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

The St. Elizabeth of the Trinity parish grouping acknowledges that we carry out our worship and ministry on the traditional *unceded* territory of the Mi'kmaq and Wəlastəkwiyik (Maliseet) Peoples. This territory is covered by the "Treaties of Peace and Friendship" which these nations first signed with the British Crown in 1726. The treaties did not deal with surrender of lands and resources but, in fact, recognized Mi'kmaq and Wəlastəkwiyik title and established the rules for what was to be an ongoing relationship between nations.



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 Mary

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

We pray for those who are sick, including Bill Stafford, Brian Hope, Ralph Furlong (brother of Jean Ryan), Phyllis Brideau (sister of Polly Forsey), Aurora Kelly (granddaughter of Marc and Suzanne McLaughlin), Corinne Kavanaugh, Michaeleen Miller, Frank MacEachern (brother of Anne Ayles) and Jacques Roy (brother of Carmelle Cochrane).

We also pray for those who have died, including Bride Mitchell (sister of Jim Baker).

11:00 a.m.

Sunday, November 28th

Sunday, December 5th

Wednesday, December 1st



Liturgies for November 27th to December 5th, 2021 **Holy Ghost Church** St. Elizabelh 4:00 p.m. For the People Saturday, November 27th 4:00 p.m. Winnie Smith - a parishioner Saturday, December 4th **Holy Family Church** Saturday, November 27th 7:00 p.m. Alphonsus Dennis (Anniv) – Kathleen and Eileen 9:00 a.m. Albertine Thibodeau (Anniv) - Joe Thibodeau Monday, November 29th Saturday. December 4th 7:00 p.m. Bill Morano and his sister, Violet Mannella - Sheila Morano St. Jude's Church Sunday, November 28th 9:00 a.m. Margaret Toner – Pauline Toner Sunday, December 5th 9:00 a.m. For the People **Immaculate Heart of Mary**

11:00 a.m. Elizabeth Stafford (Anniv) – Bernie Stafford 9:00 a.m. Anne Robichaud – IHM Ladies Society

Infant daughter, Lena (Anniv) - Ken and Carmelle Cochrane

Exploring Our Faith

ADVENT WAITING

You may have grown up thinking of the Season of Advent as that four-week sprint just before Christmas. Or, maybe you thought of it as the appetizer whose sole purpose was to get you to the main course—Christmas! When you're a kid waiting for presents (present company included), four weeks of Advent can seem like an eternity. To say that the Season of Advent is four weeks long is liturgically correct albeit a bit short-sighted. The Reign of God broke



into the world in the most definitive and subversive way on that first Christmas 2000 years ago, yet the Reign of God is still on the way. Christ has come, but Christ still needs to come.

If that's true, then we are Advent people all year round. Staying awake for the signs of Jesus's Second Coming should be our everyday posture 365 days of the year and not just for four weeks. We say as much, do we not, each time we gather for Eucharist? At each Mass, the presider says, "The mystery of faith." One of the assembly's responses is this (note the ending): "We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection *until you come again*." Another response goes like this

(note the ending): "When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, *until you come again*." These refrains can only fall from the lips of Advent people. They are little reminders that when Jesus returns in glory, there will be no need to eat this Bread nor drink from this Cup, anymore. But, we're not there yet. We still have to gather. We still have to eat. We still have to drink. So, how *do* we get there? How *do* we wait?

We wait for the Second Coming of Jesus by taking our cues from those who waited for His First Coming. The prophets in Biblical times had to keep the embers hot. They had to give hope to people, over centuries, that the Messiah was coming, a new reign would break upon the land and last forever. Because it was hard to keep the edges hot, many gave up hope. However, a small group, a remnant, never gave up hope. They are referred to as the "faithful remnant of Israel." Here is how they waited and how we are called to wait as well.

