

St. Elizabeth of the Trinity Parish

Holy Family Church



52 Falkland St
Moncton, NB E1E 4S8
Tel: 854-6099

Holy Ghost Church



2 Church St
Riverside-Albert, NB E4H 3W8
Tel: 882-1123

Immaculate Heart of Mary Church



5 Fatima Dr
Riverview, NB E1B 2X8
Tel: 386-6178

St. Jude's Church



3062 Main St
Salisbury, NB E4J 2L5
Tel: 372-4748

Mass Times



Mondays at 9:00 a.m. at Holy Family Church, Moncton
Wednesdays at 9:00 a.m. at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, Riverview
Fridays at 2:00 p.m. at Peoples Park Tower Chapel, Moncton

Saturdays
4:00 p.m. at Holy Ghost Church
7:00 p.m. at Holy Family Church

Sundays
8:30 a.m. at St. Jude's Church
10:30 a.m. at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church

Private confessions at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church on Saturday afternoons from 1:00 – 1:30 p.m.



We pray for all who have died and especially today, we pray for the family and friends who mourn the loss of Donna Gale and for all who loved Thelma Williams, (sister-in-law of Sylvia and Jim Young).

We also pray for those who are sick and for their caregivers and especially today, we hold in prayer, Peter Cormier, Kim McCormack, Ken Ackert, Bernadette O'Leary (sister of Shirley Connor) and Maurice LeBlanc (brother of Marie Betts).



December 1st, 2019



Food Basket Challenge 2019

Holy Ghost/Immaculate Heart of Mary – toiletries of any kind (toothpaste, shampoo etc.). We are also starting to work towards Christmas and would kindly ask for any bagged candy that would be suitable for a family treat at Christmas time, not necessarily candy canes, as we have them donated by the stores. Examples would be... gummies, sour patch, gum drops etc. **St. Jude's** – Dish detergent, laundry soap and toilet paper. **Holy Family** - instant rice, breakfast cereal, canned or powdered milk and juice boxes, margarine, mustard and ketchup for Nazareth House

Liturgies for the week of December 2nd - 8th, 2019

Peoples Park Tower Chapel

Friday, December 6th 2:00 p.m. Norma and George Carter – Jocelyn Carter

Holy Ghost Church

Saturday, December 7th 4:00 p.m. Mary Richardson – Our Sacred Space Community of Christian Meditation

Holy Family Church

Monday, December 2nd 9:00 a.m. Joan Myers – Mary Helena Delahunt

Saturday, December 7th 7:00 p.m. LeRoy Arsenault – Doris and family

St. Jude's Church

Sunday, December 8th 8:30 a.m. For the People

Immaculate Heart of Mary

Wednesday, December 4th 9:00 a.m. Peter Broderick – Dan and Kathy Stote

Sunday, December 8th 10:30 a.m. Elize Hooper (Anniv) – Bill Taylor



Exploring Our Faith

A New Beginning

When the Babylonians gathered the intellectual, spiritual and political leaders from various areas of Israel and settled them in Babylon, there was an unexpected result. Those descendants of the 12 sons of Jacob, thrown together by tragedy, shared with one another the various strands of the traditions, laws and histories since their ancestors left Egypt. The result of their collaboration is our Bible.

Biblical scholars call one of them "the Priestly Writer" and credit him for the great Creation Hymn, "In The Beginning." Much later, Athanasius wrote, "God so ordered creation that although he cannot be seen by nature yet he may be known from his works." (Contra Gentes, 35, 40) For us to understand the best science of those days, we can hold a snow globe in our hands: inside the "firmament", holding the waters above from the waters below, lies the flat earth on which we live. Western Science, begun about 6,000 years ago, continues to honour the Creator by discovering more and more about creation, both above, through the telescope and within ourselves, through the microscope.

During the exile in Babylon, an end to the exile and a return to Zion was sought. Over time, that longing was generalized into a longing for an end to any of the suffering endured during life, a life given to us at the price of death. That glorious ending would come from the Messiah.

The four gospels present Jesus from different points of view, and in them he is called by many different titles. What they, and all of the epistles and all the Christian churches for 2,000 years, agree on, is this: they are all about "the Christ" the Anointed One who is to come at the end. This unanimity can be interpreted to mean that Jesus was and is most identified by his message about the end of time, which was, in sum, "This Day."

When Jesus went to the heart of his own tradition, he saw it as a whole-its beginning and its end. His message was not "The end is near"; it was "The end is now." Many thought it meant the end of the world, causing confusion as they waited in vain. But as the end of time, it made sense then and makes sense now. All of history culminates in the present moment. We can only live right now.

