

+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.

Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time – Oct. 21, 2018

Masses for next weekend: St. Patrick's – 6 p.m. on Saturday; St. Joseph'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., Oct. 22 – St. Michael's – 10 a.m. – Patricia Fleck req. by Barbara & Frank Moeller

Tues., Oct. 23 – St. Joseph's – 6:30 p.m. – Mary Emma Gillis req. by Joan MacLeod

Wed., Oct. 24 – St. Patrick's – 6:30 p.m. – Mickey Miller req. by Mr. & Mrs. A. Simon LeBlanc

Thurs., Oct. 25 – St. Michael's – 10 a.m. – Tommy Burns req. by Mr. & Mrs. Lionel Cormier

Fri., Oct. 26 – St. Michael's – 5:30 p.m. **Eucharistic Adoration; 6:30 Mass** – Leo G. LeBlanc req. by Dorothy MacKenzie

Sat., Oct. 27 – St. Michael's - 10 a.m. – Collie Poirier req. by RoseAnne & Joe Chiasson

Communion calls:

Clocks fall back the first weekend of November **and** Mass times for St. Joseph's and St. Patrick's will change. St. Joseph's will be on Saturday at **4 p.m.** and St. Patrick's will be on Sunday at 9:30 a.m.

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time – Oct. 28, 2018

	Greeters/Gift Bearers	Readers	Extraordinary Ministers
St. Joseph's	Robert, Brenda, Maria	Norman	Rosita, Joan C., Cathy
St. Michael's	Roy, Agnes	Cyril, Jessie M.	Audrey, Archie, Art
St. Patrick's	Hilda Phillips	Ethna, Carmel	Mary L., Brooks, Shaun

MEETINGS

Prayer Corner: Please pray for healing for Joe & Marilyn Gledhill, Barry Guihan, Harry Timmons, Fr. Paul Abbass, Sharon Gillis, Tom Doyle, Judy MacIsaac, Bernadette LeBlanc, Margaret Rose Fortune, Fr. Martin MacDougall, Charles McDaniel, Jeanette MacIntyre, Larry Mugford, Kara MacLellan, Eugene LeBlanc, Denis Doiron, Elsie (Aucoin) Frontain, Albert MacEachern, David Wallace, Eugene Arsenault and Annie Roach.

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.

Condolences are extended to the families of Victor Aucoin (father of Micheline (Sandy) Ross, Maurice Bowden and Ernest Chiasson.

Bulletin announcements may be emailed to bulletins@mfocc.ca no later than 8:30 p.m. on Wednesdays.

Pope Francis' Prayer for Vocations - LORD of the Harvest, BLESS young people with the gift of courage to respond to your call. Open their hearts to great ideals, to great things. INSPIRE all of your disciples to mutual love and giving— for vocations blossom in the good soil of faithful people. INSTILL those in religious life, parish ministries, and families with the confidence and grace to invite others to embrace the bold and noble path of a life consecrated to you. UNITE us to Jesus through prayer and sacrament, so that we may cooperate with you in building your reign of mercy and truth, of justice and peace. Amen.

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for October – Sovereign God, during this month of October, we pray for the mission of all religious men and women. May all consecrated religious men and women rouse themselves to be present among the poor, the marginalized and those who have no voice.

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.

Ministry News

Small Faith Community - Our Small Faith Community will meet on Thurs., Oct. 25 at 7 p.m. in Mary's room. New members are always welcome!

Eucharistic Adoration in the Margaree Family of Catholic Churches: The next hour will be at St. Michael's on **Fri., Oct. 26 at 5:30 p.m.**

From the Pastor: - Moments of community prayer are special moments. The month of October provides us with another opportunity for special prayers to God through Mary. To this end, the Rosary will be prayed every day during October one half hour before Mass.