- 1) Wait with a sense of promise. God, through Angel Gabriel, promised Elizabeth and Mary that each would bear a child. God's promise would be fulfilled. We can only wait for what is already growing within us. If you're not pregnant, you have no need to wait. But, if you are pregnant, the anticipation, I'm told, is all-consuming. Similarly, a farmer waits for his planting to bear fruit. Trust that what you are waiting for right now is, in some way, already present to you, although not full revealed.
- **2) Wait actively.** You know something is happening. Passive waiting means it's out of your hands, and you are simply punching in time. However, a patient person remains still knowing the real thing isn't always tomorrow; it's right here today. Fear makes us run. The angel says to Mary and to us, "Do not be afraid."
- **3) Wait open-ended.** This is the difference between wishing *for* something versus hoping *in* something. Wishing says, "This is what I wish for, and it must unfold according to my agenda, or I will be very disappointed." Hope is feeling confident that God's plan will be fulfilled according to God's promises. Let go of wish lists. Hoping says, "Let it happen to me according to your will." I don't try to control the situation. I try, instead, to be formed by God's life-giving will rather than by my own fears.
- **4) Wait together.** Mary and Elizabeth are cousins who sought each other out and helped each other to wait. Each reminded the other of the promise the angel had made and that what they were waiting for would be fulfilled. This is what we owe each other as member of the Church. My job is to remind you that God's promise is growing in you-so stay close to it—even, and especially, on your worst day. Similarly, your job is to remind me, especially in moments of discouragement, that God's promise is growing in me and will come to fruition soon. Although we call Pentecost the "birth of the Church," I think Mary and Elizabeth's waiting together was the real, but "unofficial" birth of the Church."

If we wait with a sense of promise, actively, open-ended, and together, Christmas will come of its own accord. And not only that, it will be more fulfilling than anything we could put on our wish list.

Fr. Phil Mulligan

Daily Readings (Week of November 29th – December 5th, 2021)

Isaiah 2:1-5 Monday Tuesday (St. Andrew, Apostle) Romans 10:9-18 Wednesday Isaiah 25:6-10 **Thursday** Isaiah 26:1-6 Friday (St. Francis Xavier) Isaiah 29:17-24 Saturday

Isaiah 30:19-21, 23-26

Baruch 5:1-9 Sunday (Second Sunday of Advent)



Matthew 8:5-11, 13 Matthew 4:18-22 Matthew 15:29-37 Matthew 7:21, 24-27 Matthew 9:27-31

Matthew 9:35 - 10:1, 5-8

Philippians 1:3-6, 8-11 Luke 3:1-6

Food Banks

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



Holy Ghost and Immaculate Heart of Mary - We gladly accept whatever is offered but items required at this time include toothpaste, juice drinking boxes, apple juice, kraft dinner, baby formula and, if you please, **Christmas candy**.

St. Jude's - Thank you so much for whatever you can give to the Salisbury Helping Hands Food Bank and right now we could certainly use vegetable soup, cream of chicken soup, green beans, creamed corn, sugar, flour, pancake mix and jam. We would appreciate some ladies' deodorant, as well. Thank you all!



White Gift Christmas - Gifts for Moncton Headstart's Toyland will be picked up this week! Thank you everyone for the enormous support and generosity. The contributions from our parish grouping will make a difference in the lives of many children this Christmas. God bless you all!

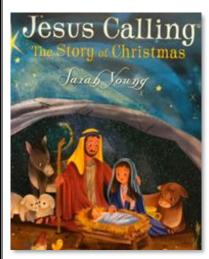
Did You Know?



Our Lord is coming and will return one day. He loves us and will return for us at the end of days. Jesus warns the faithful not be so absorbed in their everyday anxieties that we forget to prepare ourselves for him. We must always be prepared for Jesus, never putting off our life with him because we think that his time isn't immanent. Never put off to tomorrow what you can do today.

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Storytime with Deacon Ed on Zoom!



"Long before you were born, I thought of you, and I loved you," said Jesus. 😂

Snuggle up with your favourite stuffed animal and join Deacon Ed on Zoom as he shares God's plan for Christmas, over 5 Monday evenings starting on **November 29**th at 6:00 p.m. He will be reading a little bit each week from the book, "The Story of Christmas" to reveal how much Jesus loves us. Although the book is geared towards 5–10-year-olds, anyone who loves to hear about Jesus will not want to miss these 30 minutes with Deacon Ed!

Jesus is coming, let's get ready for Him together! Woohoo!

Email Tiffany at goodtiffany@hotmail.com to register or to ask questions.



Sacrament of Baptism

Through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism, we welcome

Maya Elize, beloved daughter of Mark and Anna Murielle

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

God bless you, sweet child of God!



Advent Reconciliation - Once again this year, due to COVID-19, our Advent Reconciliation will be done a little bit differently.

Reconciliation Preparation Service on Thursday, December 9th at 6:30 p.m. at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church.

This will **not** be sacramental, but rather a preparation for individual confession. You can call the church and book an appointment for individual confession for Friday, December 10th from 9:00 a.m. until Noon, or for Saturday, December 11th from 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. This liturgy will be live-streamed on Facebook, so if you cannot be here in person, you will be

able to participate online. If you are watching from another parish unit, you can call your own parish office to schedule a time for individual confession.

Remember, if you plan to attend in person, you must call the office (386-6178) to register.

