



# Tri-Parish News

*January, February and March 2020*

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

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

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

## ~ Mass Schedule ~

**Saturday (18 January)** 4:00 p.m. in Pomquet (Mable Mannelle)

**Sunday (19 January)** 9:00 a.m. in St. Andrew's

11:00 a.m. Mass in Heatherton

(healing Mass for intentions of Lori Connors)

## 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 first session will be held on Tuesday, 21 January, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. in the Martha Room at St. Andrew Church in St. Andrew's. Everyone is welcome to join this five night DVD series by Bishop Robert Barron entitled "Catholicism

Faith, Fun and Friendship! Come join the Tri-Parish Church Community gathering this Sunday, 12 January. Mass at St. Andrew's Parish at 9:00 a.m. followed by food and friendship at the St. Andrew's Community Centre. If there is snow, there will be coasting for the young and young at heart. Hot chocolate, coffee, tea and food inside. Bring proper clothing for outdoor play and sleds. If you would like to bring a store bought breakfast type food to share, that would be greatly appreciated (muffins, biscuits, juice, fruit, etc.). Free. All are Welcome. Any questions feel free to contact Melissa or Paul at 902-318-4319.

**A reminder about scheduled weekday Masses:** if school is cancelled there will be no weekday Mass held on that particular day for Heatherton or Pomquet. Masses will still be held in St. Andrew's and Paqtnekek if school is cancelled.

The "Prayer for Priests, Deacons" for January is 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.

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

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.

**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*

*The Roman Catholic  
Communities of*

**Immaculate Conception,  
Heatherton**

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

**Ste. Croix,  
Pomquet**

**12<sup>th</sup> of January 2020  
Baptism of the Lord**

**Contact Information**

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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

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

**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.

~ Schedule for Faith Formation Sessions ~

**Grades 1 to 4** Classes will resume at the same time and location for the months of April and May 2020 (Wednesdays, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. in the Heatherton Community Centre.

**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: 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 “undecorating” of the Church will take place this Sunday, 12 January, following the 11:00 a.m. Mass. Anyone able to help would be appreciated.

**Thank you for your support:** Regular = \$995.00 Loose = \$60.95 Solemnity of Mary = \$170.00  
Initial Offering = \$115.00 Christmas = \$10.00

St. Andrew Parish News

The schedules for St. Andrew’s for January, February and March are posted in the church for your reference.

Following this Sunday’s 9:00 a.m. Mass, 12 January, we are looking for volunteers to help with removing the Christmas decorations from the Church. All are invited to help with this.

CWL : Our knitting group will resume on Tuesday, 14 January from 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. in SASHA, St. Andrew’s. Yarn for micro preemie baby blankets and hat, along with prayer shawls will be provided. We will have tea and snacks around 2:30 p.m. You don't need to knit to attend. It's a social event with knitting, some work on a puzzle, some just visit. All are welcome.

Thank you for your support:

**New Year's Eve Mass:** Solemnity of Mary = \$382.00 Loose = \$53.75 Donation = \$20.00  
Initial Offering = \$120.00 Christmas = \$20.00 Giants Lake Solemnity = \$20.00

**5 January:** Regular = \$1,406.00 Loose = \$46.00 Initial Offering = \$85.00 Missalattes = \$38.00  
Solemnity of Mary = \$45.00 Christmas = \$55.00 Flowers = \$25.00 Giants Lake = \$75.00

Ste. Croix Parish News

Lectors, Servers & Eucharistic Ministers, the schedule for January - March is posted on the bulletin board. Please take a copy as reference.

**Thank you for your support:** Regular = \$870.00 Loose = \$58.00 Solemnity of Mary = \$195.00 Initial Offering = \$264.00

Diocesan News

There will be a MASS FOR HEALING! Tuesday, 21 January at 7:00 p.m. in room 18 at St. Ninian Place. Father Charles Cameron will be the celebrant. There will be a time following mass to pray for your individual prayer intentions.

*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. Brendalee Boisvert, Congregational Leader, csm

Community News

Last chance to purchase 500 Club Tickets. They will be on sale until the first draw on 17 January. Please come out and enjoy a nice social evening on Friday, 17 January from 8 – 12 at the Heatherton Community Centre. Ty Wallace will be playing from 8:30 - 11:30. Free admission and the bar will be open. The first set of draws will take place including (8) \$200, (1) \$500 and (1) \$5,000 prizes. If you are in attendance and your number is drawn you will receive an additional \$25 gift card.

Wishing Wells Society will cease to operate on 31 December 2020. At that time, it will have completed its mandate over 100 times in 20 years! Because of your support, what was intended to be just one well for one village, became 100 water projects for 100 villages in India, Haiti and in six countries in Africa, creating a lasting impact on thousands of poor, rural families. During 2020, our two remaining 2019 projects will be completed and remaining funds will be spent on water projects soon to be chosen. Thank you each and every one, for your support over the past 20 years! ~ Board of Directors, Wishing Wells Society

The weekly French knitting group at SASC in Pomquet is postponed, and will begin again on Thursday, 23 January from 1 to 2:30pm. No French or knitting experience required. For more information contact Clarissa DeYoung at [902-318-5850](tel:902-318-5850).

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. Individuals are invited to help support and enhance these efforts by contributing a membership fee of \$10 (or more where possible). You may take out a membership by including your name, address, phone number and stating if a tax receipt will be needed and returning it in the provided envelope by mail, dropping it in the collection basket or at the Respect Life Centre, 344 Main Street.

The 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Antigonish Winter Market will start on Saturday, 25 January , 10 a.m. until 1 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 [antigonishwintermarket@gmail.com](mailto:antigonishwintermarket@gmail.com)

Antigonish Lions Club Pancake & Sausage Breakfast on Sunday, 26 January from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Lions' Den on Highland Drive Extension. Donations at the Door for assisting a community member with medical expenses.

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