175th Anniversary Celebrations - Mark Your Calendar – If you missed the first two regional gatherings, there is still one more which you can attend. It will be at Our Lady of Fatima Parish on Sat., Nov. 3. Please register to attend Oct. 26. Hospitality begins at 8:30 a.m. with the opening prayer at 9:30 a.m. As shown on your bookmark (Sept. 23 bulletin), an exciting program has been prepared for these regional gatherings. Four videos will be shown highlighting the 175-year history of our Diocese. All parishioners are urged to take advantage of this opportunity to connect with other parishioners, learn of the faithfulness of God through the years and celebrate our faith. Time will be provided in the afternoon for participants to discuss how our faith story will continue into the future. The gathering will end at 2 p.m.

Spaghetti Dinner - The Evangelization & Vocations Committee will host a spaghetti dinner for all members of the Margaree family of Catholic Churches for a time to come together as a family of three parishes. This will take place on Sun., Oct. 28 at 5 p.m. at St. Joseph's Parish Hall. If you plan to attend, please call Rosita 902-248-2612 or Mary 902-248-2317 before Oct. 22. Spread the word. Everyone is welcomed!

Inviting All Youth and Young Adults - I would like to invite all the Youth and Young Adults in the Diocese for a "Teaching Youth Mass" at St. Marguerite Bourgeoys Church in Sydney. It will take place on the 1st Sunday of Advent, Dec.02, 2018 at 6 p.m., and we will focus on this as being a new beginning for our Youth in the Diocese. Fr. Bill Burke will preside at Mass and there will be a videographer on hand to tape it as this will be used as a teaching tool for the Diocese. We encourage all Confirmation Candidates to attend and especially the young adults. There will be pizza and refreshments served afterwards and a time for some social bonding and getting to know each other. If you are interested in participating in the Mass or in the choir please email me Anne Stubbert, Youth Minister CBRM at annestubbert@icloud.com and leave a message. There will be practice sessions to be announced at a later date. Please mark it on your calendars and hope to see you there.

MFOCC Choir Practice - All members of the choirs of the Margaree Family of Catholic Churches are invited to attend a choir practice/meeting on Tuesday, October 23 from 7:15 – 8:15 p.m. at St. Michael's Church. The next practice time will be discussed at the practice. Anyone else who would like to join us is more than welcome to attend; we love the fresh new voices! If you play an instrument, bring that along as well!

CBU Chaplaincy for Students - If you are a university student, or know of someone who is going to Cape Breton University, consider visiting CBU Chaplaincy. The chaplains at CBU would love to meet you and accompany you or your relatives on their university journey. The CBU chaplains are Sr. Catherine MacFarlane CSM and Fr. Douglas MacDonald. Deacon Francis Pham is also assisting this year. They serve a diverse body of students in a multi faith environment, while remaining true to their own faith background. Chaplains coordinate with leaders of other religions, thus are inclusive to all spiritualities and are willing to help students grow in their own faith. Office hours: Tues. - 10 am - 3pm, Wed. - 10:30 am - 4 pm , Thurs. - Noon - 5 pm Chaplains are also present at other times, so drop in. We would love to meet you.

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.

Mass for Shut-Ins will be airing at 9:30 a.m, on Oct. 21 and 28. After that Mass for Shut-ins will return to the regular schedule.

Antigonish Diocesan Society Annual Meeting will be held on Sun., Oct. 21 at 2:30 p.m. in the Knights of Columbus Hall, Port Hawkesbury. The Society provides financial assistance to young men wishing to study for the priesthood. All parishioners interested in the role of the society are urged to attend and participate. Please pray for David Rankin who is now in the seminary.

Remembrance Day Service at St. Michael's – The memorial service on November 11 will be at 12 noon following the 11 a.m. Mass. Parishioners are reminded to check the list of veterans at the entrance of St. Michael's Church to see if there are names they could add to the list.

CWL & K of C News

Knights of Columbus - Crib games will be held every Sunday night at 7 p.m. at the Margaree Seniors Hall, East Margaree.

