



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

### Solemnity: Epiphany of the Lord

January 7<sup>th</sup>, 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



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## MASS INTENTIONS – JANUARY 7<sup>TH</sup> – 13<sup>TH</sup> 2018

Sunday	January 7 - 9:30 am	– Intentions of all Parishioners
Monday	January 8 - 9:00 am	– John & Anna Mattie from Bernie & Lorna
Tuesday	January 9 - 9:00 am	– Christine Flanagan from Bernie & Lorna
Wednesday	January 10 - 9:00 am	– Robbie Bonvie from Herbie & Pauline
Thursday	January 11 - 9:00 am	– Jimmie Mattie from Bernie & Lorna
Friday	January 12 - 9:00 am	– Craig Perry from J. Somers
Saturday	January 13 - 6:30 pm	– Joe O'Connor from Rose, Chad & Andrew

## PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY

To the family and friends of the late **John Boudreau** of Cape Jack who died on Saturday, December 30th. and wanted to be buried from Saint Peter's Church, Tracadie which funeral took place on Saturday, January 6th.

## 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 January on Sunday, January 7<sup>th</sup>, 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

The New Year has begun - I wish you every blessing throughout each day of this New Year.

We had a wonderful Advent and Christmas Season at Saint Peter's which continues this Sunday with the celebration of the Epiphany of Our Lord. The Official Christmas Season in the Catholic Church ends with the Baptism of our Lord which takes place this year on January 8<sup>th</sup>.

As many have said, the Church was magnificently decorated for Christmas and we have to thank those responsible although they do not want their names mentioned! They did a marvellous job and we thank them for it. Of course, this takes a good deal of time and planning.

The attendance at Christmas Masses: 6:30 Christmas eve, Midnight and again on Christmas morning at 9:30 was very good. It is so sad that some make absolutely no effort to attend Mass even at Christmas and do not even take their children or encourage them to attend Mass!

Our thanks and appreciation to Ray and his sister, Rachel Mattie for the lovely music they provided for the 6:30 pm Christmas even Mass. Also, our thanks to Saint Peter's Senior Choir and our organist, Lisa DeCoste who provided the Music Christmas Midnight night Mass and the Mass in the evening for New Year's Eve. Also, our thanks to Anne Marie Long for the music she provides at Sunday morning Masses.

The Renovation Committee of the Monsignor Donnelly Hall has provided new lighting of the Hall which was desperately in need of replacement. We thank them for their ongoing renovations of the Hall.

I want to thank everyone who sent to me greetings at Christmas and gave me gifts. This is so very kind and generous of you. Be assured, it is very much appreciated.

On this special feast of the **Epiphany of the Lord**, when Jesus is made known to the whole world after His Birth at Bethlehem and declared as the **Light to the Nations**, let us make a New Year's Resolution to live our Catholic Faith and practise it throughout the New Year and share with one another the **Light of Christ**. God bless you and have a good week.