

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

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

To meet with Fr. Phil, please call the parish office at 386-6178.

We pray for those who are sick, including Kevin McKinley, Ernie Peters, Bill and Lorraine Stafford (brother and sister-in-law of Bernie Stafford), Ray March, Chantal Atkinson (niece of Terry and Yvonne Clancy) and Robert Betchinski.

We also pray for those who have died, including Robert (Bob) Corbett (dear brother of Gerry Corbett) and Medley Savoie (beloved brother of Lillianne Gauvin and Donalda Beaulieu).



## Daily Readings for the Week of September $19^{th} - 25^{th}$ , 2022

Monday Tuesday (St. Andrew Kim Tae-Gon) Wednesday (St. Matthew) Thursday Friday (St. Pius of Pietrelcina) Saturday Sunday (26th Sunday in Ordinary Time) Proverbs 3:27-34 Proverbs 21:1-6, 10-13 Ephesians 4:1-7, 11-13 Ecclesiastes 1:2-11 Ecclesiastes 3:1-11 Ecclesiastes 11:9 - 12:8 Amos 6:1, 4-7 1 Timothy 6:11-16



Luke 8:16-18 Luke 8:19-21 Matthew 9:9-13 Luke 9:7-9 Luke 9:18-22 Luke 9:43-45 Luke 16:19-31

Liturgies for Week – September 16th to 25th, 2022

<b>Peoples Park Tower</b>				
Friday, September 16 <sup>th</sup>	2:00 p.m.	Omer Roy – Angela Kinden	St. Elizabelh	
Friday, September 23 <sup>rd</sup>	1	For the People	Tripity	
Holy Ghost Church			St. Elizabeh	
Saturday, September 17 <sup>th</sup>	4:00 p.m.	Lester Rossiter – Charles and Glenda O'Hara		
Saturday, September 24 <sup>th</sup>	-	Clara Keirstead – a parishioner		
Holy Family Church				
Saturday, September 17 <sup>th</sup>	7:00 p.m.	For the People		
Saturday, September 24 <sup>th</sup>	7:00 p.m.	John Noonan – Mary Helena Delahunt		
St. Jude's Church				
Sunday, September 18 <sup>th</sup>	8:30 a.m.	In honour of St. Jude for favour obtained – a parishioner		
Sunday, September 25 <sup>th</sup>	8:30 a.m.	Bob Lamb – Albert and Marita Jackson		
Immaculate Heart of Mary				
Sunday, September 18 <sup>th</sup>	10:30 a.m.	Edward MacNeill – Lyn MacNei	11	
Wed, September 21 <sup>st</sup>	9:00 a.m.	Bernice Stuart – Gordon and Liliana Trail		
Sunday, September 25 <sup>th</sup>	10:30 a.m.	Donald Fournier (Anniv) – Michele and kids		



Fr. Antonio Reyes (Diocese of Saint John), will be celebrating Filipino Mass on Sunday, September 18<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m. at Immaculate Conception Church in Rexton, NB. The Rosary will be prayed at 3:30 p.m. and, although parts of Fr. Reyes' homily will be in Tagalog, the Mass itself will be in English. A potluck will follow the Mass in the Parish Hall and everyone is welcome to attend this wonderful celebration!

Immaculate Conception Church is located at 10 School Street in Rexton.

Food Banks	Holy Family Church (House of Nazareth) - They need razors for men and women, toothbrushes, and any food items.	
	Holy Ghost and Immaculate Heart of Mary (Albert County Food Bank) – They need toothpaste and ladies' deodorant and for the children's lunches, juice boxes, pudding cups and applesauce. There is also a great need for cereal. (all kinds)	
	<b>St. Jude's (Salisbury Helping Hands Food Bank)</b> – Right now, they need paper towels, toilet paper, deodorant, toothpaste and all kinds of soaps: face, laundry, dish, shampoo & conditioner. Thank you everyone!	

