

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: 506- 882-1123

Immaculate Heart of Mary Church



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Riverview, NB E1B 2X8
Tel: 506- 386-6178

St. Jude's Church



3062 Main St
Salisbury, NB E4J 2L5
Tel: 506- 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.



Regular Mass Times

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

PLEASE NOTE:

Mass times change on Oct 1st St. Jude's 9:00am / Immaculate Heart of Mary 11:00am

Parish Office hours – Monday to Friday from 9 – 4 pm

To meet with Fr. Phil, please call the parish office at 506-386-6178

We pray for those who are awaiting or recovering from surgery, those receiving treatment, and those needing strength, including Bill Connor, Evan Hickey, Brodie Phaneuf, Kelly Campbell, Wyman Elderkin, Joseph Elderkin and Lowell Brine.

We also remember those who have died. Barb Brown

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sept 17th, 2023



Daily Readings – September 18th to September 24th, 2023

<i>Monday</i>	1 Timothy 2.1-7	Luke 7.1-10
<i>Tuesday</i>	1 Timothy 3.1-13	Luke 7.11-17
<i>Wednesday</i>	1 Timothy 3.14-16	Luke 7.31-35
<i>Thursday</i>	Ephesians 4.1-7,11-13	Matthew 9.9-13
<i>Friday</i>	1 Timothy 6.2-12	Luke 8.1-3
<i>Saturday</i>	1 Timothy 6.13-16	Luke 8.4-15
<i>Sunday</i>	Isaiah 55.6-9	Philippians 1.20-24,27
		Matthew 20.1-16

Liturgies for Weeks –September 15th -September 24th 2023

Peoples Park Tower		
Friday, Sept 15 th	2:00 p.m.	Jean Paul LeBlanc – Marie Claire Belliveau
Friday, Sept 22 nd	2:00 p.m.	For the People
Holy Ghost Church		
Saturday, Sept 16 th	4:00 p.m.	For the People
Saturday, Sept 23 rd	4:00 p.m.	Kenny Dailey – Teresa O'Hara
Holy Family Church		
Saturday, Sept 16 th	7:00 p.m.	Robert Comeau – Annette Comeau
Saturday, Sept 23 rd	7:00 p.m.	Maureen Murphy – Daughter Nancy Murphy
St. Jude's Church		
Sunday, Sept 17 th	8:30 a.m.	Margaret Mechefske- her sister, Helen Hobley
Sunday, Sept 24 th	8:30 a.m.	Kim LeBlanc (special intention) -Carol Ann Driesbeck
Immaculate Heart of Mary		
Sunday, Sept 17 th	10:30 a.m.	Thomas Roy(Anniv)- Ken & Camelle Cochrane
Wednesday, Sept 20 th	9:30 a.m.	Sebastien Michaud - A Parishioner
Sunday, Sept 24 th	10:30 a.m.	Dave Robinson (Anniv)-Lisette Robinson



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)

Items required at this time, toothpaste, men's and women's deodorant, cakes of soap, drinking juice boxes, puddings, toilet paper and cleaning supplies.

St. Jude's (Salisbury Helping Hands Food Bank) – With back to school coming upon us we could use some items like pencils, scribbles, markers, backpacks, and snacks for kids (like pudding, Jello cups, crackers, and juice packs and raisin boxes). Thank you for your generosity.



Did you know? Our own prayer, fasting and almsgiving should be done only for God to see because they express and strengthen our relationship with Him. We give alms as a symbol of all that God has given us. We fast because we hunger for God, and we don't look gloomy about it because we aren't gloomy! We are living for God. (p. 108, SB 2023)

Cathy Kennedy Lending Library

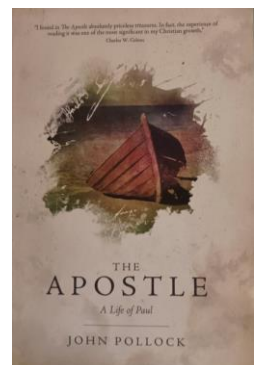
"Love the Lord your God with all your mind."