Today, the First Sunday of Advent, is a new beginning of a new Liturgical Year. Last Sunday, the Feast of Christ the King, we celebrated the Victorious Messiah, who in that gospel reading by Luke was sarcastically labeled "King" by Pilate. An end implies a new beginning. Today, we begin to prepare for the coming of the Christ with the comforting faith that he has already come. "Wherever two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them."

Agnes Beirne

3rd of Kislev, 5780

Daily Readings (week of December 2nd – 8th, 2019)

Monday	Isaiah 4:2-6	Matthew 8:5-11, 13
Tuesday (St. Francis Xavier)	Isaiah 11:1-10	Luke 10:21-24
Wednesday	Isaiah 25:6-10	Matthew 15:29-37
Thursday	Isaiah 26:1-6	Matthew 7:21, 24-27
Friday	Isaiah 29:17-24	Matthew 9:27-31
Saturday (St. Ambrose)	Isaiah 30:19-21, 23-26	Matthew 9:35 – 10:1, 5, 6-8
Sunday (2 nd Sunday of Advent)	Isaiah 11:1-10	Romans 15:4-9 Matthew 3:1-12



Low-gluten (0.01%) communion hosts are available for all parishioners in the grouping. Please call the office so that we can make sure you have what you need.



Our **Wednesday Prayer Day** held at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, will finish for this year on December 11th and resume on January 8th, 2020. You are always welcome in the church for prayer or meditation, though.



ADVENT PENITENTIAL SERVICE



Holy Family

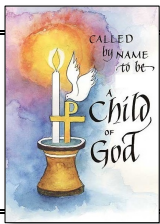
Thursday, December 5th, 6:30 p.m.

St. Augustine's

Monday, December 9th, 7:00 p.m.

St. Bernard's

Sunday, December 15th, 1:30 p.m.



Through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism, we welcome this precious child,

Gabriel Maxime McNichol, beloved son of Pierre and Jami-Lyn

May the grace and blessings received at Baptism guide you, Gabriel, throughout your life and may this holy occasion bring your family great joy and wonderful memories.

Christmas and New Year's Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve, Tuesday, December 24th

- 2:00 p.m. – Peoples Park Tower
- 4:00 p.m. – Immaculate Heart of Mary
- 6:30 p.m. – St. Jude's
- 7:00 p.m. – Holy Family
- 8:30 p.m. – Immaculate Heart of Mary

Christmas Day, Wednesday, December 25th

- 10:00 a.m. – Holy Ghost

New Year's Eve, Tuesday, December 31st

- 4:00 p.m. - Holy Ghost

New Year's Day, Wednesday, January 1st, 2020

- 10:30 a.m. - Immaculate Heart of Mary



Again, this year, we are accepting donations in memory of deceased family and friends for Christmas season environment in each of our churches. A list will be printed in the bulletin of those being remembered. The easiest way for you to do this is to call the Parish Office (386-6178) and then put your donation in a clearly marked envelope and drop it in the collection basket. Please note that we need to know who is being remembered and by whom, and please identify the church. Thank you.

Let's Do Lunch! Want to consider something different for gifts this year? Perhaps, instead of buying oh-so-many



Christmas gifts for family and friends, how about sharing your blessings with those less fortunate by donating a number of dinners to the Karing Kitchen! When \$1 buys one serving, this is a wonderful gift idea! We have red 'Karing Kitchen' cards at both Holy Family and Immaculate Heart of Mary churches that could be put under the tree for your loved ones! Karing Kitchen says thank you for your generosity and for sharing your love.

Family Movie Event



**Sunday, December 8th
@ 11:45 AM**

Immaculate Heart of Mary Church
(Dan Bohan Center)

Please register with Karen at 387-4198
or online at www.dimoncton.ca →
pastoral offices → youth faith development

Limited spaces, register early!
COST OF ADMISSION IS
NON-PERISHABLE FOOD ITEMS

You're invited to Bethlehem! You'll jump right into the Christmas story as you participate in an interactive program and then experience hands-on activities in the Bethlehem marketplace.

the Miracle of Jesus

A Christmas Event for Families

Friday, December 13th
6:00 p.m.
Immaculate Heart
of Mary

REGISTRATION
REQUIRED
Karen 387-4198

www.dimoncton.ca →
pastoral offices →
youth faith development

Come experience Jesus' miraculous love this Christmas!



ALL FAMILIES WELCOME!



