



Tri-Parish News

Mass Schedule (January, February, March 2017)

6:00 p.m. on Saturday – St. Croix

9:00 a.m. on Sunday – St. Andrews

11:00 a.m. on Sunday – Immaculate Conception

Weekday Mass Schedule:

Monday (2 January) 6:30 p.m. in Pomquet
Tuesday (3 January) 6:30 p.m. in Paq'tnkek
Wednesday (4 January) 9:00 a.m. in St. Andrew's
(late Wilhelmina Westenenk)
Thursday (5 January) 9:00 a.m. in Heatherton
(late Theresa MacDonald)

Welcome to Deacon Art

We wish to welcome to Deacon Art Riley as he begins his ministry of service among our parishes. May God graciously bless him and his family, now and always. Please keep Deacon Art in your prayers.

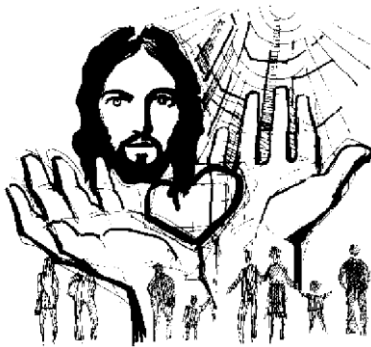
Thanks from Father Gary

It is with deep joy and gratitude that I extend to you sincere thanks for all the gifts, cards, and best wishes given to me this Christmas. Also, a special thank you for the delicious food that was sent to my home. It was truly appreciated and your kindness will always be remembered. Best wishes to you and your families for a holy and blessed New Year *Father Gary*

Thanks: We appreciate all that you do

A special thank you to all of our volunteers who helped with the decorating and preparing our churches for Christmas. Thank you to those who served as Readers, Altar Servers, Gift Bearers, Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist and Hospitality Ministers. A sincere thanks to the choirs who did a wonderful "job" with the music. The celebrations in our parishes were most beautiful. Thank you again and may you all have a very Happy New Year.

A New Year – A New Prayer Program – And you are invited!



Many of you are aware of the Pastoral Work and Planning going on in our diocese because of this fact, Father Gary would like to start a very simple Prayer Program for the needs of our Antigonish Diocese beginning New Years Day: simply say one Our Father, one Hail Mary and one Glory Be to the Father each day.

The one Our Father is for the needs of our very own diocese, asking God to give us all that is needed. The one Hail Mary is for the needs of our pastoral unit churches of St. Andrews, Ste. Croix, St. Francis and Immaculate Conception. The Glory Be is to be prayed by parishioners for the needs of their own individual parish. If you are willing to join in this Prayer Program please call Jolene at the Tri-Parish Office and give her your name.

The **Prayer for Priests and Deacons** for the month of January is now located near the bulletins. Please take a copy.

The Roman
Catholic
Communities of

**Immaculate Conception,
Heatherton**

**St. Andrew,
St. Andrews**

**Ste. Croix,
Pomquet**

1 January, 2017

The Epiphany

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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

A reminder that **Church contribution envelopes** for the 2017 year are now located in the Church. If you wish to receive a packet, and are not already on the list, please call the office at 902.386.2810 or email 3catholic@gmail.com

Immaculate Conception Parish News

A reminder to students that **Faith Formation classes** will resume on Wednesday, 4 January, at 6:30 p.m. in the Heatherton Community Centre.

The C.W.L. collect **used stamps** for mission work to help educate priests. There is a container on the table (near the confessional box) for these stamps. Please do not cut near the stamp as you need to leave about 1 inch around for them to be accepted. Also, **pop/beer tabs** are collected & a container is available for these.

2017 will mark the 150th Anniversary of Immaculate Conception Church in Heatherton. Plans activities for this very special milestone and we are going to be looking for volunteers and some ideas to make this event spectacular. We plan on having various events for all ages. More information will be available within the near future and on how you can help with this event.

To **volunteer** to serve as a Reader, Gift Bearer, Altar Server, Extraordinary Minister, or Hospitality Minister for our parish, please contact Dorothy Greencorn at 902-386-2045.

Church cleaning schedule:

7 January – Gail Marsh, Isabel Thompson and Denise Delorey

21 January – Roberta Rovers, Dorothy Greencorn and Jennifer Greencorn

4 February – Lorraine Bowie, Margie (Myles) Glenn and Theresa Cameron

Thanks for your support: Regular = \$1,175.00 Loose = \$539.30 Foster Child = \$4.45
Cemetery = \$482.50 Initial Offering = \$5.00 Christmas = \$800.00

St. Andrew's Parish News

Thank you for your support:

St Andrew DEC 24/25 = \$ 3119.35 DEC 24 received at Giant's Lake \$1,945.50

Received from St Ninian Dec 28, 2016 = \$815.00

Donations were received In Memory of: Vince & Isabel MacEachern, James & Audrey Floyd, Joe & Kay Webb, Angus Isobel & Helen MacDonald, John James & Lorette LeBlanc, Laughlin & Theresa Mills, John & Anna tenBrinke, Allan & Margaret MacPherson, Harry & Pearl MacPherson, Tena & Donnie MacDonald, Janet Ross.

Ste. Croix Parish News

Religion classes will resume in Pomquet École Acadienne on Wednesday, 4th of January at 6:30 pm. for all grades.

Thank you for your support:

Sunday collection = \$1,587.00

Loose = \$445.50

Christmas Flowers = \$85.00

Christmas = \$1,270.00

Sleeping Children = \$45.70

Sunday Missalette = \$4.00

Cemetery = \$30.00

Keyboard Fund Raiser = \$2,063.00

Hall Rent (Chase the Ace) = \$2,800.00

Hall Rent (Pomquet Fire Department) = \$600.00

Community News

The Walking Club starts the 1 January. Results for the week to be called to Jeanette or e-mailed to Paulette on Tuesdays. The first group walk will be this Sunday, 1 January, at 5:30 p.m. at the Heatherton Community Centre.

A friendly reminder that the **Crib games** at the Heatherton Community Centre will resume on Saturday, 7 January, at 1:00 p.m.

St. Andrews Bingo Committee is looking for volunteers to work at Bingo on Friday night; anyone who may be willing to help out please call Helen at 902-863-4573 or Marie at 902-863-3279.

The **Pomquet Fire Department card games** are held every Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. in the Pomquet Fire Hall.