



# Margaree Family of Catholic Churches

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

## **The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, May 31, 2026**

**Weekend Masses:** St. Patrick's – Sat., 6 p.m.; St. Joseph's – Sun., 9:30 a.m.; St. Michael's – Sun., 11 a.m.

**NO Weekday Masses:** this week. Fr. Rankin is attending the Priests' Retreat.

**Memorials:** June 1 – St. Justin, Martyr; June 3 – St. Charles Lwanga & Companions, Martyrs; June 5 - St. Boniface, Martyr

## **MINISTRY**

**E-transfer Email for St. Michael's** – [smcc1181@gmail.com](mailto:smcc1181@gmail.com)

### **Parish Pastoral Council Nominations -**

Thank you to those who have already submitted nominations for the new Parish Pastoral Council. Nominations will remain open for one additional week, and nomination forms and the nomination box will remain available at the entrance of each church.

The Parish Pastoral Council is a small consultative group that meets with the pastor periodically throughout the year to discuss parish life and to offer advice, ideas, and support in the pastoral mission of the Church. Meetings are intended to be simple, practical, and focused on the needs and life of our parish communities.

Council members are not expected to "run the parish" or take on large workloads. Rather, the goal is simply to have a group of parishioners willing to gather a few times each year for prayer, conversation, and collaboration as we work together to strengthen parish life.

Parishioners may nominate another person or may self-nominate. Please continue to keep this process in your prayers.

**St. Michael's Cemetery** - Summer is upon us: we continue to maintain the resting place of our loved ones. Please consider a contribution to our cemetery. In your box of envelopes, there is a yellow envelope for June 7; if you prefer, a self-addressed envelope to "CEMETERY" would be gladly accepted.

Our newest project is a memorial in honor of "the babies and children who were buried on the edge of our cemetery and have no marked graves". As well, a plaque is being prepared for the Calvary monument.

We are most grateful to those who joined us on Cemetery Day! We truly appreciate your time and help.

**Margaree Food Security Society** – offers assistance to all people in need of financial help for grocery items. **Effective February 10, 2026**, calls for assistance will be accepted on the second Tuesday of each month only. This does not change the amounts offered, rather is a more efficient and organized manner to process requests. Hours remain 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. and phone number is 902-248-2888. A volunteer will assist you with obtaining a Co-op gift card that can be used for any items you require with the exception of alcohol, tobacco products and lottery tickets. This service is confidential.

The Margaree Food Security Society continues to accept monetary donations from individuals, businesses and organizations. Donations can be made by forwarding your cheque, made out to St. Patrick's Parish c/o Cecile Miller, St. Patrick's Parish, NE Margaree, NS, B0E 2H0. Tax receipt will be issued. Donations may also be put in Sunday Collection in envelope marked "Margaree Food Security".

## **CWL/KOC NEWS**

**What's Your CWL?** - SPIRITUALITY - We are called to live in relationship with God, others and creation. Spirituality nourishes us on our faith journey enriching us as we grow. The Catholic Women's League calls us to be witnesses to the love of God through ministry and service. Connect and grow with us.

**KOC Meeting** – The KOC will meet on Thursday, June 4 at 7 p.m. in St. Michael's Hall.

## **OTHER NEWS**

**Ham and Salad Cold Plate Dinner (take-out only)** – Reserve now for this dinner at St Joseph's Parish Hall on Sunday, June 14, from 10:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. This is a take-out only dinner featuring ham, potato salad, macaroni salad, coleslaw, roll and dessert for \$20. Reservations are encouraged, as we will hold your meal until you arrive, if you do not arrive until after another Mass. Please call Diane at 902-248-2594, Lawrence at 902-248-2180 or Mary at 902-248-2317 to reserve your meals. This dinner is sponsored by the St Joseph's Parish Memorial Hall Committee. Thank you for your support.

**46<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration** - The Margaree Kinette family has reached their 46<sup>th</sup> year as a club serving our community's greatest need. We are reaching out to all our former Kinettes in hopes that you can join us for an evening of celebration to mark this great achievement. We will gather at the Margaree Forks Firehall at 7 p.m. on June 5 to reminisce, to share some laughs of years gone by, enjoy some snacks and great entertainment from 8 to 10 p.m. by our very own talented Louis Arsenault. Hope you can join us. It is open to everyone over the age of 19.

