

**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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July 15, 2018

Fifteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Saturday, July 14

4 pm Buddy Perry

Saturday, July 21

4 pm Lois McGuire

Sunday, July 15

10 am Sharon Clements

Sunday, July 22

10 am Kay McKillop

Monday, July 16 Office Closed

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Sunday, July 15 at Villa Madonna Retreat House from 2 - 4 pm.

Tuesday, July 17

8:30 am Soup Pot Day

10 am Seniors Exercises

Weekday Mass will not be celebrated

Parish & H.O.P.E. Centre

OFFICE HOURS FOR JULY

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday

10 am - 2 pm

Wednesday, July 18

6:30 pm Latin Line Dancing for Beginners

7 pm Latin Line Dancing

Thursday, July 19

5:30 pm Doors open for Bingo

SOUP POT DAY for Avenue B

(formerly AIDS SJ) will be Tuesday, July 17 at 8:30 am in the Centre. All are welcome to make soup and cookies!!

Friday, July 20

Office Closed

8PARISH FINANCES

Last week's Offerings:

Offertory \$1600

Pre-authorized Debit (weekly) \$205

Those in Need \$50

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 July 21 & 22

Lectors

4 pm Bernie Desmond & Paula Harper

10 am Peter Chouinard & Andrea Arseneau

Eucharistic Ministers

4 pm Carol & Art Ryan, Vaunda Loughery

**10 am Wanda Quigley, Patti McGrath,
Kelly Richard**

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, Kiley Clements, Muriel Richard, Walter Smith, Gladys McGrath, Ian Walker, Harvey Beck, Hilma Tracey, Gail Scott, Danny Murray, Eileen Shaw, Sam Williams, Helen Savoie, Kathleen Gagnon & her family, Gisele Kirkpatrick, Jean Morrison, John Richardson, Arthur Locke, Theresa Ryan, Ann Whelan, David Branscombe, Kathy Tufts, Marilyn Galbraith, Ann Quigg

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 696-7907 to arrange a visit.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK FOR July 22 **Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Reading 1 Jeremiah 23:1-6

Reading 11 Ephesians 2:13-18

Gospel Mark 6:30-34

Key Passage: The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. He said to them, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while." (Mark 6:30-31)

Adult: What do you do to rest so that you can return to work refreshed?

Child: When will you take time to stop and pray this week?

The Men's Club monthly draw is in support of H.O.P.E. Centre. If you are interested in supporting our beautiful Centre, this is an easy way to do it and maybe win \$1000.00 in the process. We have more than 50 numbers available. If you already have a number you might have a friend or neighbour that might be interested in getting in on the draw. Your odds are very good, the maximum number of tickets sold is 200. If we could sell all of the numbers we would be able to donate \$12,000.00 to support the Centre. This will be our ninth year and we have awarded \$96,000.00 in prizes over these years and contributed in excess of \$55,000.00 to date not including this year contribution. Please think about getting involved. We ask that you commit for the year, and pay for the year or six months at a time, if this is not possible monthly is fine. If you would like a number call Fred at 214-5632 or Rusty at 672-8656.

H.O.P.E. CENTRE NEWS

Any questions call 653-6875

If you have books you would finished reading, please drop them off to the Centre for the Book Sale which will be held in late October this year

Monday

Line Dancing and Yoga will return in September

Tuesdays

10 am Seniors Exercises

Seniors Cards will return in September

Wednesdays

6:30 pm Latin Line Dancing for Beginners

4 weeks \$25. Call Deby 333-3329 to register

7 pm Latin Line Dancing

Thursdays

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

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

FOOT CARE CLINIC

Last Wednesday of each month 9 am - 12 noon

Cost \$40 - provided by nurses trained in Advance & Diabetic Foot Care. To book an appointment call 847-0254.

Senior's Fest

Monday, July 23 1 - 3:30 pm

Country Theme Tickets \$8

THANK YOU to everyone - CWL Ladies, George Quigley, Fred McGrath and Jack Morrell who helped clean the church on Monday. Your hard work is truly appreciated. The church looks amazing. God bless each and every one of you.
Father Ralph

Community News

Our Lady of Mount Carmel's Annual Shrine

Mass: The Annual Shrine Mass will be celebrated in Howard (on the beautiful Miramichi River near Blackville) at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church on Sunday, July 29, at 1 pm. Bishop Robert Harris will be the celebrant. All clergy and parishioners from all parishes are cordially invited to attend - hoping to see you there. Lunch will be served.

AITKEN'S PEWTER COMMEMORATIVE

ORNAMENT of St. John the Baptist Parish is available for a cost of \$20 at the Stella Maris and St. John the Baptist Parish Office, 201 Bayside Drive or at the Catholic Bookstore.

September 28 – 30 – AASEA Annual Atlantic Conference. Call Bob McDermott at 696-4772 to register.

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 will be July 27.

Evangelizing: Becoming Prophets in Our Own Home

This is a pretty scary thought. Me, a prophet? You, a prophet? Too quickly, we tell ourselves and we speak of ourselves in words such as: “I’m not really that religious. I don’t know enough, how could I be prophet?” For some reason, being “religious”, being “holy”, even being a good Catholic Christian seems to take us into another form of life. It does not seem to allow for being “ordinary”.

Jesus ran into this attitude and view of himself as he came to his own hometown. His relatives and friends could not see him as a prophet. He was too well-known, even too much like them. It seems he was too “ordinary” for them. As the Gospel writer Mark tells it people were upset that he taught among them like a prophet. They recognized him as one of them, so how could he be a prophet: “Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?” (Mark 6:3)

A Prophet is really someone who speaks God’s word, God’s plan in the time and world in which the prophet lives. That is also the role of the evangelizer – to share Gospel in the time and world in which we live. To effectively share the Good News in the world, it is important for us to grow in our own awareness of the Christian message and how it impacts us personally. That is, as we evangelize, we ourselves need to be constantly evangelized.

Faith is a maturing experience. The faith we had as children is not what we need as adults. Thus as missionary disciples of Jesus we have a life-long call to learn more about the message and mission of Jesus, so that we can share effectively. In *The Joy of the Gospel*, Pope Francis recognized this need we have to be formed in our faith continuously (especially as adults). He commented: “All of us are called to mature in our work as evangelizers. We want to have better training, a deepening of love and a clearer witness to the Gospel. In this sense, we ought to let others be constantly evangelizing us. But that does not mean that we should postpone the evangelizing mission, each of us should find ways to communicate Jesus wherever we are.” (121)

The aim, the hope in revitalizing our parishes is to build communities of all ages, marked by active faith that expresses God’s unconditional love and compassion for all. Such communities will form and nurture missionary disciples ready to be the “face of Jesus” in all the ordinary experiences of life.