

+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.

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Feb. 3, 2019

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., Feb. 4 – St. Michael's - 10 a.m. – Yvonne Olson req. by Mr. & Mrs. Albert LeBlanc

Fri., Feb. 8 – Cecile's – 6:00 p.m. – Effie Walker req. by Allen Ross

Sat., Feb. 9 – Margaree Manor – Angie LeBlanc req. by Billy Carroll

Communion calls: Tues., Feb. 5 - St. Joseph's – 10 a.m.; St. Patrick's – beginning at 10 a.m.

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time – Feb. 10, 2019

| | Greeters/Gift Bearers | Readers | Extraordinary Ministers |
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| St. Joseph's | Wayne, Eileen | Joan C. | Jannette, Joan M., Karen |
| St. Michael's | Christina Avery | Sandy, Hannah | Bernice, Pauline, Mary H. |
| St. Patrick's | Margie | Lowell, Wilfridine | Cecile, Mary L., Allen |

Meetings

There will be a Liturgy Committee meeting on Tues., Feb. 12 at 7 p.m. in Mary's room. Representatives from each parish are encouraged to attend.

Prayer Corner: Please pray for healing for Olive Myers, Albert MacEachern, Denis Doiron, Barry Guihan, Joe and Marilyn Gledhill, Mary MacIsaac, William Sanford, Chase Fiset, Annie Roach, Emily Mitchell, Randal Murphy, Lynne Cameron, Priscille Deveau, Very Rev. Michael MacEwen, Eugene Arsenaault and Jeanette MacIntyre.

If there is someone who is sick and would like his/her name in the prayer corner, please contact the parish office.

Condolences are extended to the families of Joey Delaney (nephew of Wilfredine Tompkins) and Elsie (Aucoin) Frontain.

N.B. - Bulletin announcements may be emailed to ccl.mllr@gmail.com 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 February – Dear Lord Jesus, during this month of February, we cry out to you and pray for the victims of human trafficking, of enforced prostitution, and of violence. Rescue them, O Lord.

Ministry News

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.

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.

175th Diocesan Holy Land Pilgrimage - Have you ever desired to visit Jerusalem, Church of the Holy Sepulchre, Bethlehem, Cana, Galilee, Nazareth, etc? The Holy Land is often described as the Fifth Gospel because it helps people discover Jesus in a deeper way. Bishop Dunn will be leading a group of people to the Holy Land in September. The trip will take place from September 1-12, 2019. Cost will be around \$4,000. Brochures are available at the Emmaus Centre and at the Chancery Office. The Diocesan website has a registration form. Half registration is due on March 1. Limited space is available, so register soon. This pilgrimage will give participants an opportunity to grow tremendously in their relationship of faith.

Valentine's Dinner – Everyone in the Margaree Family of Catholic Churches is invited to a Valentine's dinner on February 17 at St. Patrick's hall at 6 p.m. Limited seating. Please register early by calling Rosita at 248-2612 or Mary at 248-2317 before Feb. 10. Sponsored by the Evangelization and Vocations Committee.

St. Vincent de Paul – The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is a lay Catholic organization whose mission is: To live the Gospel message by serving Christ in the poor with love, respect, justice and joy. The Mission of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul implies that as Vincentians, we see Christ in anyone who suffers, come together as a family, have personal contact with the poor and help in all possible ways. The Margaree Family of Catholic Churches would like to start a branch of the Society. We will have more information as the weeks go by. If you are interested, please contact the parish office or any member of the Parish Team.

Five Sundays until Lent begins - There are five Sundays until Lent. Did you know that it was once customary for each parish in the diocese to organize a Mission every four years? The purpose was to energize the faith community, instruct the laity on church teaching and bring new and distant Catholics back into the fold. New Lenten videos and resources in both English and French are now available. Interested? Ideas? Talk to your pastor, your faith formation coordinator, or Debbie Aker, catecheticalconsultant@dioceseofantigonish.ca

The Bishop William E. Power Family Charitable Foundation disburses \$20,000 each year to individuals for courses and conferences that they can use to strengthen our faith communities. Could you or someone in your parish use this support? Visit our website for details: www.bishoppowerfoundation.ca

Job vacancy - Part-time contract Diocesan Youth Minister, Inverness Deanery - We are looking to hire a Diocesan Youth Minister to build youth ministry for the Inverness Deanery. Ideally, you are now available to start a six month contract working part-time from your home office. Interested? Email your resume to youthministry@dioceseofantigonish.ca. Contact Cathy Walsh, Youth Ministry Coordinator, for more information.

Pilgrimage to Medjugorje with Father Patrick O'Neill (Our Lady of Fatima Parish) and Father Paul Murphy (Holy Redeemer Parish) - This upcoming pilgrimage has a tentative date set for **May 13 until May 23, 2019**. The COST has not been established as of yet.

Diocesan Ministry Protocol - We are in the process of updating our Ministry Protocol information. All volunteers in the three parishes, if they have not done so already, must fill in Appendix 1, *Staff/Volunteer Request for Information Form*. Some volunteers will have to do a police check which is good for five years. We ask your cooperation in fulfilling the requirements for our Diocesan Ministry Protocol.

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.

St. Patrick's CWL – The next meeting of St. Patrick's CWL will be held on Wed., Feb. 13 at 7 p.m. in St. Patrick's Hall. **Dues** (\$22) are now being collected. Please pay Sheila or Barbara Ross.

St. Michael's CWL – Please save your used stamps and pass them on to Dorothy MacKenzie (902-235-2233) or place on table in the porch of the church.

St. Michael's CWL - The next meeting of St. Michael's CWL will be held on Wed., Feb. 6 at 1:30 pm at the hall.

Other & Community Events

Men's Cursillo 2019 - The next Western Cape Breton Men's Cursillo is scheduled for Feb. 28 - Mar. 3 in Mabou. If you are interested in attending or wish to sponsor a candidate and require further information, please contact Eddie or AnnaLee MacEachern at 902-258-2089. Cursillistas have the privilege and the responsibility of sponsoring a candidate. You are encouraged to take this responsibility seriously.

Women's Cursillo Weekend 2019 - The next Women's Cursillo Weekend will be held at St. Joseph's Renewal Center in Mabou on the weekend of February 7-10, 2019. All Cursillistas & Challengers are encouraged to share the news. Cost for the weekend is \$100. For more information, please contact Annalee & Eddie Mac Eachern-902-258-2089.

Thank you – St. Patrick's CWL extends a sincere thank you to all who worked to make our turkey dinner a success. Thank you to all who came to eat. We apologize to those who did not get a meal and to those for whom there was no dessert.

S.W. Margaree Seniors Card Plays are held each Monday evening at 7 p.m. Come and join us at the Seniors' Hall.

Used Eye Glasses – If you have any used eye glasses and are willing to donate them, please leave them at the entrance of one of the churches. Thank you.

Food Bank Donations - Parishioners are reminded of the box for food bank donations at the entrance of St. Michael's Church.

Raveston Music School in Cheticamp will soon be opening its doors. Sign up today for one of our classes. We offer voice, guitar, piano, fiddle and dance lessons for children and adults. It's never too early or too late to make music! Contact us at www.raveston.com or by calling Nicole LeBlanc at 902-224-7749.

Winter Wellness Program – beginning on February 1, Fridays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Drs. Coady Tompkins Memorial Library. An opportunity to socialize, listen to a presentation and enjoy lunch together; welcoming all area residents with a particular focus on seniors, seasonal workers and women.

Program for Feb. 8 - Provincial 211 Service and Resources - Mike Maillet, Provincial Director