The Apostle – A Life of Paul by John Pollock (Saints)

I know we have biographies on Saint Paul already, however, this book is so easily read (via language and double-spacing) and thoroughly informative, it feels as if we are along on the journey he took during his formation and ministry. I personally struggle to keep attention to more daunting essays on biblical subjects - this gem

gathered my attention quite easily. It will be on the shelf and sometime this winter, I shall curl up with tea and slowly read it through myself. I am intrigued. -- *Colleen*



Exploring Our Faith

Forgiveness – The Pathway to Peace

“Forgive your neighbour the wrong that is done, and then your sins will be pardoned when you pray.”

This quote taken from our First Reading this week from the book of Sirach might be the easiest piece of Scripture to understand, and yet maybe the hardest to live. Simply put, if we expect to be forgiven by God, then we also need to forgive. So, let's look at the dictionary definition of forgiveness: *“to cease to feel resentment against (an offender)”* or *“to give up resentment of or claim to requital.”* Sounds very clinical. In comparison, let's look at the biblical definition of forgiveness: *“Forgiveness itself is defined as the **letting go of sin**. In the Bible, this includes forgiving everyone, every time, of everything, as an act of obedience and gratefulness to God.”* I am beginning to understand why this is so hard to live.

Let's talk about forgiveness as it plays out in our day-to-day lives.

I think we can all agree that God loves and forgives us, but how do we exercise forgiveness in our lives?

- Are there things in your personal relationships that you would call unforgiveable?
- Does true forgiving require forgetting? If not, is that how we see God's forgiveness toward us?
- Does someone who did not hurt us directly require our forgiveness? (Perhaps have sinned against the greater community but not us directly).
- Do we hold people in their sin? Are they always that person?
- Is forgiveness possible on our own? (Without God's help)

My experience of the world recently, both secularly and in church life, is that we have little to no tolerance for people who do not live their lives as we believe they should. And since we can't tolerate, there is no chance we can ever accept people as they are. We seem to have set up our own criteria on what it means to be a good Christian, and if you don't measure up, we are quick to tell you that until you change your ways, there is no room for you here. And as personal experience in my own family has taught me, this extends to even those who are closest to us. This judgmentalism creates separation; separation creates isolation; and isolation creates resentment. And now the divide might be too big to overcome.

I do not believe that this is God's plan for us. God created us out of love to be love for one another. Forgiveness is the ultimate sign of love. I had a friend tell me years ago that you won't have true peace until you have given and received forgiveness. And after all, isn't true peace what we are all seeking?

Mark Mahoney
Pastoral Associate

Immaculate Heart of Mary Church



Harvest Breakfast hosted by the **Knights of Columbus**
Saturday, September 23 from **9-11 a.m.**

at the Dan Bohan Family Centre

\$10.00 per person. Pay at the door.

To reserve your ticket please call

Brian 506-872-0931 or email bhope1012@hotmail.com or
John Coughlan 506-386-5451 or email coughl51@bellalient.net



PARISH COUNCIL Due to Covid-19 and other factors, we have not been able to hold parish council elections since 2018 and the term of service for many of our members has expired. We currently have 6 council members who are leaving, and we need new members. If you can think of anyone in the parish who you feel would be a good fit for this ministry, you can submit their name to the office, and I will reach out to them to provide information as to what would be expected from them as a member of council and to gauge their interest. They will not be told who submitted their name. You can also submit your own name if this is a ministry in which you feel called to serve. We would like to have

names submitted by Friday, September 22nd and if we have more than 6 names we can hold elections on Sunday, October 1st. This would allow the new council to begin meeting shortly after Thanksgiving. We thank you in advance for your prayerful consideration of this ministry. - *Mark Mahoney (Pastoral Associate)*



IHM Ladies Society Lunch Club

The ladies meeting for lunch on Thursday Sept 21st at noon for their monthly luncheon
IS CANCELLED !! due to a funeral.

Fundraiser Raffle Draw

Fundraising

Tickets on sale at the parish office, and before and after Mass.

Draw date Oct 18th

Prizes include a pearl necklace set, quilts and much more.

Funds raised will help with building maintenance and repairs.

Good luck everyone and thank you for your support!



