

## 5th Sunday of Lent

April 1/2, 2017

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<b>Masses:</b>	Tuesday, April 4,	Joe Pelrine	6:00 p.m.	St. Paul's
	Wednesday, April 5,	Clarence D. Fougere	Stations of the Cross 6:00 p.m. / Mass 6:20 p.m.	St. Paul's
	Thursday, April 6,	Rita Forrestall	Stations of the Cross 6:00 p.m. / Mass 6:20 p.m.	St. Lawrence
	Friday, April 7,	Bonnie Jean Tracey	9:00 a.m.	St. Paul's
	Saturday, April 8,	Betty Sawler	11:00 a.m.	St. Paul's
		pro populo	4:00 p.m.	St. Francis
		Cathy England	6:00 p.m.	St. Lawrence
<b>Palm Sunday,</b>	April 9,	Elmer Fougere	10:00 a.m.	St. Paul's

**Holy Hour:** Friday, April 7, 11:00 a.m. at St. Paul's, Havre Boucher

**The Sacrament of Reconciliation** (Confession) is available on Saturdays (with exceptions for funerals), from 1:00-2:00 p.m. at St. Paul's Church. In the Reconciliation Room you have the choice of remaining behind the screen or sitting face to face with the priest in a welcoming environment. This Sacrament is also available to celebrate at St. Francis and St. Lawrence Churches before Mass, and by appointment during the week.

**For marriage,** please contact Fr. Allan one year before the planned date.

**For baptism,** please contact Fr. Allan as soon as possible to book a date. You will need written permission from your pastor if you live outside of our parishes. All parents and godparents are required to take part in a baptism preparation session before the baptism.

**This month in the Diocese** is a monthly list of events and calendars for the Diocese of Antigonish, and can be seen on the diocesan website [www.antigonishdiocese.com](http://www.antigonishdiocese.com)

Weekly Collection March 25/26	St. Francis	St. Lawrence	St. Paul's
Sunday Collection	\$347.00	\$802.00	\$1326.00
Loose	\$1.00	\$3.00	\$59.40
Pastor's Dues			\$0
Share Lent			\$10.00
IMO Mrs. Balfour			\$40.00 Cemetery

April 8/9	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers
St. Francis	Jeanine Keating / Mary Halfpenny	Florence Chisholm / Rose Turvey
St. Lawrence	Gloria / Kevin	Allison / Ruth / Theresa
St. Paul's	Linda Arsenault / Allana Mullaney	Lynn Whalen / Debbie White / Estrella Melong

**Bible Study:** this Wednesday, April 5, 10:30 a.m. Joanna Meagher Room, St. Lawrence Rectory basement. All are welcome.

**The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)** will be available this Sunday, April 2, at St. Paul's Church with Fr. Allan and Fr. Gary MacPherson available for the Sacrament. **Confessions take place at 1:30 p.m.**

**St. Francis of Assisi Parish** will have a collection of non perishable food items for the Guysborough and Area Food Bank on Saturday April 01 and April 08. Thank you for your support.

**National catholic Mission 2017:** "Our Final Gift" with Sister Sue Mosteller, CSJ and Fr. Ron Rolheiser, OMI. Sr. Sue is a sister of St. Joseph, author and lecturer. Sue was Fr. Henri Noumen's close friend during the years he lived in the Oblate School of Theology. His weekly column is carried by more than 80 newspapers worldwide. The Mission will air Holy Week 2017, Part 1, Our Final Gift, Monday, April 10 on **Vision T.V.**, 8:00 p.m. (and rebroadcast Tuesday, April 10, after T.V. Mass) Part 2, Tuesday, April 11, 8:00 p.m. (rebroadcast Wednesday, April 12 after daily T.V. Mass) The Mission will also air on **Salt & Light, Part 1.** Tuesday, April 11, 9:00 p.m. (rebroadcast Thursday, April 12 after daily T.V. Mass) Part 2, Wednesday April 12, 9:00 p.m. (rebroadcast Thursday, April 13 after daily T.V. Mass).

**A Cenacle group** of individuals gather each Friday, following the 9 a.m. Mass in the MacGillivray Room at St. Paul's Church for prayer. They are inviting parishioners in need of prayer to make their intentions known by leaving a note in the prayer box located in the Church. They are a very confidential group and the box is kept sealed. They would love to pray for your petitions. They meet every Friday with the exception when there is a funeral Mass scheduled on that day. If you would prefer to phone in your petitions please contact Lucille Fougere at 234-2320.

**Religious Ed. Classes** at St. Lawrence finished for the year last Monday. Confirmation Classes have now begun.

**Confirmation** will take place at St. Lawrence Church, Mulgrave during the 6:00 P. M. Mass, Saturday, June 17, 2017.

**Note from Fr. Allan:** I accumulated in the last few years an overwhelming number of preserves as Christmas gifts and Fall gifts, too many for me to eat, and regretably many of them spoiled before I could get to them. I do appreciate your generosity, but we will need to direct those gifts of preserves elsewhere-the Food=Bank perhaps?

**St. Paul's Religious Ed.** The following children received the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Saturday April 1, Isabel Austen, Quinton Crant, Miley DeCoste, Ben Lukeman, Ethan Melong, Linus Mury, Ethan Nicholson. Congratulations to all. Next week April 9/10 will be our closing Mass and last Class for this year with the exception of First Communion & Confirmation classes.

