



Tri-Parish News

December 2019

Saturdays at 4:00 p.m. in Immaculate Conception Church in *Heatherton*

Sundays at 9:00 a.m. in Ste. Croix Church in *Pomquet*

Sundays at 11:00 a.m. in St. Andrew Church in *St. Andrew's*

The Roman Catholic Communities of

**Immaculate Conception,
Heatherton**

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

**Ste. Croix,
Pomquet**

29th of December 2019

Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

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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
12 months in advance to ensure the
marriage course is arranged

Sacrament of Reconciliation

15 minutes before and after
weekday Masses or by
appointment

Mass Intentions

Contact the parish office
to request a Mass offering

January, February and March 2020 Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturdays at 4:00 p.m. in Ste. Croix Church at Pomquet

Sundays at 9:00 a.m. in St. Andrew Church at St. Andrew's

Sundays at 11:00 a.m. in Immaculate Conception Church at Heatherton

~ New Year's Eve Mass ~

Tuesday, 31 December, Mary Mother of God

6:00 p.m. in St. Andrew's (the late Mary MacGillivray)



~ Mass Schedule ~

Thursday	(2 January)	9:00 a.m. in Heatherton (Theresa MacDonald)
Saturday	(4 January)	4:00 p.m. in Pomquet
Sunday	(5 January)	9:00 a.m. in St. Andrew's (Michael and Donald Bowles)
		11:00 a.m. Mass in Heatherton (Wilfred Chisholm)

ARE YOU SOMEONE OR DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO...

- Has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic?
- Was baptized Catholic as a child, but has not celebrated the Sacraments of

Confirmation and Eucharist?

We offer an opportunity to come together in a small group to learn more about our faith.

Sessions focus on the teachings and experience of Church and prepare individuals to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist during the Easter season. You are welcome to participate in the process with your questions, your insights and your faith story in a warm accepting setting. Also, anyone who would like to help with the sessions is asked to contact us. For information, please contact Fr. Andrew.

The "Prayer for Priests, Deacons" for the month of January are available near the bulletins. Let us show our love and appreciation for our priests, deacons and others serving in our diocese, by praying each day.

As part of the preparations during this Year of the Eucharist, leading to the June 2020 Eucharistic Congress, the planning committee has prepared a 2020 calendar to be distributed to parishes. This calendar has photos of the Holy Land, short reflections attached to the monthly photo, dates of all the parish named saints, and other important liturgical dates. Copies are located in the churches for those parishioners who may wish one.

Copies of "The Word Among Us" are available for \$3.00 each at the entrances of the churches.

Monsignor Hugh MacPherson Knights of Columbus "Coats For Kids": Bins are now at the back of all churches for your gently used items of winter coats, hats, mitts, snow pants and snowsuits. We had a great response last year & hope this year will be the same. Thank you.

The next Youth Group meeting for age youths from Grades 5 and up will meet: Middle School and High School (Simultaneously) on the 1st & 3rd Mondays of the month.

Installation of Bishop Wayne Kirkpatrick: There will be an Evening Prayer on Sunday, 2 February at 7:00 p.m. at St. Ninian Cathedral. During this service Bishop Kirkpatrick will make his Profession of Faith and Oath of Fidelity before the Metropolitan Archbishop Anthony Mancini. Then on Monday, 3 February, the Installation Ceremony which will take place at the Cathedral at 3:00 p.m. A reception for everyone will follow at St. Ninian Place.

Diocesan Prayer for Our New Bishop

Gracious God, we are thankful for the gift of our new Bishop, Most Rev. Wayne Kirkpatrick.

We, the Community of Believers of the Diocese of Antigonish, trust deeply in your Divine Providence and in your desire to provide for the needs of our diocesan family.

May Bishop Wayne Kirkpatrick be filled with zeal for the Gospel as he ministers as one who is gentle, wise, merciful and devoted in love for your people.

May we, your family, receive the grace to welcome our new Bishop as our Brother in Christ.

As he begins his new Ministry as Bishop of the Diocese of Antigonish, we pray that he be filled with gospel courage, wisdom and a deep spirit of consolation.

May we welcome him and assure him of our prayer, presence and unconditional support as we begin our new journey of faith together.

