



I am the way, and the truth,
and the life.

Jn 14:6

Tri-Parish News

Schedule for May and June 2017

Saturday at 6:00 p.m. in St. Andrew's

Sunday at 9:00 a.m. in Heatherton

Sunday at 11:00 a.m. in Pomquet

The Roman
Catholic
Communities of

Immaculate Conception,
Heatherton

St. Andrew,
St. Andrew's

Ste. Croix,
Pomquet

14 May, 2017
5th Sunday of Easter

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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

Weekday Mass Schedule

Wednesday (17 May) 2:00 p.m. funeral for Sophie Gilles in Pomquet

Thursday (18 May) 9:00 a.m. in Heatherton (Donald X. Chisholm)

Friday (19 May) 9:00 a.m. in St. Andrew's

"Celebrating God's Mercy" Weekend Retreat May 26-29

Claymore Conference Centre, Antigonish

The retreat director will be Father Gary MacPherson assisted by his sister, Sister Jovita MacPherson CSM. The three-day experience will emphasize Jesus' desire to share His divine mercy with each of us: "I have opened my heart as a living fountain of mercy." This divine mercy message as revealed to Sister Faustina demands of us as response in our living the spiritual and corporal works of mercy. Father Gary will develop the theme of mercy accenting it as a "A Gift and a Task". For more information please contact Cathy MacDougall at [902-863-1560](tel:902-863-1560) (mcmacdougall@hotmail.com) or Father Charles Cameron at [902-863-4373](tel:902-863-4373) Also, for more information please check out the Facebook event page under "Retreat - Celebrating God's Mercy a Gift and a Task".



Update on New Year's Prayer Program: We had a great response with 59 individuals from the 3 parishes registering at the parish office to say they were participating. We encourage you to continue with these prayers which are as follows: simply say one Our Father, one Hail Mary and one Glory Be to the Father each day. The one Our Father is for the needs of our very own diocese, asking God to give us all that is needed. The one Hail Mary is for the needs of our pastoral unit churches of St. Andrews, Ste. Croix, St. Francis and Immaculate Conception. The Glory Be is to be prayed by parishioners for the needs of their own individual parish. Please phone the office to register your name if you haven't already done so.

A friendly reminder that the appreciation supper for the Religious Education teachers & helpers is Wednesday, 24 May, at 6:30 p.m. in Pomquet. Please contact the tri-parish office no later than this **Monday, 15 May** to say if you can attend. Phone 902.386.2810 or e-mail to 3catholic@gmail.com

Deadline to apply for the Fr. Charles Cameron scholarship is this Monday, 15 May.

The Monsignor Hugh MacPherson Knights of Columbus will have their annual spring **YARD SALE** on **Saturday, 27 May** at the Walmart parking lot. We are looking for donations. **PLEASE** no appliances, T.V.'s or table rentals. Call Jerry at [902-870-3274](tel:902-870-3274) for any questions or anything requiring pick-up.

The Tri-Parish website can be found at: www.triparishgrouping.ca
Please send your ideas and input directly to the webmaster at the following e-mail: webmaster@triparishgrouping.ca so that the webmaster can continually update the site to a more informative state.

Immaculate Conception Parish News

Baby Shower for Madaniyeh and son: As many of you know, Madaniyeh, the wife and mother of the Syrian refugee family our parishes have been supporting, recently gave birth to a son. The Heatherton CWL is sponsoring a baby shower for Madaniyeh on Monday, 22 May at 7 p.m. at Heather Club 60. All ladies in the parish are welcome. Gifts for a toddler would be most appropriate as she already has most of what she needs for a newborn.

There will be a meeting of the activities committee for the 150th Anniversary of Immaculate Conception Church, on Tuesday, 16 May, at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Centre.

