

FOOD BASKET CHALLENGE

Holy Ghost and IHMC

Oatmeal, rice, cereal, (all any size, any kind)

St. Jude's - Crackers, Cereal, Condiments, Instant Coffee, Kraft Dinner



Holy Family - instant rice; powdered coffee creamer; beef bouillon, canned and/or powdered milk and much needed juice boxes

Thank you so much to all who are taking up the challenge and supporting our food baskets.

COLLECTIONS FOR LAST WEEKEND

Peoples Park Tower Chapel

Church Support \$252.00; Loose \$143.35

Maintenance Fund \$53.00

Needs of the Canadian Church \$40.00

Holy Family Church

Church Support \$1472.10; Loose \$215.00

Maintenance Fund \$90.00

Needs of the Canadian Church \$120.00

Holy Ghost Church

Church Support \$317.00; Loose \$35.00

Needs of Canadian Church \$35.00

St. Jude's Church

Church Support \$548.00; Loose \$12.50

Needs of the Canadian Church \$35.00

Immaculate Heart of Mary Church

Church Support \$1900.00; Loose \$191.00

Property Upkeep \$464.00; Youth \$35.50

Social Action \$191.50

Needs of the Canadian Church \$277.00

Thank You for Your Continued Support!

THIS WEEK'S STEWARDSHIP STATEMENT:

Stewardship *St. Paul is often misquoted as saying, "Money is the root of all evil." He said no such thing. Money helps feed the hungry, helps clothe the naked and helps build homeless shelters.*

SAINT ELIZABETH OF THE TRINITY

The First Saturday of the Month Mass requested by **Our Lady of Fatima** will be celebrated at the St. Bernard's Church on Oct 7th at 9:30 a.m. Fr. Laurence Quinn-Morris presiding. Confession before the Mass. Doors open at 8:30 a.m., Rosary at 9:05 a.m.. All are welcome!



We Are Jammin' - Please Come Join Us!

Jam! Session Are you looking for a comfortable, informal place to play or listen to music? Whether you're a beginner working on a new chord or someone who's been playing for years, please join us on **Friday, October 6th at 7 p.m.** in the Dan Bohan Centre for a good old-fashioned jam session! Bring your guitar, your fiddle, whatever you play - all musical instruments welcome!

Marriage Encounter Your marriage is as important today as it was on your wedding day, whether that special day was just a few years ago, or many years ago. Celebrate your love! Re-energize your relationship! Join us on the next **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend November 3-5, 2017**, in Amherst, NS. Space is limited, so please don't wait - contact us soon. You can use email at renewmarriage@gmail.com or call 902-314-8541. Hope to see you there!

Wedding Anniversary Celebration



If you are celebrating your 1st, 5th, 10th, 15th, 20th, 25th, 30th, etc. Wedding Anniversary any time in 2017, please join us on **Friday, October 13th** at Immaculate Heart

of Mary Church, for **Mass at 6 p.m.** followed by an **Anniversary Dinner** in the Dan Bohan Family Centre, prepared and served by the Knights of Columbus!

From each happy couple, just call the office (386-6178) with your:

Names

Phone number

Anniversary date

by noon on **Tuesday, October 10th!** Or if it's easier for you, you can put this information in an envelope marked "Wedding Anniversary Celebration" and drop it in the weekend collection basket.

And to be part of the **Wedding Photo display**, please bring a framed wedding photo to the office before Oct 6th. (To ensure its safe return, please put your names on the back.)

Come and let the Parish Community celebrate with you!



MEMORIAL SERVICE - A Memorial Mass



will be held on **Monday, Oct 2nd at 6:30 p.m.** for the families of persons who died at the Dr. Georges-L. Dumont University

Hospital Center during the months of May, June and July 2017. This service will take place in the amphitheater of the hospital, - directions provided from main entrance of hospital. Contact information: Jeannette Leblanc at 388-2594 or Louise Boissonnault at 862-4571.

Regional Pastoral Council will be meeting at



Holy Family Church on **Wednesday, October 4th at 7 p.m.**
(Please note the location.)

Catechism has begun and we are still looking for some help.



We are looking for a Coach for Tuesday nights (every second week) and someone to occasionally help with babysitting when the regular babysitters are out of town. If you are interested please call Karen at the office at 387-4198 or email ihmccatechism@rogers.com.



