

# +Margaree Family of Catholic Churches

St. Joseph's      St. Michael's/St-Michel      St. Patrick's

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*Mission Statement: Open to God. Open to Others. Open to Transformation.*

## Third Sunday of Easter – April 15, 2018

**Masses for next weekend:** St. Joseph's – 4 p.m. on Saturday; St. Patrick's – 9:30 a.m. and St. Michael's – 11 a.m. on Sunday  
St Pierre, Cheticamp – Sat., 6:30 p.m.; St. Joseph's, St. Joseph du Moine – Sun., 10:30 a.m.  
Stella Maris, Inverness – Sat., 5 p.m.; St. Margaret of Scotland, Broad Cove – Sun., 9:30 a.m.; Stella Maris, Inverness – Sun., 11 a.m.

### Weekday Masses:

**Mon., Apr. 16** – St. Michael's – 10 a.m. – Robert Skinner req. by Marie LeBlanc

**Tues., Apr. 17** – St. Patrick's - 6:30 p.m. – Archie Murphy req. by Alice Gillis

**Wed., Apr. 18** – St. Joseph's – **5:30 p.m. – Eucharistic Adoration**; 6:30 p.m. – Johnny MacLellan req. by Rose MacLellan

**Thurs., Apr. 19** – St. Michael's – 10 a.m. – Harold Gillis req. by Mr. & Mrs. Daniel Doucet

**Fri., Apr. 20** – St. Michael's – 6:30 p.m. – Pauline Dunn req. by Mr. & Mrs. Allen Ross & Amanda

**Sat., Apr. 21** – **Margaree Manor** – 10 a.m. – Evelyn LeBlanc req. by Marsha & Darryl MacQuarrie

### Communion calls:

## Fourth Sunday of Easter – April 22, 2018

	Greeters/Gift Bearers	Readers	Extraordinary Ministers
St. Joseph's	Jerald & Cathy	Norman	Rosita, Joan C., Cathy
St. Michael's	Sandy Doucette	Sandy, Jessie D.	Art, Mary H., Bernice
St. Patrick's	Bob & Margaret Rose	Olivia, Stella	Shaun, Jackie, Cecile

**Prayer Corner:** Please pray for healing for Joe & Marilyn Gledhill, Barry Guihan, Harry Timmons, Fr. Paul Abbass, Jim MacDonnell, Sharon Gillis, Tom Doyle, Judy MacIsaac, Bernadette LeBlanc, Leo Paul LeBlanc, Margaret Rose Fortune, Reggie Chiasson and Fr. Martin MacDougall.

If there is someone who is sick and would like his/her name in the prayer corner, please contact the parish office either by phone: 902-235-2435 or email: [office@mfocc.ca](mailto:office@mfocc.ca).

**Condolences are extended** to the families of Florence LeBlanc (sister-in-law of Dorothy MacKenzie and Michael LeBlanc) and all the victims of the Humboldt tragedy.

**Bulletin announcements** may be emailed to [bulletins@mfocc.ca](mailto:bulletins@mfocc.ca) no later than 8:30 p.m. on Wednesdays.

## Prayer of St. Teresa of Avila

Let nothing disturb you. Let nothing frighten you. All things pass away. God never changes. Patience obtains all things. He/She who has God lacks nothing. God alone suffices.

**Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for Easter Season** – Risen Lord, during this season of Easter, we pray for those who have responsibility in economic matters. May they have the courage to reject an economy of exclusion and know how to open new paths for the poor and marginalized.

## Ministry News

### Annual Meeting Schedule

St. Michael's – Sun., Apr. 22 - 2 p.m.; St. Patrick's – Apr. 22 - 7 p.m.; St. Joseph's – Sat., Apr. 28 after Mass

**Eucharistic Adoration in the Margaree Family of Catholic Churches:** We will continue our Hour of Eucharistic Adoration each week in our churches. The next hour will be in St. Joseph's on Wed., April 18, and the third will be at St. Michael's on Fri., April 27. Please bring your rosary.

**What is Eucharistic Adoration?** It is a moment of reverence to Jesus present in the Eucharist. We pray; we adore and offer our intentions to Christ. It is a grace-filled moment. Everyone is encouraged to spend this hour with Christ in prayer once a week.

**Small Faith Communities' Initiative** – The next meeting will take place in St. Michael's Hall on Apr. 26 at 7 p.m. All are welcome!

**Mass Schedule** – Parishioners are asked to vote (once only, please) for the time they would like to have Mass in their parish starting **May 1, 2018**. The options are: Saturday – 6 p.m.; Sunday – 9:30 a.m.; Sunday – 11 a.m. Vote on the slip with the names of your parish.

**Ministry Lists** are available on the website: [mfocc.ca](http://mfocc.ca)

**Entre Deux Rivieres** – Fr. Peter LeBlanc hosts a bilingual, spiritual program on CKJM (106.1 FM) every Sunday from 7 – 9 p.m. It is based on Scripture and features hymns, songs and sharing.

**Euthanasia Prevention Coalition Helpline** - The number is 1-855-675-8749, and the service is confidential and free and available twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week.

**High School Grads** A time of quiet & reflection before final exams and grad activities. Friday May 11 & Saturday May 12. Camp Geddies, Merigomish. Open to high school grads in the Diocese (**You don't have to be Catholic to come!**). Limited space so register early. Contact Cathy Walsh.

**Steubenville Atlantic - online registration available now!** -Register on line for the Steubenville Atlantic weekend - July 6-8 at Dalhousie University. Contact Cathy at [youthministry@dioceseofantigonish.ca](mailto:youthministry@dioceseofantigonish.ca) for more details.

