St. Elizabeth of the Trinity Parish

Holy Family Church



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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: 386-6178

Office reopens January 4th 9 a.m.

Mass Times

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

Sundays 9:00 a.m. at St. Jude's 11:00 a.m. at Immaculate Heart of Marv

To meet with Fr. Phil, Fr. Charlie or for Confession, call to make an appointment - 386-6178



We pray to bring strength to those who are in need of prayer, including Bobby, Tracev and Jessica Dockrill (family of Al and Corinne Kavanaugh), Kevin McKinley (son of Lucy McKinley), Janet Robichaud, Amielya Lewis and Terry Murphy (brother of Colleen Murphy).

We also pray for those who have died, including Jack Connor (beloved brother of Bill Connor).



Liturgies for January 2nd to January 10th, 2021

Holy Ghost Church

Saturday, January 2nd 4:00 p.m. Fred Mercer – the late, Francis and the late, Clare O'Hara

Saturday, January 9th 4:00 p.m. Edward Elderkin – the late, Arvilla Campbell

Holy Family Church

Saturday, January 2nd For the People 7:00 p.m.

7:00 p.m. Jean Stewart (Anniv) – Betty Lou Remington of the **Trinity** Saturday, January 9th

St. Jude's Church

Sunday, January 3rd 9:00 a.m. Jim McPhee - Wayne and Marcella Wood Sunday, January 10th 9:00 a.m. Ruth Spence – Hector and Cecile Caissie

Immaculate Heart of Mary

Sunday, January 3rd Dave Cove and Lisa Mitton (Anniv) – all my love, Maureen Cove 11:00 a.m.

Sunday, January 10th 11:00 a.m. For the People

Food Banks

Holy Family Church - The need is great for personal hygiene items such as toothpaste, toothbrushes, soap, razors, toilet paper and deodorant. And as always, we need rice, pasta, cereal and paper towels.



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Holy Ghost and Immaculate Heart of Mary Churches - We gladly accept whatever is offered but right now, there is a need for ladies' deodorant, shampoo, drinking boxes, pudding/fruit cups, baby food and diapers (larger than 14 lbs). Thank you!

Exploring Our Faith

EPIPHANY: SEASON OF REVELATION

From a liturgical point of view, each year the Christmas Season begins at sunset on Christmas Eve and ends at sundown on the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord which is Sunday, January 10th this year. (Don't throw out your Christmas tree before then, or I'll haunt you worse than the ghost of Jacob Marley haunted his old business partner, Scrooge!). Getting back to liturgy, we could subdivide the Christmas Season into two seasons.

The first division is Christmas, the *Season of Peace*, and would include the Solemnity of Christmas right up to the night before Epiphany. In some countries the Feast of Epiphany is still traditionally celebrated on January 6th regardless of what day of the week January 6th falls on. From Christmas Day until January 6th, we have 12 days, hence the expression "the 12 Days of Christmas" or "Twelfth Night". We call that a "fixed" feast. Christmas is a "fixed" feast as it is always celebrated on December 25th no matter what day of the week the 25th falls on. (Easter, on the other hand, is a "movable" feast which means it is not celebrated on the same calendar day each year but "moves" according to the lunar calendar). While some countries, like Greece and Poland, continue to celebrate Epiphany on January 6th each year, as a "fixed" feast, most countries, including Canada have long since moved the celebration of Epiphany to a Sunday (Sunday, January 3rd this year).



Now we get to our second division within the larger Christmas Season, Epiphany, the **Season of Revelation**. This season unfolds from the Feast (really a solemnity) of Epiphany (Sunday, January 3rd) until the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord, also on a Sunday (Sunday, January 10th). Epiphany, as you Child bringing their gifts and acknowledging Jesus as know, celebrates the visit of Wise Men to the Christ the light to the nations. The word "epiphany" has its origin in Greek meaning: an appearance, a manifestation, a revelation, a showing, an uncovering.

What was revealed in Jesus is that he is the light, to not only the Jews, but also to the non-Jews (Gentiles); in other words, he is the Light of the World.

