

**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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March 4, 2018

Third Sunday of Lent

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

1 pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

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

Monday, March 5

11 am - 12 noon Line Dancing in Centre

7 pm Quigley Share Group

Tuesday, March 6

10 - 11 am Senior's Exercises

10 am Moms & Tots

1 pm Senior's Cards

Wednesday, March 7

12 noon Father Bill Elliott

1 pm CWL Meeting

7 pm McGrath Share Group

Thursday, March 8

12 noon For the People

10 - 11:15 am Moms & Tots

5:30 pm Doors open for Bingo

Friday, March 9

11:30 am Stations of the Cross

12 noon For all vacationers

Saturday, March 10

4 pm Alphonse Daigle

Sunday, March 11

10 am Deceased members of the Desmond

Family

11 am Religious Education

2 pm Open Mic

7 pm Lenten Series

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Sunday, March 4 here at St. Joseph's Church at 1 pm.

The regular monthly meeting of CWL will be held Wednesday, March 7 at 1 pm in the H.O.P.E. Centre Boardroom. All are welcome!!

PARISH FINANCES

Last week's offerings:

Offertory \$1895.

Pre-authorized Debit (weekly & monthly) \$2185

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 10

Lectors

4 pm George Quigley & Esther McQuade

10 am Andrew Lane & Patti Davis

Eucharistic Ministers

4 pm Fred & Patti McGrath, Wanda Quigley

10 am Carol Hussey, Pauline Winters,

Tracie Dyker

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 11
Fourth Sunday of Lent**

Reading 1 2 Chronicles 36:14-17; 19-23

Reading 11 Ephesians 2:4-10

Gospel: John 3:14-21

Key Passage: Jesus to Nicodemus, "indeed God did not send the son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him". (John 3:17)

Adult: Do you see the world as basically evil or as good? What difference does this make in the way you live?

Child: Where do you see goodness in God's world?

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 March 11, March 18 and April 8.

Everyone 18+ is invited to attend.

Please pre-register by email or phone

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.

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

This is 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. 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

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.

KV Memory Cafe This month will see the Kennebecasis Valley Memory Café in a **new location, Shannex Parkland in the Valley, still on March 11, the 2nd Sunday of the month from 2 to 4 pm.** This monthly program of the Alzheimer Society focuses on socialization with an educational component. The Café includes a presentation on a different topic each month, followed by entertainment and refreshments. This program is for people of all ages at all stages of the dementia journey. Details and directions will be made available shortly. For more information, please contact Mark Harris of the Alzheimer's Society at 634-8722 or email mharris@alzheimermb.ca.

Irish Breakfast, Saturday March 17th from 9 am to 1 pm -- a fundraiser in support of L'Arche Saint John -- will take place at O'Leary's Pub on Princess Street. Tickets (available at the door) are \$9 for adults and \$6 for children. With live Irish music, it's a great way for families and friends to get into the St. Patrick's spirit!

The Cathedral will be celebrating our Secondary Diocesan patron with a special St. Patrick's Day Mass on Saturday, March 17, at 12:10 Noon, with music provided by Mary Ann O'Hara and the Men N Music. A reception will follow in the Cathedral Residence. All are welcome

Our Annual St. Patrick's Day Tea will be held on Sunday, March 18th, 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.

Camp Sheldrake Inc., Bartibog (Miramichi), is now accepting registrations for upcoming summer programs for children and teens. For complete information on how to register, visit our website www.campsheldrake.ca. Contact our office campshel@xplornet.ca or 506 622 8907. Camp Sheldrake Inc., Bartibog (Miramichi) Employment Opportunities – For complete Job Descriptions visit our website www.campsheldrake.ca (Staff & Hiring).

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 23.

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 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

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

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

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. OPEN TO ALL.

DEVELOPMENT & PEACE

Week 3 – March 4: Defending the rights of poor communities fractured by forced evictions in Nigeria

In Nigeria, forced evictions are carried out violently, without consulting those concerned, as well as without warning, compensation, or providing alternative housing.

Thanks to your support, the Social and Economic Rights Action Centre, a Development and Peace partner, can train community leaders who then work with some of the most marginalized communities so they can engage in effective dialogue with the government. This year, we invite you to join Development and Peace's monthly giving program Share Year-Round. Information available at devp.org/shareyearround.

CMHA of NB, Saint John Office is now accepting registrations for our Winter/Spring education programs: Beginning March 13th, 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!

CMHA of NB, Saint John Office is now accepting registrations for our Winter/Spring education programs: Beginning March 20th, 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 21st, we will be hosting *Building Assertiveness Skills*, a 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/>. 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 22nd, 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.