

**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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**25th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
September 24, 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.**

UP DATE FROM FR. PAUL: I thought I would provide another update on my health situation. I met with the oncologist for the first time a few days ago. I appreciated his direct manner, patient focus and concern. He outlined a plan for my treatment going forward. I will begin a regime of chemotherapy on Wednesday, September 27, which will go for 12 weeks. This means that I will have chemo sessions twice during the first week, twice during the second week and the third week off, then the cycle is repeated. My progress will be reviewed both during the chemo and at the end to see what happens when this treatment is ended. Since then I've had attended a preparatory and education session at the Aberdeen Hospital in New Glasgow where I will take the treatment. The nurses in the chemo centre were extremely helpful in providing information about both the therapy and the possible side effects of the chemo. And so for now I continue to feel the support, friendship and prayers of many people. I am deeply grateful for this and recognize that this support carries me through these days. Blessings to all... I will offer another update once I get a bit into the chemo phase of this journey.....

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.

THE PARISH COMMUNITIES OFFER PRAYER AND SYMPATHY TO:

The Family of Mary 'Annie Moore' Young, Sydney/Christmas Island.
May she rest in peace. Amen.

PILGRIMAGE: Join Fr. Patrick O'Neill on a Spiritual Pilgrimage April 22 - May 1, 2018, to Fatima, Lourdes and Spain. Call Margaret at Maritime Travel and book now 902-794-7251 during business hours. Price based on Double occupancy (2 guests per room) is \$4229 cad taxes included. Price includes Roundtrip Airfare from Sydney (including air taxes/fees and surcharges), hotel transfers, the EXCLUSIVE tour to San Sebastian de Garabandal and an early booking discount of \$200 per person. Single supplement for travellers wishing to have their own accommodations is an additional \$580 cad (total \$4809 cad).

2017 ATLANTIC CATHETICAL ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE hosted by the Diocese of Antigonish will be held at the Membertou Trade and Convention Centre, Sydney, on Oct. 20-22, 2017. The theme is: The Spirituality of the Catechist – Growing in Faith. Registration Fees: \$275.

CURSILLO WEEKEND SCHEDULE: Fall - 2017 - Women's - October 12 - 15. Men's - October 19 - 22. Ultreya - last Thursday of the month, September 28. Contact Kevin or Karen McSween at 902-862-8517 to register or for more information.

THANK YOU: I would like to express my sincere thanks to all who took part in Ronnie's Service. To Greg, Dan Joseph and Michael Dan for help with the grave, to Fr. Hughie for his kind words and anyone who helped in anyway. May God Bless you all for being so kind. Ron would be proud. Agnes MacNeil & Family.

THANK YOU: Clan MacNeil would like to thank the Christmas Island Ladies Auxiliary and all who helped with preparing the lunch for the people from Barra and all who attended the Ceilidh on Friday at the Christmas Island Fire Hall.

IONA FARMER'S MARKET & FLEA MARKET - Sunday, September 24, from 12 Noon until 3 p.m. at the Iona Port. Local goods will include photography, preserves, baked goods, local veggies and plums, wood working and more.

MERCHANDISE BIINGO on Sunday, September 24, at 2 p.m. at the Christmas Island Fire Hall. Sponsored by Clan MacNeil. Everyone welcome.

FOOT CARE & WELLNESS CLINIC will be held on Wednesday, September 27, at the Boisdale Fire Hall. For appointment/information contact Pauline at 902-725-2698 or Paula at 902-871-2810. Sponsored by CCBCV, Wellness committee.

ADULT CHAIR FITNESS CLASS: Participants will do aerobic, strength training and stretching exercises while seated in a chair. Bring light weights or two bottles of water to use as weights. Class suitable for persons with all ranges of mobility. Wear comfortable clothing and sneakers. Bring a bottle of water. Thursday mornings: 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m., starting Sept. 28 until Dec. 7, St. Columba Parish Centre, Iona. Instructor: Theresa MacLean PTS, FIS. If school is cancelled at Rankin School of the Narrows the class will be cancelled for the day. Cost: \$5.00 per class. Sponsored by CCB Community Ventures, Wellness Committee.

EXERCISE CLASSES at the Boisdale Fire Hall will resume at 10 a.m. on Sept. 28. 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.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF CLAN MACNEIL will be held at the St. Columba Parish Centre on Sunday, October 1, at 2 p.m.

YOGA will be held at the Boisdale Fire Hall on Tuesdays, at 7 p.m. Please bring a mat, a blanket and wear comfortable clothing. Any questions, contact Anita at 902-871-2074.

UNDER ONE UMBRELLA-CAPE BRETON WINTER WEAR DONATIONS REQUEST: Event Date: Nov. 04, 2017 (12 Noon - 4 p.m.) Centre 200, Sydney. Under One Umbrella Cape Breton is a special event designed to give people, who are homeless or at risk of being homeless, access to a wide range of health and other support services all under one roof in one day. Our goal is to provide easy access to services people may not otherwise have an opportunity to access. The range of services offered at this event could vary from foot care, dental screening, eye care, hearing, medical, mental health and addiction services, housing, haircuts, legal information, food security information, winter clothing, a hot meal and more. Last year many churches gave donations of warm socks (new) which we included in our comfort kit (500 kits) and warm winter wear for all ages including mitts, gloves, winter hats, jackets, boots or other foot wear (winter boots are in high demand). A total of 396 people (Men, Women & Children) were able to get winter wear. We will be collecting donated items beginning Sept. 22 with an end date of Oct. 20. We hope your faith community will once again answer our call for help. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call, Eileen MacNeil, Coordinator Under One Umbrella at 902-371-0101 or Erin Forsey, Health Promotion Coordinator at 902-563-2410 or email underoneumbrella@nshealth.ca. We truly appreciate your help and thank you for your time and support.

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

MINISTRIES - ST. COLUMBA - Saturday, September 30 - 4 p.m. - Readers - Judy MacLellan, James Redden. Eucharistic Ministers - Anne MacKinnon-Parks (The Bread), Roy MacNeil (The Cup), Wendy MacNeil (The Cup). Hospitality - Linda & Hugh MacKinnon, John Neil MacLeod, Neil James MacNeil. Altar Servers - Sarah, Katherine, Simon, Rory.

MINISTRIES - ST. MICHAEL'S - Sunday, October 1 - 9 a.m. - Readers - Bernie MacDonald, Peggy MacKinnon. Eucharistic Minister - Bernice Grant. Hospitality - Mary Ivey. Church cleaning for the week of September 24 – Jeanette MacDonald.

MINISTRIES - ST. ANDREW'S - Sunday, October 1 - 4 p.m. - Readers - Fiona, Peggy. Eucharistic Minister - Gerard. Hospitality - Roy, Len. Altar Server - Vince.

OFFERINGS St. Columba St. Michael's St. Andrew's St. Mary's (Sept. 17)

Envelopes	\$ 678.00	\$ 549.00	\$ 625.00	\$ 344.00
Loose	113.10	184.40	103.00	20.65
Direct Dep.				245.00