



Tri-Parish News

Schedule for April, 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**

**30 April, 2017
3rd 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

Tuesday (2 May) 6:30 p.m. in Paq'tnkek

Wednesday (3 May) 6:30 p.m. in St. Andrew's

Thursday (4 May) 9:00 a.m. in Heatherton (late Lauchie J. MacDonald)

Friday (5 May) 9:00 a.m. in Pomquet (late William Melanson)

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)

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Also, for more information please check out the Facebook event page under "Retreat - Celebrating God's Mercy a Gift and a Task".

We had the most beautiful celebrations last weekend when 36 children from our parishes received their First Holy Communion. These children were well-prepared by their teachers who did an outstanding job preparing them to receive their first communion with Jesus. We also congratulate their parents who promised, on the day of their baptism, to raise their child in the practice of the faith. Thank you also is extended to those who organized the reception following this special event.

The Prayer for Priests and Deacons in the Diocese of Antigonish for the month of May is now located near the bulletins. Please take a copy.

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.

Information on applying for the Fr. Charles Cameron scholarships are available from the guidance dept. at both Ecole Pomquet & Dr. J.H. Gillis high school. Posters are on the bulletin boards to all 3 churches. Deadline for is 15 May 2017.

The Antigonish Diocesan Society collection is now being held (provides financial assistance to seminarians from our Diocese). To donate, include your name, envelope number and parish, and place in the collection basket.

The supper for the Religious Education teachers & helpers is Wednesday, 24 May, at 6:30 p.m. in Pomquet. Contact the parish office no later than Monday, 15 May to say if you can attend. Phone 902.386.2810 or e-mail to 3catholic@gmail.com

Immaculate Conception Parish News

The Annual Walk for Life sponsored by the CWL will be held 7 May at 12:30 pm starting at the Heatherton Activity Centre to Heather Club 60. Anyone unable to attend and would like to make a donation it can be put in the collection and marked Heatherton CWL. All donations will go to Palliative Care. Thank you!

There will be a C.W.L. meeting on Monday, 1 May, 7 p.m. in the Activity Centre.

Deadline for donations for the Mother's Day basket draw will be Friday, 5 May.

Auction at the Glebe House, this Sunday, 30 April at 10 a.m. to noon. Cash or cheque only. All items must be out by 1 unless arrangements are made. Contents: furniture, dishes, lamps, pictures, appliances, oil fired hot water furnace with attachments, water softener, electric water heater, pressure tank, oil tank, cast iron radiators, electric panel, cast iron bath tub, etc.

Cemetery clean-up Saturday, 6 May, at 8 a.m. (rain date 13 May). Volunteers are asked to please bring shovels, rakes, and a small tractor and wagon if possible.

Thank you for your support: Regular = \$770.00 Loose = \$151.15 Foster Child = \$23.00
Good Friday = \$45.00 Share Lent = \$60.00

St. Andrew Parish News

The regular monthly meeting of the St. Andrews CWL will be on Thursday, 4 May at 7 p.m. in the Martha Room.

Job opportunity: St. Andrew's parish requires a cemetery groundskeeper for their cemeteries. This position includes mowing and whipper snipping and those who apply must be 16 years of age or older (a driver's license would be an asset). Please phone Kenny at 902.872.4449 or the parish office at 902.386.2810 to drop off resume.

Thank you for your support: Regular = \$1,709.00 Loose = \$150.50 Breakfast = \$1.00
Flowers = \$5.00 Share Lent = \$325.00 Good Friday = \$70.00 Share Lent G. L. = \$3.00
Good Friday G. L. = \$3.00 Regular G.L. = \$85.55

Ste. Croix Parish News

A special "thank you" to all who participated in the planning and organizing Holy Week services. This includes bringing the Chrism Oil, setting up chairs for the washing of the feet, and getting many readers. Thank you to the cantor of Holy Saturday and to those who decorated the church. A special thank you to Lillian Van Berkel and Famie Landry for their extra work in preparing the church and altar for Father Gary at each Mass and distributing envelopes to the parishioners. Again thank you to all but especially to Father Gary. Signed, The Parish Council

The May and June schedules are located near the bulletins. Please take a copy if you are scheduled to serve.

Thank you for your support: Regular = \$1,089.00 Loose = \$93.20 Easter Offering = \$105 Good Friday = \$5.00
Sleeping Children Around the World = \$30.00 Glebe House Auction sale = \$2,574.00

Diocesan News

Eucharist & Mission Videoconference with Marilyn J. Sweet, M.Div., on Saturday, 13 May, from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m. at the following NSCC Campuses: Sydney, Port Hawkesbury and New Glasgow. \$20.00/person and registration is required by phoning 902.539.6188 ext. 237. Tea and coffee is provided but please bring your own brown bag lunch.

In recognition of the 100th anniversary of the appearance of Our Lady of Fatima, Mass will be at St. Ninian Cathedral on the 5 first Saturdays of five consecutive months starting 6 May at 9 a.m. with the opening Mass by Bishop Dunn.

Community News

Blessing of the Fleet this Sunday, 30 April at 3 pm at Bayfield Wharf. Refreshments to follow, everyone is welcome.

There will be an Open House this Sunday, 30 April for James & Florence MacEachern of Lower South River, to offer best wishes on their 60th Anniversary. This event is from 1 – 4 p.m. in the common room of SASHA, St. Andrews.

Grant School of Highland Dance Dinner & Auction on Saturday, 6 May at the St. Andrews Community Centre. Doors open at 6 pm, dinner at 7 pm. Tickets \$20 at MacDonald's Convenience.

Chase the Ace in Pomquet: Potential winning this week is 34500, with only 13 cards left in the deck.

Pomquet Area Cultural Recreational Community Development Association is accepting applications for a summer student to do odd jobs around the community. The primary focus will be to maintain and 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](tel:902-870-3279). Deadline for applications is 21 May.

Arisaig Lobster Dinner on Mother's Day, Sunday, 14 May, 11 a.m. until 5 p.m. at the Arisaig Hall. Take-outs and ham also available. Adults \$17.00 and children under 12 years of age \$8.00

Dinner Theatre "Definitely Not The Muppet Show", 13 May at the Heatherton Community Centre. Doors open at 6:00, show at 6:30 p.m. 3 Course Meal with Vegetarian Option. Tickets are \$40 each. For more information or for tickets call 902-232-2144 or 902-386-0094.

Indoor Flea Market at the Havre Boucher Community Centre on Saturday, 20 May, 10 am-1pm. Please contact Denee at [902 870-1951](tel:902-870-1951) for more information or to book a table.

MAYFEST, Saturday, 13 May, 10 - 2 . at Bloomfield Centre on the St. F.X. Campus in support of St. Martha's Regional Hospital. Events include: Teddy Bear clinic, bake tables, garden table, face painting, cake walk, games, activities & more. Cakes would be gratefully accepted for the cake walk. Contact Gertie McCarron at 902.863.5894.

Antigonish Lions Club Pancake and Sausage Breakfast - Sunday, 30 April, from 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. at the Lion's Den on Highland Drive Ext. Donations at the door with funds being raised for the Antigonish S.P.C.A.

The opening day for this year's Antigonish Farmer's Market is Saturday, 6 May, from 8:30 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. in the 4-H Barn (behind the arena) on the Exhibition grounds.