



# Tri-Parish News

## Mass Schedule (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	(13 March)	11:00 a.m. Funeral Mass in Heatherton for Margaret Rose Simon
Tuesday	(14 March)	6:30 p.m. in Paq'tnkek
Wednesday	(15 March)	6:30 p.m. in St. Andrew's
Thursday	(16 March)	6:30 p.m. in Heatherton (late Martin, Sadie and Barbara Bowie)

There are Lenten messages from Pope Francis and Bishop Brian Dunn posted to the Church bulletin boards. Please take a few minutes and read these. Thank you.

The schedule for the Holy Hours sponsored by the C.W.L. during Lent is as follows:

Sunday, 12 March ... Heatherton at 6:30 p.m.

Sunday, 19 March ... Pomquet at 6:30 p.m..

Sunday, 26 March ... St. Andrew's at 6:30 p.m.

Sunday, 2 April ... Heatherton at 6:30 p.m.

Sunday, 9 March ... Pomquet at 6:30 p.m.

Everyone is encouraged to attend one or all of these sessions.

**A friendly reminder about scheduled weekday Masses:** if school is cancelled due to inclement weather, there will be no weekday Mass held on that particular day. Also, in cases where a funeral is held, the regular weekday Mass will be cancelled and rescheduled at a later date.

**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.

## **Immaculate Conception Parish News**

Stations of the Cross will be at 6:30 p.m. every Friday during Lent. All welcome.

There will be a pastoral council meeting on Tuesday, 14 March at 7:00 pm.

The annual parish meeting will be held on Sunday, 19 March, at 7:00 p.m. in the multi-purpose room of the Heatherton Community Centre.

There will be a Liturgy committee meeting on Wednesday, 15 March, at 7:15 p.m. in the Heatherton Community Centre.

Anyone with any older photos, newspaper articles or stories they wish to share that would help with the display for the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Immaculate Conception Church is asked to please contact Regina at 902.386.2914 or Mary Ellen at 902.386.2687 ... also, information and photos (in uniform preferred) of those who served in WWI and WWII is requested and if you have anything that could assist this search, please contact Margie at 902.386.2314. All information is needed as soon as possible and all original copies will be returned.

The Roman Catholic Communities of

**Immaculate Conception, Heatherton**

**St. Andrew, St. Andrew's**

**Ste. Croix, Pomquet**

**12 March, 2017**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent**

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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

The schedule for April, May and June will be available by the end of this month and will also be posted on the bulletin boards. If you wish to volunteer as a Reader, Altar Server, Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist, Gift Bearer or Hospitality Minister, please contact Dorothy Greencorn at 902.386.2045.

**Thank you for your support:** Regular = \$883.00      Loose = \$21.30      Foster Child = \$4.10

## **St. Andrew Parish News**

The Rosary will be said for The Unborn Child in the St Andrews Church every Sunday at 3:00 p.m. during Lent. Please come and join us as everyone is welcome.

Stations of the Cross will be held in St. Andrews Church every Friday at 6:30 p.m. in the Martha Room.

There will be a Liturgy committee meeting on Tuesday, 14 March, at 7:15 p.m. in the Martha Room.

The St. Andrews CWL will be holding a drive for the Food Bank in the upcoming weeks. We will have a box at the entrance of the church to collect non-perishable food items; as well, toiletries may also be dropped off (items such as toothpaste, toothbrushes, shampoo, powder, personal hygiene products).

**Thank you for your support:** Regular = \$1,223.00      Loose = \$42.80      Giant's Lake = \$40.00  
Initial Offering = \$5.00      Missalette = \$10.00

## **Ste. Croix Parish News**

**Thank you for your support:** Sunday collection = \$1,302.00      Loose = \$61.75  
Initial Offering = \$5.00      Cemetery donation = \$25.00

## **Diocesan News**

*Ad limina* Visit: In order for the Bishop of Rome to fulfill his special role of ensuring the unity of the church, he needs reliable and authoritative information on the actual situation of the various Churches, including their problems, initiatives undertaken, difficulties encountered, and the results of any projects that have been completed. Each bishop prepares a quinquennial report regarding at least twenty different areas of ministry within the diocese, e.g., priests, laity, consecrated life, vocations, consultative councils, finances, social justice issues, ecumenism, etc. This report makes an effort to identify the bishop's experience regarding the principal issues concerning the diocese, how these issues have been addressed, and some of the conclusions that have emerged. Numerous people throughout the diocese provided some assistance in completing the report, which was sent to Rome last October. During the *ad limina* visit, the bishops visit numerous offices in Rome to discuss various sections of the report. These visits will take place from 13 to 21 March. Please pray for Bishop Dunn as he makes his *ad limina* visit to Rome.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND is planned for April 7 to 9 in Our Lady of Hope Retreat House, PEI. This world wide movement of married couples offers an opportunity to enrich your relationship to "make a good marriage a great marriage". After informative talks by the presenting team couples are challenged to dialogue with their spouse in the privacy of their rooms. This newly constructed retreat in Hope River offers a great opportunity for couples through the encouragement of presenting team who have found a new richness in their relationship through the technic of "dialogue" offered my WWME. For information contact James and Connie McNeill [902 314 8541](tel:9023148541) or Father Charles Cameron [902 863 4373](tel:9028634373) or email for information [renewmarriage@gmail.com](mailto:renewmarriage@gmail.com)

## **Community News**

St. Patrick's Day Pub and 500 Club Draw at the Heatherton Community Centre Friday, 17 March with music by Ty Wallace from 8 p.m. until 12 a.m. with a \$5 cover charge. Wear something green for a guaranteed door prize during happy hour from 8 – 9 p.m. Come socialize with friends, play a game of cards and listen to some great live music. 500 Club draws: 4 Draws \$200 ... 1 Draw \$500 ... 1 Draw \$2500

Crib games at the Heatherton Community Centre every Saturday starting at 1:00 p.m.

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

Antigonish Lions Club Sausage & Pancake Breakfast Sunday, 26 March at the Lion's Den Highland Dr. Extension 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Donations at the door. Funds being raised to assist local families.

The 3<sup>rd</sup> Antigonish Winter Market is held every Saturday, from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. at 20 St. Andrews Street (former Prissy Pig Café and Deli location). Home-baked goods, knitted items, jewellery, natural care products, children's items, woods crafts, just to name a few. Also, there is on-site food vendors with burritos, samosas, soup, and other quick lunch ideas for on the go.