

**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.***

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**February 25, 2018**

**Second Sunday of Lent**

**Saturday, February 24**

**4 pm Leonard Arsenault**

**Sunday, February 25**

**10 am Hugh McGuire**

**11 am Religious Education**

**2 - 4 pm Open Mic Jam**

**7 pm Lenten Retreat**

**Monday, February 26**

**7 pm Quigley Share Group**

**Yoga**

**Tuesday, February 27**

**10 - 11 am Senior's Exercises**

**10 am Moms & Tots**

**1 pm Senior's Cards**

**Wednesday, February 28**

**12 noon Father Bill Elliott**

**7 pm McGrath Share Group**

**Thursday, March 1**

**12 noon For the People**

**10 - 11:15 am Moms & Tots**

**5:30 pm Doors open for Bingo**

**Friday, March 2**

**11:30 am Stations of the Cross**

**12 noon For all school children**

**2 pm World Day of Prayer at The Anglican**

**Church of Christ the King (St. James Anglican)**

**Saturday, March 3**

**3:30 pm Rosary will be prayed in the Church**

**4 pm Ralph Berrigan**

**Sunday, March 4**

**9 am Breakfast in H.O.P.E. Centre**

**10 am Josh Tobias**

**7 pm Lenten**

**Food items will be collected for Lakewood Headstart. This month we are asking especially for snacks for school lunches.**

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

**Sunday, February 25 at St. Francois de Sales  
from 2:30 - 3:30 pm**

**PARISH FINANCES**

**Last week's offerings:**

**Offertory \$2138.**

**Those In Need \$60**

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

**Catholic Missions in Canada \$55**

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 March 3 & 4**

**Lectors**

**4 pm Bill Wiseman & Jack Nielsen**

**10 am Sandra Butler & Beth Wilson**

**Eucharistic Ministers**

**4 pm Ann Foster, Patti McGrath, Ann Wisted**

**10 am Jim & Sandra Lane, Joe Butler**

***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 & IrwinTufts

***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 March 4  
Third Sunday of Lent**

**Reading 1 Exodus 20:1-17**

**Reading 11 1 Corinthians 1:22-25**

**Gospel: John 2:13-25**

**Key Passage: For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles. (1 Corinthians 1:22-23)**

**Adult: When has the message of the cross seemed absurd to you, and when have you seen its wisdom?**

**Child: What puzzles you in the gospel stories? Which story makes you the most hopeful?**

**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 Lenten Retreat will be held on Sunday evenings 7-8:30 in the H.O.P.E. Centre. Next sessions are February 25, March 11, March 18 and April 8.

Everyone 18+ is invited to attend.

Please pre-register by email or phone

[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.

### **CWL NEWS**

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**

We will be starting another 6 week session on February 26. This will be on every Monday evening for 6 weeks from 7 to 8 pm. The cost is \$40.00 this can be paid the first evening of the session. However, if you don't think you can come to all the sessions we have a drop in fee of \$8.00. We encourage and welcome anyone who have not tried yoga to come and give it a try. Anyone new will have a free evening. So, come and see what we do and if it's for YOU!

\*\*\*\*we will not have yoga on March 5 as this is March Break. We will add the last class to the end\*\*\*

Any questions please give Tracie a call 609-5867

### **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** - Our first 5 sessions of line dancing has finished up. It was a huge success and a lot of fun!!!! Our next 5 sessions will start on Monday, March 5 from 11am to 12 noon. The cost is \$35.00 This is great exercise for all and especially seniors. Come out and give it a try!!  
As always walk ins are welcome at \$8.00

Please call the Centre at 609-5867 if you have any questions

## **DEVELOPMENT & PEACE**

Week 2 – February 25: *Building cultural and religious tolerance in Lebanon*

During this second week of Share Lent, we focus on the organization Adyan, a Development and Peace partner that contributes to peace in the Middle East by fostering cultural and religious tolerance. Adyan offers a wide range of programs, including conferences, training sessions, and workshops on peace, reconciliation, and coexistence.

In this part of the world wounded by past and present wars, Adyan's work is essential and your support is indispensable to them. "At Adyan, we promote spiritual solidarity, which means integrating the other into my thoughts and prayers. I must integrate the suffering of others and understand it." - Nayla Tabbara, Director of the Institute of Citizenship and Diversity Management at Adyan.

**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 March 9.

**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 at: 405 University Ave, Saint John, NB. Make your appointment Online at [www.blood.ca](http://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.

## **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.

CMHA of NB, Saint John Office is now accepting registrations for our Winter/Spring education programs: Beginning March 13<sup>th</sup>, we will be hosting **Hope & Healing: Coping with the Suicide of a Loved One**, a ten-week education program for individuals who have lost a loved one to suicide. For more info, please visit our website at <http://cmhanb.ca/category/programs-and-services/saint-john-programs/>. To preregister please call 633-1705. These programs are sponsored by MindCare New Brunswick. Thank you!

**Our Annual St. Patrick's Day Tea** will be held on Sunday, March 18<sup>th</sup>, from 11:30 am - 1:30 pm at Saints Joachim & Ann Parish (St. Ann's Church), 135 Simpson Drive, Saint John East. Sandwiches, sweets, coffee and tea will be served in the Church Hall, which will be decorated with a bit of the green! There will also be a 'white elephant' table and 50/50 draw. Tickets for the Tea are only \$5.00 each and will be sold at weekend Masses, or you may call Arlene at the parish office 653-6870 (Tuesday-Thursday from 9:30 am - 2:30 pm) to reserve your tickets. Only 200 tickets are available. The church hall is wheelchair accessible.

CMHA of NB, Saint John Office is now accepting registrations for our Winter/Spring education programs: Beginning March 20<sup>th</sup>, we will be hosting **Understanding Anxiety & Panic Disorder**, an eight-week education program for individuals diagnosed with generalized anxiety and / or panic disorders. For more info, please visit our website at <http://cmhanb.ca/category/programs-and-services/saint-john-programs/>. To preregister, please call 633-1705. Sponsored by MindCare New Brunswick.

CMHA of NB, Saint John Office is now accepting registrations for our Winter/Spring education programs: Beginning March 21<sup>st</sup>, we will be hosting **Building Assertiveness Skills**, an six-week program designed to teach **women** how to stand up for their personal rights while still respecting the thoughts, feelings and beliefs of others. For more info, please visit our website at <http://cmhanb.ca/category/programs-and->

[services/saint-john-programs/](http://cmhanb.ca/category/programs-and-services/saint-john-programs/). To preregister, please call 633-1705. Sponsored by MindCare New Brunswick.

Canadian Mental Health Association of New Brunswick (CMHA of NB), Saint John Office is now accepting registrations for our Winter / Spring education programs: Beginning March 22<sup>nd</sup>, we will be hosting **Mindfulness**, a six-week program designed to teach individuals the benefits and practices of mindfulness and how to focus on living deeply in the present moment. For more info, please visit our website at <http://cmhanb.ca/category/programs-and-services/saint-john-programs/>. To preregister, please call 633-1705. Sponsored by MindCare New Brunswick.