Prayer Shawl Ministry (knitters and crocheters extraordinaire!) will meet at the Dan Bohan Centre on Tuesday, September 26th at 10:30 a.m. Bring your shawls, your yarn, and your smiles, for a morning of sharing, prayer, and fellowship!



Wednesday Prayer Day Prayer Day will resume at Immaculate Heart of Mary this coming Wednesday, September 20th. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament begins immediately following 9:30 mass and goes until 4 o'clock. If you can commit an hour of your time to spend with our Lord either weekly or incrementally, please call the office and submit your name. This information will be given to our coordinator who will be in touch. Thank you for your prayerful consideration.



Looking for a volunteer to make coffee Sundays after mass at IMH for

- Oct 22nd
- Nov 26th
- Dec 31st

Your help would be much appreciated!
Please let Debbie know if you can offer your help.

Holy Family Church

Line dance classes will be starting up on September 21st - all welcome!
Classes will be held on Thursdays at Holy Family Church Hall - 5:00-7:00 p.m.

*A big thank you to all who donated school supplies.
The staff and principal were pleased to receive them!*

Holy Family Church is seeking a part-time caretaker (10-15 hours/week). Duties include cleaning the church, the hall, the classrooms, and the bathrooms as well as yard maintenance. Equipment and supplies are provided. For a copy of the position description, or to submit your resumé, please contact Anne Marcoux at the parish office or email annemarcoux.set@gmail.com. Deadline for applications is Wednesday, Sep 27.



Holy Family Kitchen Party – Thursday, September 28
Enjoy a spaghetti dinner and dessert followed by an evening of entertainment
by Ivan & Vivian Hicks, Laurie & Fernande Belliveau, and more!

Doors open at 4:30

Advance tickets only - \$15 each – available at the parish office
or by calling Marian Albert (506 830 1909)

Faithful Giving We are the church together and our call is to live an abundant life in the Spirit, to live the Gospel message, giving generously of ourselves and our gifts. September is a time of new beginnings, a fresh season, full of possibilities. Please prayerfully consider where the Spirit is calling you and give from your gratitude and abundance. Your contributions of time and money make the work of our parish possible! Thank you for all you do to secure the life and work of our church. If you would like to request a box of envelopes, or wish to start donating by PAD, please reach out to Anne at the parish office.

Weekly Offerings for all Churches including PADs

Peoples Park Tower

Church Support \$225.00(13); Loose \$26.00
Maintenance Fund \$5.00(1)

Holy Family Church

Church Support \$890.00(15); Loose \$221.00
Maintenance Fund \$45.00(1)

St. Jude's Church

Church Support \$481.00(14)
Loose \$60.00

Holy Ghost Church

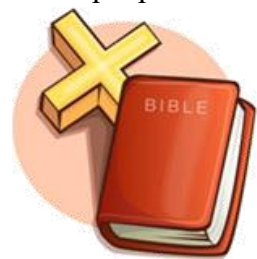
Sept 2nd Env- \$322.00
Sept 9th Env- \$165.00
Loose \$20.00
PAD for Aug \$280.00

Immaculate Heart of Mary

Church Support \$2,341.00 (81); Loose \$363.00
Property Upkeep \$33.00(4)
Youth \$10.00(1)
Social Action 40.00(5)

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.

BEING PRESENT: CAREGIVERS AND THE PEOPLE THEY CARE FOR



The Committee Looking at End of Life Pastoral Care will re-offer a session designed for those who provide care to the sick / infirm, facilitated by Louise Ongo of Immaculate Conception Parish in Rexton. **The session will take place on Thursday, September 28th at St. Bernard’s Church (43 Botsford Street) in Moncton, from 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm.**

Contact Trevor at 857-4879 or trevord.diocese@gmail.com to register, or register online by going to www.diomoncton.ca → **Adult Faith** → **Formation Opportunities** and click on the poster for “Being Present.”