Back in 2002, St. Pope John Paul II, invited us to pray the rosary a little differently. He introduced us to another set of mysteries of the rosary, although the idea was hatch back in 1957. Along with the traditional mysteries (Joyful, Sorrowful, Glorious), Pope John Paul invited us to pray the Luminous Mysteries as well. He felt, and I agree, that without the Luminous Mysteries, the rosary is without any reference to Jesus' adult ministry. (The Joyful deal with Jesus up until he was 12. The Sorrowful focus on Jesus' last 24 hours of earthly life. The Glorious concentrate on Jesus' post-resurrection life). The luminous mysteries are about Jesus' adult life and his ministry (the baptism in the Jordan, the wedding feast at Cana, the proclamation of the Kingdom, the Transfiguration, the Eucharist). The luminous mysteries are well-named. These five pivotal moments in the life of Jesus really do shed light on the truth of who Jesus was and continues to be for us.

In the Incarnation, the coming of God in the flesh of Jesus, the lid is blown off the pot, and we get to see inside. We get to see the face of God. Moreover, each time we look into the face of another human being, the face of God is revealed anew. The light that never stops shining, the light that scatters the darkest realities, is a light that came to us at Christmas and never left us. Let's live in the light. It's Epiphany all year round.

Fr. Phil Mulligan

Daily Readings (Week of January $4^{th} - 10^{th}$, 2021)

1 John 3:22-4:6 Monday Matthew 4:12-17, 23-25 1 John 4:7-10 Mark 6:34-44 **Tuesday** Wednesday 1 John 4:11-18 Mark 6:45-52 1 John 4:19-5:4 Thursday (St. André Bessette) Luke 4:14-22 Friday 1 John 5:5-13 Luke 5:12-16 Saturday 1 John 5:14-21 John 3:22-30 Matthew 3:13-17 Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7 Sunday (Baptism of the Lord) Acts 10:34-38

Reserve Your Spot

Please remember that you must call the parish office at 386-6178 each week to reserve the next available spot for Mass.

NOTE: The safety of our parishioners is of utmost importance and we will continue to follow all Province of NB regulations. That being said, unless you have a medical reason, masks are mandatory throughout all of Mass. (i.e. from when you come into the church, during Mass, while walking up and back to your pew for communion and then again, while exiting the church) Thank you for your understanding and cooperation!

THANKS SO MUCH



I personally want to thank you, the parishioners, for all the Christmas cards, kind words, and gifts that came my way. I truly appreciated all of it so much. I know it came from the heart...and, in the case of two of you...it came from the liquor store! There is no way I could send out personal acknowledgements to each of you, so I sit here eating chocolates and writing this instead. The staff is also grateful for the cards and gifts they received. I was particularly touched by how some of you mentioned how the staff, during COVID, have gone above and beyond. You are so right.

Lastly, I want to say a big thank-you to all of you who reached out to the easily forgotten at this time, the poor, the lonely, and those who are spending Christmas alone. In gratitude...

Holy Ghost Church



Offering Envelopes for 2021

Anyone not currently using envelopes but would like to, please do not hesitate to contact Teresa. Thank you to those who continue to support the parish by mailing in your envelopes even when you cannot be here.



2021 Sunday Missals have arrived!

They are available at the entrance of the church and are \$5.00 each for personal copy, but please, if you cannot afford this do not hesitate to take one.

With Covid this year, so many are home and not able to attend Mass and this is another way of following our journey with Christ.



Thank you to those who helped decorate the church and to everyone who came out to celebrate Christmas Mass. Despite these times, we are so blessed!

St. Jude's Church



Thank you to everyone who was able to help us decorate our church for the Christmas season! And in light of this past year, it is even more so, one of our most special times of the year! May the beautiful Christmas decorations have helped to draw us deeply into the celebration of the birth of Jesus. Thank you all!

Holy Family Church

Happy Anniversary Holy Family Church!



