



Tri-Parish News

November - December 2018

Saturdays at 4:00 p.m. in St. Andrew Church in *St. Andrew's*
Sundays at 9:00 a.m. in Immaculate Conception Church in *Heatherton*
Sundays at 11:00 a.m. in Ste. Croix Church in *Pomquet*

~ Mass Schedule ~

Monday	(19 November)	11:00 a.m. Funeral Mass in Pomquet for Kaye Venedam
Tuesday	(20 November)	9:00 a.m. in Pomquet
Wednesday	(21 November)	9:00 a.m. in St. Andrew's
Thursday	(22 November)	9:00 a.m. in Heatherton (Souls in Purgatory)
Saturday	(24 November)	4:00 p.m. Mass in St. Andrew's
Sunday	(25 November)	9:00 a.m. Mass in Heatherton (Joseph Berkvens) 11:00 a.m. in Pomquet (Rita Melanson)

A reminder that the NET Retreat for the Confirmation students is on Friday, 23 November, from 3:00 to 9:30 p.m. at the St. Andrew's Community Centre (Senior's Room).

Family Retreat – Saturday, 24 November for all in Tri Parish to be held in St. Andrews.

A retreat day of faith sharing (and fun) is being offered by NET Ministries at the St. Andrews District Community Centre. Advance registration is required. If you'll be attending, please let me or my Office (902-386-2810) know how many you are, the children's ages and of any allergies. Then I'll confirm the times and locations with you fr.gillies@yahoo.ca. We are hosting the Net Team 22–27 November.

Grade 7 and 8 Religious Education students please note: Classes will now be held at the SASC (LaFane) building, 1154 Pomquet Monks Head Road, starting this Tuesday, 20 November.

Please note: Give at least 12 months notice to Father Andrew if you are planning a wedding in one of our three parishes to ensure that the date is available and the marriage course is arranged.

Flu Season: At the sign of the peace, if you think you have any cold and flu symptoms or even if you are easily susceptible to illness, please do not extend a hand to your neighbors. At the same time, please do not be offended should a neighbor not extend a hand to you. They are doing it for your benefit. Instead of a handshake at the sign of peace, simply cross your arms and say to your fellow parishioners around you, "Peace..." Doing so with a smile and a bow of the head would be even better. **As for Holy Communion,** those who have cold and flu symptoms should please refrain from receiving the Precious Blood. **When sitting very close to one another,** please be sure to cover your mouth when you cough or sneeze, using a tissue or, if you can't get one out in time, even your sleeve. *This paragraph is applicable only for:*

- *EMs (Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion):* Please find a substitute should you sense any sign of cold & flu symptoms, even if it means finding one in the congregation just before Mass
- *Sacristans:* Please use soap and very warm water both when you cleanse the sacred vessels after Mass. While the clergy purify the vessels from any remnants of the Eucharist, it does not sufficiently sanitize the vessels for the next Mass.

Coats for Families: The Monsignor Hugh Macpherson Knights of Columbus is once again partnering with Kids First and running gently used coats for families program. Please put any clean, gently used winter coats, snow pants, etc. in the box at the entrance to the church anytime in the month of November, where it will be picked up and delivered to Kid's First. We thank you in advance for helping. Call Clarence if you have any questions 902-870-3279

Diocesan Liturgical Commission Fall newsletter 2018: www.triparishgrouping.ca/index.php/2018

Operation Christmas Child: Again this year, gift filled shoeboxes will be accepted for Samaritan's Purse. This is the 19th year shoeboxes have been collected in the St. Andrews area and delivered to children who are affected by poverty, conflict and natural disasters. Please consider participating in this gesture of Christian sharing and love. Please pickup info sheets at your church main entrance. Shoeboxes will be accepted this weekend of 17/18 November until noon on the 18th at St. Andrews Church. For more information call MaryAnn at 902-863-5522.

Immaculate Conception Parish

We will be replacing 16 windows in Immaculate Conception Church. The cost for the materials and installation will be: \$5,200/large window and \$4,863/small window. If you would like to donate the full amount for the purchase of a window, please contact the chair of our building committee, Ed MacDonald at 902-386-2756 or email him at ed.macdonald@ns.sympatico.ca Thank you for your generosity to your Church, Fr. Andrew.

