

**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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**4th SUNDAY OF EASTER
May 7, 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.**

NOTE FROM FR. PAUL: On Monday of Holy Week, Doctors discovered that I had a mass on my left lung. Since that time I have been going through a series of tests and have had a biopsy. I will continue to have a few tests, leading to a consultation with results at the end of May when I meet with a thoracic surgeon in Halifax. I am grateful to Bishop Dunn for his assistance in having Fr. Raj work with me and our pastoral grouping for the next couple of months. I find that I tire easily and attributed this lack of energy to the busyness of my schedule however, it seems now that it is a result of these findings. For the most part Fr. Raj and I will alternate each weekend one doing Saturday and the other doing Sunday Masses. I welcome your prayers and thank you for your support.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: First Holy Communion takes place on Saturday, May 13, at the 4 p.m. Mass at St. Columba Church, Iona.

FOOD BANK COLLECTION: A reminder that the first weekend of each month we will be collecting non-perishable items for the local Food Banks in our parishes with the exception of St. Michael's, Baddeck, which will be collected on the last weekend of the month.

EUCCHARIST & MISSION VIDEO CONFERENCE: May 13 - 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at NSCC Campuses in Sydney, Port Hawkesbury and Stellarton. \$20 per participant. Registration required by phoning 902-539-6188, ext. 237. Tea and coffee will be provided but you are encouraged to bring your own brown bag lunch. Presented by the Liturgy Office of the Diocese of Antigonish with presenter Marilyn J. Sweet, M.Div.

AN EVENING WITH OUR LADY on Thursday, May 18, at 6 p.m. at Holy Trinity Church, Waycobah. Please bring a flower. Fr. Paul will be in attendance. All are welcome.

CURSILLOS: The next Men's Cursillo will be held on May 19-21, and Women's June 8-11. There are openings. If you would like more information, please contact the following; New Waterford /Glace Bay area – Kevin or Karen McSween, 902-862-8517; Sydney/Sydney River – Betty Lahey, 902-577-3604 or Marie Burke, 902-549-3866; North Sydney/Sydney Mines/Bras d'Or, – Lorena Capstick, 902-736-0843; Richmond County – Gary David, 902-631-1734.

PRAYER FOR VOCATION SUNDAY: Heavenly Father, bless your Church, with an abundance of holy and dedicated priests, deacons, brothers and sisters. Give those you have called to the married state and those you have chosen to live as single persons in the world the special graces that their lives require. Form us all in the likeness of your Son as that in him, with him and through him, we may love you more deeply and serve you more faithfully, always and everywhere. With Mary we ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

BOISDALE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT presents the Pancake & Maple Syrup Breakfast with Sausage, Homemade Baked Beans, Tea Biscuits, Toast, Tea, Coffee & Juice on Sunday, May 7, from 9 a.m. to 12 Noon. Adults \$10, Children \$5. "Highland Gold" Maple Syrup for sale. The "Hills of Boisdale Community Association" will be holding a Flea Market at the same time and date, from 9 a.m. to 12 noon, at the Boisdale Fire Hall. Find a treasure!

THE VCMH BADDECK AUXILIARY invites everyone to our Annual Canada Health Day celebrations featuring local exhibitors on health related issues, health checks, a tea/luncheon by free will offering, bake table and ticket draw. All taking place at the Baddeck Community Centre from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. on Friday, May 12.

BOISDALE HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEETING: There will be a regular meeting of the Boisdale Historical Society on Sunday, May 14, at 2 p.m. at the AA Rooms on Bourinot Rd. All are welcome.

ST. BARRA PARISH will be hiring one student for 8 weeks this summer as part of the Canada Summer Jobs Program. Duties include maintaining the cemetery and church grounds in Christmas Island. Interested students should email their résumé to Hugh MacKinnon at hlmackinnon2@gmail.com Deadline for applications is Sunday, May 14.

CHRISTMAS ISLAND VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT will be hiring one student for 8 weeks this summer as part of the Canada Summer Jobs Program. Duties include janitorial and maintenance work at the Fire Hall, as well as other assigned responsibilities. Interested students should email the résumé to Hugh MacKinnon at hlmackinnon2@gmail.com Deadline for applications is Sunday, May 14.

THE ANNUAL LINEN BASKET TICKET DRAW: The distribution of the tickets for the Mother's Day Basket has gone very well. Thank you to Sheila & Charlie. Tickets and donations may be returned anytime to Sheila & Archie's home (945 Frenchvale Road - 902-794-4198), 3 Centre Street, Sydney (902-564-8190), weekend Mass, or at our home in the big woods (3180 Frenchvale Road, 902-794-2622). This is a great fundraiser but more than that, a nice community tradition we hope not to lose. As always, your kind cooperation is greatly appreciated.

SPRING YOGA - BOISDALE FIRE HALL takes place on Tuesdays at 7 p.m. 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.

LITTLE NARROWS KNITTING CLUB at the Community Centre will be held every Tuesday from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Bring your project or learn to knit or crochet. Children and adults welcome. Adm. \$2. for hall upkeep.

LOOKING FOR GENTLY USED BOOKS: The Literacy Project of the Cape Breton Coalition for Social Justice is in need of gently used books for pre-school and children's books for their literacy campaign. Please consider re-gifting any books that your children and grandchildren may have outgrown. This will help the coalition restock their book shelves and continue to share these books with children and families who participate in literacy support programs. Please call 902-562-0682 and Sr. Franklyn Ferguson or one of the coalition members will pick up the books.

VARIETY CONCERT AT OUR LADY OF FATIMA CHURCH on Sunday, May 7, from 2 to 4 p.m. \$15. Tickets available through the Parish Office or by calling Wanda Fedora 902-567-2621 or Ann Frances Gillis 902-539-2228. All proceeds to aid in building homes for the poor in Honduras.

CARD GAMES: The 45's Card Games at Washabuck Community Centre will start on Tuesday, May 9, at 7:30 p.m. Please note the change of weekday to Tuesday from Thursday. Tuesdays – Senior's Club, Frenchvale – 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays – Boisdale Fire Hall – 8 p.m.

MINISTRIES - ST. COLUMBA - Saturday, May 13 - 4 p.m. - Readers - James Redden, Liz MacNeil. Eucharistic Ministers - Wendy MacNeil (The Bread), Roy MacNeil (The Cup), Sharon MacNeil (The Cup). Hospitality - Timmy & Rory MacNeil, Pius Campbell, Brad Parks. Altar Servers - Grace, Sarah, Hannah K., Simon. **MINISTRIES - ST. MICHAEL'S - Sunday, May 14 - 9 a.m.** - Readers - Bernice Grant, David Fraser. Eucharistic Minister - Bernice Grant. Church cleaning for the week of May 7 – Harriet MacLeod. **MINISTRIES - ST. ANDREW'S - Sunday, May 14 - 4 p.m.** - Readers - Peggy, Fiona. Eucharistic Minister - Gerard. Hospitality - Kenny, Joe. Altar Server - Vince.

OFFERINGS (Apr. 30)	St. Columba	St. Mary's	St. Michael's	St. Andrew's
Envelopes	\$ 624.00	\$ 405.00	\$ 514.00	\$ 590.00
Loose	63.50	26.35	138.80	47.00
Easter Flowers		20.00		
Easter Offering		20.00		
Good Friday		20.00		
Weekly Direct Deposit		245.00		
St. Columba Cem.	300.00			