**Summit** - Join thousands of Catholics across North America for the New Evangelization Summit on April 27-28th! The Summit, which is designed to inspire all Catholics to live out their personal call to evangelize, will be held in Ottawa and webcasted to Sydney! It will feature 6 world-class Catholic speakers who will inspire and teach us to bring the Gospel to those who need to be reignited with a living sense of the faith. Register now for this premier conference at [www.newevangelization.ca](http://www.newevangelization.ca)! Location: Holy Redeemer Parish; Dates: Apr 27-28, 2018; Cost: \$40.00 (Lunch provided)

**New Beginnings Weekend** is a weekend of reflection and healing for those who are divorced, separated, or bereaved. Our next weekend will be April 20-22, 2018 at the St. Joseph Renewal Centre/Mabou Resource Centre. For information and to register, please contact Ron Curry: [902-564-0788](tel:902-564-0788)

## **CWL & K of C**

**St. Michael's CWL** is encouraging parishioners to donate non-perishables (dry and canned goods that are not fresh.) Only dry goods should be donated. Check the "best before" date!

**Knights of Columbus** – Crib games will be held on Sundays 7 p.m. at the Margaree Seniors Hall, Margaree. Everyone welcome; bring a partner. There is a Knight's Jackpot.

**Knights of Columbus** - The Knights Of Columbus would like to thank everyone who attended the Brunch on Sunday, April 8 at St. Michael's Hall. You made it a great success .Don't forget the Ham & Scalloped Potato Dinner on May 6. The winner of the 50/50 Draw was Gerard Chiasson of Point Cross

**Used Stamps** – Please save the stamps from any envelopes you receive and leave them at the entrance of any church. Please leave 1/8 of an inch around the stamp!

## **Other & Community Events**

**Sunday Afternoon Stories** - An afternoon with local storytellers. Plan to attend. Sunday, April 15 from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Drs. Coady Tompkins Mem. Library No admission but donations welcome. Light refreshments will be served. A project of the Drs. Coady Tompkins Mem. Library

**Computer Skills for the Workplace** (including Excel, Microsoft Word and Power Point applications) A five day course on weekends beginning Sat., April 21 at the Margaree Forks Fire Hall. (9 a.m. - 4 p.m.). This course will be geared to the needs and interests of those taking the course and is directed toward employers/employees of small business operations. This course is free but attendance is mandatory. For further information or to register contact [madaadulted@gmail.com](mailto:madaadulted@gmail.com) or phone [902 248 2951](tel:9022482951). Hosted locally by MADA and sponsored by N.S. Department of Labour and Advanced Education.

**Free Instruction** - Adult upgrading classes and GED exam prep. are being offered throughout Inverness County from Oct./2017 to June/2018. Basic computer skills instruction can be provided in your community depending on interest. If you would like more information, please call Shirley Miller at 248-2960, Jesslyn Timmons at 258-2752, daily at the Literacy Office 258-3110, or toll free at [1-877-258-5550](tel:1-877-258-5550). Sponsored by Inverness County Literacy Council. `

**South West Seniors Club** - The South West Margaree Senior Citizens Club weekly card games will be held on Monday at 7 p.m. All are welcome to come to play 45.

**We need your input!** – Do you want to have a voice in your community health planning? Now is the time to share! The North Inverness County Community Health Planning Board has a survey available at St. Michael's Church. The NICHB's coverage area runs from Fordview (on the east side of Doyle's Bridge) to Meat Cove. The North Inverness Community Health Board health planning survey is available at the entrance of the church. This survey is open until May 15. Your responses to the survey will help the Health Board build an annual action plan to direct where and how they spend their volunteer time and efforts as they work to help improve the health and wellbeing of residents. Please share your thoughts and ideas and encourage your friends and neighbours to complete one too.

A Follow-up Session to the **Shaping the Future of our Margaree Communities** is planned for **Sunday, April 22** at St. Patrick's Parish Hall, N.E. Margaree at 2 p.m. All are welcome to attend - whether you were part of the session on February 25 or not. Learn of our continuing plans to work in conjunction with CBU in a community-based research project to support the future directions of the Margarees. Contribute to the conversation. A project of the Margaree Area Development Association.

**Annual Mabou and District Athletic Centre Live Auction and Dinner at the Mabou Hall**—Saturday, May 5, catered by Mary Loretta Beaton. Tickets will soon be available.

**Pilgrimage to Monastery** – Come join us on a day pilgrimage to Monastery, Saturday, May 19 to celebrate the feast day of Our Lady of Grace. Price of \$55.00 covers all expenses, including dinner. Holy Mass at 3:00 p.m. with Bishop Dunn. For more information and to book a seat, please phone Helen at (902)794-8825.

**The annual Mabou Spring Concert** will be held on Sunday, May 20 at 7:30 pm at the Mabou Hall. Come out for an evening filled with traditional music and dance featuring local performers. This event is being sponsored by the Mabou Hall Committee with all proceeds going to the parking lot fund.

**St. Marguerite Bourgeoys Parish** is hosting weekend presentation and seminar on grief and bereavement on Friday April 20 from 7-9 p.m. and Saturday April 21 10-12 and 1-3 p.m. This presentation will comprise of 3 sessions; you can participate in all 3 but each session stands on its own. This is open to everyone interested for any reason in dealing with grief and bereavement in a death denying society. More details next week.

*Happy Easter Season to all!*