# St. Elizabeth of the Trinity Parish

## **Holy Family** Church



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

Sunday, January 16th

## **Holy Ghost** Church



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

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## **Immaculate Heart** of Mary Church

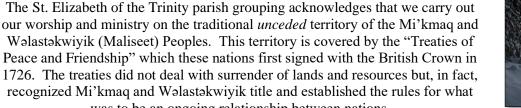


5 Fatima Dr Riverview, NB E1B 2X8 Tel: 386-6178

## St. Jude's Church



3062 Main St Salisbury, NB E4J 2L5 Tel: 386-6178





# **Regular 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 Kevin McKinley, Brian Hope, Dorothy Connor, Parker Corno (grandson of Lucy McKinley) and for all who struggle with their health, especially during this pandemic.

We also pray for those who have died including Emery LeBlanc (dear brother-in-law of Cy Lipton), Thomas Byrne (sweet brother of Marie Pike) and our beloved, Corinne Kavanaugh.



#### Liturgies for January 8th to 16th, 2022 **Holy Ghost Church** Saturday, January 8th 4:00 p.m. Teresa MaCaulley - Sandra MacDonald St. Elizabe Saturday, January 15th 4:00 p.m. For the People **Holy Family Church** 7:00 p.m. Lori LeBlanc - Dale and Jean Ryan Saturday, January 8th Monday, January 10th 9:00 a.m. **No Mass until further notice** 7:00 p.m. John and Ellen Gill – daughter, Marie and Dan McGee Saturday, January 15th St. Jude's Church Sunday, January 9th 9:00 a.m. For the People

9:00 a.m. Special Intentions for Norman Giroux - Margaret Giroux

#### **Immaculate Heart of Mary** Sunday, January 9th 11:00 a.m. Jack Connor (Anniv) - Bill and Shirley Connor

Wednesday, January 12th 9:00 a.m. Perpetual help - Chantal Atkinson Sunday, January 16th 11:00 a.m. Corinne Kavanaugh – Al and the girls

# **Exploring Our Faith**

# JESUS' BAPTISM/MY BAPTISM. ARE THEY SO DIFFERENT?

Throughout my life I have had many friends and acquaintances who have been loyal members of evangelical churches. These people are faith filled and extremely committed to the teachings of their individual churches. We have had many conversations over the years on the "taboo" topic of religion, and I have been blessed and enriched to learn of the faith principles that guide their lives.



One question that would often be posed to me, and to be honest, would frequently intimidate me, was: "are you saved?" They would often be able to quote an exact day and time when they were "saved" and gave their life to Christ. For a good part of my life, the reason I was intimidated was that I didn't have an answer. The best I could come up with was: "I hope so". Now, years later, I have a much better answer to offer. (Mind you, it could hardly be much worse). The answer, of course, is a resounding YES. I am saved because I am baptized.

In the earliest times of our church, baptism looked a lot different than it does now. It happened outside and was the culmination of a lengthy journey filled with much prayer, catechesis and soul searching. One thing

that was very similar to the journey today is that the catechumens were told virtually nothing about how the baptism ceremony would look. (The idea was and is that they would just experience the rite as opposed to anticipating what was coming next.) On the night of their baptism, most often Holy Saturday, they would be taken out to the nearest body of water. They would be accompanied into the water by the presiding minister. After being asked one final time if this was truly their desire, they would be plunged backward into the water as the words, "I baptize you in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit" were said. They would be held under the water until almost kicking to come up for air. This is the dying with Christ that is often lost in our modern day sprinkling of water. When they would be brought up from the water, they would have an initial gasp for air. This is their first breath in their new life in Christ. They are indeed "saved".

Every year when we celebrate this feast of the Baptism of our Lord, I find it so intriguing that Jesus felt it was necessary to be baptized. Why? I wonder. I don't think it was salvation that he was seeking. Maybe he was establishing the template for our faith journey. Being a Christian carries with it a call to evangelization and to ministry. Baptism brings the grace and gifts we will need to accomplish this daunting task. In that light, Jesus' baptism makes perfect sense, as you cannot give what you have not yet received. After all, Jesus' public ministry did not begin until after he was baptized.

Mark Mahoney

**Did You Know?** People did not recognize Jesus and John, because they were not what the people expected. John lived in the desert and survived on bugs and honey and Jesus was a kind and gentle servant to others, rather than a king of ancient expectations. We are called to recognize Christ in our midst and make way for



the Lord's truth. The Holy Ones suffered because those receiving them did not know who they were. We must recognize truth and act on it. God's people are called to embrace God firstly and anyone or anything else secondly, to carry our crosses alongside our Lord and complete our walk with Christ despite obstacles and pain. We are called to put God first in our lives. He should come after our own interests or desires.

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# Daily Readings (Week of January 10<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup>, 2022)

Monday	1 Samuel 1:1-8		Mark 1:14-20
Tuesday	1 Samuel 1:9-20		Mark 1:21-28
Wednesday (St. Marguerite Bourgeoys)	1 Samuel 3:1-10, 19-20		Mark 1:29-39
Thursday	1 Samuel 4:1-11		Mark 1:40-45
Friday	1 Samuel 8:4-7, 10-22		Mark 2:1-12
Saturday	1 Samuel 9:1-4, 17-19, 10:1		Mark 2:13-17
Sunday (2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time)	Isaiah 62:1-5	1 Corinthians 12:4-11	John 2:1-12

## 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.

**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!

## 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 the 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.

On Monday, the church's 57th anniversary, there is much to celebrate!

This faith community has pulled together throughout this pandemic and the dedication of so many volunteers has kept this church growing and going, these past difficult months.

