



~ Tri - Parish News ~

(Immaculate Conception, St. Andrew and Ste. Croix churches)

The Roman Catholic Communities of

Immaculate Conception,
Heatherton

St. Andrew,
St. Andrews

Ste. Croix,
Pomquet

24th of November 2024

Our Lord Jesus Christ,
King of the Universe

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Tri-Parish of Heatherton,
Pomquet and St. Andrews

Baptisms

Please contact the parish office
for a registration form and to
indicate day of baptism

Marriages

Please phone the Tri-Parish Office
or Fr. Dennis at least
12 months in advance to ensure the
marriage course is arranged

Funeral Receptions

Heatherton: 902-870-5432

St. Andrews: 902-863-5522

Pomquet:

PJ Baccardax Hall
902-870-7721

Centre Communautaire de Pomquet
902-386-2513 or 902-863-1022

Sacrament of Reconciliation

on request prior to Mass
and on Saturdays at St. Andrews
from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Mass Intentions

Contact the parish office
to request a Mass offering

November & December

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

Sundays at 9:30 a.m. at St. Andrew Church in St. Andrews

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

Please Note:

The Knights of Columbus will be praying the Rosary 20 minutes
prior to Sunday Mass in St. Andrews.

~ Mass Schedule for the Week ~

Thursday, 28 November at 10:00 a.m. in Heatherton ~ Carl Grace

Saturday, 30 November, 4:00 p.m. in Pomquet

Sunday, 1 December at 9:30 a.m. in St. Andrews ~ Fr. Alex MacLellan

Sunday, 1 December at 11:00 a.m. in Heatherton ~ Theresa MacDonald

Holy Hour /Reconciliation

Holy Hour every Saturday at St. Andrew Church in St. Andrews from 1 to 2 p.m. with availability for Reconciliation. **Please Note:** When there is a wedding or funeral held on Saturday, the Holy Hour will be cancelled for that day. Please phone the office to hear a message to find out if the Holy Hour is cancelled.

Sacraments Dates, ie baptisms, etc., must be confirmed through the parish office. Phone 902-386-2810 or jolene3catholic@gmail.com to arrange these.

We are considering having RCIA courses (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) in our parish. Please phone the Tri-Parish Office at 902-386-2810 if you would be interested in joining or helping organize this.

One Billion Souls Devotion This November we pray the Chaplet of St. Gertrude, which is a devotional prayer that offers the Precious Blood of Jesus Christ for the souls in Purgatory, sinners, and the Church. The aim is to pray it twice daily through the month of November. For more information on this initiative visit: <https://onebillionsoulsdevotion.com/>

Knights' News: Coats for Kids is your opportunity to donate new or gently used winter coats to K of C council 14596. Collection bins can be found at the entrance of our three churches throughout the month of November. We accept donations for men, woman, children and babies. Thank you.

If you lit a candle at the All Soul's Mass and didn't take the candle, please contact the parish office to make arrangements for pick up.

The **Sunday Missals** for 2024-2025 are now available at a cost of \$5.00 each. If you wish to purchase one, please ask the ushers at the weekend Masses or phone the office at 902-386-2810 to make arrangements to pick one up.

The booklet, **Daily Reflections for Advent & Christmas "Waiting in Joyful Hope 2024-2024"** is now available by donation. Prepare for the coming of Christ with this popular guide. During the especially busy Advent & Christmas seasons, this booklet offers brief, down-to-earth reflections that bring prayer and Scripture into everyday life in a thought-provoking and lasting way. Readers will grow in their understanding of the word of God. This book will help busy people achieve their goal of enriching their prayer life during the seasons of Advent & Christmas.

CWL members have been asked to support Catholic Healthcare providers by joining the **Catholic Campaign for Conscience in Nova Scotia**. The College of Physicians and Surgeons in NS has passed a policy that requires doctors to directly assist patients in obtaining Medical Assistance in Dying (MAID). The Canadian Medical and Dental Association of Canada is urging that the NS policy be reversed and is also calling on the provincial government to intervene. **Please Note: Some CWL members will be at the back of the church after mass this Sunday, 24 November with letters & cards, encouraging people to sign them.**

All electronic donations to the parish may be made using the following e-mails:

heatherton.parish1@gmail.com (parish operating) for **Heatherton**

heatherton.parish2@gmail.com (building fund/capital) for **Heatherton**

standrews.parish1@gmail.com (parish operating) for **St. Andrews**

standrews.capitol2@gmail.com (building fund/capital) for **St. Andrews**

pomquet.parish@gmail.com (parish operating) for **Pomquet**

pomquetp@gmail.com (building fund/capital) for **Pomquet**

Living with Christ for the month of **December** is now available for \$5.00 .. includes full liturgical texts for daily and Sunday Masses calendar of saints, with brief bios & quotes for inspiration and pastoral reflections.