Thank you for putting People and the Planet First by signing petitions!





Last weekend, volunteers in the parishes were mobilized to sign a petition that is the main action of Development and Peace's education campaign this fall. We would like to sincerely thank these volunteers, but also all who willingly accepted to sign the petition. We would like to remind you that this simple gesture is important to help ask the House of Commons to adopt a due diligence law on human rights and the environment.

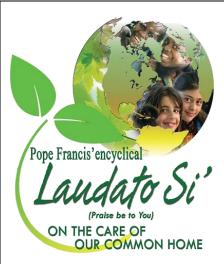
You can still sign the petition till the end of December. Those who have not had the opportunity to sign could do so as soon as possible. Please add ONLY your CITY and/or POSTAL CODE, in addition to the signature. For more information on our campaign, visit www.devp.org You can also call the Moncton Regional Office (801-0440) to get involved

with Development and Peace.

Phone lines for Albert County Christmas Aid are open now and until Friday, December 3rd.

Please call 386-1771 to register your family.

Call Monday to Friday between the hours of 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Have Medicare numbers for all those in the family registering available when you call. For those wishing to visit Headstart Toyland, an appointment will be assigned to you. Only one family per address can be registered. You can not register for another family.



Diocesan Committee Laudato Si'

On May 24th, 2015, Pope Francis signed the encyclical "Laudato Si': On Care for Our Common Home." This writing by Pope Francis shows us that we must work harder to care for people and the planet. Furthermore, the encyclical proposes that dialogue be the method of choice to "help us escape the spiral of self-destruction which currently engulfs us." (LS, 163.) I am happy to announce that Sr. Denise Lirette, f.j., has established a diocesan committee to help us learn about Laudato Si' and to respond to Pope Francis' call to action to save our planet and ensure a healthy and favourable environment for all people. This committee will let us know its plan for education and action early in the new year. I am counting on the parish priests, the various parish committees, and the faithful to collaborate with the proposals of this new diocesan committee.

Archbishop Valéry Vienneau



Let's Do Lunch! Want to consider something different for gifts this year? 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 the office that could be put under the tree for your loved ones! **Especially this year**, Karing Kitchen says thank you for your generosity and for sharing your love.

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Reserve Your Spot

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

Masks are mandatory. 6-ft social distancing is mandatory. (
Thank you everyone for your cooperation!



Church Environment

The use of colour plays an important role in our Catholic worship and the colours used to create atmosphere and environment within the worship area, will always help the faithful know that certain celebrations are at hand! For example, during the Christmas season, the Catholic Church calls for the use of **white and gold**, which symbolizes rejoicing, purity, and absolute joy! So, while the malls may be bathed in red (not to mention good ol' Santa, himself), please remember, that in the Catholic Church, red symbolizes tongues of fire (Pentecost) and is used for feasts of martyred saints (who shed their blood).

So will we see red throughout our worship space during the Christmas Season? No, we will not. Rather, we will adorn our worship space in gold and white – to celebrate life and the birth of Jesus!



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 into the collection basket if you're at Mass, or bring it or mail it in to the office, or use one of the online payment options.

Call the office if you have any questions.

Thank you!

Christmas and New Year's Mass Schedule

Family/Seniors' Mass - December 23rd

6:00 p.m. - Immaculate Heart of Mary

Christmas Eve - Friday, December 24th

4:00 p.m. - Immaculate Heart of Mary

6:00 p.m. - St. Jude's

7:00 p.m. – Holy Family

8:00 p.m. – Immaculate Heart of Mary

Christmas Day - Saturday, December 25th

10:00 a.m. - Holy Ghost

New Year's Eve - Friday, December 31st 4:00 p.m. - Holy Ghost

New Year's Day - Saturday, January 1st, 2022

11:00 a.m. - Immaculate Heart of Mary



Reservations are required for all Masses. Call 386-6178

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| Holy Ghost | Please contact Teresa directly | |
| St. Jude's | Monday, December 13 th | Starting at 9:00 a.m. |
| Immaculate Heart of Mary | Tuesday, December 14 th | Starting at 9:00 a.m. |
| Holy Family | Wednesday, December 15 th | Starting at 9:00 a.m. |

Holy Ghost Church



St. Joseph Missals for 2022 have arrived! They are \$5.00 each for a 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.

