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: 386-6178

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While we are in the RED COVID level

In-person Mass has been cancelled Sunday Mass will be live-streamed at 10:00 a.m. from IHM Day Chapel Parish Office is still open mornings 9 a.m. - noon

To meet with Fr. Phil, Fr. Charlie or for confession, please call to make an appointment – 386-6178. If no answer, please leave a message.



We pray to bring strength to those who are in need of prayer, including Shelley Langis (daughter of Ann Langis and niece of Marion Walsh), Allister MacDonald, Kelly Campbell, Lindsay Louis, Terry Murphy (brother of Colleen Murphy), Bill Morano, Dawn Richardson (dear friend of Leo and Beryl Ronan) and for Gerald Melanson and his family.

We also pray for those who have died, including Albert Paradis, Marilyn DeAdder (beloved sister of Melda Dwyer) and Lynn Whalen (dear sister-in-law of Maureen Merrill).



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.



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!



While in the RED COVID level, all in-person gatherings are cancelled. Please remember though, that if you come to the parish office for any reason, you must always wear a mask.



To watch the live-stream Mass, on Sunday morning just before 10:00 a.m. go to: our website at www.setmoncton.com and click on the link or go directly to our Facebook (Saint Elizabeth of the Trinity parish) page.

Immediately after Mass, the video will be uploaded to YouTube. (SET Moncton)

Exploring Our Faith

Sunday (4th Sunday in Ordinary Time)

SITTING IN THE BELLY OF THE WHALE

Jonah was a reluctant prophet to put it mildly. In that short book of the bible, a mere four chapters, we read his story. In the proclaimed excerpt, we do not hear of his initial reluctance to take on the task which God

calls him to. Jonah was the guy who ended up in the belly of the big fish, traditionally a whale, when he is thrown overboard by the sailors of the ship he has taken to elude God, in an attempt to quell the raging waves the sailors fear will capsize them. Eventually, realizing during his time of reflection in the whale that he could not outrun God, he does what is asked of him – he goes to Nineveh, and delivers God's message.



Who are the Jonah's for us today, and are we listening to them? There is angst in the world, and since the New Year it seems to have become heavier. We are now 10 months into a global pandemic, the rumblings

of which began a year ago. The 'prophets' of science tell what we must do to keep ourselves and those we love safe, and yet since January 1, there have been significant daily increases in the numbers of infection, even here in New Brunswick. To our south, we have seen political unrest the likes of which we had never expected to witness – the storming of a building that is sacred to their democracy by people who have been whipped into a frenzy by an egomaniac. On-line chatter and social commentators warned that this was possible – those 'prophets' have been sharing their concern about the increasing audacity of far-right groups and warn that this may well be a Pandora's box difficult to close. Environmentalists, including Pope Francis, and a young Swedish girl are 'prophets' that warn that if we do not do something to counteract the effects of climate change, there will be irrevocable damage to the earth, yet we find it difficult to even separate our trash.

The people of Nineveh listened to their prophet, and "turned from their evil ways." We appear to find it much harder. It's a little like me and my commitment to healthy eating. I know how to eat healthy; I know I will feel and look better when I eat healthy, and yet I continue to plow through the chocolate and potato chips. Albert Einstein is believed to have said 'Insanity: doing the same thing over and over again expecting different results.' Are we all insane?

Paul writes to the Corinthians, "The appointed time has grown short ... the present form of the world is passing away." As I write this refection, we are less than 24 hours away from the swearing in of Joe Biden as the 46th president of the United States – a man as opposite to the one who presently holds that office as you are likely to find. But he is one man ... and if we and the American people are pinning our hopes on one man to make changes that need to be made, we are going to be deeply disappointed. We all have changes to make ... we all need to take time in the belly of the whale and reflect on how our choices may contribute to the world's anxiety. And then, we, even if we are as reluctant as Jonah, need to make those changes.