### Holy Week Schedule

**Monday, April 10,** Mass of Chrism, St. Ninian Cathedral, 4:00 p.m. (parish representatives to receive the Holy Oils are needed)

**Holy Thursday,** April 13, Mass of the Lord's Supper, St. Lawrence, 5:00 p.m.  
St. Paul's 6:30 p.m.

**Good Friday** April 14, (Day of Fasting & Abstinence from meat) Passion of the Lord 1:00 p.m. St. Lawrence  
3:00 p.m. St. Paul's

**Saturday Night** April 15, **Easter Vigil,** St. Paul's 8:00 p.m.

**Easter Sunday,** April 16, 9:00 a.m., St. Francis  
10:30 a.m., St. Paul's  
11:00 a.m., St. Lawrence (Fr. Alec MacLellan presiding)

**Note:** As we do not have the assistance of a 2<sup>nd</sup> priest this year for Holy Week, the number of Masses and the number of Good Friday services have been reduced. Fr. Alac MacLellan has kindly agreed to preside at the Easter Sunday Mass at St. Lawrence

### Freedom to Marry As Taught by the Catholic Church: Marriage between a Catholic and a baptized non-Catholic. :

- 1) For a Catholic to marry a baptized Christian from another denomination, a dispensation from the Bishop is required. In our diocese this authority has been delegated to the priest of the parish where the wedding occurs.
- 2) All other requirements apply i.e., legal age; not be previously married (and this applies to the baptized Protestant, Anglican, or other as well as the Catholic party); maturity.<sup>3</sup>
- 3) **With permission of the Bishop or Ordinary,** a Catholic may be married in the non-Catholic party's Church before a non-Catholic minister. A priest is not required to be present at this ceremony for the wedding to be considered valid by the Catholic Church. However, the couple are required to see the local Catholic Pastor to fill out the required paper work and get permission a note might be added to the margins of the Catholic party's baptismal records indicating they were validly married to the non-Catholic party, with location and date of wedding also listed.

**Our Good Friday Pageant:** will take place at St. Joseph Church on Good Friday, (April 14<sup>th</sup>) at 8:00 p.m. A great deal of time and effort have been invested to present this depiction of the life of Jesus from His birth to His resurrection. It includes narration, appropriate music and realistic depictions of the Life of Jesus, Prophet and Savior. Our production changes from year to year so even if you have seen it once, please come again. Everyone is invited. Come early for a good seat. To help defray expenses, a container for freewill offerings will be located near the entrances. Come and bring a friend.

**Easter Bazaar** will be held in St Francis Harbour hall on April 2nd 2017, from 11:00 - 2:00pm. luncheon will serve chili biscuits, tea or coffee. Table rentals available. Attractions are bake table, New to you, prize wheel, crown and anchor, grab bags, cake walk, ticket sales and fun for all Contact # 5332285

**Taking registrations for those interested in Junior Darts** at the Havre Boucher Community Centre for the month of April. It will be held on Wednesday evenings at 7:30(after Tae Kwon Do) and will run until 9:00pm. FOR CHILDREN IN GRADES 6 AND UP. First night April 5th. No experience needed, just come and have fun!! If you would like to register your child please call Tammy Melong at 234-3433.

**Havre Boucher Trivia Night** - April 8<sup>th</sup> Come out for a night of trivia on Saturday, April 8th. \$5.00/per person, max of 6 people on a team Email [justin.fougere@gmail.com](mailto:justin.fougere@gmail.com) or call Tammy Melong at 234-3433 before April 2nd to register your team. Include a team name and all of your members. **Doors open at 8:00pm and a cash bar will be open.**

**Hank's Jamboree,** at The Havre Boucher Community Centre, will resume on Sunday, April 23, at 2 p.m.

**"Chase the Ace** will be held every Friday from 7 PM to 9 PM at the Havre Boucher Community Centre."

**Free Information workshop** for seniors at **Mgsr. Donnelly Hall-Tracadie** Saturday, April 8 at 10 a.m. Topics- Identity theft, Phone fraud, What your executor should know, Preparing proper documents, Best ways to prepare Final arrangements and much, much more. Free Lunch, Door prizes \$25.00, \$50.00, \$75.00, \$100.00 to register call 232-2246 or 232-2089 by April 13.

**"Bring the world home"** by opening your own home and heart to a young person waiting to come to our area for study with the Nova Scotia International Student Program. Boys and girls from over thirty countries are seeking friendly homestays in Monastery Area communities and are hoping to attend East Antigonish next September for both short (1-4 months) and long (5-10 months) term stays. Host families come in all shapes and sizes; good Hosts must be welcoming and willing to share our culture as they learn more about their student guest. For full details on how to grow an International Family please contact the local NSISP Home Stay Coordinator, Denee Mattie, by phone 902 870-1951 or by email at [denee.mattie@srsb.ca](mailto:denee.mattie@srsb.ca)

**The Guysborough Memorial Hospital Auxiliary** will hold its Annual Easter Bake Sale on April 13th in the Guysborough Legion from 12 noon to 2pm. A lunch of soup and biscuits, tea and coffee will be served. If anyone wants to donate and has not been contacted you can contact Betty Kavanagh at 533-2331.

**Adult Paint & Sip - Dragonfly Painting,** Sunday, April 9th, 1-4pm, Havre Boucher Community Centre, \$40. Come have some laughs and fun while painting on a 16x20" canvas that you get to take home! No experience necessary, instruction & supplies provided. Both men & women welcome! Call or text Karen at 902-295-0010 to register.

**The Al-Anon Family Groups** are a fellowship of relatives and friends of alcoholics who share their experience, strength and hope in order to solve their common problems. We believe alcoholism is a family illness and that changed attitudes can aid recovery. Al-Anon has but one purpose; to help the families of alcoholics. We do this by practicing the Twelve Steps, by welcoming and giving comfort to families of alcoholics, and by giving understanding and encouragement to the alcoholic. If you think we can help there is a meeting each Wednesday at 8:00 pm a **St. Paul's Parish Basement.** Meetings last for approximately one hour. Anonymity is stressed.