Immaculate Heart of Mary Church



The IHM Ladies Society will be meeting on Tuesday, December 7th at 7:30 p.m. in the Dan Bohan Centre. We will be doing something a little different again this year, something wonderful for Harvest House! So, Ladies please, if you can, bring in \$5 Tim Horton's gift cards or maybe some candy or chocolates. Craft supplies are appreciated, especially adult coloring books, colored pencils or crayons, puzzles and puzzle books. Hand warmers are a big help too! Please don't put whatever you bring into stockings or gift bags, rather, bring your contributions loose and unwrapped. Thank you all!



The regular meeting of **Knights of Columbus Council 9270** will take place on Wednesday, December 1st at 7:00 p.m. in the

Dan Bohan Centre.



Pregnancy & Wellness Centre of Moncton

Diapers and baby formula were brought in!

Total money raised was \$920.00!

Thank you one and all!



The Office of Evangelization and Catechesis

Ellen - 857- 9952 ellen.diocesemoncton@gmail.com Trevor - 857-4879 trevord.diocese@gmail.com

Upcoming Meetings

Youth Faith Commission: Tuesday, December 7th at 12:00 p.m. via Zoom. **Adult Faith Commission:** Tuesday, December 7th at 2:00 p.m. on York Street.

Advent Video Series by the CCCB

Beginning Sunday, November 21st, the Solemnity of Christ the King, and for the four Sundays of Advent, the CCCB will release a video recording of one of Canada's bishops reflecting on the Gospel Reading for that Sunday. This year's reflections were inspired by the Indigenous Delegation travelling to Rome to meet with Pope Francis from 17th-20th December 2021, and may be found at the following link:



https://www.cccb.ca/evangelization-catechesis-catholic-education/video-resources/journey-through-advent/.



The 25th Annual Advent Festival of Carols & Scripture is taking place Sunday, November 28th at 6:30 p.m. (our time) at the Basilica of St. John the Baptist in St. John's, NL.

The event will be livestreamed at www.thebasilica.net for those who may be interested in tuning in!



Mondays @ The Movies

Connecting faith to popular films, will meet again on November 29th at 10:30 a.m. via Zoom when we will be discussing the

1947 version of Miracle on 34th Street.

All participants will have watched the film prior to the session, register with Trevor or Karen at catechism.set@gmail.com or 387-4198.

Register online by going to www.diomoncton.ca → Pastoral Offices → Youth Faith Development and click on the poster for Mondays @ The Movies.



Faith Experiments Express

Learn about faith and scripture using science experiments (for grades 1-6).

We will be holding another Faith Experiments Express (via Zoom) on Monday, November 29th at 6:00 p.m.

Register with Trevor or with Karen at 387-4198 or catechism.set@gmail.com.

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IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY PARISH DAN BOHAN CENTER

Admission:

Non-perishable Food Item(s)
MASKS, SOCIAL DISTANCING & PROOF OF
FULL VACCINATION WILL BE REQUIRED



PLEASE REGISTER WITH: Karen @ 387-4198 or catechism.set@gmail.com





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Memorial Gifts are a special way to give to the life and works of the church. These gifts can be made in memory of a loved one and they can also be made to honour a living person.



During the month of November 2021

At St. Jude's, donations were made to the church in memory of:

Lynda Quillian by Mary Anne and Gary Griffin

Geraldine Dunn by Susan McMackin

Dale Wooden – by Susan McMackin



At Immaculate Heart of Mary, donations were made to the church in memory of:

Nana and Grampy & Memere and Pepere by Neil and Monique McTiernan

Gift in gratitude by the Gurnadi family

Fred Kieley by Anne Griffin, Al and Corinne Kavanaugh, Eileen Luedee

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Completing 2021

We are in to the last two months of the year and it's a great time to make up for any offerings that you missed over the year. **Every dollar counts** – 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 for more information and thank you!!

In thanksgiving and gratitude, please consider an offering to the life and work of one of our churches! Thank you.



Planning for 2022

If your committee will be using church funds for special projects or initiatives in 2022, please call Anne at the Business Office by December 17th.

Weekly Offerings for all Churches – November 20th/21st, 2021

Holy Family & Peoples Park Tower (incl PADs)

Church Support \$2112.50; Loose \$63.00 Maintenance Fund \$107.50 Heating of the Church (to date) \$300.00

St. Jude's Church (incl PADs)

Church Support \$1760.00 (29); Loose \$0.00 Heating of the Church (to date) \$185.00

Holy Ghost Church (incl PADs)

Church Support \$155.00 Missals \$5.00

Immaculate Heart of Mary Church (incl PADs)

Church Support \$4340.50 (107); Loose \$25.00 Property Upkeep \$385.50 (6)

Youth \$37.00 (3); Social Action \$335.00 (4)

Heating of the Church (to date) \$635.00