St. Michael's CWL - 1) Membership dues for 2019 (\$22) are now being accepted. They may be paid to Anne LeBlanc or placed in a marked envelope in the Sunday collection before Nov.30, 2018. 2) We are accepting winter clothing for the homeless and poor. We will be delivering the clothing to UNDER ONE UMBRELLA. If you have winter items to donate (mitts, socks, jackets, etc.) please deliver to Anne LeBlanc at 1064 East Margaree Road during the week of Oct. 15-22. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. 3) We are collecting used eye glasses. Please place on the table in the church entrance.

St. Patrick's CWL will meet on Wed., Oct. 24. Please note the change in date. Dues (\$22) are being collected. Please pay Sheila or Barbara Ross. If you have any items to donate to "Under One Umbrella", you can drop them off at Cecile's before Oct. 22.

Other & Community Events

Thank you from St. Joseph's – The winner of the paper tole wolf generously donated by Mary (Miller) Butts was Hilda Boudreau, Cheticamp. Thank you to Mary and to all who sold and bought tickets. \$1 208.75 was realized for the Window Fund.

Thank you to all who brought food, provided entertainment, and gave of their time to make the Manor party a success.

Thank you to all who supported the dances and to all who donated their time to help.

Thank you to all who donated items, money and time and helped in any way to make the fall fair a success. \$1350 was raised. Thank you for all the help and work for the breakfast which was a great success raising \$900. There was also a big turnout for the Celtic Colours Dance (114 people). Thanks to all – St. Joseph's Hall Committee.

South West Margaree Senior Card Plays are held each Monday evening at 7 p.m. Come and join us at the Seniors Hall.

Computer Skills for the Workplace, a 5-week course on Thursdays, beginning on Thurs. October 25th - 9 am to 4 p.m. at the Margaree Forks Fire Hall, Course is free but attendance is mandatory. Course will include (but not be limited to) such programs as Excel, Microsoft Word and Powerpoint. For more information or to register, contact 902 248 2951 or email to madaadulted@gmail.com Registration deadline is October 13, 2018. Hosted by Margaree Area Development Association and sponsored by NS Department of Labour and Advanced Education.

Christmas Craft Show – Sunday, Nov. 4, at St. Michael’s Parish Hall, from 12 noon to 3 p.m. – more details to follow at a later date; however, for table rentals contact Stella McDaniel 902-248-2748 as soon as possible. Large table rental \$20 each or 2 for \$30. Limited tables available.

Under One Umbrella-Cape Breton Winter Wear Donations Request - 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 only**) which we included in our comfort kit (500 kits). Because of the demand last year three hundred people did not receive a comfort kit or hot meal. Here’s what we need: **warm winter wear for all ages including mitts, gloves, winter hats, jackets, boots or other foot wear (winter boots are in high demand), jeans, sweaters, etc. There is also a need for blankets and linens. A total of 825 people (Men, Women & Children) were able to get winter wear. We will be collecting donated items Oct. 23- Nov. 1.** We hope your faith community will once again answer our call for help. If any parishioners wish to make a financial donation we would greatly appreciate it. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call, Eileen MacNeil, Coordinator Under One Umbrella at 902-371-0101 or email underoneumbrella@nshealth.ca.

Message from Our Lady of Sorrows Shrine – The Shrine remains open year round. The gift shop will be closing for the season on October 20, 2018. If you have a request please call 902-945-2221. Our annual fund raiser will take place on Sunday, October 14 with a Country Music Concert at 2 p.m. in the St. Mary's Parish Hall, Mabou, Cape Breton. There will be door prizes & a 50/50 draw. Refreshments will be provided. Admission is \$10 with proceeds to maintenance of the Shrine.

The Women’s Cape Breton Ecumenical Conference will be held on November 2, 3 and 4 at the Inverary Inn, Baddeck, celebrating thirty-five years Being Christian, Being Women. For further information, contact Josephine Aucoin 902-849-0275; or Judy Cechetto: 902-539-6268.

Free Instruction - Adult upgrading classes and GED exam prep are being offered throughout Inverness County from Oct/2018 to June/2019. 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. Sponsored by Inverness County Literacy Council.