

Parish News



Mass Schedule:

Monday	(16 May)	6:30 p.m. in St. Andrews
Tuesday	(17 May)	12 noon in Paq'tneke (at the home of John R. Prosper, 7926 Hwy 4)
Thursday	(19 May)	9:00 a.m. in Heatherton (late John D. Fraser)
Saturday	(21 May)	4:00 p.m. in Giant's Lake 6:30 p.m. in Heatherton (late Joan Bailey)
Sunday	(22 May)	9:00 a.m. in Heatherton & 10.30 a.m. in St. Andrews

Upcoming events for Father Gary:

From the 22 May to 27 May, Father Gary will be on a retreat in Mabou with the priests of the Diocese. Also, from 6 to 8 June, Father Gary will be attending the General Assembly of Priests in Port Hawkesbury.

Thank you to all those who attended the **Mass for the residents of Fort McMurray** and a special thank you to all involved in the liturgy. It was a very good turn-out for this Mass and we appreciate all those who made the effort to attend.

Please note: At the request of Bishop Brian Dunn, there will be a special collection for Fort McMurray which will be held this weekend following communion.

Copies of the "**Prayer for families affected by the fires in Fort Mac Murray**" are located near the Church bulletins. Please take a copy.

Notice to all eligible Confirmation Candidates: the sacrament of Confirmation for our parishes will take place at Immaculate Conception Church in Heatherton on Thursday, November 17, 2016. Our journey begins with a meeting for all eligible candidates and their parents on **Sunday, May 29th**. Please choose the most convenient time for you: St Andrews-immediately after 10:30 Mass in the church; Heatherton- 7pm in the church. Registration forms and information packages will be available at that time. It is most important that all candidates and parents attend. (Eligibility must be in grades 9 or higher in the 2016-2017 school year; any adult who has not been confirmed and wishes to receive the sacrament-please contact Father Gary.

Thank you to the ladies from the **St. Andrews and Heatherton C.W.L.** who hosted the supper for the volunteers with the Religious Education and Children's Liturgy of the Word. It was a beautiful meal & a lovely evening was held by all who attended.

Congratulations to our local **KOC** who won the **Family Service award at the State Convention** which was held in Halifax last weekend. This is a well deserved recognition to this dedicated and hard working group.

A CONCERT like none other!! Sunday, June 12th at 2pm, St. Andrew's Church. The **SHINING LIGHTS**, a singing group from Halifax, will perform in the St. Andrews Church. The members of this group have either been homeless or at the risk of being homeless. The **concert is free**; however, if you wish to make to donation, the funds will go to the Sisters of St. Martha Street Ministry in Halifax. Come and meet some remarkable people!

Knights of Columbus: The post secondary student information session and BBQ for our parishes scheduled from 2 to 4 pm on Sunday, May 15, has been cancelled due to lack of student registrations.

Please Note Date: We invite you to join us for the **last official Mass** at St. Francis DeSales Church in Giant's Lake on **Sunday, June 26, 2016** at 4pm. A Social to follow the Mass and Concert to follow the Social. All are welcome.

Heatherton Parish News:

Thank you to all those who purchased tickets on the Mother's Day Basket and a special thanks to the volunteers who sold tickets. The winner of the basket was Laurie Bowles and approximately \$1,100.00 was made on this fundraiser (after a few purchases were made for the basket).

The **C.W.L.** will be sponsoring a "**Walk for Life**" on **Sunday, 29 May**, starting at the **Activity Centre**.

The Roman Catholic
Communities of

**Immaculate Conception,
Heatherton**

St. Andrew,
St. Andrews

**St. Francis DeSales,
Giants Lake**

May 14-15, 2016
Pentecost Sunday

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Baptisms

By appointment, please call

Fr. Gary.

Marriages

Please call Fr. Gary at least
six months in advance.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

One half hour before Mass
begins or anytime by
appointment

We have doors for the entrance of our Church as we had to replace the old ones due to the fact that they were not meant to be exterior doors. We wish to thank Albert Chisholm and Donnie Chisholm who installed these beautiful doors this past week.

The donations to the Food Bank in March and April totaled 55 lbs. and \$15.00. Thank you very much. The next collection will be the weekend of the 28 – 29 May.

The C.W.L. is sponsoring Bingo at the Highland Crest Home on Wednesday, 18 May, at 2 p.m. Anyone able to attend is asked to please contact Mary Ellen MacDonald at 902.386.2687.

