



St. Peter's Parish, Tracadie, NS
Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time
February 17th, 2019

Rev. John A. Barry, Parish Priest (902) 232-2272
Chair of the Parish Council: Sheila Pelly
Secretary of the Parish Council: Michael Penny
Caretaker for the Parish: Vernon Stafford



MASS INTENTIONS – February 17th – 24th

Sunday	Feb 17 – 9:30 am – Intentions of all Parishioners
Monday	Feb 18 – 9:00 am – Craig Perry from the Perry family
Tuesday	Feb 19 – 9:00 am – Emma Fraser from Janet & Joe Delorey
Wednesday	Feb 20 – 9:00 am – Ted Mattie from Dorothy & family
Thursday	Feb 21 – 9:00 am – Katrina Halfpenny from Alice & Myles Somers
Friday	Feb 22 – 9:00 am – Herbert (jnr) & Ignatius Delorey from Shirley
Saturday	Feb 23 – 6:30 pm – Frankie Benoit from Lorraine and the family
Sunday	Feb 24 – 9:30 am – Intentions of all Parishioners

SCHEDULE FOR MASSES

Saint Peters, Tracadie: Weekday Masses - Monday to Friday - 9:00 am
 Saturday evening - 6:30 pm
 Sunday morning - 9:30 am

Saint Monica's, Lincolnville Every second Sunday at 11:00 am
 Next Mass: No more masses until Easter Time

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 March, **Sunday, March 3rd, 2019 at 10:15 am** in Saint Peter's Church. **Always** Baptisms take place on the **First Sunday of the Month**. Those who present their children for Baptism should be residing within the Parish. Please phone the Glebe House and speak with me directly to make ANY arrangements for any Baptisms in Saint Peter's Church and Parish!

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Anyone contemplating marriage for 2019 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 expected to be practising their faith. There will be preparation for a Marriage Course, offered this spring in **St. Ninian Place, on Saturday, 13th April 2019, from 8:45 am to 4:00 pm**. Marriage in the Catholic Church is a most sacred and serious event and to be seriously contemplated. So far, only two marriages registered for 2019.

PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY

To the family, relatives and friends of the late Gladys (DeCOSTE) PERRY who died on Wednesday morning last. Gladys was a very active and loyal member of Saint Peter's Parish as well as serving in the Ladies Auxiliary of the Tracadie and District Fire Department. Gladys was a delightful person who helped anyone in any way she could. She was a real example of courage and determination in the way she accepted her illness. But, of course, she had wonderful faith which she practised with great regularity and this brought her so much peaceful acceptance. May she rest in peace.

CARD PLAY IN THE MONSIGNOR DONNELLY HALL

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

HOLY NAME - BEAVERS' CLUB BINGO

Bingo is held each **Monday evening in the Monsignor DONNELLY HALL at 8:00 pm.** All proceeds go to the Building Committee and it's work of Saint Peter's Parish.

URGENT REQUEST FOR VOLUNTEERS

To serve as Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion at weekend Masses as so many have retired from this service during recent years leaving us with very few to attend to this ministry. Also we are constantly in need of volunteers to assist as Lectors to read the readings for Masses on the weekends. If more would come forward to serve in these ministries, those already serving would not be expected to do so, so often. Anyone who might be interested in either of these services is asked to contact Lorraine McKeough who graciously prepares the list. Her contact information: phone: (902)870-2084; e-mail:

lmckeough61@gmail.com

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

Continue on this Wednesday at the Antigonish East Academy in Monastery at 6:00 pm. Julianne Connors is directing the program with the assistance of several parents. We are very grateful for their generosity. If anyone parents want to admit their children to this program, which is so important for the religious formation of children, you are welcome to do so. The important dates for the reception of the Sacrament of Penance and First Holy Communion will be announced soon. These will take place in the month of April.

SAINT PETER'S PARISH COUNCIL

Will meet next on Sunday morning next, February 24th, at 10:30 am in Saint Peter's Place. All members are requested to attend

A FEW WORDS FROM FATHER BARRY

Winter has not left us for sure!

Again, I remind you that the Holy Season of Lent begins with Ash Wednesday on March 6th and so let us continue to think of ways that we may use to help us truly prepare ourselves for Easter which is the goal of the Lenten season.

Within the past three weeks, three of the priests of our Diocese have died:

Father Francis J. Abbass on January 24th;
Father Peter Piva on February 8th, and
Father Thomas Lathigee on February 9th.

Fathers Piva and Lathigee were officially retired but Father Abbass was still serving as an active Parish Priest, in the Parish of Saint Mary's, East Bay at the age of 87. Our priest shortage is alarming and of course, this has very serious consequences in terms of the Parishes which will remain open and continue to be served by a Parish Priest. The Council of Priests of the Diocese continues to study this matter and efforts are being made to involve more and more people in the decisions which must be made in the near future! So, we are asked to pray for vocations as we only have **one** young man in the seminary from the entire diocese and he is only beginning his formation and so will not be ordained to the priesthood for five or six years! Let us also continue to remember in our prayers the priests of the past who have served so well the needs of our parishes and diocese.

God bless you and have a good week.