

THE BULLETIN FOR JANUARY 26/27, 2019

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THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturdays	St. Columba, Iona	4 p.m.
Saturdays	St. Andrew's, Boisdale	5:30 p.m.
Saturdays	St. Mary's, Frenchvale	6 p.m.
Sundays	St. Michael's, Baddeck	9 a.m.
Sundays	Queen of the World, Wagmatcook	10:30 a.m.

THE PARISH COMMUNITIES OFFER PRAYER AND SYMPATHY TO:

The Family of Fr. Frank Abbass, Parish Priest, St. Mary's Parish, East Bay.

The Family of Noel Michael Bernard, Wagmatcook.

May they rest in peace. Amen.

ST. BARRA PARISH CONFIRMATION: The Sacrament of Confirmation will take place on Thursday, June 6, at 7 p.m. at St. Columba Church, Iona, with Bishop Dunn presiding. Eligible candidates (Grade 9 and up) are required to register by emailing stcolumba.iona@ns.sympatico.ca. or by phoning Josie at 902-725-2173. More information on classes, etc., will be determined when Fr. Vargheese returns from India. Please register soon as we would like to know how many books to order. Thank you.

175TH DIOCESAN HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE: Bishop Dunn will be leading a group of people to the Holy Land in September. The trip will take place from September 1 - 12, 2019. Cost will be around \$4000. Brochures are available at the Emmaus Centre and at the Chancery Office. The Diocesan website has a registration form. Half registration is due on March 1. Limited space is available, so register soon. This pilgrimage will give participants an opportunity to grow tremendously in their relationship of faith.

MASS FOR SHUT-INS INVITATION is extended to confirmation candidates. Confirmation candidates and their catechists are invited to join Bishop Brian Dunn to form the Congregation for Mass for Shut-Ins on Sunday, February 3, at 11 a.m. at the CTV station, 1283 George Street, Sydney. Lunch and dialogue with the Bishop after Mass. Participants are requested to register by January 30, by emailing Norma Blinkhorn at norma@dioceseofantigonish.ca

HOLY FAMILY PARISH IN SYDNEY MINES is hosting the Amazing gRACE Youth Rally on April 6. Invitation is extended to Youth in Grades 9, 10, 11, 12, confirmation candidates, their catechists, deacons and priests are invited to join Holy Family Parish confirmation group for an Amazing Confirmation Retreat on April 6 in Sydney Mines. Father Gary George, CSSR, will be leading the retreat. He has been working as National Youth Director, and Vocation Director. Father Gary has a passion and calling for mission work and has conducted many retreats, workshops and parish missions around America, South Africa, and Europe in the last 27 years of his priesthood. Father Gary has dedicated his life to working with youth and will bring some of that energy and passion to our parishes. He promises that this retreat will be an unforgettable day for our youth. The Retreat will begin at 11a.m. and will end after the 4 p.m. Mass. Please register your confirmation class by March 8 by emailing Norma Blinkhorn at norma@dioceseofantigonish.ca. The cost is \$10 per person. Please note young adults are also welcome to attend.

ROBBIE BURNS EVENING: Saturday, January 26, Frenchvale Seniors Club, 3099 Frenchvale Rd. 7 p.m. – 12 Midnight. \$20/pp. Please call for tickets as space is limited. 902-794-2940.

GRAND NARROWS WATERFRONT SOCIETY is planning an Anniversary celebration on July 21, 2019, to honour past and present ferrymen who worked on the ferry between Grand Narrows and Iona for 167 years. It closed in 1993. The Society is looking for any stories, pictures or memorabilia for this celebration. Please contact: Hoss MacKenzie, 902-725-2810, Juanita MacNeil, 902-623-1685, or any member of the Society.

BOISDALE HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEETING: There will be a regular meeting of the Boisdale Historical Society at the Boisdale Fire Hall on Sunday, February 3, at 2.p.m. All are welcome.

THE IONA LEGION IS HOSTING A BENEFIT for Vic Osmond on Saturday, February 9, from 8 p.m. - midnight. Vic, who lives at the Senior's complex in Iona has been diagnosed with a rare form of cancer. He faces all the challenges that come with a cancer diagnosis, including necessary trips to Boston for further research and treatment. We invite you to join us at the Legion for this fundraising event. Your support will be greatly appreciated. Music will be provided by Silver Moon. Admission is by donation and a light lunch will be provided. 19 yrs and over.

YOGA is back for the winter session at the Boisdale Fire Hall on Tuesdays at 7 p.m. & on Fridays at 10 a.m. Classes are \$5 per session. Bring a mat, blanket & wear comfortable clothing. Call Anita at 902-871-2074 for more information.

EXERCISE CLASSES have resumed at the Boisdale Fire Hall on Thursdays at 10 a.m. Please wear comfortable clothing and appropriate footwear, and bring a water bottle. If you have any questions please call Marie MacSween at 902-578-9070.

GAELIC CLASSES: Five-week session of Gaelic language classes at the Christmas Island Fire Hall on Thursdays until February 7. 6:30 p.m. until 8 p.m. Beginner class will focus on speaking Gaelic through the TIP/Gàidhlig Aig Baile method. 7:30 p.m. until 9:30 p.m. Intermediate class will focus on conversational Gaelic. Cost is \$25 for each session. There is no charge for native Gaelic speakers and youth. The classes are presented with funding assistance from the Office of Gaelic Affairs. If you require additional information please email feisaneilein@ns.sympatico.ca

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS: Meetings are held in Boisdale, St. Andrew's Church - upstairs - every Friday night from 8 p.m. to 9 p.m. Iona Parish Hall - every Tuesday night from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. Please call 902-562-8019 for more information.

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

MINISTRIES - ST. COLUMBA - Saturday, February 3 - 4 p.m. - Readers – Hugh MacKinnon, James Redden. Eucharistic Ministers – Barry George (The Bread), Florence MacNeil (The Cup), Bernadette MacDougall (The Cup). Hospitality - John Neil MacLeod, Brad Parks, Timmy MacNeil, Buddy MacNeil. Altar Servers – Grace, Hannah K., Katherine.

MINISTRIES - ST. ANDREW'S - Saturday, February 3 - 5:30 p.m. - Readers - Joe, Kenny. Eucharistic Minister - Anne. Hospitality - Joe. Altar Server - Emma.

MINISTRIES - ST. MICHAEL'S - Sunday, February 4 - 9 a.m. - Readers - Bernie MacDonald, Charlene Ivany. Eucharistic Minister - Bernice Grant. Church cleaner for the week of January 27 - Paula Tierney.

OFFERINGS	St. Columba	St. Mary's	St. Andrew's
(Jan. 20/21)			
Envelopes	\$ 459.00	\$ 723.00	\$ 525.00
Loose	43.80	3.25	35.00
Direct Deposit	50.00	245.00	
Initial Off.		30.00	20.00
Building Fund		140.00	70.00