Collections 8 May Regular = \$938.50 Loose = \$67.40 Donation = \$85.00 Cemetery = \$500.00
Pope's Pastoral Works = \$5.00 Antigonish Diocesan Society = \$45.00

St. Andrews Parish News:

The Annual Lobster/Ham Dinner plate take-out will be held on Sunday June 12, 2016; all orders must be placed in advance; please see committee members or MacDonald Convenience Store to book your plate. All funds raised are used for Youth Faith Formation. Lobster \$15/Ham \$10- all dinners include strawberry shortcake. Pick up by 1pm at the center if arrangements not made for delivery.

St Andrews Pastoral Council will meet on Sunday, 5 June, at 2:00 p.m. in the Martha Room. Please email reports to Pat before Thursday, 2 June, so that members will have time to read the package prior to this meeting.

The Annual Spring Maintenance Levy will be taken up at the main entrance of the church on Sunday, May 28 and Saturday/Sunday June 4 & 5 to allow parishioners an opportunity to contribute. This year these funds will be used for more improvements to church and glebe and our property taxes which were \$3,273.30 last year. Thank you.

Applications for grass cutting involving a Tractor mower, push mower and whipper-snipper work will be welcomed by the parish. Knowledge of machine care and drivers license would be assets. Please see Kenny Boyle or drop an application off in the office this week. Thanks!

Thank you for support and contributions received at St. Andrews: Envelopes/Loose \$1,696.75; Bucket \$13.00 (for School Breakfast Program); Cemetery Account \$50; St. Francis DeSales- **Giant's Lake** \$145.00

Diocesan News

Mother of Sorrows Pioneer Shrine has been open for visitation all winter. The gift shop beside the Shrine will open for the season on Friday May 20th and will be open daily from 1 to 4 pm. On June 3rd, we start summer hours 9 am to 5 pm on Sunday. For further information please call 902-945-2221.

Community News

Fort McMurray Benefit Concert this Sunday, 15 May, 7:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Admission: Donation at the Door. Featuring: Jamie Benoit, Dwayne Mattie, Chrissy Mattie, Kevin DeCoste, Jackie Benoit, Chantal Paul, Tracey Benoit, Brenda Berkvens, Ty Wallace, and more! There will also be 50/50 tickets and a raffle draw. Light refreshments will be available. All proceeds from this event will be donated to the Canadian Red Cross for the Alberta Fires Appeal.

Multipurpose Room at the Heatherton Community Centre is in need of items and are asking anyone interested in purchasing them "In Memory Of" or "In Honour Of". The items are: Room Darkening Shades (\$320.00 each) and Tables (\$320.00 each). For each donation of \$320.00 a name will be engraved and placed on a plaque displayed in the room. For more information, contact Margie Glenn at 902.386.2279 or e-mail to margieglenn@hotmail.com

Annual Erinville Fishing Derby-Hosted by-With A Little Help Society will be held on SATURDAY, MAY 28/16; Rain date-Sun. May 29/16, from 8AM-3PM at 10 The Lane Road, Erinville. Adults-\$12, 12 and under-\$6. Cash and merchandise prizes. NO FISHING LICENCE NEEDED. For more info call 902-533-2169.

Antigonish Lions Club Sausage & Pancake Breakfast, Sunday, 29 May 29, from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. at the Lions Den on Highland Drive Extension. Donations at the door. Money raised at this event will go towards helping a local family with their child's new assistance dog.

Registration for the **7th Annual Antigonish 55+ Games** is now open. The games will take place in Antigonish and St. Andrews 16 to 18 June. Registration forms may be picked up at Antigonish Town and County Recreation departments and be dropped off or mailed to 274 Main Street, Antigonish, NS, B2G-0B4. **Registration deadline is Friday, June 10th**. For more information email antigonishsgia@gmail.com or call Jenny Bowie at 902-968-0055.

Operation Boomers Driver Refresher Course Hosted By: The Senior Safety Program at St. Ninian Place, Monday May 16th, 1-4 pm and Tuesday May 17th, 9am-12noon. This is a **FREE** course with pre-registration required. For more information/registration call: Karen Armstrong at 902.318.0372. Spon. by: The Insurance Bureau of Canada

A Family Round and Square Dance will be held on Friday, May 20 at St. Mary's Parish Hall - Hwy 245 Maryvale, Antigonish Co. from 9pm to 12am. Music provided by Rodney MacDonald and Allan Dewar. Admission: \$10. Children 12 and under free when accompanied by an adult. Tea and Sweets Provided!