

Third Sunday in Lent

February 24, 2008

“My eyes are ever fixed on the Lord, for he releases my feet from the snare. O look at me and be merciful, for I am wretched and alone”. Psalm 25:15-16

Weekend Masses:

St. Francis of Assisi	St. Francis Harbour	Saturday	4:00 pm
St. Lawrence	Mulgrave	Saturday	6:00 pm
St. Paul's	Havre Boucher	Sunday	10:00 am

Announced Masses:

Monday, February 25,	9:00 a.m.	Zacary DeCoste	St. Paul's
Thursday, February 28	6:30 p.m.	Seward & Bradley Fougere	St. Paul's
Friday, February 29	9:00 a.m.	Kay, Bernard, David & Richard Anderson	St. Paul's
Saturday, March 1,	4:00 p.m.	Helen Haywood	St. Francis
Saturday, March 1,	6:00 p.m.	Jessie Wood	St. Lawrence

Friday, March 7 communion will be brought to the sick and shut ins. If you wish to receive communion and are not on the list please phone 234-2387 and you will be called to let you know the time of arrival.

Friday, March 7 is the world day of prayer which is observed each year on the First Friday of March. It is an invitation for Christians to pause and pray together as one faith. Each year it recalls our Christian responsibility to be sensitive to the time so that we might bring a more authentically Christian dimension to the concerns of world, our country, our community. This day is celebrated in 165 countries. This day is an opportunity for moving toward a more important role for prayer in the life of our Christian community. It is fitting to have such a day in Lent when we are called to more fervent prayer for others.

On Monday of Holy Week, March 17 The annual “Mass of Chrism” will be celebrated at St. Paul's Church presided over by our Bishop Raymond Lahey and most of the Priests in the Diocese of Antigonish. Two representatives from every Parish in the Diocese come to receive the Holy oils that will be used in each Parish for the celebrations of the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, Holy Orders, and the Sacrament of the Sick. The Mass will begin at 4:00 p.m. with a reception to following in the community center, next to St. Paul's Church.

The Easter Triduum begins Holy Thursday evening at 6:30 with the Mass the Lord's Supper, that is March 20. Then there is Good Friday, March 21 a day of total fast and abstinence. As always the celebration of the Lord's Passion will be at 3:00p.m. On Holy Saturday at 8:30 p.m. we will celebrate The Resurrection of the Lord

Eucharistic Ministers for March 1/2

St. Francis: Florence C. Beverly G
St. Lawrence: Beryl Hadley, Shaunna Scott, Leonard MacDonald
St. Paul's: Judy Andrews, Lynn Whalen, Leona Brow

Lectors: March 1/2

St. Francis: Joan Meagher

St. Lawrence: Mary MacAskill, Lorraine Henry
St. Paul's: Anita Levangie, Bob King

Weekly Collection:	St. Francis	St. Lawrence	St. Paul's
	\$301.00	\$674.80	\$1396.05
Breakfast Fundraiser		\$1084.40	

Baptisms: takes place on the second Sunday of every month, please phone 234-2387 one month in advance, and let the Pastor know.

Marriages: If there is anyone contemplating marriage anytime this year they must take the pre-marriage course and notify the Pastor at least six months in advance of the marriage. Please phone Fr. McNeil at 234-2387 if you are thinking of being married. If you decide to marry on a Saturday, the wedding must be celebrated before 2:00 p.m.. An Engaged Encounter Weekend is considered a pre-marriage course. A pre-marriage course is being offered at St. Ninian's on April 18, 19, and 20. Please phone 863-5987 for details.

St. Lawrence Parish Council is looking for a replacement for one of its members who are leaving. May1/08 Anyone interested phone Fr. Robert McNeil or Anne Marie Meagher. Thanks.

St. Lawrence Parish Council would like to thank everyone who made our Valentine's Breakfast so successful, to all the people who donated food for the breakfast and the bake table, money donations, and 50/50 draw. The winner was Sharon Burton \$87.00. To all who came out to support us, and who have helped in any way a very special thank you. \$1087.00 was raised. Thanks folks for a job well done.

The Family of the Late Alice McKeough extends a "Sincere Thank You" to the Parish community for your overwhelming support, with the recent loss of our mother. Your heartfelt kindness, prayers, mass intentions, generosity of food, visits and memorial donations were very much appreciated. A special thank you to Fr. Robert McNeil, the ladies of the C. W. L., the choir and all who helped in any way. We will never forget your kindness.

Thank you
The McKeough Family

We the family of Joseph R. Pettipas would like to thank relatives and friends who came to help celebrate his 90 th birthday, on Sunday February 17. Thank you all for the lovely gifts and cards.

The Local Branch of the Kidney Foundation is looking for someone in Havre Boucher to chair the collection for the Kidney Foundation in that area. Anyone interested please phone Theresa MacDonald at 386-2793.

St. Paul's 150 th Anniversary will be held Saturday, June 28. Bishop R. Lahey will be presiding, the anniversary mass at 4:00 p.m. Our next meeting will be Monday March 10, at 7:00 p.m. in the MacGillivray Room. We are presently looking for chair person to work on a booklet to mark the occasion of the 150 years of our Parish. If any Parishioner is interested in chairing or working on this project please phone Paul Melong, Bob King or Yvonne Sampson. If you would like to be informed on the events planned for the 150 th anniversary please check the Havre Boucher website.