In 1963, the part of St. Bernard's Parish that was beyond Jones Lake was separated out to form Holy Family Parish, with Fr. Angus MacDonald as their first pastor. (1963-1968) During this time, Mass was being celebrated for these families in the chapel at Sainte Bernadette's School and although, the parishioners moved out of Sainte Bernadette's in 1964, Holy Family Church was officially blessed and dedicated on January 10th, 1965.



The next Holy Family Local Parish Council (LPC) meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 19th at 7:00 p.m. in the double room. If you have any items that you would like the Council to consider at this meeting, please contact a Council member and ask to have the topic placed on the agenda. Minutes of meetings are posted in hardcopy at the back of the church and on-line at our website, www.setmoncton.com/schedules once approved at a future scheduled Council meeting.



Thank you for the warmth and love that went into decorating our beautiful church for Christmas again this year! From the manger, to the flowers, to the greenery, you all did a wonderful job, making our time together all that more special.

Immaculate Heart of Mary Church

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The regular meeting of the Immaculate Heart of Mary **Ladies Society** will take place on Tuesday, January 5th at 7:30 p.m. in the Dan Bohan Centre.



The regular meeting of the **Knights of Columbus Council 9270** will take place on Wednesday, January 6th at 7:00 p.m. in the Dan Bohan Centre.

Puzzle Sale too!

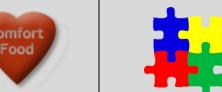
The Knights will be hosting a "Take-out Only" Comfort Food Sale and Puzzle Sale!

All Covid protocols will be followed.

Comfort Food Sale – Saturday, January 23rd from 9 – 11 a.m.

Assorted Homemade Soups
(hamburger, chicken vegetable, turkey vegetable, beef vegetable Corn Chowder

Spaghetti Sauce



All containers \$5.00



Thank you so much to everyone who came to IHMC to spend most of an entire day decorating for Christmas! Thank you to the men and women who climbed the ladders and lugged the pots! To those who came up with the plan (eh Laura?) and those who arranged the flowers and greenery! The church looked (and smelled) absolutely wonderful!

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

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Upcoming Meetings:

Adult Faith Commission: Tuesday, January 5th at 6:30 p.m.

Parish Catechetical Coordinators: Thursday, January 7th at 6:00 p.m. **Sacrament Preparation Committee:** Thursday, January 21st at 2:30 p.m.



Meetings will take place at the Diocesan Offices on York Street. Masks are mandatory. Please use the Dominion Street entrance.

The End is Nigh of an Era: Exploring the Book of Revelations, Part 2

A deeper understanding of the Book of Revelations led to more questions: What is the significance to the numbers found in Revelations? Where does forgiveness enter the equation? So, why don't you join us for Part 2 of our exploration of that final book of Scripture? Dr. Fiona Black and Dr. Andrew Wilson will lead this virtual session on **Tuesday**, **January 19**th **from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.** as



they take some time to answer your questions from the last session and dig a little deeper into the end of the world images we see in these passages. Register with Ellen by Monday, January 18th and you will be sent the Zoom link to 'link' into the evening.



New Offering

Envelopes

Confirmation candidates from various parishes of the English Deanery will gather virtually with Archbishop Valéry Vienneau and the other young people who are preparing for Confirmation on **Sunday, January 24**th, **2021 from 2:00 – 3:30 p.m.**

St. Elizabeth of the Trinity

The 2021 offering envelopes are now available.....but how to get them safely to parishioners??

- St. Jude's, your envelopes have all been delivered to the church.
- Holy Ghost, your envelopes are now available at the church.
- IHM and Holy Family:
 - Over the next several weeks, for those who are attending Mass, expect to receive your box of envelopes as you enter the church and/or you'll find them waiting for you in your pew.
 - If you are not attending Mass but would be able to come to the parish office to pick up your envelopes, please do so!
 - If you are not attending Mass and cannot pick up your envelopes, please give us a call!

AND, for everyone, when you receive 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? Just call Anne.

Weekly Offering Numbers for all Churches will be published in the next bulletin, where we will report for the December 26th/27th weekend as well as all Christmas Masses.

