

**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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June 3, 2018

**Feast of the Most Holy Body & Blood of
Christ**

**Saturday, June 2
4 pm Roy Vincent**

**Sunday, June 3
10 am Marlene Savoie
1 - 2 pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

**Monday, June 4
10:30 am - 12 noon Line Dancing
7 pm Quigley Share Group**

**Tuesday, June 5
10 am Moms & Tots
10 - 11 am Seniors Exercises
1 pm Seniors Cards**

**Wednesday, June 6
12 noon Mass will not be celebrated
7 pm Lavigne & McGrath Share Group**

**Thursday, June 7
12 noon For The People
5:30 pm Doors open for Bingo**

**Friday, June 8
12 noon Father Bill Elliott**

**Saturday, June 9
4 pm Florence Garnett**

**Sunday, June 10
10 am Charlotte Elliott
John Miller
2 pm Open Mic Jamboree**

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Sunday, June 3 here at St. Joseph's Church
from 1 - 2 pm**

PARISH FINANCES**Last week's Offerings:****Offertory \$2167****Pre-authorized Debit (weekly) \$205**

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 June 9 & 10**Lectors**

4 pm Bernie Desmond & Esther McQuade

10 am Andrew Lane & Krystal Lavigne

Eucharistic Ministers

4 pm Fred & Patti McGrath, Wanda Quigley

10 am Carol Hussey, Pauline Winters,
Pauline Hughes

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, Courtney Comeau

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 JUNE 10

Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reading 1 Genesis 3:8-15**Reading 11** 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1**Gospel** Mark 3:20-35

Key Passage Jesus said, "Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother." (Mark 3:35)

Adult : In what way could you widen the circle of your family to include someone in need?

Child: Whom could you invite to share a happy time with your family?

Our CWL Council is offering a \$300 bursary to a 2018 High School Graduate who has been enrolled and accepted in a recognized post-secondary education institution. Application Forms are available at the entrance to the church and must be returned to the church office by June 11.

CWL Annual Retreat, Villa Madonna Retreat House, Tuesday, October 9th-Thursday, October 11. Facilitator Father David Ferguson. Cost \$184.00 (includes all meals and lodging). Commuters \$108.00 (includes all meals). All ladies welcome – do not have to be a CWL member. To register, contact Louise O'Connor fegan@nbnet.nb.ca phone 1-506-648-9059. Deadline to register Monday, September 24. Currently 50% booked.

NOTICE TO PARISHIONERS:

We are getting a group together to do a Spring Cleanup of the property on Saturday, June 9 at 9 am. If you have some time to spare, we would love to have the help. Bring your rake and your paint scraper. Please let us know if you can make it, the plan is to put some burgers and dogs on the barbeque for lunch.

Email - fredandpatti@hotmail.com

H.O.P.E. CENTRE NEWS

Any questions call 653-6875

Mondays

June 4 & 11

10:20 am - 12 noon Line Dancing

Tuesdays

10 am Moms & Tots

10 - 11 am Seniors Exercises

1 pm Seniors Cards

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.

LOBSTER SUPPER in support of the Centre will be held Saturday, June 16 at 5 pm.

Tickets \$35 each must be purchased in advance.

This is Father's Day weekend, great gift for Dad. lobster, potato salad, macaroni salad, cole slaw, homemade cakes and tea/coffee.

Spring Cleaning??? 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.

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 June 15.

The AASEA is offering a ***5-Day Silent Retreat*** at Villa Madonna Retreat House from Monday June 11 to Friday June 15. The retreat is for those seeking an extended retreat time in an atmosphere of silence. It includes daily meetings with a director and daily Eucharist. The retreat team is made up of Directors from the Diocese and include Father Bill Brennan, Heather McFarlane, Patti Daley, Betty Poley, Charlena Keenan-Bourque, Anne Hodd and Doug Hubbard. For information on registration, please visit our website www.aaseasaintjohn.ca or contact Bob McDermott 696-4772.

Pilgrimage September 24 - 28 accompanied by Father Stan Paulin. Holy Sites in Montreal & Trois-Rivieres. \$497 pp double occupancy. Meals not included- Deposit of \$200 due June 1. Contact Ernie Doucet 847-5860
Claire Robichaud 847-4156

"Shades of Ireland Tour "

Sept 26 to Oct 8 accompanied by Marlita Chase. Depart from Fredericton. Double \$4299, Single \$4969, Triple \$4269. 10 days 13 Meals. Contact Tracy McCully at Maritime Travel 458-8969.

Villa Madonna Retreat House is seeking a dynamic and innovative leader to manage the operations of the Villa Madonna Retreat House beginning September 2018. For a more detailed description of duties, please visit <http://villamadonna.ca/wp-content/uploads/2018/05/Executive-Director-job-description-2018.pdf>. Please submit resume to villamadonna2018@gmail.com by June 25, 2018.

Living as a Community of Disciples
We Are a Mixed Bag – Yet Loving One Another

Sitting at Mass and looking around on Pentecost Sunday it was apparent that we are a very “mixed bag”. All ages, all sizes, all colours, races and cultures were together, united by a shared faith. We are indeed a “mixed bag”. Yet our very presence in this community speaks of a shared commitment and connection to this Church, this community of faith. We are united as disciples of Jesus, the Christ.

The two feasts of the Trinity and of the Body and Blood of the Lord, help us to recognize what it is that allows us to stand as a community of disciples. At the core of our faith stands this mystery of the Trinity, three persons in one God. Not an easy thing to explain, but perhaps that is not the point. Perhaps it is more important that we come to recognize what it means for us.

What does it mean to hold a belief in God as three persons yet one God? Can we recognize that for the Christian, God is all about a loving relationship - of Father, Son and Holy Spirit? It is this God who pours out love upon all creation. It is this God who, in an expression of love for all humanity, sent the Son to share our humanity and live among us in Jesus.

Christian faith tells us we are created in God’s image. As the Trinity is an expression of God’s love, so we are the reflection of our loving God in the midst of creation. Discipleship to Jesus calls us to live and share this image, reflecting the image of a loving God. The Risen Jesus called his disciples: “Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.” (Matt 28:19)

As our diocese experiences realignment in order to revitalize it will be important to recognize that like our ancestors we are called to reveal our loving God in our own time and place. This calls for a generosity of spirit as we come together. It demands a readiness to see who we are and express it in our willingness to live and act as communities of Christians.

The early Christians made their mark on the world of their time and place by being the image of the loving Father, Son and Spirit. The 3rd century writer Tertullian urged his fellow Christians as such examples of loving communities. Their world should be able to remark: “See how they love one another.”

Tertullian was simply telling them to live what Jesus told his disciples: “Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another.” (John 13:34-35). Will it be said of us, the Catholics of our own time and place, that we reveal God’s image by the way we live our love for one another?