What can we do?



This week, the insert in your bulletin tells you the stories of three women actually working towards peace in Columbia, Afghanistan and Lebanon. Imagine the difficulties they face!

Strong and empowered women: lasting and inclusive peace!

Did you know that a peace agreement is 35% more likely to last at least 15 years if women help build it? By adopting community-based and non-violent approaches and by forming networks that cross political, religious and ethnic boundaries, women transform peace and reconciliation processes. This fall, join the Development and Peace campaign to learn more about the role of women in violence prevention and peace building. For more information, visit www.devpc.org/campaign.

You can take action now!

Please check the last page of the insert for options. An Action Card will be a future bulletin insert! You can contact Dan Stote for more information by email at danstote@yahoo.com or by phone at 204-3651.



Communal Celebration of the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick It is important that those who are sick, and those around them, understand the significance of the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick as a sacrament of healing. Who should celebrate this sacrament?

- Those who are elderly and whose frailty is becoming more pronounced
- Those adults and children who are suffering from a major illness. (Illness comes in many different forms - physical, mental, psychological, emotional, spiritual)
- Those who are facing or recovering from surgery or serious medical tests
- Those suffering from a serious accident
- Those who suffer from chronic illness such as arthritis or diabetes
- Those who care for the sick, especially those who are closely bound in love to them.

The English churches of the Moncton Diocese work together to offer this communal celebration two or three times a year.

Join us on **Thursday, Oct 26th at 9:30 a.m.** for mass and the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick to be held at St. Bernard's Church.

All parishioners are encouraged to participate in this celebration.

HOLY FAMILY



Holy Family CWL will be holding a meeting on **Wednesday, Oct 18th at 2:00 p.m.** in the double room at Holy Family Hall. **Please note - this is an important meeting and members are urged to attend!**

ST. JUDE'S

Catechism Resumes!



St Jude's Catechism classes will begin right **after Mass on Sunday, Oct 15th**. We will have registration on this date as well as our first session. Please remember, we now follow a *Parent Coaching* method which means that parents must attend with their children.

Any questions, please contact: Angela Hoogendyk at 388-1260 or email at angelahoogendyk@hotmail.com

HOLY GHOST

Mark your Calendar!

Holy Ghost Parish Fundraiser

ROAST BEEF SUPPER



on November 5th!

More details to follow!

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY



OK...so maybe planning a celebration on Thanksgiving weekend wasn't the best thing we could have done ☺.

Please note, our special celebration will be held after Mass on Sunday, November 5th!

It was just over 5 years ago when the IHM faith community came together to find a way to save this church building. The Pillars of Faith fundraising campaign recently reached a milestone and want to shout it out for all to hear! **You'll want to stick around after Mass!**

Dinner Theatre Church Fundraiser at the



Dan Bohan Centre set for **November 25th and 26th!** Circle the date on your calendar because we know you won't want to miss out!

Remember, sometimes a situation might be "Not As It Seems"!



Grocery Gift Card Fundraiser -

It's back! For every \$100 worth of grocery cards that you purchase during the **month of October**, you will receive a ballot to enter your name in a draw for a \$25 grocery card of your choice!

Draw will take place before Mass on Sunday, November 5th!

The IHMC Card Parties are an important

fundraiser for this parish



and right now we need your help! Do you have **5 Sunday evenings a year** where you could give an hour or two to

setting up the tables and chairs for the card party? We are looking for 2 to 3 able-bodied individuals who would be able to lend a hand for a couple of hours those 5 Sundays. And we're flexible!! Monday mornings work better for you, then that works for us too! Please call Anne Robichaud at 872-4906 if you can help. Thank you!

And speaking of card parties, we have a Card Party and Luncheon coming up on Tuesday, Oct 3rd at noon!



If you can help with food, biscuits or especially, desserts, it would be greatly appreciated! For more information or to help, please call Anne at 872-4906!



Next Sunday, October 8th, is a time of **thanksgiving** - a time for us to express our gratitude to God for the

abundance and harvest available to us in this country we call home. It is also a chance to remind us to be generous with what God has given us! Father Phil will be saying a blessing over a wonderful harvest of local vegetables (thank you Laura Peters) and then those veggies will be donated to the Albert County Food Bank.

