

**THE BULLETIN FOR
ST. BARRA PARISH (ST. COLUMBA, ST. ANDREW'S)
ST. MARY'S, FRENCHVALE
ST. MICHAEL'S, BADDECK
QUEEN OF THE WORLD, WAGMATCOOK
HOLY TRINITY, WAYCOBAH**

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**6th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
February 12, 2017**



REGULAR WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE:

**Saturdays - St. Columba, Iona - 4 p.m.
Saturdays - St. Mary's, Frenchvale - 6 p.m.
Sundays - St. Michael's, Baddeck - 9 a.m.
Sundays - Queen of the World, Wagmatcook - 10:15 a.m.
Sundays - Holy Trinity, Waycobah - 11:30 a.m.
Sundays - St. Andrew's, Boisdale - 4 p.m.**

FORMER ST. BARRA CHURCH, CHRISTMAS ISLAND: I want to update parishioners concerning the closure and secularization of the former St. Barra Church. As you are aware, we had a secularization ceremony on October 25, 2015. In February 2016, Marie Higgins and others sent a recourse against this decision. I responded to this recourse on March 24, 2016, stating that there was no new information submitted that would lead me to change that decision. Then Marie Higgins and others sent a recourse to the Congregation for the Clergy in Rome on April 15, 2016, with further information sent on July 18, 2016. The Congregation asked for my response to the recourse and I sent my response on July 28, 2016, with further clarification on September 24, 2016. On November 21, 2016, the Congregation decreed that the recourse had been rejected and therefore, the closure and secularization of the former St. Barra Church continues to be the decision. Please be assured of my prayers as you continue to serve as the new parish of St Barra. Bishop Brian Dunn

PILGRIMAGE TO ST. ANNE DE BEAUPRE with Fr. Patrick O'Neill - June 15 to 21. We will stop at the Monastery on the way up and back for Mass. In addition to St. Anne de Beaupre, we will also visit St. Joseph Oratory, Montreal. Cost per person is \$650 (\$850 if you want a private room). Costs cover overnight stays in Fredericton on the way up and return at the Holiday Inn Express, accommodations at St. Anne de Beaupre and 6 breakfasts and lunches. If you wish to join us, we ask for a \$200 down payment by February 28 and remaining \$450 to be paid by May 15. Call Estelle Penny at church office 902-794-3951. Please leave your name, phone number and email address if you have one. Checks to be made out to St. Joseph Parish.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION FOR ENGAGED COUPLES: The following courses are being offered by Family Service of Eastern NS and our local deaneries. Fee: \$100. Register by calling 902-849-4772. February 18 & 19 at Our Lady of Fatima, Sydney River. April 29 & 30, at Our Lady of Fatima, Sydney River. June 24 & 25, at Our Lady of Fatima, Sydney River.

MASS FOR SHUT-INS: Sundays at 11:30 a.m. on ATV.

BADDECK NURSERY SCHOOL'S ANNUAL VALENTINE'S DINNER will be held Tuesday, February 14, from 6 - 8 p.m. at the Baddeck Community Centre with a 3 course meal (salad - choice of salmon or pork loin - cheesecake dessert). Come and enjoy Entertainment (James Nicholson and Mary Austen), door prizes and silent auction. Take out also available. Thank you for your support!

THE BADDECK ACADEMY GRADE 9/10 CLASS TRIP is having a Silent Auction/Dinner on Saturday, February 18, at the Inverary Conference Centre. Lasagna dinner and ceasar salad, \$25/plate. We are also offering veggie and gluten free lasagna; as well as delivery in town. For tickets please call Kim Cameron, 902-295-3396 or 902-295-0848. Deadline is Sunday, February 12. Thank you for your support in advance.

THE WELLNESS WALKERS - Fitness at Rankin School of the Narrows will be on Wednesday evenings from 7-8 p.m. Wear comfortable shoes for indoor use. Use of the fitness equipment is for age 14 and up (or turning 14 in 2017). Walking is for age 7 and up. Children must be accompanied by an adult or guardian. If school is cancelled at Rankin School of the Narrows class will be cancelled for that evening. Sponsored by Central Cape Breton Community Ventures, Wellness Committee and supported by Rankin School of the Narrows, and Naturally Active Victoria County. For further information contact Sharon 902-725-2177.

GAELIC IMMERSION SESSIONS every Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 335 Farrell Road, Benacadie. \$10/day. Bring your own lunch. Please call Stacey for further information, 902-622-2888.

WINTER YOGA takes place on Tuesdays at 7 p.m. at the Boisdale Fire Hall. Classes are \$5 per session. Please bring a mat and blanket and wear comfortable clothing. If you have any questions, contact Anita MacKinnon at 902-871-2074.

ADULT CHAIR FITNESS CLASS continues on Tuesdays from 10:30 - 11:30 a.m. **BACK TO BASICS FITNESS CLASS** continues on Thursdays from 10:30 - 11:30 a.m. Cost is \$5 per class. All classes held at St. Columba Parish Centre with Instructor Theresa MacLean, PTS, FIS.

CARD GAMES: Tuesdays – Senior’s Club, Frenchvale – 7:30 p.m.
Wednesdays – Boisdale Fire Hall – 8 p.m.

MINISTRIES - ST. COLUMBA - Saturday, February 18 - 4 p.m. -
Readers - Peggy MacKinnon, Judy MacLellan. Eucharistic Ministers - Elizabeth MacNeil (The Bread), Florence MacNeil (The Cup), Anne Parks (The Cup). Hospitality - John Neil MacLeod, Neil MacNeil, Timmy & Rory MacNeil. Altar Servers - Riley, Hannah K., Katherine.

MINISTRIES - ST. MICHAEL'S - Sunday, February 19 - 9 a.m. -
Readers - Marie Hanam, Mary Ivey. Eucharistic Minister - Mary Ivey.
Church cleaning for the week of February 12 - Mary Nicholson.

MINISTRIES - ST. ANDREW'S - Sunday, February 19 - 4 p.m. -
Readers - Leonard, Paula. Eucharistic Minister - Blaine. Hospitality - Roy, Len. Altar Server - Pat.

OFFERINGS (Feb. 5)	St. Columba	St. Mary's	St. Michael's	St. Andrew's
Envelopes	\$ 698.00	\$ 335.00	\$ 482.00	\$ 285.00
Loose	45.30	1.85	61.85	32.00
Building Fund	30.00			
Weekly Direct Deposit		245.00		
Cemetery Fund		20.00		
St. Columba Cem.	55.00			
Fuel	225.00	60.00		130.00

A Valentine Prayer

I said a Valentine prayer for you and asked the Lord above
to fill your heart and bless your soul with the precious gift of love.

I asked Him for sincere love the kind that's meant to stay,
just like the generous love You give to those you touch each day.

I prayed for love from family and from every cherished friend,
then I asked the Lord to give you His love that knows no end.