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Fourth Sunday of Lent

March 5/6, 2016

Masses Tuesday, March 8, Philip Baldwin	St. Paul's, Stations of the Cross 6:00 p.m.	Mass 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday, March 9, Special Intention	St. Lawrence , Stations of the Cross 6:00 p.m.	Mass 6:30 p.m.
Thursday, March 10, Betty McKeough	St. Paul's	9:00 a.m.
Friday, March 11, Veronica Brow	St. Paul's 6:00 p.m. (Stations after Mass)	
Saturday, March 12, Edward Guitard	St. Paul's	11:00 a.m.
pro populo	St. Francis	4:00 p.m.
Joe Brophy Family	St. Lawrence	6:00 p.m.
Sunday, March 13, Marie & Anthony LeVangie	St. Paul's	10:00 a.m.

Please Note: the changes made to the weekday Mass schedule for **the duration of Lent:**

1. Stations of the Cross at 6:00 p.m., Mass at 6:30 p.m. **on Tuesdays at St. Paul's**
2. Stations of the Cross at 6:00 p.m., Mass at 6:30 p.m. **on Wednesday at St. Lawrence.**
3. Mass at 6:00 p.m. on **Fridays at St. Paul's** followed by Stations of the Cross
4. A Saturday morning Mass at **11:00 a.m.** at St. Paul's (with alterative time of 9:00 a.m. if there is a funeral).

The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) is available on Saturdays (with the occasional exceptions for funerals and C.W.L. Spiritual Advisor business), 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.

Weekly Collection February 27/28, 2016	St. Francis	St. Lawrence	St. Paul's
Weekly Collection	\$297.00	\$710.00	\$1,675.00
Loose	\$0	\$27.50	\$60.00
Pastor's Dues			\$70.00

March 12/13, 2016	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers
St. Francis	Anne Carter	Betty Kavanagh / Jean Grant
St. Lawrence	Gloria / Karen	Beryl / Liz / Charlie
St. Paul's	Ruthie Innis Danielle Pellerine	Cyril Campbell / Tammy Breen / Anne Marie Meagher

Bible Study: No Bible Study this Wednesday, March 9

Please pray for the young people celebrating their First Reconciliation their First Reconciliation this Wednesday, March 9 at St. Lawrence Church (4:00 p.m.)

Parish Census: It has been many years since a census was done in our parishes. A census gives us invaluable information on the people in our parishes and their spiritual needs. In the next few months expect a call or a visit from one of our census takers looking for information. Yvonne Sampson will be one of the census takers for St. Paul's

Attention, re. Unlocked doors: Last week the side door and basement door at St. Paul's were found unlocked. All people using keys to our churches are asked to be very careful to lock all doors upon leaving.

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Diocesan Committee for Latin America The Diocesan Committee for Latin America is active and through your generous support we are funding worthwhile projects in Honduras. Our Diocese has had a special relationship with Latin America since the 1950s and our committee is continuing that support to help our friends in need. One such project is the work of Padre Patricio Larrosa Martos. He is doing wonderful work with the poor. He operates three schools in the hills around Tegucigalpa. There he helps to bring education to over 3000 people ranging in age from pre school to adults. He offers lodging for young persons coming from outlying villages and helps to employ them in soup kitchens throughout the city that feed the homeless. Here they learn other employable skills such as purchasing, administration and food preparation. They also are able to access the basic skills of language and mathematics in their free time. To see the faces of the children and watch young Moms learning to read and write is amazing. He has ventured into the poorest area and embraced the people. His selfless dedication to their wellbeing and education is testimony to God's presence among us. During a visit to Honduras in 2014 Wanda Fedora and Father Norman MacPhee had the privilege of touring his schools and lodging and saw first hand the difference he is making in the lives of others. During Lent and through to June we encourage our Parishioners in the Diocese of Antigonish to consider donating to the Latin America Committee to support this and other worthwhile projects in Latin America.

Our new diocesan website is nearly ready! Official launch day: Wednesday, March 9, 2016 www.antigonishdiocese.com Visit and share your comments!

The Riverview Volunteer Association is accepting donations for the Riverview Home in New Glasgow once again. (This used to be the penny campaign that you contributed to for several years). Donations go to support the recreational activities of the residents there. If you wish to contribute make out a cheque to Riverview Volunteer Association and place it in an envelope marked Riverview Volunteer Association, along with your full address if you want a receipt.