Storm Cancellation Policy - In the event of a storm on the weekend that's bad enough to cancel Mass, the phone message at the office (386-6178) will be changed, we'll post the cancellation on our Facebook page and we'll post it up on our www.setmoncton.com website, too. In addition, St. Jude's parishioners will receive an email, Holy Ghost parishioners will receive a phone call from Teresa and for Holy Family, we'll also change the phone message for 854-6099. If there's a bad storm through the week that affects the Mass at Holy Family (Monday) or IHM (Wednesday), we'll do our very best to get the word out. Regardless, always be careful and always travel wisely.

An Advent Project – Bishop Robert Barron’s “The Mass”



“Walk through the Liturgy with Bishop Barron and be transformed through insights on this most privileged and intimate encounter with our Lord Jesus Christ. See how the Mass brings us out of the fallen world and into the heavenly realm, how it resonates with a call from God and a response from his people, the Church, and, most importantly, how we are intimately joined with the Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity of Jesus through the Holy Eucharist. The Mass will help you understand how to fully, consciously, and actively participate in the source and summit of the Christian life.” <https://mass.wordonfire.org>

If you wish to become more familiar with The Mass and what it means for us, join us on Friday evenings beginning in Advent, December 6th, and continuing through January. We will meet at Holy Family on Friday evenings at 6:30 p.m.

Each week will consist of home study using a workbook (provided), the Bible and the Catechism of the Catholic Church. Friday evenings will consist of a video presentation by Bishop Barron (about 25 minutes each) and a group discussion. **Nine (9) seats only; first nine to register. Call 386-6178.**

Albert County Christmas Aid



Attention clients of the Albert County Food Bank! Phone lines for the Albert County Christmas Aid will be open from November 25th – 29th and from December 2nd – 6th between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Please call **386-1771** to register your family and when you call, be sure to have Medicare numbers available for all those in the family you are registering.

A financial assessment may be required, if your family has not already had that done at the Food Bank this year. Also, for those wishing to visit Headstart Toyland, an appointment will be assigned at this time. Only one family per address can be registered and please note that you cannot register for another family. Act now, as you will only be able to register for Albert County Christmas Aid up to December 6th!



For all those who participated in the **Wedding Anniversary** celebration in October, we have your pictures from that evening at the parish office. Please come in any time to pick yours up!

The pictures are a wonderful keepsake and thank you so much, Henry Wall!



From the Offices of Faith Development, Liturgy and Youth Faith Development

Ellen - 857- 9952 or 857-9531, ext. 1261 or ellen.diocesemoncton@gmail.com

Trevor - 857-4879 or 857-9531, ext. 1260 or trevord.diocese@gmail.com

Liturgy 857-9531, ext. 1262 or liturgymoncton@gmail.com



Retirement of Deb Gillespie

In thanksgiving for all she has contributed to the diocese during her many years of service to us, we are sad to announce that Deb Gillespie retired on Thursday, November 21st. Though only employed by the diocese officially for 10 years, Deb has shared her gifts and passion for liturgy with us for almost 40 years. Among many other contributions which she has made to the English sector over those years, was the Liturgy Formation Program, a program developed by Deb to promote leadership and excellence in the liturgical life of our parishes. Through this program, made possible by funds from the Archdiocese of Moncton Foundation, experts in liturgy throughout the country facilitated weekend courses for participants on various aspects of liturgical life. As a result of this, and other initiatives by Deb, the parishes in the English sector have today several lay people formed in the principles of the *Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy*. This is her legacy. We wish Deb well in her retirement and wrap her in our prayers and love as she continues her journey. She will be missed.

Sacrament Resource Selection Committee: will meet on Thursday, December 5th at 1:30 p.m. at the Diocesan Offices on York Street. Please use the Dominion Street entrance.

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Archdiocese of Moncton
York Moncton

DON'T FORGET TO FOLLOW US AT #YOUTHFAITHMONCTON

ADVENT GOD SIGHTINGS ON INSTAGRAM

Where do you find **HOPE, PEACE, JOY,** and **LOVE** in 2019?
SNAP A PIC WHILE YOU WAIT AND SHARE IT ON INSTAGRAM WITH THE HASHTAGS
#adventgodsightings AND **#youthfaithmoncton**

St. Jude's Church



Hello from St Jude's,

It is that time of year again when we join forces with our local food bank to help families in our area have a great Christmas. Gift tags will be available in the windows at the back of the church tomorrow. Take as many as you wish. Please return the gifts unwrapped on or before December 1st and you can place them in the HOPE chest in the foyer. Please make sure you attach the tag to the gift as they are marked with a number that matches up with a person.

The Undercover Ministry



ARE YOU GOING TO BE ALONE on Christmas Day?

