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your heavenly
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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	(20 February)	6:30 p.m. in Pomquet (late Louis Farrell)
Tuesday	(21 February)	6:30 p.m. in Paq'tnkek (late Melissa Johnson)
Wednesday	(22 February)	9:00 a.m. in St. Andrew's
Thursday	(23 February)	9:00 a.m. in Heatherton (late Debbie Swinkels)



Ash Wednesday Schedule, 1 March

5:00 p.m. Mass in Heatherton

6:30 p.m. Mass in Pomquet

7:00 p.m. Mass in St. Andrew's

The Bucket: Each of our three parishes now has a bucket in front of the Altar at weekend Masses. At these masses during the time when the collection is being taken up, the children are welcome to come forward and put some small coins in the bucket. The money that goes into the bucket at Immaculate Conception Parish goes to support their Foster Child. The money that comes in from St. Andrews goes to the Breakfast Program at the local school. The money that comes in from Ste. Croix Parish goes to Sleeping Children Around the World Fund. None of the money stays in the parish. In a way it is children helping children. We wish to thank the young people and parents for their generosity.

A reminder that 2016 tax receipts are now available and are located in the main entrance to the Churches.

A friendly reminder about scheduled weekday Masses: if school is cancelled there will be no weekday Mass held on that particular day.

Please note: Monday, 20 February is Heritage Day so the Tri-Parish Office will be closed for the day. We will be back to regular office hours on Tuesday, 21 Feb. from 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.

Applications for the Simon J Khattar scholarship are available from Mark Pettipas (902-863-5497) (mgpettipas@nstu.ca). This is a \$1000 non-renewable scholarship for high school graduates or students attending first year University, college or community college beyond the secondary level who are practicing Catholics and who are residents of Nova Scotia. On average 8 to 10 scholarships are given out provincially each year. Deadline for applications is March 10th, 2017.

Immaculate Conception Parish News

150th Anniversary of Immaculate Conception Church 11 – 13 August 2017

~ Information on Heatherton area veterans from WW1 and WWII is needed.

Please contact Margie at 902.386.2314 as soon as possible as the committee is going to have a display at the anniversary celebrations.

~ Photos, newspaper clippings & other info is being collected for the anniversary celebrations. Contact Regina at 902.386.2914 .. all originals will be returned.

We presently need five volunteers to take up the collection at the weekend Masses. If you are willing to have your name added to the list please let Regina know by calling 902.386.2314. Women are certainly welcome to volunteer.

There are Save the Date Cards for the 150th Anniversary of Immaculate Conception Church available by the bulletins if you would like to take one for yourself or to send to a family member or former parishioner who lives away.

The Roman
Catholic
Communities of

Immaculate Conception,
Heatherton

St. Andrew,
St. Andrew's

Ste. Croix,
Pomquet

19th February, 2017

**7th Sunday in
Ordinary Time**

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Baptisms

By appointment,
please phone 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

There will be a Pastoral Council meeting at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, 21 February.

The Heatherton C.W.L. are sponsoring Bingo at the R.K. MacDonald Guest Home on Thursday, 23 February, at 2:00 p.m. Anyone able to attend is asked to please phone Mary Ellen MacDonald at 902.386.2687.

Thank you for your support: Regular = \$778.00 Loose = \$29.75 Foster Child = \$.25 Initial Offering = \$5.00

St. Andrew Parish News

First Communion: Today we offer our prayers for joy in learning about God's love through the sacrament of First Communion as Angus Boyle and his family bring up the offertory gifts. Next weekend at 9:00 mass on 26 February our First Communion students will be asked to come forward to make their promises as they continue to prepare for this important sacrament. We ask you to keep in mind the 14 students & their teachers in the classroom & at home.

First Confession: Thirteen students will make their First Confession on Wed., 22 February at 6:30 in the church. Any parishioner who would like to attend this service may do so as we offer support to our students in their growth in the Catholic faith.

Eucharistic Ministers please note: When Deacon Art is assisting at Sunday Eucharist we will only require three Eucharistic Ministers instead of four. We will leave the schedule as is and suggest that the one listed for choir stay back. We will still need four if Deacon Art is not there.

The Annual General Meeting of St. Andrews CWL will be held **Sunday, 5 March** at the St. Andrews Community Centre. Lunch will be served at 12 noon with the meeting immediately following. Tickets for the event will be \$5.00 and are available at MacDonald's Convenience. **Deadline to purchase tickets is Thursday, 2 March.**

Annual Financial Report: The St Andrews Parish annual report will be presented in the main church immediately following Mass on 26 February. Copies of the report will be distributed.

Thank you for your support: Regular = \$1,387.15 Loose = \$43.60 Giant's Lake = \$120.00
Initial Offering = \$5.00 Breakfast Program = \$2.35

Ste. Croix Parish News

Why we do what we do when we come to Mass!

A presentation by Father Conrad Edwards, Director of the Office of Worship for the Diocese of Antigonish will take place on Thursday, 2 March, at 7:00 p.m. at Ste. Croix Church. This presentation will be a great asset for any person who attends Mass. Parishioners from all three parishes are welcome to *attend*

A finance meeting is slated for Saturday, 25 February after Mass at the church.

Thank you for your support: Sunday coll. = \$834.00 Loose = \$138.85 Sunday Missals = \$10.00 Initial = \$10.00

Community News

Deacon Art's camera has been located and retrieved – from the offices in St. Martha's Hospital on Monday, 13th February 2017. St. Anthony and a lovely parishioner of the Tri-Parish Group, who works at the Hospital was a willing participant. Thank you all for your prayers. Art

The Antigonish Women's Centre and Antigonish Senior Safety are hosting a free Legal Information Session on Wills, Power of Attorney and Q & A with Lawyer: Adam Rodgers at the Heatherton Community Centre 28 February from 10:30 a.m.- 12:00 p.m. For more information please call Marcia 863-8668 or Shannon 318-0372.

The St. Andrews District Community Centre is going to host a St. John's Ambulance Emergency First Aid course around the first week of March. The class will run about 4 hours. The class can hold eight to twenty people. We are asking if any individuals or various organizations would like to be included in taking this course. We are only in the planning stages and would like to get more participants to attend this very important event. For more information and the costs of enrollment please contact Hughie Richardson at 783-2779 or Genesta Peters at 863- 2289.

St Andrews Oak & Owl Club Annual Meeting, 6 March at 1 pm in the Seniors' Room at the Community Centre. A vote will be held on the proposed changes to the Bylaws that were distributed at the Christmas dinner. Members who did not receive a copy can contact Marie at 863-3279. Members are encouraged to attend & new members welcome.

Pomquet Chase The Ace: Next week's potential winnings are \$19,200.00 with music by Ty Wallace. Tickets sold between 7 and 9 with draw taking place at 9:15pm. 25 February come and watch the Toronto Maple Leafs and the Montreal Canadiens game on the big screen. Prizes after each goal as well as prizes for best dressed for each team.

Antigonish Lions Club Sausage & Pancake Breakfast, Sunday, 26 February, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Lions Den on Highland Dr. Ext. Donations at the door with funds being raised for "Kids Against Cancer" Relay for Life, St. F. X.