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY AND HOLY FAMILY

ATTENTION PARENTS OF CHILDREN IN YEAR 1

Your child will be receiving their Bible on the weekend of October 14th. Please let me know which Mass you and your child will be attending that weekend so their Bible will be there for them. That's Holy Family Church on Saturday at 7:00 p.m. or Immaculate Heart of Mary Church on Sunday at 11:00 a.m.



COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

New Hope Ministries is hosting a one-day, interfaith conference entitled,

"Longing for Peace - Calming the Storm of Anxiety, Trauma and Fear" This conference is open to both men and women

and will take place on **Saturday, October 21st from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.** at Whitepine Church (153 Canusa Dr in Riverview).

Pre-registration is \$25, while registration at the door will be \$30.



Rummage Sale!

St. John's United Church (75 Alma St, Moncton-Basement Entrance) will be having a Rummage Sale on **Saturday, October 21st from 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.** There will be clothing, books, linens, electronics, household and many more items for sale! Please come out!



The Moncton Community Concert Association knows that this Friday, October 13th will be doubly lucky for music lovers in Moncton as two gifted Atlantic Canadian musicians come back home to perform a delightful evening designed to please every musical taste. PEI violinist Christina Bouey, and NB pianist Pierre-Andre Doucet are a musical duo that will ignite the stage and raise everyone's spirits.

To encourage young musicians in the city, Moncton Community Concerts offers a number of free tickets for each to students of the New Brunswick Music Teachers Association. All concerts are at First Church of the Nazarene, 21 Fieldcrest Drive, Moncton and begin at 7:30 p.m.

For further information please contact:

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VISION BOOKSTORE: MONTHLY SALES

Come visit us at 45 York Street, Moncton (Diocesan Centre) on **Friday, October 7th**, between 8 a.m. and noon and from 1 to 4 p.m. and take advantage of a special monthly sale where most books (in stock) will be reduced by 10%!

For more information visit us online at www.visionbookstore.ca or check out our Facebook page regularly and discover our new weekly arrivals!



Our Catholic Faith Adult Faith Commission has been rescheduled to Tuesday, October 3rd at 6:30 p.m. at the Diocesan Offices on 45 York Street.



Join us for the annual **LIFE CHAIN** on **Sunday Oct 1st** from 2:30-3:30 p.m. in front of Champlain Place. For more information call Sr. Cecile 857 9414.

All are welcome!



Did you know that the Diocese of Antigonish is hosting the Atlantic Catechetical Association (ACA) Conference in October 2017?

In just under three weeks, the Atlantic Catechetical Association (ACA) will sponsor their biennial conference in Sydney, NS hosted by the Diocese of Antigonish. This year the conference theme is *the spirituality of the catechist*, a matter of great importance to the Church in Canada. **Have you registered yet?**

Exploring Our Faith

What is my response?

"Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others." In this season of devastating hurricanes and the earthquake in Mexico, I am sure that many of us have breathed a sigh of relief that we have not suffered as so many have from these natural occurrences. At the same time we have 'felt' the pain of the people who have suffered as we watched our TV screens or read the newspaper; they are suffering and who will continue to suffer for months and years to come. But can I truly say that I have suffered with them? Has my life changed in any way since these events? St. Paul's words above imply that something should have changed if I have placed their interests over my own. In some form or other, I should be more conformed to Jesus as a result of my response.

St. Paul's description of Jesus' response to our human condition includes these phrases: "... **emptied himself**, taking the form of a slave", "... **humbled himself and became obedient** to the point of ... death on a cross." Have I in any way **emptied myself** in my response? I am sure we have all prayed for the victims of these events, but, beyond prayer, beyond words, what have I done? We notice that the words Paul uses in describing Jesus' response to us are all verbs, they are action words; Jesus did something, he does something, but now he does it through us. Jesus calls us to imitate him in emptying ourselves of our preoccupations - power, possessions, prestige - and to do for others, humbly and obediently.

We find the same call in the gospel of today - two sons, one says 'no' but then does what his father asked of him while the second says 'yes' and does nothing. People in need everywhere, at home and abroad, are calling out to us, calling us to 'empty ourselves', to 'humble ourselves', to 'become obedient' and in doing so to live out the words of the gospel, to do the will of the Father by helping out in God's vineyard. **What is my 'yes', what is my work in the vineyard of the Lord?**

Father Charlie