#### **Prayer Day**



For many years, every Wednesday from September to June was prayer day at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church with people spending time in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament. Like so many other things, Covid forced us to cancel prayer day, but now we feel comfortable in bringing it back. We would like to begin on Wednesday, October 5<sup>th</sup> immediately following morning Mass and until 4 o'clock. **If you feel you can commit to spending some time with the Blessed Sacrament, please call Janet at 386-3184 or contact the parish office.** Just a reminder that while the Blessed Sacrament is exposed, there must always be

someone in attendance in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel. Thank you for your consideration.

# **Exploring Our Faith** LOOK WITHIN THE POOR

*"Homeless often 'treated like dirt"* ran a headline in the September 8<sup>th</sup> edition of the *Times & Transcript*. It grabbed my attention, and I felt a pang of guilt.

The increasing number of homeless people appearing in our communities, particularly over the past few years, is disconcerting to see. Recently, returning to my car with women friends, parked a couple of blocks north of Main Street, following a performance at the Capitol Theatre, as we left the lights and busyness of Main Street, we walked quicker. Earlier, we had noted and commented on the numbers of homeless people lingering on church steps near where we were parking. Not speaking for my friends, I can only say, I am less patient with those who live on the street – they sit on so many corners, block the entrance to the office where I used to work; station themselves in strategic locations as they seek donations; hide in wooded areas on my walking paths; erect their tarps and tents, leaving their debris in inconvenient spots. They make me feel uncomfortable. And now, when Wayne reaches out to give them some loose change, I chastise him, reminding him of a sign seen in the States last winter: 'Don't give money to the street people; donate instead to the organizations that support them."

"Hear this, you that trample on the needy" the prophet Amos says in the first reading. I am not trampling on the needy, but I am judging them. And what right, pray tell, do I have to do that??? Would I do that, if I truly believed, as Oblate theologian Fr. Ron Rolheiser says, that it is among the poor where God sits: "God doesn't just have a preferential option for the poor. God is *within the poor*." Within that dirty person, sitting listlessly against a lamp post, dressed oddly, with her hand out, begging. Oh my.



In last week's Scripture Reflection, Trevor reminded us of an analogy used by Pope Frances - the church as a field hospital. Francis says it is useless to talk of high cholesterol and blood sugars with someone who has been seriously injured. We need to "heal their wounds." In the *Times and Transcript* article, Tanya Hansen, a support worker with the John Howard Society, acknowledges that many living on the street suffer from mental illness and substance abuse which they are unwilling or unable to treat. But she says, "We need housing and basic essential needs met before you can encourage folks to change the decisions they make. We need to take care of their basic needs first" - be the field hospital, heal the wounds.

*In Search of the Good*, a grade 12 catechetical resource published by the Canadian Bishops about 20 years ago, spoke about the importance of making eye contact with those who live on the street, even if we have no intention of giving them money. Otherwise, they tell us, they feel invisible. We need to show them the respect they deserve as people made in the image and likeness of the God who loves and made us all. Hansen said, "If we treat them with love and compassion and dignity, they respond in the same way." Fair enough. But even when they don't, and sometimes they won't, we must. Not only because of who they are, although that is reason enough. But because of who we are. Because God is within us, as God is within them.

Rolheiser says, "A mature disciple doesn't calculate or make distinctions as to whether God is inside of a certain situation or not, whether a person seems worth it or not, whether a person is a Christian or not, or whether a person appears to be a good person or not, before reaching out in service. A mature disciple serves whoever is in need, independent of those considerations." Clearly, I have a bit of maturing to do yet.

Ellen Bennett

## Cathy Kennedy Lending Library

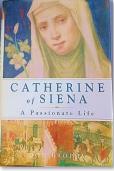
"Love the Lord your God with all your mind."