Please Note: The Tri-Parish Office will be closed on Monday, 25 November and will reopen Tuesday, 26 November from 1:00 pm to 4:00 p.m. Also, the office will be closed on Friday, 6 December due to a planned power outage that day at the community centre. Sorry for any inconvenience these closures may cause.

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Food Bank: The last Sunday before Christmas for the Food Bank collection will be on 15 December. After that any donations will go with the January and February Sundays.

Funds received this week with thanks include: Regular Sunday envelopes = \$600.00 Loose = \$87.00
Building Fund = \$20.00 Living With Christ = \$5.00 Missal = \$30.00 Priest's Pension Fund = \$60.00

~ St. Andrew Parish News ~

The St Andrews CWL is now collecting dues for 2025. The price is \$35. Members may drop them to Loyola at MacDonald's Convenience or e-transfer to me at mkarensars@gmail.com. I will also be collecting at church for a few Sunday masses. New members are welcome to join

Funds received this week with thanks include: Regular Sunday envelopes = \$1,007.00 Loose = \$135.00
Shepherd's Trust = \$35.00

~ Ste. Croix Parish News ~

Altar Servers: We continue to be in need of Altar servers so please consider helping out and signing up on the clipboard at the back of the church. With enough volunteers, your turn should only come up once a month or so.

Funds received this week with thanks include: Regular Sunday envelopes = \$600.00 Loose = \$45.25
Missals = \$30.00

~ Community News ~

The Pomquet Parish Seniors Club will be holding their Christmas Turkey Dinner on Sunday, December 1st at noon. This Dinner is available for all seniors of our Parish aged 65 and over and will be held at the Pomquet Community Centre. You may reserve your seat by calling Rita Benoit at 902-386-2969 or messaging Anne Marie Kavanaugh on Messenger. The cost for individuals aged 65 to 79 is \$5.00 and there is no cost for individuals over 80. Payment will be taken at the door. Take-outs available only to seniors with mobility issues & payment at delivery. Please reserve by November 25th

For the past 15 years, Pomquet Development Society members have been preparing and delivering Christmas Baskets to the seniors of Pomquet Parish who are 80 years old and older. In order to avoid missing anyone for Christmas 2024, please contact Colette at 902-870-3051 with the name of any senior of Pomquet Parish who has turned 80 in the last year or anyone 80+ we may have missed in previous years. If you received a basket in 2023, you don't need to contact us.

Heatherton Group Home Christmas Concert, Friday, 29 November at 7 pm (doors open at 6) at the Heatherton Community Centre. Admission is \$15 for adults and \$5.00 for those 12 years and under. Local talent, skits, door prizes, 50/50 draw, and tea/coffee/Christmas cookies available.

Highland Academy Annual Christmas Concert on Thursday, 12 December, 1 p.m. in the Heatherton Community Centre. Light refreshments to follow. Everyone is welcome to attend. The snow-date will be Friday, 13 December.

The St. Andrews Seniors Oak and Owl Club will be having their Annual Bake Sale on December 15 at the St. Andrews Community Centre. . . . Squares, cakes, doughnuts, bread and biscuits and a variety of Christmas treats. The sale will start at 10 am. Mark your calendar!

The annual Mabou Christmas Market will be held on Sunday, 1 December from 11:00 am until 3:00 pm at Dalbrae Academy (11156 Hwy 19 in Mabou). There will be lots of items available such as baked goods, jewellery, knitted goods, soap, wooden toys, photography, decorations and more. Mark your calendar and plan to attend.

Christmas Fair, 7 December, 11a.m.-3pm. Paqtnekek Community Complex/Gym (136 Afton Loop), Afton Paqtnekek First Nation. Music, Food and Gifts. Get your gifts and decorations while supporting local vendors.

~ Diocesan News ~

The following link is for the latest edition of the Antigonish Diocese newsletter, "The Seven Ears of Grain".
<https://mailchi.mp/b92193a95f82/seven-ears-of-grain-6418024>