If so, you are invited to attend a free Christmas dinner with all the trimmings shared with friends on Christmas Day, December 25th, at the LIONS CLUB, Peter St. in Salisbury. Santa will be there and entertainment! Doors open at 12:30 p.m. and dinner will be served at 1:00 p.m. You have to reserve a seat by calling Sue or Don at 215-0212 before December 15th.



Holy Ghost Church

Sunday Missals have arrived they are available at the church entrance. These are \$5.00 each for anyone that would like a personal copy.

Holy Family Church



Christmas Carols

Come and get your Christmas spirit in gear and join us at Holy Family for Christmas carols and hot chocolate on Sunday, December 8th from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. Hope to see you there!



Holy Family Seniors Christmas Dinner and Dance on Thursday, December 5th at the Dan Bohan Centre. Doors open at 5:00 p.m. and dinner starts at 6:00 p.m. Cost is \$25 for non-members and \$20 for members. Tickets must be bought in advance. For more information, please call Jean Ryan at 382-9812 or Joe Esson at 204-4917.



The **"Box for Mittens"** is our traditional Advent project and we welcome donations of mittens, hats and scarves! The box is out and will remain until December 14th, after which time the donations will be given to the local schools. Each year we've done this project, the schools have been truly grateful, so thank you for your support!

50/50

FUNDRAISER

Fundraiser Alert!

Holy Family will be selling 50/50 tickets at each weekend Mass until December 14th! All

proceeds will go to the House of Nazareth and the draw will take place at our Bake Sale on December 14th!

Thank you for your support!



Holy Family Bake Sale!

Mark your calendars and dig out your favourite recipes! After Mass, December 14th there will be a Bake Sale in the Hall. If you would like to share your baking skills, then this is the event for you! Please drop off

your goodies at the church hall anytime after 4:00 p.m. on the 14th and then we'll see you at the sale after Mass!



Christmas Dinner

Christmas Dinner! Again this year, Holy Family Church will be hosting a lovely Christmas Dinner for those who have no family nearby. Come share the warmth of Christmas Day, surrounded by your faith community and a traditional turkey dinner! Whether you're one person or a family, please plan to join us in the Holy Family Church Hall, as we break bread together at noon on **Christmas Day, Wednesday, December 25th**. There is no cost for this meal, but any donation would be welcome and appreciated. Registration will be limited to 50 people, so please get your name in early by calling the parish office at 386-6178. If you have any questions or need more information, don't hesitate to call Gerard at 866-3906.

Immaculate Heart of Mary Church



Harvest House would like to say thank you to all parishioners who brought in the boots and sneakers. Week after week the bin was overflowing – just like your hearts. Thank you so much!

Christmas Choir Practices



We would be happy to have families, and anyone who wants to sing, come and join us for Mass on Christmas Eve at 4:00 p.m. We will have two practices, Sundays, December 15th and 22nd from 2:00 to 3:30 p.m. Please let Claudette know if you plan on joining!

Also, there will be another Mass later Mass Christmas Eve, although the time has yet to be determined. Perhaps you love to sing and can't make the usual choir practices? Here's your chance for a shorter, four-week commitment, beginning Thursday November 28th from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. for four consecutive Thursdays. If interested, please let Claudette know!



The IHM Ladies Society will be having their Christmas Potluck on **Tuesday, December 3rd starting at 6:00 p.m.** For information on Christmas giving projects, please call Pam.



The Knights of Columbus, Council 9270 will be having their regular monthly meeting on **Wednesday, December 4th starting at 7:00 p.m.**



Please consider taking part in 'White Gift Sunday' on December 8th! For several years, our faith community has been donating food, gifts, new clothes and knitted items on 'White Gift Sunday'. Gifts do not need to be wrapped! Just bring them into the church between now and December 8th! Thank you everyone!



SAVE THE DATE!!!!

Next Sunday, December 8th the Knights will be holding a Comfort Food Sale in the foyer of the church right after Mass! There will be various soups, baked beans, chili and spaghetti sauce and **ALL PROCEEDS WILL BE DONATED TO THE ALBERT COUNTY CHRISTMAS AID TO PURCHASE FOOD FOR CHRISTMAS BOXES.** Great event for a worthy cause!

Comfort Food



Knights of Columbus Council 9270 Christmas Party!

Saturday, December 14th at 6:00 p.m.

Open to all Knights of Columbus and guests.

Tickets are on sale before and after Mass, at the office or call Paul Perkison at 387-7379, Paul Brenton at 386-7865, John Coughlan at 386-5451 or Rick Duchesne at 387-8730

\$15 per person + non-perishable food item ♦ Music by Gary Donnelle
Social 6:00-7:00 p.m. ♦ Meal 7:00 p.m. ♦ Dance 8:00-11:30 p.m.

