

**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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**THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD  
January 7, 2018**

**WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE**

<b>Saturdays</b>	<b>St. Columba, Iona</b>	<b>4 p.m.</b>
<b>Saturdays</b>	<b>St. Andrew's, Boisdale</b>	<b>5.30 p.m.</b>
<b>Saturdays</b>	<b>St. Mary's, Frenchvale</b>	<b>6 p.m.</b>
<b>Sundays</b>	<b>St. Michael's, Baddeck</b>	<b>9 a.m.</b>
<b>Sundays</b>	<b>Queen of the World, Wagmatcook</b>	<b>10:15 a.m.</b>
<b>Sundays</b>	<b>Holy Trinity, Waycobah</b>	<b>12:15 p.m.</b>

**THE PARISH COMMUNITIES OFFER PRAYER AND SYMPATHY TO:** The Family of Hector Arthur Sr. DiPerio, Sydney Mines. May he rest in peace. Amen.

**NOTE FROM FR. VINCENT:** By the time parishioners read these few lines I will have departed from beautiful Cape Breton with a heavy heart. I know I am repeating myself but I need to say another huge Thank You to one and all in the Parishes and Talbot House. I am leaving with a greater sense of appreciation. Your kind and gracious words and actions of goodbyes have touched me deeply. Thank you for allowing me to be myself. I am a better person for having been with you. Fr. Vincent.

**ST. MARY'S PARISH:** As of January 5, 2018, Fr. Patrick O' Neill will be looking after the Pastoral needs of St. Mary's Parish, Frenchvale. Anyone requiring services such as Funeral, Baptism, etc., please call his office at 902-794-8431.

**HEALING MASS** at Saint Joseph's, North Sydney: On Monday, January 8, starting at 7 p.m. Fr. Patrick O'Neill will be celebrating a Healing Mass. After Holy Mass there will be prayer teams set up for individual prayer. Alan Gale (formerly from the group Four for the Lord) will be providing music that is praise and worship and very prayerful. Come out and join us!

**ECUMENICAL SERVICE:** On Sunday, January 14, there will be an Ecumenical Service at St. Marguerite Bourgeoys Church, 40 Cabot St., Sydney, at 3 p.m. in honour of Church Unity Week.

**ST. BARRA PARISH CHRISTMAS EVE PAGEANT** was a wonderful success. Thank you so very much to the children who participated so willingly and their parents who made it happen. Father Vincent was very impressed with our celebration. We sincerely appreciated his support and yours. Happy New Year to one and all.

**PRAYING FOR FR. PAUL:** Fr. Paul began a nice tradition of saying The Hail Mary after the Prayers for the Faithful. Let us continue this in his honour asking The Blessed Mother to grant him a speedy recovery and many years of good health as he continues to bring joy to our hearts, homes and communities.

**FAMILY LIFE MINISTRY OF DIOCESE OF ANTIGONISH PARENTING TIP:** As we begin a new year we are often compelled to start 'anew' by changing areas of our lives which do not fully satisfy us. This is an excellent time to assess your role as parent. Parents are called to be leaders (by making rules, sticking together to enforce rules, and by staying in charge) and models (by planning time with your children, listening to your children, encouraging your children and talking with your children) in their families. When parents are leaders and models children thrive. Now is a good time to develop strategies to be both for your children!

**CHURCH ENVELOPES:** It is important when using your church envelopes for the first few times this year that you put your name and address on those envelopes so that we can properly receipt those contributions.

**PRE-MARRIAGE PREPARATION PROGRAMS 2018** at the Family Service Office, Glace Bay on February 17 & 18, 2018; April 28 & 29, 2018; and June 23 & 24, 2018. Pre-registration is required by phoning 902-849-4772 or 902-539-6868.

**BOISDALE HISTORICAL SOCIETY:** There will be a regular meeting of the Boisdale Historical Society in the parish building on Bourinot Rd. on Sunday, January 7, 2018, 2 p.m. All are welcome as we will be working on old photographs.

**EXERCISE CLASSES:** Exercise classes at the Boisdale Fire Hall will resume at 10 a.m. on Thursday, Jan. 11. It is required that the registration form for this no-fee Older Adult Fitness class be completed before officially beginning the program. For further information, please call Marie MacSween at 902 578-9070.

**REDUCE, REUSE AND RECYCLE** your cards. A card box is located at the back of the Church. Grade 6, Kaj Udby & Emma Cholak.

**GAELIC LANGUAGE CLASSES:** On Thursdays from January 11 to February 8, TIP method. Beginner at 6:30 p.m., Intermediate at 7:30 p.m. Email feisaneilein@ns.sympatico.ca for more info or book. Cost is \$25 for all five lessons or \$5 a class. Free for children and Native Speakers. Christmas Island Fire Hall.

**MINISTRIES - ST. COLUMBA - Saturday, January 13 - 4 p.m. -**  
 Readers - Judy MacLellan, Elizabeth MacNeil. Eucharistic Ministers -  
 Angela MacDougall (The Bread), Betty MacNeil (The Cup), Bernadette  
 MacDougall (The Cup). Hospitality - Pauline & Pius Campbell, Linda  
 & Hugh MacKinnon. Altar Servers - Sarah, Hannah K., Rory.

**MINISTRIES - ST. ANDREW'S - Saturday, January 13 - 5:30**  
**p.m. -** Readers - Joe, Kenny. Eucharistic Minister - Jane. Hospitality  
 - Vince, John. Altar Server - Gerard.

**MINISTRIES - ST. MICHAEL'S - Sunday, January 14 - 9 a.m. -**  
 Readers – Bernie MacDonald, Eileen Montgomery. Eucharistic  
 Minister – Mary Ivey. Church cleaning for the week of January 7 –  
 Florence & Robert Ryan.

<b>OFFERINGS</b>	<b>St. Columba</b>	<b>St. Mary's</b>	<b>St. Michael's</b>
<b>(Dec. 31/Jan.1)</b>			
Envelopes	\$ 918.00	\$ 429.50	\$ 548.00
Loose	160.00	35.00	32.20
Direct Dep.		245.00	
Building fund	50.00		
Flowers	20.00		
Christmas Off.	40.00		
Initial Off.	5.00	53.00	
St. Barra Cem.	25.00		

<b>OFFERINGS</b>	<b>St. Andrew's</b>	<b>St. Andrew's</b>
	<b>(Dec. 25)</b>	<b>(Jan. 1)</b>
Envelopes	\$ 390.00	\$ 535.00
Loose	318.75	59.00
Flowers	40.00	10.00
Christmas Off.	445.00	40.00
Building Fund	100.00	
Cemetery	100.00	
Fuel		100.00
Initial Off.		9.00