

**ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH  
&  
H.O.P.E. Centre News  
4347 Loch Lomond Road  
Saint John, NB E2N 1C8**

**Rev. Ralph McRae, Pastor**

**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 Mon - Thurs 10 am to 2 pm Closed Friday**

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**Pastoral Council Chairperson** George Quigley Phone 696-3731 email quigleydesign@rogers.com

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

**February 18, 2018**  
**First Sunday of Lent**

**Saturday, February 17**  
4 pm Terri Chouinard  
Ann Roy

**Sunday, February 18**  
10 am George Douglas  
7 - 8:30 pm Lenten Retreat

**Monday, February 19**  
**NB FAMILY DAY**  
**OFFICE CLOSED**

11 am - 12 noon Line Dancing in the Centre  
7 pm Yoga

**Tuesday, February 20**  
8:30 am Soup Day for A.I.D.S. SJ  
10 - 11 am Senior's Exercises  
10 am Moms & Tots  
1 pm Senior's Cards

**Wednesday, February 21**  
12 noon Deceased Members of CWL  
followed by a Mini Retreat sponsored by  
CWL - all are welcome  
7 pm Lavigne Share Group  
McGrath Share Group

**Thursday, February 22**  
12 noon For the People  
10 - 11:15 am Moms & Tots  
5:30 pm Doors open for Bingo

**Friday, February 23**  
11:30 am Stations of the Cross  
12 noon Father Bill Elliott

**Saturday, February 24**  
4 pm Leonard Arsenault

**Sunday, February 25**  
10 am Hugh McGuire  
11 am Religious Education  
2 - 4 pm Open Mic Jam

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**  
Sunday, February 18 at Villa Madonna Retreat  
House from 2 - 4 pm.

### **PARISH FINANCES**

**Last week's offerings:**

**Offertory \$1465.**

**Those In Need \$40**

**Initial Offering \$25**

**Pre-authorized Debit (weekly) \$190**

**H.O.P.E. Centre \$350**

**Catholic Missions in Canada \$388.70**

Just a reminder 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.

**For February 24 & 25**

#### **Lectors**

**4 pm Paula Harper & Pauline Hughes**

**10 am Peter Chouinard & Andrea Arseneau**

#### **Eucharistic Ministers**

**4 pm Patti McGrath, Roly Ducas, Michelle Luck**

**10 am Fred & Marian Frigault, Beth Wilson**

***Ecclesiastes III....Under every season there is a time.....a time to heal....we remember these people in need of our prayers:***

Carol McNally, Bob Donovan, Kathleen Folkins, Fred Savoie, Mary Naves, Kiley Clements, Muriel Richard, Walter Smith, Brian Naves, Joe Duplisea, Gladys McGrath, Ian Walker, Harvey Beck, Hilma Tracey, Mary Bishop, Gail Scott, Percy Leslie, Will James, Kathy Hackett, Danny Murray, Eileen Shaw, Jocelyn Corscadden, Michael LeCroix, Kyla, Sam Williams, Marlene Savoie, Karen Adams, Helen Savoie, Kathleen Gagnon and her family, Debbie Nolan, Gisele Kirkpatrick, Jean Morrison, John Richardson, Arthur Locke, Theresa Ryan, a Special Intention, Buddy Perry, Ann Whelan, David Branscombe, Marilyn Galbraith, Sharon Clements, Kathy & Irwin Tufts

#### **NO SCENTS IS GOOD SENSE"**

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

**Question of the week for February 25  
Second Sunday of Lent**

**Reading 1 Genesis 22:1-2, 9, 10-13, 15-18**

**Reading 11 Romans 8:31-34**

**Gospel: Mark 9:2-10**

**Key Passage: Then Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." (Mark 9:5)**

**Adult: How deeply do you believe that since God is for you, no one can destroy you?**

**Child: What would you like to ask God to do for you and your family?**

#### **PASTORAL CARE**

**A committee has been formed to provide 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 696-7907 to arrange a visit.**

#### **St. Joseph's Lenten Retreat 2018**

A 5-Part Lenten Retreat will be held on Sunday evenings 7-8:30 in the Hope Centre. Dates are February 18, February 25, March 11, March 18 and April 8.

Everyone 18+ is invited to attend.

Please pre-register by email or phone by February 11, 2018 by email at

[jpeterchouinard@gmail.com](mailto:jpeterchouinard@gmail.com)

or by telephone at 506-696-7065.

You can leave a message. If you prefer, there is a sign-up sheet in the church entrance.

For more information brochures are available at the entrance to the church.

**Soup Pot Day for AIDS SJ – Feb. 20th**

Please gather with us at 8:30 am on Tuesday Feb. 20th in the H.O.P.E. Center. We will prepare and package Hamburger Soup and cookies.

New members always welcome. Looking forward to seeing everyone there.

**CWL NEWS**

***The next regular meeting will be Wednesday, February 21. The meeting will include Mass and a mini-Retreat. All women of the parish are cordially invited to attend;***

St. Joseph's CWL will be holding a *Faith Fair* in the Spring. Anyone who has religious items to donate can bring them to Mass or give them to Wanda Quigley. There will be a basket provided at the entrance to the church. Sample items: medals, rosaries, pamphlets, magazines, books, CD's, religious figures, prayer cards, etc, bibles, children's books. Anything related to our faith.

**World Day of Prayer** will be celebrated Friday, March 2 at 2 pm at The Anglican Church of Christ the King (St. James Anglican) 2000 Loch Lomond Road.

(Storm Date - Sunday, March 4 at 2 pm)

This year's service is written by the Prayer Committee of Suriname. Suriname is part of the Guianas, an ecological region within the Amazon.

