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 Email: mary_florence47@hotmail.com Bulletin Notices: must be in no later than 10:00 a.m. every Friday

Masses	<u>Tuesday,</u>	February 6,	Stella Melong	6:00 p.m.	St. Paul's
	<u>Wednesday,</u>	February 7,	Lloyd Boucher	6:00 p.m.	St. Paul's
	<u>Thursday,</u>	February 8,	Corwin Pope	<u>6:30 p.m.</u>	<u>St. Lawrence</u>
	<u>Friday,</u>	February 9,	Winnie Pelrine	9:00 a.m.	St. Paul's
	<u>Saturday,</u>	February 10,	Carl DeCoste	11:00 a.m.	St. Paul's
			pro populo	4:00 p.m.	St. Francis
			Dorothy Harding	6:00 p.m.	St. Lawrence
	<u>Sunday,</u>	February 11,	Carl Fougere	10:00 a.m.	St. Paul's

Weekly Collection	St. Francis	St. Lawrence	St. Paul's
January 27/28, 2018			
Sunday Collection	\$277.00	\$685.00	\$1780.00
Loose	\$0	\$16.00	\$80.05
Pastor's Dues			\$5.00
Initial Offering	\$2.00		\$20.00
Building Fund			
Donation		IMO Bob Fraser \$200.00 Cemetery Fund	

February 10/11, 2018	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers
St. Francis	Anne Carter	Beryl / Liz / Theresa
St. Lawrence	Allison / Kevin	Kevin / Ruth / Charlie
St. Paul's	Lucille & Dan Fougere	Darryl Breen / Susan Wood / Leona Brow

Guidelines on Communion Reception Catholics, fully participate in the celebration of the Eucharist when they receive Holy Communion. A Catholic should not receive Communion if they are conscious of grave sin and normally should have fasted one hour. A person who is conscious of grave sin is not to receive the Body and Blood of the Lord without prior sacramental confession except for a grave reason where there is no opportunity for confession.

Our fellow Christians (Anglicans, Protestants) are welcome to the celebration of Mass as brothers and sisters. We pray that our common baptism and action in the Holy Spirit will one day heal our divisions. Because Catholics believe that Mass is a sign of the reality of the oneness of faith, life and worship, members of those churches with whom we are not yet fully united are not admitted to Holy Communion. If one day we achieve true unity, then we will all receive from the one Body and Blood of Christ. But until that day, Anglicans, Protestant and other churches cannot receive communion in a Catholic Mass, nor should Catholics receive communion in non-Catholic churches.

Burial Plots at St. Lawrence Cemetery: Our policy states that a new plot at St. Lawrence Cemetery costs \$200.00, regardless of whether that new plot is used for a full casket or the remains of the deceased. If remains are buried in an existing grave, the cost is \$100.00. We ask that you pay by cheque to St. Lawrence Cemetery Fund. Receipts will be issued. This is necessary for the upkeep of the cemeteries. **Please Note:** It is forbidden to bury remains in our cemeteries without permission of the pastor. Such unauthorized burials are disrespectful to the Church and to the deceased.

St. Lawrence Parish needs a Religious Education Coordinator: to guide the religious education program in the parish. This position does come with a small stipend The Coordinator would be tasked with trying to get Catechists (with Fr. Allan and parish council's support) and meeting with parents to explain their responsibilities. If interested please speak to Fr. Allan.

St. Lawrence CWL will be meeting on Thursday, February 8th, following 6:30 mass. We are always looking for new members. Please consider joining us next Thursday.

CWL Reminder: CWL dues are being collected now. You can give your dues to Theresa Carter or Beryl Hadley.

Bible Study: Wednesday, **February 7,** St. Paul's Church Havre Boucher at 10:30 a.m. All are welcome!

Parish Statistics, 2018	Baptisms	First Communions	Confirmations	Marriage	Deaths
St. Paul's	6	7	13	3	13
St. Lawrence	0	0	26*	0	13
St. Francis	0	0	0	0	4

*Four of these confirmations at St. Lawrence were people from outside of the parish.

Income Tax Receipts at St. Paul's are in the Foyer at the Church, they are in alphabetical order.

Subscription forms for Living with Christ, the monthly misalette containing the weekly and Sunday readings, the Mass and other prayers, are at the Church entrance. You may drop your subscription form in the collection basket, or give it to Fr. Allan. Cost Per person is \$44.28.

Community Prayer Tree: A group of individuals would love to pray for your intentions. They pray for parishioners in need of prayer daily and at the Cenacle following Friday Mass each week when possible. They are very confidential would encourage you to either leave your petitions in the sealed box located in the Church or please phone Lucille Fougere at 234-2320. We would love to know when prayers have been answered.

