

OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL PARISH
St. Joseph's Church Stella Maris Church St. William's Church

ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH

&

H.O.P.E. Centre News
4347 Loch Lomond Road
Saint John, NB E2N 1C8

Rev. Ralph McRae, Moderator
Rev. Rodrigo Tabilona

Our Vision Statement

A parish dedicated to the spiritual well-being of God's people through on-going family based religious education programs, a deepening of the sacramental life of the parish, and the continuing development of meaningful and life-giving liturgies. A parish that lives out this commitment through social service and ministry.

Office Hours Mon - Thurs 10 am to 2 pm Closed Friday

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H.O.P.E. Wellness Centre Mon. Tues. Wed. 8 am to 3 pm Phone 632-5695

Easter Sunday
April 21, 2019

Holy Saturday
9 pm Mass will be celebrated at
Stella Maris Church

Easter Sunday
10 am John H. Miller
Jack & Leona Gallant
Lester Bigney
James Butler

Monday, April 22
Church Office &
H.O.P.E. Centre closed

Tuesday, April 23
10 - 11:30 am Moms & Tots
10 am Seniors Exercises
1 pm Seniors Cards

Wednesday, April 24
noon Mass will not be celebrated
7 pm Lavigne Share Group

Thursday, April 25
5:30 pm Doors open for Bingo

Friday, April 26
12 noon Feast of our Patroness
Our Lady of Good Counsel

Saturday, April 27
4 pm John MacNeill

Sunday, April 28
10 am Sharon Clements
4:45 pm Doors open for Roast Beef Dinner in
Centre

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Easter Sunday, at Villa Madonna Retreat
House from 2 - 4 pm

PARISH FINANCES

Last Week's Offerings:

Offertory \$1990

Pre-authorized Debit (weekly) \$230.

Just a remind that pre-authorized debit is available. Please call the office for further information. Offertory Envelopes are available at the front door of the church.

NOTE: Any contributions made by cheque **MUST** be made payable to St. Joseph's Church or The H.O.P.E. Centre depending on where you want the donation allocated.

ALSO...to assist those counting the weekly contributions, please put the amount of your donation on your Offertory Envelope.

For April 27 & 28

Lectors

4 pm Bernie Desmond & Margaret Sullivan

10 am Glen Savoie & Sandra Butler

Eucharistic Ministers

**4 pm Linda Hackett, Ann Furlotte,
Mona Fillmore**

10 am Blair Crowell, Jim & Sandra Lane

NO SCENTS IS GOOD SENSE

Be considerate of others. Recognize that some people have allergies or adverse reactions to fragrances. Please reduce or eliminate your use of scented products at Mass.

PASTORAL CARE

A committee provides Pastoral Care for the sick and elderly of the parish. Regular home visits will be made at a time of your convenience. Please call the church office or Pauline Hughes-McKillop 696-7907 to arrange a visit.

Living Faith Booklet

You will notice there are a few copies of the *Living Faith Booklet* at the back of the Church. With the closure of the Catholic Bookstore it was suggested our Parishioner might still like to have their books. Feel free to take a copy. If you have spare change in your pocket you feel you can contribute to offset the costs please place it in the jar. If you don't have change take a copy anyway. Enjoy.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

for Second Sunday of Easter

Reading 1 Acts 5:12-16

Reading 11 Revelation 1:9-11, 12-13, 17-19

Gospel John 20:19-31

Key Passage: *He placed his right hand on me, saying, "Do not be afraid; I am the first and the last, and the living one. I was dead, and see, I am alive forever and ever.. (Revelation 1:17-18)*

Adult: *When has your faith in the living Christ helped you overcome fear?*

Child: *What could you do this Easter season to help someone feel less afraid?*

Ecclesiastes III....Under every season there is a timea time to heal....we remember

these people in need of our prayers:

Carol McNally, Bob Donovan, Kathleen Folkins, Fred Savoie, Kiley Clements, Muriel Richard, Walter Smith, Gladys McGrath, Ian Walker, Harvey Beck, Hilma Tracey, Gail Scott, Danny Murray, Sam Williams, Phyllis Titus, Louis & Helen Savoie, Kathleen Gagnon & her family, Gisele Kirkpatrick, Jean Morrison, John Richardson, Theresa Ryan, Ann Whelan, David Branscombe, Irwin & Kathy Tufts, Ann Quigg, Marilyn Galbraith, Jackson Morton, Kevin Bennett, Peter Chouinard

Attention CWL Members

Our Lady of Good Counsel CWL members (St. Joseph's Church) will host a gathering for the Feast Day of Our Lady of Good Counsel on Friday, April 26 beginning with Mass at 12 noon, then continue with a short Prayer Service of hymns, scripture and recitation of the Rosary. (please bring your Rosary)

This will be followed by a PotLuck (finger foods please) social time in the H.O.P.E. Centre. Everyone welcome!!

The next CWL Meeting will be held Monday, May 13 at 1 pm in the Centre Ballroom.

Free Preview - Salt + Light TV is available on a free preview from participating cable and satellite providers across Canada, from April 14 - May 12. Join us starting Palm Sunday for live Papal events and our line-up of Catholic programming to grow in the knowledge of our faith and Catholic tradition in its many expressions. Be sure to check out S+L's new documentary, *The Francis Impact*, premiering May 5, 9 pm AST. Check your local provider or visit www.saltandlighttv.org/subscribe for more details. Sharing the joys and hopes of the Gospel through television, radio, print, and online media. During this month long free-preview, in addition to Holy Week and Easter live Vatican events, Salt and Light Catholic Media Foundation is pleased to announce the premiere their new documentary *The Francis Impact* on May 5, 9pm AST.

St. Joseph's Church Spring Supper

Parish Roast Beef Dinner
28 April, seating for ticket holders 4:45 pm, dinner served at 5 pm.
Adults \$15.00, Children \$7.00, before 24 April, \$18.00 after 24 April.
Limited number of tickets may be available at the door.
Roast Beef, Potatoes, Carrots, Peas, Gravy, Choice of Dessert, Tea and Coffee.

Dance featuring "Party Line"

Friday, May 3 in H.O.P.E. Centre
Doors open at 8 pm,
Band 9 pm to 12 midnight
Cash Bar.....Tickets \$10 each available at the church office

H.O.P.E. CENTRE NEWS

Any questions call 653-6875

Monday

10:30 am Adult Line Dancing
Drop-in rate - \$9.00 - Bring comfortable shoes (no street shoes) and No Scents please.

7 - 8 pm Yoga with Manon

The cost is \$30 per person. Drop-ins \$8
New class begins April 1. Spread the word, tell your friends and neighbours. Come out and enjoy the stretch and relaxation.

Tuesdays

9:30 am Moms & Tots

10 am Seniors Exercises

1 pm Seniors Cards - all are welcome

Wednesdays

Latin Line Dancing

Beginners 6:30 -7pm, 5\$ drop in, Regulars 7-8:30 pm paid or 10\$ drop in - See you there

FOOT CARE CLINIC

Last Wednesday of each month Cost \$40 - provided by nurses trained in Advance & Diabetic Care. Call 847-0254

Thursdays

Bingo....Doors open at 5:30 pm

Games begin at 6:50 pm. Come out for a night of fun and relaxation....

Moms & Tots Program Tuesdays at 9:30 am.

This structured play time is held in the Church Basement (enter by the front door of the Centre and go down in the elevator). The cost is \$2 per family.

Community News

BINGO each Monday, in Stella Maris Church Hall, Saint John; Doors Open at 5:30 p.m. Early Bird Games at 6:30 p.m. Regular Games begin at 7 p.m. Bingo Packets are \$20 at the door, TreasureChest. Sponsored by Father Henry Ramage Knights of Columbus 8364.

Knights of Columbus Council 11201 every other Friday night in Bradley Lake Community Centre. Doors open at 6 pm - Early Bird Games at 6:45. The next game night is May 3.