Ellen Bennett, Office of Faith Development

1 Corinthians 7:32-35

Mark 1:21-28

Daily Readings (Week of January $25^{th} - 31^{st}$, 2021) Acts 22:3-16 *Monday* (The Conversion of St. Paul) Mark 16:15-18 Tuesday (St. Timothy and St. Titus) Hebrews 10:1-10 Mark 3:31-35 Wednesday Hebrews 10:11-18 Mark 4:1-20 Hebrews 10:19-25 Mark 4:21-25 Thursday (St. Thomas Aquinas) Friday (Ordination of Archbishop Ernest Léger) Hebrews 10:32-39 Mark 4:26-34 Saturday Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19 Mark 4:35-41

Deuteronomy 18:15-20

Gathering in the Presence of the Body



In the midst of the Covid-19 pandemic it is becoming increasingly difficult for people to stay in touch with their church. This seems to be especially true in times of illness and death. Depending on which phase of recovery we are in, it can be very difficult for those in hospital to receive regular visits from a priest or pastoral care worker, which separates them and their families even further from their faith communities. And now, when someone dies, we cannot provide a funeral vigil (parish prayers) at the funeral home due to pandemic restrictions.

With that in mind, we would like to offer a prayer ritual for families called "Gathering In The Presence of the Body". We are told in the Order of Christian Funerals that "this rite is used at the crematorium (or funeral home) when the family and friends accompany the body of the deceased either following the Funeral Liturgy or preceding a Funeral Liturgy with Remains present". This will give families the reassurance that even though our community may not be able to physically gather at the funeral home, our prayers are still with them at a time when they are most needed. Once Covid restrictions have been lifted, this is still an option for families to go along with the funeral vigil.



Today, we would like to introduce to you Patrick and Colleen O'Neill, two of our R.C.I.A. candidates. We ask that you keep this couple in prayer as soon, they will make their Profession of Faith and be Confirmed. (sadly, this special day should have been January 24th, so please know, once we leave the RED level, things will be rescheduled!)

Like all of you, I have known the depth of despair and the healing power of prayer. I have loved one extraordinary man for almost forty years now and during that time we have loved four dogs and four cats. One is indeed blessed to know the love of an animal. Along the way, I have lived in several cities, worked in all levels of government and enjoyed many years of self-employment as a massage therapist and consulting hypnotist. It has been said all roads lead to Jerusalem....all my roads have led me here to this church, to stand and be blessed at this altar. I am grateful to find such a place of solace and service in my retirement years.

Kind thoughts, Colleen O'Neill

I have always been someone interested in both the phenomena of the world as well as the hidden spiritual world, awaiting discovery. My hope is that immersion in the holy traditions of the Catholic faith will move me ever closer to contact with the Truth of God and Godliness.

Patrick O'Neill



Did You Know? St. Paul uses the analogy that through Christ we have been adopted into a wealthy household – a place where the wealth is the abundance of God's unconditional mercy, forgiveness and love. Our being included in this household requires that we share this wealth with others – a sharing that never diminishes (but increases!) our own riches with the Lord.

(Pg 50, Sourcebook 2020)

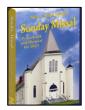
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Snowstorm Cancellations Procedure (because we will get out of RED!)

In the event of a snowstorm that's bad enough to cancel Mass at any of our churches, once we get the word from Fr. Phil, volunteers will email and/or call everyone who was registered for that Mass. The Parish Office will also post the cancellation on the website and on Facebook.

Holy Ghost Church



2021 Sunday Missals

Today, with COVID-19 affecting how we worship, this Missal can serve as a welcome companion to help you participate more fully in the Mass—our greatest prayer. With this little Missal, you would have the complete readings and prayers for all the Masses celebrated on the Sundays and Holydays of the Church Year.

These little Missals are \$5.00 each and while there are copies at Holy Ghost Church, we also have a few left at the Parish Office. Please call 386-6178 if you'd like one.

Immaculate Heart of Mary Church



As a part of this year's Riverview Winter Carnival, the Knights of Columbus will offer a **HOT MEAL TAKEOUT** for those who would like something hot after being out and about!

Come join us and enjoy a hot evening meal!

WHAT: Winter Carnival Hot Meal Takeout

WHEN: Saturday, February 6th from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.

COST: \$5.00 per 16 oz serving (2 cups)

If the RED COVID level changes anything, we will let you know.



