate than ourselves. Due directly to your generosity in support of our fund-raising initiatives, our council, working closely with the three area foodbanks, has successfully channeled over \$25,670.00 (+/-) back into the communities of the East Hants Corridor. The following are actual examples of your charitable dollars at work:

- bed and dresser for an elderly lady living in a care home (\$1650.00)
- hearing aids for three lower-income seniors (\$10,950.00)
- donations to two cancer patients (\$2,000.00)
- student bursaries (\$4,000.00)
- donations to "Safe Graduation" and Special Olympics (\$1000.00)
- (Winter) Coats for Kids (\$2070.00)
- donation to St. Bernard's window project (\$2,500.00)
- donation toward Heat Pump in Ice Cream Stand (\$1,000.00)

Thank you and God Bless!