



Tri-Parish News

February and March 2018

Saturdays at 4:00 p.m. in St. Andrew's

Sundays at 9:00 a.m. in Heatherton

Sundays at 11:00 a.m. in Pomquet

The Roman Catholic
Communities of

Immaculate Conception,
Heatherton
St. Andrew,
St. Andrew's
Ste. Croix,
Pomquet

18 February 2018

1st Sunday of Lent

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Baptisms

By appointment,
please phone Fr. Andrew

Marriages

Please call Fr. Andrew at
least 6 months in advance

Sacrament of Reconciliation

15 minutes before and after
weekday Masses or by
appointment

Mass Intentions

Contact the parish office
to request a Mass offering

Mass Schedule for the week:

Thursday (22 February) 9:00 a.m. in Heatherton (Marie Cameron)
Saturday (24 February) 4:00 p.m. Mass in St. Andrew's
Sunday (25 February) 9:00 a.m. Mass in Heatherton (Shane Deon)
11:00 a.m. in Pomquet
(William Melanson & deceased family)

FLU SEASON Precautions: With this season's influenza upon us all, requests have been made by medical personnel who work with infectious diseases & others to discontinue the "handshake/kiss of peace". We will discontinue this gesture during the winter and avoid the distribution of the spread of disease.

Holy Hour Schedules

Starting this Sunday, 18 February and to be held every Sunday during Lent at the following times:

Sundays at 1:00 p.m. in Heatherton in the Vestry

Sundays at 2:30 p.m. in Pomquet in the Church

Sundays at 6:30 p.m. in St. Andrew's in the Martha Room

NET Ministries - Family Retreat – Saturday, 24 March in St. Andrew's

A Lenten Retreat day of faith sharing (and fun) is being offered by NET Ministries on Saturday, 24 March 2018 at the St. Andrew's District Community Centre.

Advance registration is required before 9 March. Please contact Cathy Walsh, Youth Ministry, for more details cathywalsh@dioceseofantigonish.ca

Tax receipts for the 2017 year are now available at the entrances of the Churches.

If you wish to receive Church envelopes for the 2018 year and are not on our list, phone the office at 902-386-2810 or e-mail to 3catholic@gmail.com

First Communion will be held on 3 and 4 March 2018.

Online reflections for everyday in Lent can be found at the following links:

<https://dynamiccatholic.com/bestlentever> or <http://redeemedonline.com/lent/>.

Find them on both Facebook as well. Also available is a 14 day free trial to the Word Among Us at <https://wau.org/apple>

The next Confirmation class will be Tuesday, 27 February in the Martha Room at St. Andrew's Church.

A reminder that Monday, 19 February, is a holiday (Family Day) so the Tri-Parish Office will be closed for that day and re-open on Tuesday, 20 February, 9 to 4.

PLEASE NOTE: Information for anyone interested in applying for the Knights of Columbus Simon J. Khattar scholarship is now available from the guidance department at Ecole Pomquet, East Antigonish Academy and Dr JH Gillis Regional high schools. Completed application forms and required documents are to be returned to Mark Pettipas (902) 863-5497 no later than 9 March 2018.

Immaculate Conception Parish

During Lent, the Stations of the Cross will be held every Friday evening beginning at 6:30 p.m. in the Vestry.

Thank you for your support: Regular = \$995.00 Loose = \$30.50
Solemnity of Mary = \$15.00 Initial Offering = \$5.00 Donation = \$100.00
Religious Education Book = \$10.00 Foster Child = \$11.61

St. Andrew Parish News

Stations of the Cross every Friday at 6:30 p.m. during Lent at St Andrew Church in the Martha Room.

First Confession for St. Andrew's will be held on Wednesday, 28 February, at 6:30 p.m. at St. Andrew Church.

Any student in grade 4 and up who would like to become an Altar Server, please leave your name on the sheet at the main entrance of the Church.