Share Lent Pilgrimage – Helping nuns serve their people in Bethlehem: Now our pilgrimage takes us to the Holy Land. Development and Peace is supporting Silesian nuns in the Cremisan Valley in Bethlehem in their struggle to remain close to their people. Their ability to provide schooling to over 450 children has been threatened by the construction of a separation wall which will cut them off from the people they serve. Your support helps to provide them with crucial legal support to fight the construction in the courts. Next Sunday is Solidarity Sunday and the Share Lent collection. Please be generous!

Pontifical Collection of Good Friday on March 25, 2016 for the benefit of the Holy Land: The Pontifical Collection for the benefit of the Holy Places is scheduled this year on Good Friday March 25, 2016. Our parish, once a year on Good Friday, is called to support Christians in the Holy Land. Many Christians in the Holy Land depend on the collection for their lives. As a Pontifical collection requested by Pope Francis, the annual Good Friday Collection offers a direct line for parishioners to be witnesses of peace and to help protect the Holy Places. When you donate on Good Friday, you are supporting Christians in the Holy Land. “He, who does acts of mercy, let him do them with cheerfulness.” Rm 12, 8 With gratitude, Father Gilles Bourdeau, OFM Commissary of the Holy Land in Canada

Lay Formation Program: September 2016 - The Office of Lay Formation is announcing a Lay Formation Program beginning in September 2016. Participants in the three-year program will be joining the candidates in the Permanent Diaconate Formation Program and will be taking courses that will renew their faith and assist them to see their call in the world. Each year will consist of ten weekends including one retreat weekend, and each weekend will have human, intellectual, spiritual and pastoral elements. Courses over the three years will cover topics relating to theological foundations, Christology, ecclesiology and pastoral considerations. There will also be another course on one additional Saturday per month. The program is open to anyone who actively participates in parish life and is interested in a journey of authentic and deeper discovery of faith. The deadline for applications is June 15, 2016. Please check with the parish office for more details.

The annual Easter Bazaar will be held in St Francis Harbour on March the 20th, 2016, beginning at 2pm. There is something for everyone....prize wheel, bake table, cake or pie walk, crown and anchor, ticket sales, New to you table, grab bags, and egg decorating. Table rentals 5.00 per table. Tea room will serve chili, pizza, and sandwiches, tea and coffee. Contact number: 902 533 2285.

St. Andrew's Anglican Church will sponsor a Fish Chowder Supper 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. at the Mulgrave Fire Hall on Good Friday (March 25th). Eat in or Take Out: \$10.00. Includes roll, tea/coffee, and dessert.

Income time is here again: Pat Shea & Delores Melong are offering services to anyone needing assistance with income tax returns. This is open to anyone and is free of charge. Please phone Pat at 234-3054 or Delores at 234- 2435.

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 at the Havre Boucher Medical Center. Meetings last for approximately one hour. Anonymity is stressed.

Chase the Ace at the Mulgrave Fire Hall, every Saturday, starting at 7:00 p.m., draw will be at 9:15-9:30 p.m., 50% -fire dept. 25% - building jackpot, & 25% -to the night's winner. Come and enjoy a night of music, cards, & friendly faces.

Chase the Ace is happening every Friday night at the Havre Boucher Community Centre beginning at 7:00 pm, until the Ace of Spades is drawn! Come and enjoy an evening out with entertainment and friends.

Holy Week Schedule

Monday, March 21, Mass of Chrism (blessing of Holy Oils, renewal of priestly commitment) 4:00 p.m. St. Joseph Church, North Sydney. (All are welcome).

Tuesday, March 22, St. Paul's, Stations at 6:00 p.m. and Mass following

Wednesday, March 23, St. Lawrence, Stations at 6:00 p.m. and Mass following

Holy Thursday, (No funeral Masses are permitted from Holy Thursday to Easter Sunday according to the ancient tradition of the Church)

Mass of the Lord's Supper (Jesus institutes the sacraments of Holy Eucharist and priesthood),

St. Francis, 4:00 p.m.

St. Lawrence, 6:00 p.m.

St. Paul's, 6:00 p.m.

Good Friday (Passion of the Lord) Service (not Mass) at St. Francis, 1:00 p.m.

St. Lawrence, 3:00 p.m.

St. Paul's, 3:00 p.m.

Holy Saturday, (The Church continues to mourn and pray at the tomb of the Lord, until...)

Easter Vigil, (Celebration of the Lord's Resurrection) St. Lawrence, 8:30 p.m.

St. Paul's, 8:30 p.m.

Easter Sunday, (Resurrection of the Lord) St. Francis, 9:00 a.m.

St. Paul's 10:30 a.m.

