

**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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**FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING
November 26, 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 - 12:15 p.m.
Sundays - St. Andrew's, Boisdale - 4 p.m.**

PRAYING FOR FR. PAUL: Recently 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.

MAILING ADDRESS: In case anyone wishes to send Fr. Paul Seasonal Greetings ... his mailing address is P. O. Box 1001, Trenton, NS B0K 1X0.

CHRISTMAS EVE ANNUAL CHILDREN'S PAGEANT for St. Barra Parish, Iona planning is underway. Please contact Liz MacNeil at 902-295-8483 to confirm that your children will be taking part in this celebration of the birth of Jesus. All children ages 5-12 are welcome.

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

2017 YOUTH RALLY: "CALLED TO SERVE": New Date: Saturday, December 2, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. A bus will transport youth from CBRM with stops along Hwy 105. Ticket for bus: \$15.00 per person. (Call Cathy Walsh, 902-870-9117) Admission fee for Youth Rally: Donation to the foodbank. Register at facebook - St. Ninian Youth or Youth Events on the diocesan webpage or call St. Ninian's Parish office at 902-863-2338.

PLEASE JOIN US AT OUR LADY OF FATIMA CHURCH on Sunday, December 3, from 2-4 p.m., for an afternoon of self-directed prayer and reflection on the following topics: connecting, focusing, praying, seeing, wishing, waiting, and pondering. There will also be Christmas cookies, tea & coffee, accompanied by music. After all... Jesus is the Reason for the Season. All ages welcome! Any questions feel free to email Bert & Claudia at theaucoins@ns.sympatico.ca

A VOICE: HEAR, LOVE, FOLLOW: An Advent Youth/Intergenerational Gathering. Sunday, December 10, 2 p.m. St. Joseph, Port Hawkesbury. Come together to embrace the Advent Season. Prayer and activities catered for all ages.

ADVENT RESOURCES AND CHRISTMAS GIFT IDEAS: The Season of Advent begins on Sunday, December 3. The Emmaus Book Store invites you to stop by and view our selection of Advent and Christmas items: Advent Wreath Rings and Candles; Foam Advent Wreaths for children; Advent devotional books for adults, young people and families; Christmas Gift ideas and cards; Christmas books for children. We are located inside the Diocesan Pastoral Centre, 200 Churchill Drive, Membertou, NS.

THE BARRA FOOD BANK heartily thanks all who donated, and wishes everyone a Merry Christmas! We are no longer keeping regular hours, so call us to get help or donate – Trish at 902-725-2867 or Gail at 902-577-3394 Thanks!

BENEFIT DANCE FOR JOHNNY OSBORNE: There will be a Benefit dance for Johnny Osborne at the little Narrows Community Centre on Saturday, Nov. 25 from 8 p.m. - 12 a.m. He has many medical and traveling needs during his time of sickness. Live music will be provided by the Corner Crew.

CHRISTMAS MERCHANDISE BINGO at 2 p.m. on Sunday, November 26, at the Christmas Island Fire Hall. Sponsored by Clan MacNeil. Everyone welcome.

RANKIN HOME AND SCHOOL CHRISTMAS BASKET FUNDRAISER: Students will have tickets to sell on the Annual Home and School Christmas basket Nov. 30. Please support our Home and School group by purchasing tickets from any student. If you would like to donate an item or service to the basket suggestions include candy, gift cards, chocolate, home décor items, Christmas decorations, dry goods for the Christmas pantry, mittens, etc. All revenue, generated through ticket sales, goes directly into our school and benefits all students. In an effort to help ensure our fundraiser is a success, please reach out to a student to purchase tickets and all donations would be gratefully accepted. Many Thanks, Rankin School Home and School.

THE ANNUAL WOOD TICKET SALE for St. Mary's, Frenchvale, has been launched. The prize is 4 cords of hardwood, cut, split and delivered within CBRM or \$500. Many thanks to MacInnis Lumber for the donation of the prize. Tickets are \$1 each and can be purchased from Sheila at 902-794-4198 or Charlie at 902-794-2622. The draw takes place on Dec. 9.

THE HOSPICE SERVICE that is normally held in November will be postponed until the Spring of next year.

THE HOSPICE CALENDARS FOR 2018 are now available. The proceeds will go directly to support the needs of palliative care patients in our community. The calendars cost \$20 and will be offered for sale at Stone's Pharmacy and the Herring Choker, Baddeck. To order direct, please contact Carolyn Bowne @ 902-295-1777. Thank you so much for your support!

RELEASE THE TARTAN PARTY: Washabuck Celebrates the release of its own Tartan! Designed by local weaver Marie MacDonald to commemorate our 200th Anniversary – Saturday, December 2nd at 6:30 p.m. at the Washabuck Community Centre. Introduction of the Tartan, Ceilidh, Dileag, and Strupag!

CHRISTMAS TEA & BAKE SALE on Sunday, December 3, from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. at the Boisdale Fire Hall. Admission is \$6. Includes door prizes, novelty table, crafts, various ticket draws including a Christmas Basket. Spon. by the Hills of Boisdale Community Association.

SOUNDS OF THE SEASON featuring Choirs from the local area as well as special guests will take place at the Inverary Inn Conference Center on Thursday, December 7, at 7 p.m. in support of the Victoria County Memorial Hospital Foundation. There will be a goodwill offering at the door and all are invited to attend.

FAMILY CHRISTMAS TEA & CEILIDH: Sunday, December 10, from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. at the Grandona Legion, Iona. Christmas Carol Sing-along; Ticket Draw for "Treasure Chest"; Door Prize Draws. Admission \$5 (includes a lunch plate). Members & Guests.

HOLIDAY CONCERT: Come celebrate the holidays with Rankin School students as they present their Concert for the Holidays on Thursday, Dec. 14, at 7 p.m. at Rankin School of the Narrows. Basket tickets will be on sale and a silver donation will be accepted at the door.

“THE MOST WONDERFUL TIME OF THE YEAR” – A Christmas Concert will be held in Our Lady of Fatima Church on Sunday, Dec. 10, at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$15 each and can be purchased from any of the choir members, Our Lady of Fatima Parish Office or by calling Linda – 902-562-2957.

MINISTRIES - ST. COLUMBA - Saturday, December 2 - 4 p.m. - Readers - Neil MacNeil, Judy MacLellan. Eucharistic Ministers - Sharon MacNeil (The Bread), Florence MacNeil (The Cup), Elizabeth MacNeil (The Cup). Hospitality - Cynthia & Austin MacKenzie, Buddy MacNeil, John Neil MacLeod. Altar Servers - Sarah, Katherine Hannah.

MINISTRIES - ST. MICHAEL'S - Sunday, December 3 - 9 a.m. – Readers – Holly MacInnis, Charlene Ivany. Eucharistic Minister – Charlene Ivany. Church cleaning for the week of November 26 – Holly MacInnis. **MINISTRIES - ST. ANDREW'S - Sunday, December 3 - 4 p.m.** - Readers - Paula. Eucharistic Minister - Blaine. Hospitality - Roy, Len. Altar Server - Gerard.

| OFFERINGS | St. Columba | St. Mary's | St. Andrew's | St. Michael's |
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| (Nov. 19) | | | | (Nov. 12) |
| Envelopes | \$ 565.00 | \$ 332.00 | \$ 360.00 | \$ 423.00 |
| Loose | 42.25 | 41.50 | 20.00 | 83.85 |
| Direct Dep. | | 245.00 | | |
| St. Barra Cem. | 520.00 | | | |
| Building fund | 25.00 | | 100.00 | |
| Cemetery | | | 20.00 | 55.00 |