

Immaculate Conception Parish News

The collection was not counted due to the storm last Sunday so the amounts will be included in next week's bulletin.

St. Andrew's Parish News

The next Pastoral Council meeting will be Tuesday, 7 February, at 7:00 p.m. in the Martha Room.

Thank you for your support: Regular = \$775.00 Loose = \$4.50 Initial Offering = \$74.00
Solemnity of Mary = \$160.00 Christmas = \$175.00 Maintenance Levy = \$50.00
Giant's Lake Envelopes: January 1 = \$275.00 January 8 = \$24.00

Ste. Croix Parish News

Thank you for your support: Sunday collection = \$1,135.00 Loose = \$72.00 Sunday Missal = \$5.00
New Year's Day = \$45.00 Initial Offering = \$75.00 SASC Hall Rent = \$575.00

Community News

The family of the late Veronica Peitzsche would like to take this opportunity to express our sincerest appreciation for the expressions of kindness and support shown to us during this sad time. A special thank you to Father Gary for his support and his words at the funeral which were such an inspiration and comfort for all who attended. Also, to Deacon Art, Father Dan and Father Danny for their assistance. For those who participated at the service, for the lovely music and to those who organized the reception following, we are very grateful. We also truly appreciate the efforts made by those who travelled such a distance to attend the wake and funeral. May God Bless you all.

The Peitzsche and Chisholm families

6 week Fitness Classes start on Wednesday, 18 January, 6:15 to 7:15 at the Heatherton Community Centre (\$48.00 for the 6 week session). Everyone welcome. A minimum of 10 people are needed for these classes to happen so please phone Debbie at 902.232.2484 drop in fee of \$10.00 (minimum of 10 people needed for the 6 week session)

For those looking for some motivation to keep their Healthy New Year's resolutions the Heatherton Fitness Centre is hosting a 6 week Biggest Loser competition starting this Sunday. More information can found on our Facebook page (www.facebook.com/heathertonfitnesscentre) or drop in to the Fitness Centre Sunday between 6 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

500 Club Draws start 27 January – we are giving away \$24,000 in prize money over the next 8 months. All funds raised will go to the Heatherton Community Centre. Only 500 Tickets are being sold. There are less than 50 tickets left, \$100 each. Call Joan Jamieson at 902-870-9335 if you would like a ticket. Thank you for your support!

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.

For the 2017 Pomquet Winter Carnival, Gabriel and Evangeline will be chosen by way of a random draw on January 20, 2017. Any child who is in grade 4 AND is a resident of District 5 can forward his/her name for the draw (with parental permission). The full name of the child, his/her age, and his/her home phone number is to be submitted by email to Paul Gagnon at dg@societesaintecroix.ca or phone [902-386-2679](tel:902-386-2679) before January 20th at 12pm. For more information, phone or e-mail Paul at phone/email given above.

Pomquet Parish Seniors Club annual Christmas Dinner held on December 11th was a success! Despite the inclement weather, we had a wonderful turnout and wish to thank our seniors for braving the weather to attend this seasonal get together. We'd like to extend our special thanks to Mary Grace and her team for the "gourmet" meal as well as Clarence DeYoung, for performing the duties of master of ceremonies and for preparing the slide show of photos of "the good old days". To the many volunteers behind the scenes, your time and devotion was greatly appreciated. Also, a heartfelt thanks to our councillor, Remi Deveau & the Municipality of the County of Antigonish, the Pomquet Development Society, the Pomquet and Area Cultural, Recreational, Community Development Association and the Pomquet Fire & Emergency Services. Without your financial assistance this get-together would not be possible.

January is membership month for Antigonish Right to Life, a local educational pro-life organization working to promote the respect for all human life in the Antigonish area. Membership fee of \$10.00 may be paid at the Respect Life Centre, 344 Main St., Antigonish.

Antigonish Lions Club Sausage & Pancake Breakfast Sunday, 29 January from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Lions Den Highland Dr. Extension. Donations at the door for the Antigonish Food Bank. *Pancake breakfasts are held last Sunday of the month September-November January-June*

The first day of the Antigonish Winter Market for this season will be held on Saturday, 28 January, from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. in the former Prissy Pig Café and Deli at 20 St. Andrew Street.