With Appreciation: to the late Marie Mattie who, in her estate bequeathed \$1,000.00 to St. Paul's Church. We are most grateful for her generosity and dedication to our Parish. Please remember her in your prayers.

Weekly Envelope: The individuals who have the following envelopes # 24 in St. Francis Parish & # 86 in St. Lawrence could you please put your names on your envelopes, so that you may get credit for your contributions.

Sympathy & Prayers to the family and friends of the late Carl Landry, Quebec, brother in-law to Donelda Breen of St. Paul's Parish and Agnes Power of St. Lawrence Parish and also for the loss of their sister Marina Babin of petit de Gras who passed away this week.

Also to Clarence MacDonald and family on the death of his twin sister Clarissa in Ontario. May they rest in peace.

St. Paul's Religious Ed: There has been a lack of attendance in our program this year. Remember we are stressing more than 3 missed classes may mean repeating the same class again next year. Parents will be contacted if it continues. The children's fund since September 15, 2017 has raised \$196.50; this money is used for supplies for and special occasions.

Membership Fees for Antigonish Right to Life should be mailed directly to them in the envelope provided. Thank you.

Women's Prayer Breakfast How does faith inform my life? Guest speaker: Ms. Patricia Fricker Bates, LL.B., LL. M., Auditor, Matrimonial Tribunal, Diocese of Antigonish 8:30am - 10:30am Saturday, Feb. 10, 2018 St. Ninian Place, Antigonish Sponsored by St. Ninian's CWL Tickets: \$15.00 (\$7.50 for students) available at St. Ninian Parish Office (902-863-2338)

The Federal Government announced that federal summer grants providing employment to students will **not** be given to faith based organizations which oppose abortion, euthanasia, same-sex marriage and non traditional views of sexuality and marriage. Please consider signing the petition to Employment Minister Patty Hadju: <http://www.citizengo.org/cn-ca/pc/143199-canada-now-discriminating-against-pro-life-employers>.

Please Note: any donations made to the New Glebe house, please place in a separate envelope marked Glebe House Fund and not in weekly envelopes. Donations to the Glebe house are placed in a separate account handled by individuals who do not count our weekly collections.

Glebe House Project – Fundraising update

Pledges and Donations	\$93,136
Sale of assets from former Glebe house	\$3,805.
Donations "In Memory of"	\$40.00
<u>New Total</u> (received and outstanding).	\$97,021

Through the generosity of the parishioners and non-parishioners, we are hopeful that additional contributions will continue to be made so that the amount of money required to finance the new Glebe House Project will be kept to a very small minimum and therefore less money will be required to be paid for interest charges on any loan that may be required. If you have not received a pledge/donation package, packages are available at the back of the church or contact either Mary Williams or Yvonne Sampson.

Net Ministries-Family Retreat-March 24th St. Andrews A Lenten Retreat day of faith sharing (and fun) is being offered by NET Ministries on Saturday, March 24, 2018 at St. Andrew's Parish, St. Andrews. Advanced registration is required by March 9th. Please contact Cathy Walsh, Youth Ministry, for more details cathywalsh@dioceseofantigonish.ca

Havre Boucher Community Center 50's and 60's Dance: February 10th, 9-1:00 Admission \$5.00 Come Dressed for the Time. 19 years and older.

On Sunday, February 11 at 4pm- Father Antolin ASOR, pastor of St. Peter's, will be at Holy Redeemer Parish, Whitney Pier, to offer Mass in Tanalog for our people from the Philippines. A pot-luck supper will follow. Please spread the word to your Filipino friends and invite them to come and join in the wonderful opportunity to celebrate Mass in your native language and meet your friends.

Strait Area Food Bank - there are many in our area who struggle to make ends meet at this time of year with increased demands on what little income must go for fuel, food and clothing. At St. Lawrence we have a big box at the back of the church to receive your donations as well as St. Paul's in the Foyer of the Church. Should you wish to give a financial donation just put it in an envelope labeled Food Bank and place it in the collection and it will be forwarded to the director of the Strait Area Food Bank. God always rewards the giving heart!

Chase the ace will take place every Friday night from 7 PM to 9 PM at the Havre Boucher Community Centre.

Mulgrave Legion Card Plays: twice weekly. **Crib** - Sundays at 1:00 p.m. **45's**-Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m.

Chase the Ace at the Mulgrave Fire Hall on Saturday evenings from 7:00 - 9:00.