St. Mark's Catholic Church 171 Pettingill Road, Quispamsis is hosting a **Ham Supper** on Sunday, April 28, from 4:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m Adults \$12 Youth \$6 Family (immediate) \$30. All proceeds will support the youth attending the Steubenville Atlantic Conference this summer. Tickets are available by contacting Valerie MacFarlane to reserve your ticket macfarlanevalerie@hotmail.com. All tickets will be sold in advance.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY HOLY HOUR -- April 28th. For anyone interested in or following the **Good Friday — Divine Mercy Sunday Devotion**, this year the annual **“Holy Hour of Mercy”** will be held at Holy Redeemer Parish (St Pius X Church) on **Divine Mercy Sunday, April 28th, at 3 pm.** Everyone is welcome to attend.

ANNUAL ST. JOSEPH'S NURSES ALUMNI DINNER: Villa Madonna Retreat House Tuesday, May 7, – Mass at 11:00 am followed by dinner. Tickets \$25, by calling Gloria Comeau at 672-4897.

St. Joseph's Hospital Auxiliary Fashion Show, Tuesday, May 7, doors open 6:15 starts at 7 p.m. Light refreshments. Cost \$15.00. For tickets call Marie 696-8464.

Meeting Jesus on the Road to Emmaus: During the Easter Season we are invited to join the disciples on the road to Emmaus as Jesus enlightens them and breaks bread with them. Take time out of your busy schedule for an evening of reflection on this topic – Tuesday, May 7, 6:30 – 9:00 pm, Villa Madonna Retreat House, Saint John, NB. The evening will be facilitated by Sr. Gertrude Mulholland, SCIC. Suggested Donation \$10.00.

<p>Giving blood is one of the most direct ways you can help someone. Your donation can help treat cancer patients, bring a car crash victim through surgery, and even help a transplant patient's new heart beat for the first time. Please make an appointment to attend the blood donor clinic Online at www.blood.ca or by calling 1 888 2 DONATE (1 888 236-6283). New Donors are always welcome!</p>
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Easter Message 2019

Dear Sisters & Brothers:

Each year, as women and men of faith, we remember and celebrate the saving effects of the Passion, Death and Resurrection of Jesus. As disciples of Christ, our lives are focused on Jesus. We spend our lives in communion with him, proclaiming his Gospel to the world in which we live beginning with our families. May this year's Easter Season provide us with one more opportunity to radiate Christ in and through the lives we live. When people see us, may it be obvious to them that we are his disciples. I wish you and yours every blessing as we celebrate Easter and the Resurrection of Christ and embrace once again the promise of new life which he won for us.

On September 1, 2018 our diocese was redefined into 28 parishes with 70 worship sites. For many, this has been a challenging time. Thank you for your support. We need to continue bringing together the families, women and men, young and old, who constitute these new parishes, most of which have received new names. Please continue to work on the process of making of our parishes viable and revitalized communities of faith whose focus is outreach and evangelization. Please keep the process in your prayers as the Holy Spirit who inspired the process brings it to fruition.

Our Holy Father Pope Francis reminds us that the purpose of the Church is discipleship and evangelization. In his Apostolic Exhortation, *The Joy of the Gospel*, as he thinks about dioceses and parishes, he says: "I dream of a missionary option; that is, a missionary impulse capable of transforming everything, so that the Church's customs, ways of doing things, times and schedules, language and structures can be suitably channelled for the evangelization of today's world rather than for her self-preservation." (E.V. #27).

This year is a double Jubilee Year for me as I celebrate 75 years of life and 50 years of priesthood. Please pray for me at this special time in my life.

When a bishop turns 75, he is expected to retire. I have already sent my letter of resignation to the Holy Father. The process of choosing the next Bishop of Saint John has begun. Please pray for the process as well as the one who will be chosen.

Easter blessings on you and yours. You will be remembered as I celebrate Easter Mass at the Cathedral, the Mother Church of our diocese.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

✠ Robert Harris
Bishop of Saint John