## Catherine of Siena: A Passionate Life Author, Don Brophy

(Book Review by Colleen O'Neill)

Having tried to read her Dialogues a few years past, I was not prepared for the depth and dimension and raw depiction and understanding brought to this biography. This is not a scholar's discourse and history, but rather a deep emotional dive into the woman herself and her amazing and challenging self-formation into the powerhouse that has left us with such a legacy.

Even for her time and culture, she was unique and a spirit unlike any other, so longing to serve that she denied herself even basic human comforts, seeming to exist on sheer Will. I was enthralled with this book. I was emotionally exhausted and spiritually shaken by it......her life speaks nothing of mediocrity.



*Catherine of Siena: A Passionate Life* is a book that must be on your list. I even began to understand a little of the zealous fervour of St. John the Baptist, barely existing as he did on locusts and honey, focused only on his Purpose.

(I am hoping book reviews will be frequent in our bulletin. If you have read one of our Library books and wish to publish a review or comment, please send to me in whatever form is convenient for you....even handwritten! Ask me for my email address...) Colleen O'Neill (Librarian)

## St. Elizabeth of the Trinity



## Liturgical Ministry Workshops

We will be doing workshops for our liturgical ministries in the coming weeks. These workshops will not only be for existing ministers but also for new people who would like to become involved. Throughout Covid our liturgical practices changed out of necessity, but it seems we are returning to some sort of normalcy, so revisiting our standard practices will be a good thing. The dates, times and places for these workshops are as follows:

Lectors: Tuesday, October 11<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 p.m. at Holy Family Communion Ministers: Thursday, October 13<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 p.m. at Holy Family Altar Servers: Saturday, October 15<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 a.m. at Immaculate Heart of Mary

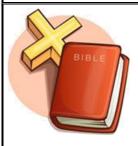
These workshops are for ministers, both current and new, from all four of our churches.



**Did you know?** Isaiah's vision of the coming day of God reveals a world turned upside down – a world of the unexpected and surprising. In the presence of the divine, anything needed is provided, anything broken is made whole. The laws of nature created by God are suspended when God comes in glory and the healing stories demonstrate Jesus' mastery even over the limits of the human body bringing his people from brokenness to wholeness. God also has control over economic and social

injustices and a society that allows the social injustices will be unsettled and changed at the coming day of God. Just as God heals our broken bodies, God will heal the broken relationships caused by the unjust uses of wealth. For those who define themselves by their wealth and the privilege it buys them, it will be a painful transofrmation. SourceBook 2021, Pg 320

## **RCIA - Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults**



When people asked Jesus about His way of life, He told them to "**come and see**" (John 1:38-39). He taught these followers His way of life through stories, teachings, questions, and experiences. He gave them opportunities to commit themselves to Him more deeply until they could say with St. Paul, "the life I live now is not my own; Christ lives in me" (Galatians 2:20). The early Church followed Jesus' example, inviting inquirers to "**come and see**", teaching them and leading them through stages of commitment to a new life in Christ. This is RCIA, the process of initiation used by Jesus and by the early Church, adapted to meet today's needs.

**RCIA** stands for "**Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults**". RCIA requires a modest commitment in time, but we think you will find the process a lot easier than you might expect. In addition, we have found that everyone who becomes involved, young or old, finds it to be a wonderful experience.

#### An invitation is extended to...

- those who are **unbaptized**, adults and children, ages 7 and up
- those **baptized** in the Catholic Church, but have not received the sacraments of Eucharist and/or Confirmation
- those **baptized** in another Christian Church, who have had little to no faith development and are interested in learning more about the Catholic Church

We generally meet every two weeks on **Sunday** evenings from **6:30-8:00 p.m.** for sharing, teaching, and questions. RCIA helps a person become acquainted with the liturgical life of the church and the faith community before making a commitment to the Church. You are welcome to join us at any time throughout the year.