Thank you for your support: Regular = \$1,029.25 Antigonish Diocesan Society = \$10.00
Foster Child = \$25.05 Loose = \$51.00

St. Andrew Parish News

Thank you for your support: Regular = \$1,267.00 Loose = \$71.50 Giant's Lake = \$50.00

Ste. Croix Parish News

Thank you for your support: Regular = \$1,185.00 Loose = \$15.00 Donation = \$100.00
Antigonish Diocesan Society = \$165.00 Cemetery = \$100.00 SASC Rent = \$575.00

Diocesan News

Atlantic Catechetical Conference, October 20 – 22 at the Membertou Trade and Convention Centre Sydney:

The Diocese of Antigonish extends a warm welcome to all participants, presenters and vendors attending the bi-annual conference of the Atlantic Catechetical Association. This year's conference is entitled "The Spirituality of the Catechist: Growing In Faith." The vocation of catechist originates from the Word; we teach the Good News. As we do so we invite others to join us. Lead children, young people and their families in prayer and build community through the many relationships we cultivate with other parish ministries and the broader faith community. These many facets of the catechist are articulated and informed by our relationship with God - a spirituality we reflect within our vocation. Sr. Janet will guide us as we deepen our appreciation of the Spirituality of the Catechist and how it nourishes our growth in faith. For more information or to register, please visit www.antigonishdiocese.com

On Saturday, 20 May the Feast of Our Lady of Grace will be celebrated at Our Lady of Grace Monastery. It starts at 3 p.m. with Bishop Brian Joseph Dunn officiating. All are welcome. Please come out & support our Monastery.

Diocesan Summer Student Job Opportunity: The Chancery Office in Antigonish is hiring a summer student to assist with administrative and archival duties from mid June to mid-August, 9 weeks for 35 hours per week. Duties would include general office administration, responding to telephone and email inquiries, helping prepare reports, photocopying, processing mail, and helping searching archival requests. Applicants must have general computer knowledge, communication skills, and be enrolled in a post secondary education program for September 2017. Please send resumes to chancery.ant@ns.sympatico.ca by 1 June.

Community News

PLEASE NOTE CHANGE IN DATE: There will be an open house at the Heatherton Group Home on Friday, 19 May from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. to celebrate Margie MacPherson's 65th Birthday. Everyone is welcome!

Kick off summer and the long weekend right by coming out to the Heatherton Community Centre on Friday, 19 May from 8 - 11 pm. Come and enjoy a social evening, play some crib or other card game, or have a game of washers. The bar will also be open. The 500 Club draws will also be drawn. This month there will be 4 \$200, a \$500, and a \$2,000. draw. Also if you are in attendance & your ticket is drawn, you will receive a gift card in addition to your ticket win.

Chase the Ace is held every Thursday, from 7 to 9 p.m. at the St. Andrew's District Community Centre.

Pomquet Area Cultural Recreational Community Development Association is looking for a summer student to do odd jobs around the community (upkeep the cemetery and a few other jobs as well). Applicants must have been in school during the 2016/2017 school year and plan on attending school again in September. Applicants must be 15 years old. Send resume to clarencedeyoung@gmail.com or call him at 902-870-3279. Deadline for applications is 21 May.

A Community Cleanup will take place from May 15th- 22nd District 5. Volunteers with and / utility trailers will go around picking up garbage bags for transfer to a dumpster.

Marian Cenacle will be held at Our Lady of Grace Monastery this Sunday, 14 May at 2 p.m. All are invited to attend.

Arisaig Lobster Dinner on Mother's Day, this Sunday, 14 May, from 11:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. at the Arisaig Hall. Adults \$17.00 and children under 12 years of age \$8.00

Indoor Flea Market at the Havre Boucher Community Centre on Saturday, 20 May, 10 a.m. to 1p.m.

Antigonish Lion's Club Sausage & Pancake Breakfast Sunday, 28 May at the Lions' Den on Highland Drive Ext. 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. Donations at the door to assist a local family's child's medical expenses.

Registration for the 8th Annual Antigonish 55+ Games is now open. The games will take place in Antigonish on Friday, 9 June and in St. Andrews, Saturday, 10 June. Registration forms may be picked up at Antigonish Town and County Recreation departments and be dropped off or mailed to 274 Main Street Antigonish, NS, B2G-0B4. **Registration deadline is Friday, 2 June with and early bird deadline of 26 May.** For more information email antigonishgia@gmail.com or call Jenny Bowie at 902-968-0055.

The unfailing love of a
Mother
is the closest thing to
Heaven