Knights of Columbus 9270 CHRISTMAS PARTY 2019

Saturday, December 14th, 2019

\$15/person + non-perishable food item
Music by Gary Donnelle

Social: 6pm-7pm
Buffet Meal: 7pm
Dance: 8pm-11:30 pm



Dinner Theatre was a b•l•a•s•t! ☺

It takes hard work and determination to pull off an incredible annual fundraiser like the IHM Dinner Theatre! An entertaining show, a delicious meal and great laughs were the script for both shows last weekend. There are so many to thank; Helen and Chris (the writers), Brendon (zee tweaker), Donna (costumes/set), Ray and the Knights (meal), Laura's team (setup and clean up) and to all who acted and sang, came, helped, worked, laughed and in any way, supported, 'A Christmas Like No Other'!

Over \$5500 was raised for Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, with another \$130 and 350 pounds of food being donated to the Albert County Food Bank!

And just soes ya knows.....over the past 10 years, Helen Vaughan and her merry band of actors have raised over \$50,000 for Immaculate Heart of Mary Church! I know.....music to your ears!

Community



Vision Bookstore Sale!

Come visit us at Place de la Cathédrale, 224, St-George St. on Friday, December 6th between 9 AM to Noon and from 1 to 4 p.m. and take advantage of a special monthly sale where most books and CD's (in stock) will be reduced by 20%. Some Christmas items are also on sale at 50%. Info.: 857-9531, ext. 1238.



"A MetroTone Christmas"

The MetroTones Pop Chorus will present their Annual Christmas Charity Concert on **Sunday, December 15th at 7:30 p.m. at the Moncton Wesleyan**, in an effort to assist the working poor and the homeless.

All net proceeds go to the Food Depot Alimentaire with assistance to the Karing Kitchen and the Ray of Hope Kitchen.

Tickets are \$10 plus food item(s) and are available at all five Jean Coutu Pharmacies, Read's Newsstand (Mountain Rd.), Peoples Park Tower, Sobeys (Vaughan Harvey Blvd.) and of course, any chorus member! For more information, you can call 852-9664.

St. Elizabeth of the Trinity



BUDGETING

Planning for 2020

If your committee will be using church funds for special projects or initiatives in 2020, please submit a budget to Anne at the Business Office by December 15th.



Completing 2019

We are now into the last month of the year! It's a great time to make up for any Sunday offerings that you might have missed over the year. **Every dollar counts** and together we can meet the financial commitments for the year. Donations can be made by cash, cheque, e-transfer and debit. Call Anne at the Business Office (386-6178) for more information.

2019 Charitable Donation Receipts



Thank you to the many parishioners who make a donation to the church at time of the year! Please note, that the parish office will be closed between Christmas and New Year's, so if you wish to have your donation included in your 2019 tax receipt, it must be in the collection at one of our four churches (this does not include St. Bernard's or St. Augustine's) by December 30th or dropped off into the office in Riverview by noon on December 24th. This way, everything can be included in your 2019 tax receipt. Again, thank you!

2020 offering envelopes are now available! (Please start to use these only after January 2020)

As you pick up your envelopes:

- Have a look at the mailing label and let us know if we need to make corrections.
- Do we have your email address? It sure would help us stay connected if we did!
- Would you like to receive a box of envelopes? Just call Anne at 386-6178!
- Would you like to start a Pre-Authorized Debit (PAD) offering? Again, just call Anne!



Weekly Collection for all Churches

Donation (Number of donors)

Peoples Park Tower Chapel (incl PADs)

Church Support \$315.00 (23); Loose \$128.00
Maintenance Fund 15.00 (3); Heat \$20.00 (1)

Holy Family (incl PADs)

Church Support \$1257.50 (50); Loose \$177.00
Maintenance Fund \$268.50 (21); Heat \$202.00 (8)

St. Jude's Church (incl PADs)

Church Support \$1235.00 (32); Loose 82.00

Holy Ghost Church (incl PADs)

Church Support \$137.00 (10); Loose \$19.00

Immaculate Heart of Mary Church (incl PADs)

Church Support \$3680.50 (173); Loose \$301.00
Property Upkeep \$447.50 (39); Youth \$84.50 (19)
Social Action \$175.50 (21); Heat \$300.00 (13)

thank you ♥



Please note that the Parish Office will be closing at noon on Tuesday, December 24th (Christmas Eve) and reopening on Thursday, January 2nd, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.

Regular office hours
Monday to Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