#### To find out more, please contact the parish office at 386-6178.

## Third Sunday of the Season of Creation 2022



**Listen to the Voice of Creation SEASON OF CREATION 2022** The climate is a common good, belonging to all and meant for all. At the global level, it is a complex system linked to many of the essential conditions for human life. Exposure to atmospheric pollutants produces a broad spectrum of health hazards, especially for the poor. Industrial waste and chemical products can lead to bioaccumulation in the organisms of the local population. Pope Francis, Laudato Si'

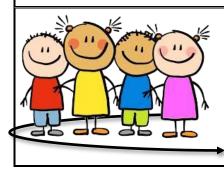
The Burning Bush

## Listen to the Voice of the Right for a Healthy Environment

- > All humans have basic needs, including clean air, clean water, clean soil, and a liveable climate.
- All humans have the fundamental right to freedom, equality, and adequate conditions of life, in an environment of a quality that permits a life of dignity and well- being.
- In October 2021, the UN passed a resolution recognizing that a clean, healthy, and sustainable environment is a universal human right.
- Environmental degradation disproportionately affects the poor, women and girls, indigenous peoples, persons with disabilities, and children, among others.
- In Canada, Indigenous people and other marginalized communities are far more likely to be the site of high-risk industry activity or a waste dump, than a non-racialized one, and certainly not one that is affluent.
- Polluting factories near a neighborhood populated by minorities, lack of clean water in Aboriginal communities, high levels of air pollution in a First Nations community these are not random. This is environmental racism, say experts.



## Attention Parents of any children of Catechetical age: Catechism is underway.



Formal catechism in our St. Elizabeth of the Trinity Parish Grouping has begun for all children who will be six years old before December 31<sup>st</sup> of this year. We use a "Parent Coaching Model" where parents/guardians and child come to catechism and sit at a table together. A Coaching Catechist leads the parents through each session so that the parent is, in fact, the Catechist for the child!

If you haven't registered your child, please contact the Catechism office at 387-4198 or email Karen at catechism.set@gmail.com



The Prayer Shawl Committee (knitters and crocheters extraordinaire!) will meet at the Dan Bohan Centre on Tuesday, September 27<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 a.m. Bring your shawls, your

## **Knights of Columbus**



yarn and your smiles, for a morning of sharing, prayer and fellowship!

## **COATS FOR KIDS**

**Coats for Kids** is a joint project between the Knights of Columbus Council 9270 and our parish grouping's Social Action Committee, where we work together to buy new winter coats in bulk and then donate them to Moncton Headstart!

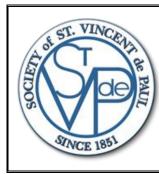
These are the ways that you can be part of the 'Coats for Kids' effort:

Place your donation in the collection basket in an envelope marked 'COATS'. (To make sure you get your income tax receipt, be sure to include your name and/or envelope number.)



\$300.00

- Drop by the parish office with your donation.
- Gently used children's coats can be brought to the parish office for pick-up!



#### St. Augustine's - St. Vincent de Paul Society **Mini Flea Market & Clothing Sale** Saturday, October 1<sup>st</sup> – 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon (113 Norwood Ave, side Door to Basement)

Please note: Masking is required and due to our small spaces, there may be a limit on number of people on the premises at one time, there will be a maximum of 25 minutes shopping time per customer. We promise the best prices in town! Your support will help us to help the needy of our community.

## Harvest House is hoping that you will be able to help them with their very low coffee supply!

When doing groceries, if you could pick up an extra **can of ground coffee** and/or **skim milk power**, to donate, please drop it into the blue bin in the foyer of Immaculate Heart of Mary Church. (Important - they cannot use the Keurig pods.)

Thank you all!

## **Immaculate Heart of Mary Church**

## We're having a Quilt Raffle with all proceeds going to IHMC!



There are two gorgeous quilts being raffled off – one sweet little bear quilt would be perfect to snuggle up with baby, while another with little blue elephants would fit wonderfully on a double bed.

