

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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Third Sunday of Lent
March 24, 2019

Saturday, March 23
4 pm In Thanksgiving for the long life of
Kaye Johnston

Sunday, March 24
10 am Judy Collins

Monday, March 25
1 pm Senior's Fest
7 pm Quigley Share Group
Yoga

Tuesday, March 26
10 - 11:30 am Moms & Tots
10 am Seniors Exercises
1 pm Seniors Cards

Wednesday, March 27
12 noon For The People

Thursday, March 28
5:30 pm Doors open for Bingo

Friday, March 29
11:30 am Way of the Cross
12 noon Father Bill Elliott

Saturday, March 30
4 pm Mary Leahy

Sunday, March 31
10 am Don Hanlon

Please pray for our Catechumens -
Leisa Dubee, Susan Ouellette &
Pamela Stevenson as they journey through
the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Sunday, March 24 at St. Rose of Lima Church
from 2 - 4 pm.

Thank you to all who contributed to the
success of the St. Patrick's Tea!! The
winner of the door prize was Gail Gallant and
the winner of the 50/50 Draw was Doreen
Cassidy.

PARISH FINANCES

Last Week's Offerings:

Offertory \$1655

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.

Lenten Folders are available at the entrance of the church. Proceeds to the sound system.

March 30 & 31

Lectors

4 pm Bernie Desmond & Margaret Sullivan

10 am Glen Savoie & Krystal Lavigne

Eucharistic Ministers

4 pm Linda Hackett, Wanda Quigley,

Mona Fillmore

10 am Patty Davis, 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.

Faith Fair- Spring 2019

The Faith Fair is a gathering of religious items throughout the year, displayed in the Spring and there for the taking. A Goodwill jar will be available for those who wish to make a contribution otherwise all items are *Free*. *Donated items can be place in a box at the entrance to the church or call Wanda 696-4996.*

QUESTION OF THE WEEK **for the Fourth Sunday of Lent**

Reading 1 Joshua 5.9. 10-12

Reading 11 2 Corinthians 5:17-21

Gospel Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

Key Passage: *Then the father said to him, "son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. But we had to celebrate and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and has come to life; he was lost and has been found." (Luke 15:31-32)*

Adult: *When have you been generous enough to forgive someone who hurt you deeply?*

Child: *Is there someone you need to forgive or ask forgiveness of?*

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

The Catholic Women's League of Canada

The regular monthly meeting of CWL will be held Monday, April 1 at 1 pm in the Centre Boardroom. All are welcome!!

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

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 April 5.

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! If you knew someone who needed blood, would you help? Your one donation can help save or enhance the lives of up to three people. Please ask your family and friends to join you in helping those who rely on blood and blood products. A little of your time could give someone else a lifetime.

Canadian Blood Services is looking for donors to come in to our 405 University Avenue location the week of March 25, 2019. We still have 90 appointments available.

Look.....at a Book! ***The Divine Dynamic*** by John Surette, sj

Tuesdays – 2 to 3:45pm March 26

Facilitator: Mary Alice Glasgow

Location: Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, Rothesay

Pre-registration: Donna at 847-3780

shroe@nb.sympatico.ca

Ellen at 847-5131 ellenrobert@hotmail.com

A 'Look' is 'not learning' a Book but can be the beginning of new awareness, both enjoyable and necessary. "This book opens a way to see God, the Planet of which we are a part, and the ways we relate to one another".

Book (both new and used) available at Amazon.ca.

Join Sobey's Dietitians for a free nutrition class: Cooking for One or Two. Learn about meal planning and preparing food for one or two people, and how to be creative with leftovers. Preregistration is required. Please call 633-1705 or email saintjohn@cmhanb.ca. **Monday, April 8th at 3:30 p.m. at Sobey's Rothesay.** **Tuesday, April 9, at 3:00 p.m. at Sobey's East Point.** We are now accepting registrations. If you have any questions or require additional information, please visit our website <https://cmhanb.ca/category/programs-and-services/saint-john-programs/> or call our office at 633-1705.

Canadian Mental Health Association of New Brunswick (CMHA of NB) Saint John – **Building Assertiveness Skills**, a six-week program designed to teach women how to stand up for their personal rights by expressing thoughts, feelings and beliefs in appropriate ways. Wednesdays beginning March 27th. If you have any questions or require additional information, please visit our website <https://cmhanb.ca/category/programs-and-services/saint-john-programs/> or call our office at 633-1705.

Canadian Mental Health Association of New Brunswick (CMHA of NB) Saint John – **Mindfulness**, a six-week program designed to teach individuals the benefits and practices of mindfulness and how to focus on living in the present. Thursdays beginning March 28th. If you have any questions or require additional information, please visit our website <https://cmhanb.ca/category/programs-and-services/saint-john-programs/> or call our office at 633-1705.

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.

Lent 2019

The three pillars of Lent are prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

Prayer – This Lent take some time to be still and be with God.

There will be locked prayer boxes at each worship site of Our Lady of Good Counsel Parish. You may write your prayer intention on the paper supplied and place it in the box. These prayers will not be read, but will be offered up at each Mass during Lent. As the Lenten season concludes, the prayers will be gathered from each site, and together, they will be burned in the Easter Vigil Fire which will be celebrated at Stella Maris this year.

Fasting – Looking for something to give up for Lent?

Give up resentment and become more forgiving.

Give up hatred and return good for evil.

Give up complaining and be more grateful.

Give up pessimism and become more hopeful.

Give up worry and become more trusting.

Give up anger and become more patient.

Give up pettiness and become more noble.

Give up gloom and become more joyful.

Give up doubt and turn to God.

Almsgiving – We are called to love our neighbor. This Lent we are making a concentrated effort to help the less fortunate through Lakewood Headstart. As you leave Mass each Saturday or Sunday please put your faith into action. Take a tag from the basket, and bring back the item requested on the following weekend. (It would also be helpful if you could also return the tag for future use.)