**Entre Deux Rivières/Between Two Rivers** with Fr. Peter LeBlanc on CKJM FM: Coopérative Radio Chéticamp Ltée on Sundays from 7 – 9 p.m. Uplifting reflections and spiritual music aired on 106.1 FM in Chéticamp, 92.5 FM in Pomquet and 97.5 in Sydney. Listen via radio or the CKJM website: <https://www.ckjmf.ca/> Past shows are available on the CKJM website or via podcast at Mixcloud.com.

**St. Michael's Hall Flea Market** – will be held July 4 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Please remember us when you are tackling your spring cleaning/purging. We are at the hall every Monday afternoon from 1-4 and will be accepting gently used items. Thank you for your generous support.

**Annual ICMH Spring Tea & Sale** - The ICMH Auxiliary will be holding its annual Spring Tea and Sale on Sunday, **May 31 from 2 to 5 p.m.** at the Inverness Legion. Our Tea is staged on-site or available for take out, with tickets - \$5. Sale tables include: Crafts (from all areas); Fudge (Broad Cove Parish), New-to-you Jewellery (all areas); Parcel Post (Port Hood/Judique); the ever popular Bake Table (Margaree/Mabou,). There will also be a wonderful silent auction, a seasonal table, a variety of raffles and a children's activity table. . The Auxiliary appreciates your continued support and hopes to see you at the Tea!

**Collection of Used Glasses/Cases** – Please bring any used glasses or glass cases you have, and place them in the box at the entrance of St. Michael's Church.

**Inverness County Cares** will conduct community presentations on their six-week visit to schools for the blind and visually impaired in Zambia. Come and learn about their life, the challenges they face, their resilience and how donations from Canada have changed their lives. The presenters will be at the Inverness Legion on June 1 at 7 p.m. and at the Margaree Forks Fire Hall on June 8 at 7 p.m. Free admission.

# PRAYERS

**Pope Leo's Prayer Intention for June 2026** – *For the values of sports* – Let us pray that sports be an instrument of peace, encounter and dialogue among cultures and nations, and that they promote values such as respect, solidarity and personal growth.

**Condolences are extended to the family of Earl Timmons.**

**Prayer Corner** – Please remember in your prayers those who are sick: Karen Baer, Jessie Murphy, Ann Gillis, Kathleen Deveau, Bob Fortune, Margaret Rose Fortune, Cathy Aucoin, Odette (Emile) LeBlanc, Marie Tompkins (Sydney), Ernie LeBlanc, Devon Chisholm, Marg Burton, Sadie Stockley, Eva Murphy, Isadore Murphy and Margie MacDonnell. If you are sick and would like your name in the Prayer Corner, please contact the parish office.

**Prayer for Peace in the World** - Loving Father, we bring to you the suffering of our world today. Look kindly upon every person living in fear, suffering persecution, or facing death. Help us to remember that you are the Father of all of your children on earth. Fill each heart with an unwavering trust in your Fatherly love. Forgive us when we have not cared for our earth, the home you have given. Forgive us when we chose the path of selfishness rather than the path of Love. Forgive us when we forgot to live as brothers and sisters on this earth, the way you have shown in fellowship with your disciples. Look upon us with your compassion, the way you looked upon the world from the cross. Remember not the evil we have done, but see the depth of our repentance. Give peace to the world, help us to live anew. Send your Spirit to guide each of our steps, to build rather than to destroy, to love rather than to hate, to live rather than to die. In Jesus' name, through the victory of his resurrection, we pray. Amen.

**Prayer to St. Joseph** - Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. To you God entrusted his only Son; in you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man. Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life. Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage, and defend us from every evil. Amen.

**Prayer to St. Michael the Archangel** - St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God cast into Hell, Satan, and all the other evil spirits who roam throughout the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen

**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.

**Prayer of St. Patrick** - May the Strength of God pilot us. May the Power of God preserve us. May the Wisdom of God instruct us. May the Hand of God protect us. May the Way of God direct us. May the Shield of God defend us. May the Host of God guard us against the snares of the evil ones; against temptations of the world. May Christ be with us! May Christ be before us! May Christ be in us; Christ be over all! May Thy Salvation, Lord, always be ours, this day, O Lord, and evermore. Amen

**Quote:** How can we learn to fight without hating, to hate sins but not sinners, to love sinners without loving sins? Only one ever did it perfectly. The only way we can do it is His way.” – Peter Kreeft in Making Choices