

Vocation Director's Report – 2020

This year the committee has yet to meet due to the Corona Virus and its impact on the Parish life. I have only taken over this role and I am sure that there are others who could do a much better job. I have however been given this task, and with the other members of the priestly vocations committee of the diocese, will try to do what is best for all. Committee members were as follows: Bishop Wayne Kirkpatrick, Fr. Dennis Lamey, (Director), Fr. Dan MacDonald, Fr. Gary MacPherson (St.FX Chaplain) now retired, Fr. Doug MacDonald (CBU Chaplain), Fr. Martin MacDougall, and Fr. Jonathon Nnajofo.

Fathers Allan MacPhie and Patrick O'Neill have resigned from the Committee after many years of service. The Committee thanks them for their generosity and commitment to those discerning priesthood.

Our Seminarian, David Rankin is doing very well. He was studying at St. Peter's Seminary in London Ontario. The Seminary, the Bishop and the Committee are very pleased with his progress. David will resume his theology studies in the fall of 2020 at St Augustine Seminary. Due to Covid restrictions this may require changes in how this is accomplished. David has been working for the summer at the Pastoral Centre, the Chancery, and helping the Vocations committee. He was able to update our Facebook page for Vocations and I have created a new brochure. <https://www.facebook.com/VocationsAntigonish> is the Facebook link, and the brochure will be available from the Pastoral Center shortly.

Please continue to pray for young men and women to discern a call to priesthood and religious life. We need their talents and energy to bring the message of Christ to a battered world. May God continue to bless us. We also want to thank Bishop Kirkpatrick for his dedication to vocations and religious life.

Sincerely your brother in Christ
Fr Dennis Lamey
Vocations Director for the Diocese of Antigonish