This Sunday, 18 November, there will be a sale of left-over used items from the Bazaar in the Community Centre gymnasium, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Thank you for your support: Regular = \$935.00 Loose = \$53.40 Mission Sunday = \$20.00
Religious Education = \$10.00 Maintenance = \$95.00 Cemetery = \$400.00 HST = \$819.51

St. Andrew Parish News

St. Andrew's "Christmas Choir" practice will be held on Tuesday, 20 November at 7:00 p.m. in the St. Andrew's Church. This will be collaboration between the St. Andrew's and Pomquet parishes under the direction of Donna Benoit. We are very pleased and excited to be participating in this celebration. Times for future practices will be discussed at this practice. Come and let's fill that choir loft and make a joyful sound onto the Lord.

**The Roman Catholic
Communities of**

**Immaculate Conception,
Heatherton**

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

**Ste. Croix,
Pomquet**

**18 November 2018
33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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Tri-Parish of Heatherton, Pomquet
and St. Andrew's

Baptisms

By appointment,
please phone Fr. Andrew

Marriages

Please call Fr. Andrew at least
6 months in advance

Sacrament of Reconciliation

15 minutes before and after
weekday Masses or by
appointment

Mass Intentions

Contact the parish office
to request a Mass offering

We will be replacing the 10 windows in St. Andrew Church. The cost for the materials & installation will be \$5,000/window. There has been a wonderful response for donors to help and there are now only 2 chances left to donate a window. If you would like to donate please contact the chair of our building committee, Kenny Boyle: 902-872-4449 or boyle_kenny@hotmail.com Thank you for your generosity to your Church, Fr. Andrew

The Church Maintenance Levy will be collected this Saturday before or after the 4p.m. Mass.

The new 2018-2019 Missalettes are for sale at the front and side entrance of the Church for \$5.00 each.

Congratulations to the thirteen students who have received the sacrament of reconciliation this past week.: Cameron Barker, Ben Beaton, Angus Boyle, Santiago Hudson, Maia Jamieson, Miley MacLellan, Peyton MacMillan, Emilie-Kate Marchand, Elizabeth Noel, Addy Overmars, Thayden Power, Zachary Smith, and Carrie VanBommell. May you use the graces you receive to strengthen you to make good decisions and always be ready both to ask for and to give forgiveness

CWL members in St. Andrews: Dues are now being collected for the 2019 year. The total is \$22.00 which will be collected at the Church before and after the 4:00 p.m. Saturday Masses for the next few weeks. Members may also stop in to MacDonald’s Convenience and leave dues with Loyola.

Thank you for your support: Regular = \$1,341.00 Loose = \$38.00 Cemetery = \$75.00 Maintenance = \$945.00
Giant’s Lake Regular = \$16.00 Giant’s Lake World Mission = \$5.00

Ste. Croix Parish News

Remembrance Day 2018 in Pomquet was certainly a day to remember. The attendance at the mass, official ceremonies & wreath laying, as well as at the community luncheon and display presentations was amazing. Events such as this are only possible with the generosity, support, & enthusiasm of many members of the community, and this was clearly evident last Sunday. Thanks to Fr. MacDonald & Deacon Riley, the choir & everyone involved in the well attended memorial mass. Thanks to those who organized & officiated at the ceremonies at the cenotaph, including the young readers of Flander’s Field, the choir & all those who laid wreaths in memory of their beloved war veterans. Again this year, the commemorative displays prepared by the families of our community & the Heritage Group brought the reality of war so clearly to our minds, and we thank you for that. Special thanks to all those who contributed to the community luncheon, many without even being asked. This lovely community gathering was possible largely due to your generosity & superb culinary talents. By preparing the huge pots of soups, stews, chillis and chowders, as well as bisquits & sweets, you provided the basis for a very warm & inviting gathering for so many members of our community on a very special day. Also to those who helped set-up, serve, clean-up & help in so many other ways, again, we Thank you. Remembrance Day events are now becoming a tradition in Pomquet and with your help, we look forward to continuing them for years to come. Susan Doiron, Coordinator Remembrance Day celebrations.

Thank you for your support: Regular = \$973.00 Loose = \$244.50 Mission Sunday = \$10.00 Cemetery = \$80.00

Diocesan News

Diocesan Liturgical Video on 24 November 2018, 10 - 1pm. The Conference will be available at three (3) NSCC Campuses: Sydney, Marconi, Port Hawkesbury and Stellarton Campus. Call to register 902.539.6188 Ext 237

Change in French version of the Our Father: Here in Canada, the new phrasing of the Our Father for liturgical use in French will be implemented as of the first Sunday of Advent (2 December 2018). The new French translation of the Our Father will officially replace the old version in all its public liturgical form: « Ne nous soumetts pas à la tentation » devient « ne nous laisse pas entrer en tentation »

Part-time contract Diocesan Youth Minister, Inverness Deanery; Part-time contract Diocesan Youth Minister, Antigonish / Guysborough / StFX Deanery and Pictou Deanery We are looking to hire Diocesan Youth Ministers to build youth ministry (start a six month contract in January 2019). Email your resume to youthministry@dioceseofantigonish.ca. Contact Cathy Walsh, Youth Ministry Coordinator, for more information.

