



**St. Peter's Parish, Tracadie, NS**  
**Feast of the Baptism of the Lord**  
**January 20<sup>th</sup>, 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



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**MASS INTENTIONS – January 19<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup>**

Sunday Jan 20 – 9:30 am – Intentions of all Parishioners  
Monday Jan 21 – 9:00 am – Bobby Myette from Anne Marie & family  
Tuesday Jan 22 – 9:00 am – William Michael Pettipas from the family  
Wednesday Jan 23 – 9:00 am – Teddie Mattie from Shirley Davidson  
Thursday Jan 24 – 9:00 am – Anne Bowie from Sandra Morrow & family  
Friday Jan 25 – 9:00 am – Leonard Bowie from Sandra Morrow & family  
Saturday Jan 26 – 6:30 pm – Charlie Myette from Theresa & family  
Sunday Jan 27 – 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, Lincolville                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 **February, Sunday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 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 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.

## **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](mailto:lmckeough61@gmail.com)

## **SAINT PETER'S PARISH COUNCIL**

Took place on last Sunday, January 13gth in Saint Peter's Place at 10:15 am. The meeting dealt with many issues including a review of our religious education program which is coming along very well. Also, we are very grateful to Angie Connors for the wonderful job she did in preparing 34 of our young parishioners to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation prior to Christmas.

Snow removal is being done by Nick DeYoung of our Parish and he is paid on an hourly basis. ... The Renovation Committee for the Msgr. Donnelly Hall has reported on their recent activities in the Parish Bulletin and given the amounts of money raised for each event.

The work in the Hall is almost completed with a few remaining chores. The Parish Council acknowledged with appreciation the work which this committee has done and continues to do.

The Student Summer grant will be available again this year with new regulations. Sheila Pelly, our Chair of the Parish Council has received this information and will prepare our application for hire a summer student under the Federal grant. Details will be provided in future Bulletins.

The costs of insurances for all Parish buildings and properties continues to escalate with each year. Our Parish Accountant pro-rates the costs as they extend from one year to another. Both Saint Monica's Church in Lincolnville and Saint Patrick's Church in Merland pay for their own insurances.

Our Parish Accountant is busy preparing the annual financial report for the year 2018. As usual, he will meet with the members of the Parish Council to explain in detail and thoroughly, the report, before it is finalized and sent to the Diocese and given to the parishioners. The Parish Council expressed its thanks and appreciation to all those parishioners who so faithfully contribute to the financial support of the Parish through their weekly envelopes and indeed to the Holy Name Society, the Ladies Auxiliary Bingo of the Tracadie Fire Department, the Card play organizers and the CWL of Saint Peter's.

A committee of the Parish Council will meet to review and update the Msgr. Donnelly Hall Rental Agreement. It was noted that although much work has been done to update the Hall and much needed repairs provided, still Hall rentals throughout the year have not increased. This matter will also be considered. The Council will meet again on February 17<sup>th</sup>.

## **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES**

Continue on Wednesday evenings at the Antigonish East Academy in Monastery at 6:30 .m. Julianne Connors is directing the program with the assistance of several parents. We are very grateful for their generosity.

## **A FEW WORDS FROM FATHER BARRY**

We have now begun the Ordinary Time in the Liturgical Year. During this Ordinary Time, the Church celebrates the fullness of the mystery of Jesus Christ. On the First day of the week, the Lord's Day, God assembles the beloved people to hear the Word of God, to reflect upon it, to offer the living sacrifice of praise and to celebrate the banquet of the Lord in the Mass. Then, we are sent forth, from the Mass, to proclaim this love in our words and actions.

Sunday is the original Christian Feast Day for this was the day of the Lord's resurrection. Our Christian Communities today continue this tradition by celebrating every Sunday as the day of the Risen Lord. This is why the Church insists that we attend Mass either on the anticipated Saturday evening Mass or Sunday itself.

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is celebrated around the world on January 18<sup>th</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup>. The importance of unity among Christians and the responsibility of the people of each parish to work for this unity should be emphasized especially throughout this week. Let us make this also our special prayer for this week of Prayer for Christian Unity.

I want to thank again those parishioners who decorated the Church of Christmas - they also took down the decorations this past week. This involved a great deal of work and we are all very grateful to them.

Income Tax receipts for contributions to the Parish are being prepared by Anne Marie Myette and will be available soon. Anne Marie has been extremely faithful, for many years, to this chore which involves a great deal of work.

God bless you and have a good week.