NB Right to Life Fundraising Dinner (Moncton Chapter) – Hosted by Knights of Columbus Council 92700 on **Sunday October 15th, 2023, at 5:00 p.m.** at the Dan Bohan Centre, 5 Fatima Drive Riverview. Guest speaker: Father Carlos Jacinto - **Cost: 25\$**. Tickets available at **parish offices of Immaculate Heart of Mary, Saint Bernard’s, and Saint Augustine’s**. Info.: Lise (506 854-4209) Diane (506 387-7377) Karl (506 229-0740)



ARCHDIOCESE OF MONCTON
Office for Evangelization and Catechesis

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trevord.diocese@gmail.com

Karen LeBlanc 506 - 387- 4198 or karen.diocese@gmail.com

"THE WAY OF BEAUTY" WEBINARS In September 2023, the CCCB Office for Evangelization and Catechesis will host a webinar series, titled "The Way of Beauty" inviting leaders of catechesis and evangelization to reflect on the way of beauty and its powerful witness in the life of the Church.

The three sessions of "The Way of Beauty" webinar series will be:

- "*Beauty and Catechesis*" — Dr. Jem Sullivan
Thursday 7 September from 1:00-2:30 pm EDT
- "*Beauty and Evangelization*" — Mr. David Dayler
Thursday 14 September from 1:00-2:30 pm EDT
- "*Beauty and Liturgy*" — Fr. Paul Massel
Thursday 21 September from 1:00-2:30 pm EDT



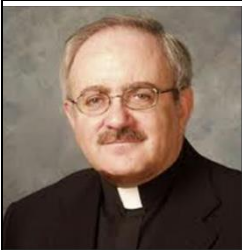
A Commemorative Service for patients deceased at the Stella-Maris-de-Kent Hospital during 2022 will be held on Sunday, September 17 at 2:00 p.m. at the Sainte-Anne Church (7611 Route 134, Sainte-Anne-de-Kent). Family members and friends are welcome. To remember the deceased is to pray for them and with them, to hope and believe that they have entered the life of God.



JOB POSTING- FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATOR (24 TO 35) HOURS PER WEEK:

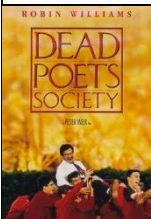
The Archdiocese of Moncton is seeking a Financial Administrator. Interested candidates must demonstrate financial management, project management, decision-making skills and be bilingual. Candidates may submit their CV to the Archdiocese of Moncton reception office, 224 St-George Street, Moncton, to the attention of Mgr Valéry Vienneau, no later than September

5, 2023. A job description is available at annettel.diocese@gmail.com



ALL THE FAITHFUL of the Archdiocesan Church are invited to a celebration of thanksgiving in honour of Msgr Valéry Vienneau who will be retiring after eleven years serving the Archdiocese of Moncton. To mark his departure, a Mass of Thanksgiving will be celebrated at Our Lady of the Assumption Cathedral on Sunday, September 24th at 2:00 pm, followed by a reception in the community hall on the lower level of the Cathedral. May there be many gathered to wish Msgr Vienneau well upon his departure and we encourage everyone to offer their own personal good wishes (a card, handshake, etc.,) to a Pastor who has tirelessly served the faithful of the diocese. **WE HOPE TO SEE YOU ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24th!**

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MONDAYS @ THE MOVIES Our next film discussion will take place on Monday, October 2nd at 2:00 pm via Zoom. We will be discussing the 1989 film Dead Poets Society, starring Robin Williams. Mondays @ The Movies is a film discussion group designed to spark conversation about issues of faith and spirituality found in popular films. Please contact Trevor at 857-4879 or trevord.diocese@gmail.com if you are interested.

Upcoming Meeting: September 20th, 2023 @ 1:00 pm – Youth Faith Commission (Zoom)

Employment Opportunity (Full Time) Parish Administrator Assistant Our Lady of Hope Pastoral Grouping (Immaculate Conception, St. Peter's) is seeking qualified candidates for full -time Parish Administrative Assistant (flexible hours) The successful candidate will be responsible for office admin as well as care taking responsibilities for the church and hall buildings as well as cemetery grounds. Salary \$18.00 /hour Please submit resume to: Fr. Bernard Gauthier, CSs.R. Immaculate Conception Parish Office ,12 School Street Rexton, NB E4W 2E5 icprexton@rogers.com



ON CARE FOR OUR COMMON HOME

LAUDATO SI'

"Praise be to you, my Lord."