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



Ellen - 857- 9952 or <u>ellen.diocesemoncton@gmail.com</u> Trevor - 857-4879 or <u>trevord.diocese@gmail.com</u>

Catechetical Gatherings:



Children's catechesis continues to be held virtually until Zone 1 returns to Yellow Alert Level. This is particularly important as we are now in Red Alert Level, as it is impossible for us to gather physically. Please arrange with your parish catechetical coordinator (Karen) to have the necessary supplies for the sessions.



Candidates preparing for Confirmation in 2021 and their sponsors from various parishes of the English Deanery will gather virtually with Archbishop Valéry Vienneau and the other young people involved in this preparation on **Sunday, January 24**th, **2021 from 2:00 – 3:30 p.m.**

Upcoming Meetings

 $\textbf{Adult Faith Commission} \ \ rescheduled \ \ again \ \ to, \ hopefully \ Tuesday, \ February \ 2^{nd} \ \ at \ 6:30 \ p.m.$

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

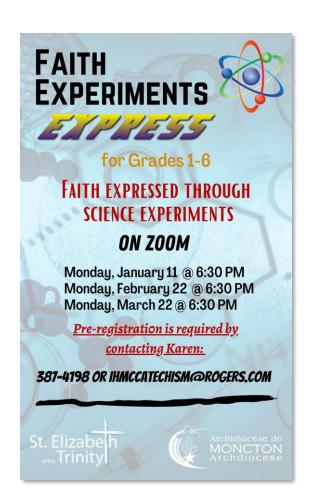
The End is Nigh of an Era: Exploring the Book of Revelations, Part 2



We are now accepting registrations for this second virtual session on the Book of Revelations which has been rescheduled to Tuesday, February 16th from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. Join presenters, Dr. Fiona Black and Dr. Andrew Wilson as they answer questions that surfaced at the first session and dig a little deeper into the end of the world images we see in these passages. It is not necessary to have attended the first session to join us. Contact Ellen to register.

"We're All in this Together": Exploring Pope Francis's encyclicals, Laudato Si' and Fratelli Tutti

Please note this preliminary announcement of three sessions taking place during Lent on February 18^{th} , March 4^{th} and March 18^{th} with Sr. Denise Lirette and Dr. Andrew Wilson. These sessions will be a hybrid of physical and/or virtual gathering, depending on what level of alert the Zone is in. More details will follow – for now, note the dates.



Learn about faith using science experiments! Designed for young people in grades 1-6,

Designed for young people in grades 1-6, participants will be guided, step-by-step, through various fun and simple science experiments that will help them to learn more about faith and scripture.

Young people grades 1-6 are invited to join us for Faith Experiments Express via Zoom!

Contact Karen at 387-4198 or ihmccatechism@rogers.com.

Register online at this link: http://ow.ly/Pvl]50D0C0f

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Thank you for your generous donations to the parishes in our grouping throughout 2020. It was a challenging year on all fronts, including the finances, however, your faithful stewardship and contributions have carried us through another year.

If you would like to start 2021 with a renewed commitment to our parish, please consider starting a PAD offering, becoming a consistent envelope or online contributor, or increasing your offering over last year. What will you give back to God for the blessings you have received? Together we can meet our goals for 2021.



For 2020, donation receipts (HF, IH, SJ) for income tax purposes will be delivered to donors by mail or email only. You can expect to receive them by February 5th. To receive your receipt by email, please email annemarcoux@rogers.com and indicate your name and email address and your receipt will be forwarded to you.

Weekly Collection for all Churches - January 16th/17th, 2021

Holy Family & Peoples Park Tower (incl PADs)

Church Support \$1460.50 (41); Loose \$5.00 Maintenance Fund \$74.50 (4)

St. Jude's Church (incl PADs)

Church Support \$330.00 (13); Loose \$5.00

Holy Ghost Church (incl PADs)

Church Support \$212.00 (12)

Immaculate Heart of Mary Church (incl PADs)

Church Support \$3629.50 (77); Loose \$18.00 Property Upkeep \$329.50 (17); Youth \$5.00 (1)

Social Action \$85.00 (4)

Have You

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