***"All God's Creation is Very Good!!"***

Please join us for informed prayer and prayerful action on preservation of Creation in solidarity with Christians in Suriname.

On the first Friday of March each year, Christians of many traditions gather for the World Day of Prayer, a prayer movement that invites us to enrich our faith experience with the experience of Christians from other countries and cultures and to bring hope to women touched by injustice.

**HOPE CENTRE NEWS**

**SENIORS EXERCISE PROGRAM**

Each Tuesday from 10 - 11 am.

**SENIORS CARDS**

Each Tuesday at 1 pm. Come and socialize and play 45's....enjoy the day!!

**YOGA**

Mondays from 7 - 8 pm \$40 for 6 weeks. Register at 653-6875 or 609-5867 (Tracie). All welcome!!

**MOMS & TOTS**

Tuesday & Thursday mornings from 10-11:15 am. Come and have some adult time while you're enjoying watching your children play. Snacks provided for the little ones and of course coffee is on for YOU! (come in the main doors of the H.O.P.E. Centre, take the elevator down to the basement or the stairs to the left)

**BINGO**

Bingo each Thursday. Doors open at 5:30 pm, Games begin at 6:50 pm. Please come out for a great night of fun.....

**FOOT CARE CLINIC**

Last Wednesdays of each month 9 am - 12 noon  
Cost \$40 - \*Provided by nurses trained in Advance & Diabetic foot care \*Receipts provided for income tax purposes \*Most Health Insurance plans cover foot care services \*Registered providers for Medavie Blue Cross & Veterans  
To book an appointment call 847-0254

**SOUTHEAST JAM SESSION** - This is a Open

Mic session for all who want to come to sing, dance or just to enjoy and tap your toes to good ole country music. We will have this every 2nd Sunday afternoon from 2 - 4 pm.

Admission is \$4 per person

*free tea/coffee, cookies; 50/50 Draw & Door Prize*

**LINE DANCING** -This is a fun, great exercise for

anyone of all ages! Monday's 11 am to 12 noon \$35.00 for a 5 week session. Instructor is Sue Beale :) Register with Tracie @ 609-5867

**\*\* please note this needs to be a scent free class.**

**DEVELOPMENT & PEACE** - *Share Lent* in the name of peace. For this year's Share Lent, Development and Peace is encouraging us to come together for peace! You will find inspiring testimonials in the Mini-magazine available in your parish or at [www.devp.org/resources](http://www.devp.org/resources).

During this first week, our search for peace takes us to Cambodia to meet ICSO, a Development and Peace partner that works with minority Indigenous communities to help them have their rights recognized by the government, defend their land against corporate interests, and develop sustainable economic activities that enable them to live with dignity.

**Cathedral Lenten Series** will take place at the Cathedral, Waterloo Street, on Sunday, March 13, at 2:00 pm and will feature Sister Nuala Kenny, SC of Halifax. Sister will lead us in a presentation entitled: "**Rediscovering the Art of Dying.**" Sister Nuala reminds us that "Catholics need to be clear about the reasons for requesting assisted death and the cultural and medical context in which this issue has arisen."

Knights of Columbus Council 11201 Bingo every other Friday night in the Bradley Lake Community Centre at 248 Bradley Lake Road.

Doors open at 6 pm. Early Bird Games at 6:45 pm \$500 Pot of Gold/Jackpot Games/Cookie Jar and Specials. The next game night is February 23.

### **VILLA MADONNA RETREAT HOUSE**

Wednesday, February 28, "**Stay Strong**" – One-day seminar for adults who have been diagnosed and/or treated for cancer. To register: call 632-5620.

Sponsored by Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception: Lenten Project, March 12 & 13, 2018, **Rediscovering the Art of Dying** facilitated by Nuala Kenny, Medical Doctor, renowned Ethicist, Professor, and Sister of Charity of Halifax. The Christian notion of a good death is death not as a good end but as a good transition; one that requires faith, proper acceptance and readiness. Who Should Attend: Clergy, Physicians, Lay Ministers, those who work in Pastoral/Palliative Care. Cost: \$75 commuters (includes breaks & lunch each day); \$150 (one nights' accommodation and all meals beginning with lunch Tuesday and ending with lunch Wednesday). To register, contact Villa Madonna at 849-5125 or email: [villamadonna@nb.aibn.com](mailto:villamadonna@nb.aibn.com)

Wednesday, March 14, **Seniors' Mass & Lunch** - 11:00 am. Celebrant: Fr. Ken Weir. Call the Villa to register 849-5125. ALL WELCOME!

March 23 - 25, New Program (content being developed), **Wool Felting Workshop** with Lois McDonald-Layden. To register: call the Villa at 849-5125. For information, contact Lois by email at [tuckamoor@hotmail.com](mailto:tuckamoor@hotmail.com)

Tuesday, April 3, Thursday, April 5, 2018: **Conscious Aging Workshop Cultivate Wisdom, Connect with Others, Celebrate Life** facilitated by Bill Kolodnicki. Bill is a certified IONS Conscious Aging Workshop Facilitator. He has a passion to learn and looks eagerly to learning from each person he meets. This powerful workshop provides the space and the opportunity for you to explore your potential for growth, sense of purpose, service and fulfillment in the later chapters of life. Cost: \$230 per person; \$330 per couple (includes 2 nights' accommodation and all meals); \$150 commuters (includes all meals & breaks). To register, call Villa Madonna at 849-5125 or email: [villamadonna@nb.aibn.com](mailto:villamadonna@nb.aibn.com). OPEN TO ALL.