Community News

We, the family of the late Donnie Chisholm, wish to say thank you for the many acts of kindness shown to us following his passing. To those who visited and brought food to our home, sent condolence and Mass cards, and shared a memory or two, we are very appreciative. To Father Andrew, Father Charlie and Deacon Art for the prayers and beautiful service, it brought us much comfort. To the Immaculate Conception Church Choir for the lovely music, the altar servers on the day and the ladies of the Heatherton C.W.L. for organizing the reception, we thank you very much. To anyone who made a donation in Donnie’s name to “Hope for Wildlife” or “Heart & Stroke Foundation” thank you for your generosity. We are blessed to have many family and friends who helped us during this difficult time.

May God bless you all ... Evelyn, Jolene, Mark and Barbara

Kirsten Tate, 4th year Business at St. F. X., is doing a Service Learning Initiative for one of her classes and is organizing a winter clothing drive for those in need in & around our community (gently used winter clothing donations such as hats, mittens, scarves, jackets, socks , etc.). Call or text Kirsten at 902-870-0596 or Cathy Tulkens at 902-870-4748 for clothing pick up OR drop off donations at 64 Fraser’s Grant Road or 88 Church Street, Apartment #5. The deadline is the end of November.

Heatherton Group Home Annual Christmas Concert, Friday, 30 November at 7:00 p.m. at the Heatherton Community Centre. In aid of their Annual Trip - \$10/person under 12yrs \$5 Door prizes, 50/50, complimentary tea/coffee/cookies. Entertainment by Tyrus Wallace, Hector MacIsaac, Yvonne Voerman John Pellerin, Connie DeCoffe, Glen Aker & Brenda Berkvens Contact: Brenda Berkvens at 902-863-2726.

Please join the Teasdale Family & Friends in concert on Saturday, 24 November from 2 to 4:30 p.m. at the Heatherton Community Centre. All proceeds go to the Antigonish Community Foodbank. Admission is by donation. Non-perishable food items will be accepted as well.

Annual Lessons & Carols service at St. Mary's Church in Bayfield, Sunday, 2 Dec. at 7 p.m. Everyone is welcome to come & sing the Christmas story!

HomeWarming information session 20 November, at 6:30 p.m. at the St. Andrew’s District Community Centre. For eligible homeowners, the HomeWarming team provides a comprehensive energy audit and works with you to determine the energy efficiency upgrades that make the most sense for your home. Then the team takes care of managing sub-contractors to have the upgrades completed at no cost to you. See the poster at the church entrances to learn if you are eligible. Sponsored by St. Andrew’s Community Partnership.

Pomquet Parish Seniors Club Christmas Turkey Dinner for Pomquet Parish seniors (60 & up) on Sunday, 2 Dec. at noon at Ecole Acadienne de Pomquet. Tickets \$12 each and must be purchased by 26 Nov. Seniors wishing to attend call the following for tickets: Bernadette Chisholm - 863-2613; Patsy Doiron - 386-2726; Euphemia Landry - 386-2384; Jean Delorey - 863-4176, Kathleen Benoit - 386-2754; Louise MacDonald - 386-2490 and Theresa Rennie - 386-2388. Take-outs are not available but meals will be delivered to individuals with mobility issues.

Pomquet Heritage Society is hosting a Bake and Craft Sale at the SASC building (near Glebe House) this Sunday, 18 November, noon to 3 p.m. Donations of baked goods and crafts accepted and greatly appreciated. Drop off before Mass. We thank you for your support.

Women's Advent afternoon of Reflection: A peaceful, joyful afternoon in the midst of preparing for Christmas. Sunday, 9 December from 1-4, at the John Paul Centre. Music, reflection and refreshments. For more information call Dorothy at 863-5601 or Val at 863-2039.

The Tracadie Seniors Bazaar will be held this Sunday, 18 November, from 2 to 4 p.m. Admission is \$2.00 .. includes lunch.

Mark your calendar for Sunday, 2 December: Gospel music, country songs and maybe even a few Christmas carols, with guest performer Tyrus Wallace, from 3:00 to 4:30 p.m at St. Peter’s Church, Tracadie. This is a service project/fundraising event sponsored by the Confirmation class. Admission is \$10/adults and under the age of 12, \$5. Come enjoy an afternoon of awesome music and song while supporting a great cause.