God bless you all – those in the pews who continue to worship at and support this church, and also, the God Squad, as the wonderful volunteers are affectionately called.

#### **Monday Morning Mass at Holy Family**



Fr. Charles Lokoka has had to go back home to the Congo to attend to a family emergency. It is not sure when he will be returning, so

Monday morning mass at Holy Family will be cancelled until further notice.

We keep Fr. Charles and his family in our prayers.

### **Holy Ghost Church**



**St. Joseph Missals for 2022 are available!** 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**



Due to COVID restrictions, the IHM Ladies Society Chicken Luzzheon which is normally held in February as part of the Riverview Winter Carnival, has been cancelled.



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!

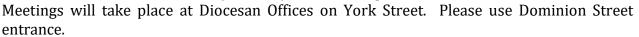
# The Office of Evangelization and Catechesis

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

## **Upcoming Meetings**

 $\textbf{Parish Catechetical Coordinators:} \ Thursday, \ January \ 13^{th} \ at \ 6:00 \ p.m.$ 

Adult Faith Commission: Friday, January 28th at 2:00 p.m.





## Catechetical Gatherings



With the most recent announcement by the NB Department of Education that in-class learning in schools will be delayed until at least January 21<sup>st</sup>, all catechetical sessions will now **revert to virtual gatherings** and remain as such until schools are returned to in-person gatherings. Please contact your parish catechetical coordinator for information on those gatherings, and the distribution of necessary supplies for the sessions.

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## For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation, and Mission



How will the Synod work? To facilitate as much participation in the discussion process as possible, Pope Francis has asked that a special document be prepared that contains both the purpose of the Synod, the way it will be organized and the various areas of discussions under consideration. This document is available from the Vatican at the following link: <a href="https://www.synod.va/en/documents/english-version-of-the-preparatory-document.html">https://www.synod.va/en/documents/english-version-of-the-preparatory-document.html</a> or by typing, "For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation, and Mission" in your Search Engine. By using this common tool, bishops from around the world are encouraged to involve as many

people as possible in discussion groups throughout their Diocese. This process will conclude on June 1, 2022.

More about this will be explained next week, so stay tuned.

#### Faith Experiments Express



Our next Faith Experiments Express for young people in grades 1-6 will be on Monday, January 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.

Faith Experiments Express uses science experiments to help children learn about faith and scripture, and it's on Zoom so you can participate from the comfort of your own home.

Contact Karen for more information at 387-4198 or Trevor.

#### Mondays @ The Movies

Our next Mondays @ The Movies conversation will take place on Monday, January 24th at 10:30 a.m. The film for our next discussion will be announced soon so watch your bulletin for additional details.

Contact Karen at 387-4918 or Trevor for more information or to register.

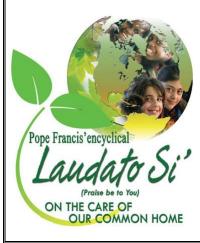




**Confirmation candidates** from various parishes of the English Deanery will gather either virtually, or in person, with Archbishop Valéry Vienneau and the other young people who are preparing for Confirmation, on **Sunday, January 30<sup>th</sup>**, **2022 at 2:30 p.m.** 

A decision will be made as we draw closer to the date, but for the time being, please mark your calendars. We will keep you posted.

#### LAUDATO SI' CAMPAIGN



Laudato Si' – Praise Be to You – Encyclical Letter of the Holy Father Francis on Care for our Common Home. This encyclical letter was published in 2015

#### Pope Francis 2015 encyclical to all humanity

Pope Francis 2015 encyclical Laudato Si' affirms our interconnectedness to one other and to all living things, and our responsibility to care for our common Earthly home. Papal encyclicals communicate to the faithful about some aspect of Catholic teaching but in this case Pope Francis is speaking to all humanity when he says that some of our earth damaging behaviors are not only morally wrong, but also practically wrong, leading to a broken world. He exhorts us to all work together to fix it.

(A video for Laudato Si' campaign is available on the diocesan website at www.diomoncton.ca)

### St. Elizabeth of the Trinity



#### Hello 2022!

Why not start the new year with a renewed commitment to the life and work of our parish – consider starting a regular offering using one of the many ways to give – through envelopes, by PAD, or by using the Donate button on our website, www.setmoncton.com. Automated giving is a great way to work your church offering into your monthly budget. Reach out to the parish office for more information by calling Anne at 386-6178.

Memorial donations can be received any time at the parish office. Consider making the church your charity of choice. Please call the parish office to inquire about memorial cards and options for your donations.

#### The 2022 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:

New

Offering Envelopes

- 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 Offerings for all Churches December 20th, 2021 to January 2nd, 2022

# **Holy Family & Peoples Park Tower** (incl PADs)

Church Support \$4,220.00; Loose \$92.00 Maintenance Fund \$330.00 Christmas Envelope \$1,575.00 New Year's Envelope \$285.00

#### St. Jude's Church (incl PADs)

Church Support \$3,059.00; Loose \$42.25 Christmas Envelope \$670.00 New Year's Envelope \$135.00

### **Holy Ghost Church (incl PADs)**

Dec 25<sup>th</sup> Church Support \$4729.88 Loose \$97.00 Dec 31<sup>st</sup> Church Support \$205.00 Initial Offering \$65.00; Fuel \$240.00 New Year's Day offering \$185.00 Christmas Offering \$50.00

#### **Immaculate Heart of Mary Church (incl PADs)**

Church Support \$14,289.00; Loose \$587.00
Property Upkeep \$993.00; Youth \$70.00
Social Action \$679.00

Christmas Envelope \$4,445.00 New Year's Envelope \$885.00

Knowing that we are in a time of financial instability, your support is very important.

Thank you!