> Please look for a couple of wonderful volunteers selling tickets before and after Mass each week throughout the month of September. Thank you always, for your support.

> > Draw will be at Mass on Sunday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>!

## **Holy Family Church**



Anyone interested in joining the **Holy Family Choir** is more than welcome! We'd love to have you and we practice on Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.

Please plan to join us!



We want to take this opportunity to say thank you to everyone who brought in school supplies!! Everything has been delivered to local schools and the teachers and principals were very grateful.



Nicely done people!!

## **Holy Ghost Church**

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Congratulations to the August winner of the 50/50 draw, Jim Campbell!

Jim is now \$48 richer! 😊

The St. Joseph Missal for 2022-23 has arrived and will, again, be \$5.00.

(The complete readings and prayers for all the Masses celebrated on the Sundays and Holydays of the Church Year.)



The Parish Envelopes have also arrived and will be available soon to pick up. Anyone that does not have an envelope number, may pick one up as there are extra boxes, but please ensure that you put your name and full address on the initial envelope. Thank you.



Fall Fundraiser – Tickets are now being sold to win a wonderful assortment of gift cards valued at \$300 total! Buy your tickets at Holy Ghost before and after Mass, and we'll also have some at the parish office.
Tickets are \$2 each or 3 for \$5 and this fabulous prize will be drawn at Mass on

October 15<sup>th</sup>! Good luck everyone and thank you for your support.



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Mondays @ The Movies - Monday @ The Movies is a group that meets regularly to discuss faith connections in popular movies. Our next movie discussion will take place on Zoom on Monday, September 26<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 a.m. when we will talk about the (2004) independent comedy, *Napoleon Dynamite*. For more information or to register, contact Karen.



Faith Experiments Express - Children in grades 1 through 6 are invited back to Faith Experiments Express where we use science experiments to teach about God and Scripture. Sessions are conducted via Zoom and our first session will take place on Monday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:00 p.m. For more information, contact Karen.

## Sacramental Preparation Committee Meeting

The committee working on sacramental preparation will meet again on Wednesday, October 5<sup>th</sup> at 2:30 p.m. at Immaculate Heart of Mary in Riverview.

## Atlantic Catechetical Association / Atlantic Association of Catholic Youth Ministers AGM

The Atlantic Catechetical Association will hold its Annual General Meeting from October 11<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup>, hosted in Prince Edward Island by the Diocese of Charlottetown. The Atlantic Association of Catholic Youth Ministers will also hold its AGM at this time.

### Parish Catechetical Coordinators

The next meeting of the Parish Catechetical Coordinators will take place on Thursday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:00 p.m. at Immaculate Heart of Mary (5 Fatima Drive).



**Grocery cards** are available at the Parish Office Monday to Friday 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and also in the foyer of Immaculate Heart of Mary before and after Mass.

• Superstore (\$50 and \$100 cards) can be used at all Loblaw stores including Superstore, No Frills, Independent Grocer, Save Easy, and Wholesale Club.

• Sobeys (\$25, \$50 and \$100 cards) can be used at Sobeys, IGA, Foodland, Lawton's, Needs and more!

Thank you to all who support this wonderful fundraiser!!

## Weekly Offerings for all Churches

## Peoples Park Tower (incl PADs)

Church Support \$200.00 (11); Loose \$29.00 Maintenance Fund \$10.00 (2)

## Holy Family (incl PADs)

Church Support \$578.00 (27); Loose \$92.00 Maintenance Fund 57.00 (4)

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

Church Support \$284.00 (11); Loose \$20.00

Holy Ghost Church (incl PADs)

Church Support \$215.00; Loose \$20.00 Fundraising tickets \$110.00

Social Action \$137.00 (8)

Immaculate Heart of Mary Church (incl PADs) Church Support \$3308.50 (91); Loose \$158.00 Property Upkeep \$320.50 (13) Special Donation for Youth \$250.00