"LAUDATO SI', mi' Signore" – "Praise be to you, my Lord." These are the words that open Pope Francis' encyclical on ecology and care for God's creation. These words, quoting St. Francis of Assisi's beautiful canticle, remind us that our common home is like a sister with whom we share our life and a beautiful mother who opens her arms to embrace us.

Pope Francis' encyclical letter [*Laudato Si'*](#) was released in June 2015. Five years later, in 2020, Pope Francis invited all Catholics and people of good will to celebrate its fifth anniversary by protecting families and future generations through action to care for our common home. Here are themes that Pope Francis highlighted in *Laudato Si'* which require our urgent response today.

- **A Moral and Spiritual Challenge.** The ecological crisis, Pope Francis writes, is a summons to profound interior conversion—to renew our relationships with God, one another, and the created world.
- **Care for God's Creation.** God created the world and entrusted it to us as a gift. Now we have the responsibility to care for and protect it and all people, who are part of creation. Protecting human dignity is strongly linked to care for creation.
- **We are All Connected.** We are connected to the rest of the human family, to the created world, and to those who will come after us in future generations.
- **Impact on the Poor.** People in poverty have contributed least to climate change, yet they are disproportionately impacted by it. As a result of excessive use of natural resource by wealthy nations, those who are poor experience pollution, lack of access to clean water, hunger, and more.
- **Called to Solidarity.** We are one human family and have a shared responsibility for others and for creation. Wealthy countries have a responsibility to reduce consumption of non-renewal resources and should help poorer nations develop in sustainable ways.
- **Technological and economic development** must serve human beings and enhance human dignity, instead of creating an economy of exclusion, so that all people have access to what is needed for authentic human development.
- **Supporting Life, Protecting Creation.** Concern for nature is incompatible with failure to protect vulnerable human beings, such as unborn children, people with disabilities, or victims of human trafficking.
- **A Time to Act.** Pope Francis calls for a change in lifestyle and consumption. We can make important changes as individuals, families, and communities, and as civil and political leaders.
- **Hope and Joy.** "Injustice is not invincible" (no. 74) and we act knowing that we seek to live out God's vision of renewed relationships with God, ourselves, one another, and creation.

How You Can Respond

Each of us are called to take concrete steps – from reducing consumption to working for political change – to better care for creation. Here are some ideas.

1. **Become more aware of our connectedness.** Care for one another and creation includes understanding that “everything is connected” (no. 91) and that the economy, politics, community involvement, and technology all affect the future of the planet and humankind. How can we become more aware of our connectedness?
2. **Changes to lifestyle and consumption habits can make a big difference.** For example, get a re-usable water bottle, take shorter showers, walk, bike or take public transportation instead of driving, recycle, compost food waste, and buy energy efficient appliances.
3. **Make changes institutionally at your parish, school, or workplace.** For example, start recycling and composting, use washable dinnerware in cafeterias, share electronically instead of printing, do an energy audit, and install solar panels.
4. **Support local efforts to solve environmental problems.** Community groups around the country are working to make city, county, and state-wide changes that can make a big difference. Find out what is going on locally and get involved.
5. **Contact your members of Congress** to share Pope Francis’ message and urge action to address climate change.

Prayer

Triune Lord, wondrous community of infinite love,
teach us to contemplate you
in the beauty of the universe,
for all things speak of you.
Awaken our praise and thankfulness
for every being that you have made.
Give us the grace to feel profoundly joined
to everything that is.

God of love, show us our place in this world
as channels of your love
for all the creatures of this earth,
for not one of them is forgotten in your sight.

Enlighten those who possess power and money
that they may avoid the sin of indifference,
that they may love the common good,
advance the weak, and care for this world in
which we live.

The poor and the earth are crying out.
O Lord, seize us with your power and light,
help us to protect all life,
to prepare for a better future,
for the coming of your Kingdom
of justice, peace, love and beauty.
Praise be to you!
Amen.

Excerpted from “A Christian prayer in union with creation,”
in *Laudato Si’*, no. 246

For More Information

- U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops webpage on Environment and Environmental Justice (www.usccb.org/environment)
- Catholic Climate Covenant (www.catholicclimatecovenant.org)
- WeAreSaltAndLight.org



Department of Justice, Peace
and Human Development