The Annual C.W.L. General meeting will be held on Sunday, 25 March, at 11:00 a.m. in the St. Andrew's Community Centre. There will be a potluck to follow. All C.W.L. members are encouraged to attend.

Thank you for your support: Sunday Regular = \$1,581.60 Loose = \$32.00 Giant's Lake = \$75.00
Missalettes = \$5.00 Solemnity of Mary = \$ 25.00

Ste. Croix Parish News

All tickets for the 50/50 ticket draw must be passed in to Cecilia by Sunday, 25 February. Please phone her at 902-870-1530 to make arrangements.

Ste. Croix Church is missing a basket that was used to hold some Poinsettia plants that were on display this past Christmas. If anyone inadvertently took this basket, it would be appreciated if you would return the same. You may place it in the Church porch. Thank you!

Parents and First Communion children are reminded to be at Church 20 minutes early for the 11:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday, 25 February.

Thank you for your support: Regular = \$1,053.00 Loose = \$13.70 Roof = \$190.00 Initial Offering = \$5.00

Diocesan News

Ignite...Your Faith Journey Diocesan Youth Gathering - Saturday, 14 April, 2018. Our Lady of Fatima is hosting a day of friendship and faith. Open to youth preparing for Confirmation and older. 11am - 4pm, with Mass at 4:15pm Register through your Parish Office or contact Allyson Langley [902-562-3934](tel:902-562-3934) or Cathy Walsh [902-870-9117](tel:902-870-9117)

New Beginnings Weekend is a weekend of reflection and healing for those who are divorced, separated, or bereaved. Our next weekend will be 20 – 22 April, 2018 at the St. Joseph Renewal Centre/Mabou Resource Centre. For more information and to register, please contact Ron Curry: [902-564-0788](tel:902-564-0788)

Community News

The Highlander Curling Club in St. Andrew's is holding a Curling Fun Day for all ages and abilities this Sunday, 18 February with drop in anytime between 10 am and 2 pm. Bring clean sneakers & warm clothes. All other equipment will be provided. Children/youth should wear a helmet & must be accompanied by an adult. This is a FREE event with snacks served & prizes to be drawn, including a free membership for a new curler. Someone will be on hand to instruct in using the stick for those who have difficulty kneeling. Contact kristaimaceachern@gmail.com for more information.

Foyer Ecole/Home And School for L'École acadienne de Pomquet is collecting used French books for the school library. The library is in the midst of an upgrade and more books are always needed. Please ensure the book (or books) are in good condition. Donations may be dropped off at the school during regular hours. There will also be an adopt a book program in the month of March. Please contact Jennifer Nunn 90-386-2622 for more information.

Children's Parade - Pomquet Winter Carnival: Open to all Pomquet children and/or students of Ecole Acadienne de Pomquet - up to Grade 6; max four children per entry. Saturday, 24 February - 12:30 (Eglise Ste Croix to Salle Baccardax). Theme: Acadie de nos Coeurs. Pre-registration (before 17 February): call Tiffany ([902-735-2105](tel:902-735-2105)) or Colette ([902-870-3051](tel:902-870-3051)) *no motorized vehicles but decorated bicycles are allowed*

Pomquet Winter Carnival Fricôt Dinner Sunday, this Sunday, 18 February from 11 :00 a.m. until 1 :00 p.m. Rev. PJ Baccardax Hall \$8 adults; \$5 children

Yard Sale: It is never too early to start your spring cleaning. Pomquet Area Cultural Recreational Community Development Association will be having a yard sale on 5 May. Please save your gently used or not so gently used items for us. More details to follow soon.

Save the Date for a community breakfast at the P J Baccardax Hall in Pomquet on Sunday, 15 April.

A reminder that the Antigonish Winter Market is held every Saturday from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. (until the end of April) in the former National Philatelic Centre building on St. Ninian Street .. live music, lots of vendors and on-site food.