St. Ninian, Pray for Us. *Amen*

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 neighbours. 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.*

Church contribution envelopes for 2020 are now. If you wish to receive a packet but are not already on the list please contact the Tri-Parish Office or take a box and include your name and address on the first envelope you use so that we have your information.

A friendly reminder that the deadline for bulletin notices is **1:00 p.m. on Thursdays**. There is no guarantee they will be included if they come in later. Priority is given in the following order: parish news, diocesan news, community news. Submit notices by sending them to email jolene3catholic@gmail.com or by dropping them off to the Tri-Parish Office .. thanks in advance ☺

Tri-Parish Office hours for New Year’s

Please note the change in time for Monday, 30 December

- 30 December – will be closed in the morning and re-open at 12:30 p.m.
- 31 December – CLOSED
- 1 January – CLOSED
- 2 January – RE-OPEN for the New Year

~ Schedule for Faith Formation Sessions ~

Grades 1 to 4 Classes are now finished for 2019 and will resume at the same time and location for the months of April and May 2020.

Grades 5, 6 and 7 Heatherton Community Centre from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.: Tuesdays on 28 January, 26 February (Ash Wednesday services in churches), 3 March, 24 March, 19 May and 9 June.

New this year: the CONFIRMATION PREPARATION CLASSES offered for students in **Grades 8 and up**. Sessions will be held on Tuesdays, 7 to 9 p.m. at the St. Andrew’s School: 7 January, 4 February, 18 February, 10 March, 12 May and 26 May.

Immaculate Conception Parish

The January, February and March schedules are located near the bulletin. Take a copy for your reference if you are scheduled to serve.

The winner of the C.W.L. Turkey dinner was Duncan Hayne of Dunmore Road. The profit was \$1,025.00 .. Thank you to all who donated to this fundraiser and those who purchased tickets.

Thank you for your support:

Regular = \$1,110.00	Loose = \$26.25	Missalettes = \$5.00
Shepherd’s Trust = \$5.00	Donations = \$700.00	The Word Among Us booklets = \$53.50
Church window donations = \$1,500.00		

St. Andrew Parish News

The schedules for St Andrew’s Church for Christmas, New Year’s, January, February and March is posted in the church for your reference.

Thank you for your support:

Regular = \$1,335.00	Loose = \$31.00	Shepherd’s Trust = \$5.00	Christmas = \$120.00
Missalettes = \$20.00	Church Maintenance = \$30.00	Flowers = \$100.00	Donations = \$45.00
			Giant’s Lake = \$60.00

Ste. Croix Parish News

Thank you for your support:

Regular = \$2,788.00	Loose = \$41.20	Christmas = \$5.00
Word Among Us books = \$12.00	Sunday missalettes = \$366.00	Rent = \$600.00 (Fire Dept.)

Diocesan News

Women's Prayer Breakfast - save the date! Saturday, 8 February 2020, from 8:00 a.m. until 10:00 a.m. at St. Ninian’s. The guest speaker will be Sr. Brenda Lee Boisvert, Congregational Leader, csm

Community News

500 Club tickets are now available for purchase. There are 50 draws, over 5 months, at a total of \$25,000 in cash prizes. Tickets may be obtained from Carolyn Day (902-867-0130), Joan Jamieson (902-870-9335), Marla Tate (902-968-1031), Loyola MacDonald, any Heatherton Community Centre Board or fundraising committee member, Barbie Bowie, Margie Glenn, or Jeannette Brosha.

The Pro-life Catholic calendars are available for purchase at the Respect Life Centre, 27 St. Andrews Street (phone 902-863-6636). Calendars are \$20 each and feature pictures of local children, Saints days for every day of the year, monthly Scripture quotes, and the possibility to win more than \$4,000 in cash draws.

There will be a Pancake and Sausage Breakfast at the Lions Den on Highland Drive Extension this Sunday, 29 December, from 9:00 a.m.. until 1:00 p.m. This is to assist a community member with medical expenses.

The 6th Annual Antigonish Winter Market will be held on Saturday, 25 January 2020 from 10:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. at St. Ninian Place in Antigonish. This event will be held every Saturday until the end of April (except 8 February and 14 March). Featuring handmade items and one of a kind treasures. Please check out our Facebook page for more information, “Antigonish Winter Market” or email Jolene or Sandra at antigonishwintermarket@gmail.com



Notice to all parishioners to please remember your parish in your estate planning