+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.

Second Sunday of Easter - April 8, 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

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Weekday Masses:

Mon., Apr. 9 – St. Michael's – 10 a.m. – John L. McKinnon req. by Mr. & Mrs. Bruce Murphy

Tues., Apr. 10 – St. Patrick's – 5:30 p.m. – Eucharistic Adoration; 6:30 p.m. – Bernie Crane req. by Billy Carroll

Wed., Apr. 11 – St. Joseph's – 6:30 p.m. – Florence MacLellan req. by Jocelyn Savard

Thurs., Apr. 12 – St. Michael's – 10 a.m. – Yvonne Olsen req. by Mr. & Mrs. Don MacNeil

Fri., Apr. 13 – St. Michael's – 6:30 p.m. – Darlene Arsenault req. by Mr. & Mrs. Norman Gillis

Sat., Apr. 14 – St. Michael's – 10 a.m. – Mary Judy LeBlanc req. by Helen LeBlanc

Communion calls:

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| | Greeters/Gift Bearers | Readers | Extraordinary Ministers |
| St. Joseph's | Michael & Mary G. | Laurie | Marie, Lawrence, Bill |
| St. Michael's | Isidore & Delina | Nadine, Hannah | Eugene, Audrey, Archie |
| St. Patrick's | Mose & Betty | Ethna, Carmel | Allen, Mose, Brooks |
| Parish Pastoral Council meeting will be held on Tues., April 10 at St. Patrick's after Mass. | | | |

<u>Prayer Corner:</u> 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 and Reggie Chiasson.

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.

<u>Condolences are extended</u> to the family of Betty Godreau (mother of Tom).

Bulletin announcements may be emailed to <u>bulletins@mfocc.ca</u> 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.

<u>Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for Easter Season</u> – 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

Eucharistic Adoration in the Margaree Family of Catholic Churches: We will begin an hour of Eucharistic Adoration each week in our churches beginning with St. Patrick's on Tues., April 10 at 5:30 p.m. 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.

<u>What is Eucharistic Adoration?</u> 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.

<u>Thank you!!</u> – I, Fr. Macdonald, on behalf of all parishioners of the Margaree Family of Catholic Churches, wish to thank all the sacristans, choir and all the other ministers who participated in the Triduum. We really appreciate your service.

<u>Small Faith Communities' Initiative</u> – The next meeting will take place in St. Michael's Hall on Apr. 12 at 7 p.m. All are welcome!

Ministry Lists are available on the website: 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.

<u>Euthanasia Prevention Coalition Helpline</u> - 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.

<u>IGNITE ... Your Faith Journey</u> - <u>Parish teams</u> - AMAZING RACE - Ignite your Faith Journey - Youth Rally 11a.m. April 14, 2018, Our Lady of Fatima, Sydney. Confirmation youth and older. Register your team(s) with your parish office. Contact Cathy Walsh for information.

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.

<u>Steubenville Atlantic - online registration available now!</u> -Register on line for the Steubenville Atlantic weekend - July 6-8 at Dalhousie University. Contact Cathy at <u>youthministry@dioceseofantigonish.ca</u> for more details.

<u>Summit</u> - 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! Location: Holy Redeemer Parish; Dates: Apr 27-28, 2018; Cost: \$40.00 (Lunch provided)

<u>New Beginnings Weekend</u> 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: <u>902-564-0788</u>

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<u>St. Michael's CWL</u> 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!

<u>St. Patrick's CWL</u> - The April meeting of St. Patrick's CWL will be held on Wed., April 11 at St. Patrick's Hall at 7:15 p.m. Happy Easter Season!!

<u>Knights of Columbus</u> – 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.

<u>Knights of Columbus Brunch</u> - Sunday, April 8 at St. Michael's Parish Hall from 11:45--1:30, sponsored by Fr. Robert F Wicks Memorial Council # 9936 Knights of Columbus, Eggs, pancakes, sausage, bacon, home fries, toast, tea or coffee. Adults: \$10; Children: \$6 ALL WELCOME.

<u>Used Stamps</u> – Please save the stamps from any envelopes you receive and give them to any member of the CWL from St. Michael's or St. Patrick's. Please leave 1/8 of an inch around the stamp!

Other & Community Events

<u>Computer Skills for the Workplace</u> (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 or phone 902 248 2951. Hosted locally by MADA and sponsored by N.S. Department of Labour and Advanced Education.

<u>Free Instruction</u> - 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 <u>1-877-258-5550</u>. Sponsored by Inverness County Literacy Council.`

<u>South West Seniors Club</u> - The South West Margaree Senior Citizens Club weekly card games will be starting again Monday April 2, 2018 at 7 p.m. All are welcome to come to play 45. As well, come and see our newly updated hall. The next meeting will be held on April 11 at 2 p.m. All members are encouraged to attend

<u>We need your input!</u> – 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 deadline for the survey to be completed is May 15.

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

<u>Pilgrimage to Monastery</u> – 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.

Happy Easter Season to all!