



ST. PETER'S PARISH, TRACADIE, N.S

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 14th, 2018

Rev. John A. Barry, Parish Priest (902) 232-2272

Chair of the Parish Council: Sheila Pelly

Secretary of the Parish Council: Herbert Delorey

Caretaker for the Parish: Vernon Stafford



MASS INTENTIONS – JANUARY 14th – 21st, 2018

Sunday	January 14 - 9:30 am – Intentions of all Parishioners
Monday	January 15 - 9:00 am – John Boudreau from Clifford & Florence
Tuesday	January 16 - 9:00 am – Tony Boucher from Madonna & family
Wednesday	January 17 - 9:00 am – John Boudreau from Richard & Betty Boudreau
Thursday	January 18 - 9:00 am – Craig Perry from Geraldine & Peter Bowman
Friday	January 19 - 9:00 am – John Boudreau from Francis & Eugene Delorey
Saturday	January 20 - 6:30 pm – Rita & Leo MacEachern from Madonna & family
Sunday	January 21 - 9:30 am – Intentions of all Parishioners

PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY

To Angie Connors of our Parish whose mother, **Alice Fudge** passed away in Halifax on December 30th, 2017. She was buried in Halifax in her home Parish. May she rest in peace.

COLLECTION ENVELOPES FOR 2018

Some still remain and have not been picked-up!! They are still available on the counter at the entrance to our Church. Should anyone require a box of envelopes for 2018, there are some also on the counter without names. You can take a box, place your name upon the envelope inside and place it in the collection. Anne Marie Myette who looks after the weekend collections will note your name and envelope number and enter it into the books and you will receive an official income tax receipt at the end of the year. Again, we are all reminded of the obligation which we have to contribute to our own Parish through the weekend collections!

SCHEDULE FOR MASSES

Saint Peters

Weekday Masses - Monday to Friday, 9:00 am

Saturday at 6:30 pm; and

Sunday at 9:30 am

Saint Monica's

Sunday Masses are suspended until Easter during the winter period.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Each Saturday evening at 5:30 pm prior to the 6:30 pm Mass.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptisms will be celebrated for the month of February on Sunday, February 4th, at 10:15 am in Saint Peter's Church. **Always** - Baptisms take place on the **First Sunday of the Month**. Please phone the Glebe House and speak with me directly to make **any** arrangements for Baptisms in Saint Peter's Church and Parish!

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Anyone contemplating marriage for this coming year is asked to contact **Father Barry** as soon as possible. I request at least three months' notice and those contemplating marriage are expected to follow the Preparation for Marriage Course and are to be practising their faith and to continue practising it after their marriage. Marriage in the Catholic Church is a most sacred and serious event and to be seriously contemplated. So far, four marriages have been registered for 2018.

CARD PLAY IN THE MONSIGNOR DONNELLY HALL

Every Thursday evening at 8:00 pm. All proceeds go to the Building Committee and its work of Saint Peter's Parish.

A FEW WORDS FROM FATHER BARRY

We are already in the middle of the month of January! We will meet with the Parish Council soon to consider plans for this year including the important matter of religious education for our children - grade two - who are to receive their First Confession and First Holy Communion this year. Last year, there were **only five** of our children who were presented for these sacraments; there should be many more, but it is the responsibility of the parents/guardians to present the names of the children for religious formation to receive these sacraments. As it is, not all of the children even come back to Church to receive the sacrament - of course, if the parents do not come and bring their children, no one can expect the children to come on their own! As I keep saying and repeating: if we are to pass on the faith to the new generations, we have to be practising that faith ourselves and providing example and encouragement to the children!

Our financial statement for 2017 is in preparation by our Parish Accountant and will be presented to the Parish Council and then given to the Parish. Our contributors to the Parish continue to decrease each year and those so generous are not replaced. The future of our Parish and those of the entire Diocese does depend upon the ability of parishioners to sustain them financially.

Shortly, **Anne Marie Myette** will complete the annual income tax receipts for 2017 and make them available at the Church entrance: when you receive yours, you will know exactly what you have contributed to the Parish for this past year.

Let us continue to remember all sick and shut - in parishioners of our Parish and those in hospitals and nursing homes; our prayers and concern mean a great deal to them.

God bless you and have a good week!