St Elizabeth of the Trinity Parish Grouping November 19th - 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Holy Family Church



52 Falkland St Moncton, NB E1E 4S8 Tel: 506- 854-6099 Saturdays at 7 p.m.

Holy Ghost Church



2 Church St Riverside-Albert, NB E4H 3W8 Tel: 506- 882-1123 Saturdays at 4 p.m.

Immaculate Heart of Mary Church



Riverview, NB E1B 2X8 Tel: 506- 386-6178 Sundays at 11 a.m. Wednesday at 9:30 a.m.

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St. Jude's Church



3062 Main St Salisbury, NB E4J 2L5 Tel: 506- 386-6178 Sundays at 9 a.m.



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.

Welcome to our parish grouping! If you are new to any of our churches, please reach out to the parish office to find out more about the life and work of our parishes!

Staff Directory

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

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To meet with Fr. Phil, please call the parish office.

We pray for the sick, and those who are awaiting or recovering from surgery, those receiving treatment, and those needing strength including

Cecile Albert (sister of Samual Albert and Louise Lutes), Lowell Brine, Dawn Warren (sister of Arlene Burlock), Margie Barter (sister of Brenda McNally), Nick LeBlanc (grandson of Louie & Ricki LeBlanc), and Mervin Jay (friend of Debbie & Harvey Brideau).

We also pray for those who have died. And for those who mourn the loss of a loved one.



Daily Readings for November 20– 26, 2023					
Monday	Maccabees 1.10-15,41-43,54-57,62-64			Luke 18.35-43	
Tuesday	Maccabees 6.18-31		Luke 19.1-10		
Wednesday	Maccabees 7.1,20-31		Luke 19.11-28		
Thursday	Maccabees 2.15-29		Luke 19.41-44		
Friday	Maccabees 4.36-37,52-59		Luke 19.45-48		
Saturday	Maccabees 601-13		Luke 20.27-40		
Sunday	Ezekiel 34.11-12,15-17	1 Corinthians 15.20-	-26,28	Matthew 25.31-46	
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2024 St Joseph Missals are available at the parish office \$7.00 each

Upcoming Liturgies for 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time					
Wed, Nov 22 nd	Immaculate Heart	9:30 a.m.	Cyrille Pelletier (Anniv) - sister, Lisette Robinson		
Friday, Nov 24 th	People's Park Tower	2:00 p.m.	Melina & Anita – Janet Gordon		
Saturday, Nov 25 th	Holy Ghost	4:00 p.m.	For The People		
Saturday, Nov 25 th	Holy Family	7:00 p.m.	Christopher "Christy" Swords - Marie Gill-McGee		
Sunday, Nov 26th	St Jude's	9:00 a.m.	In Honor of St. Jude- for favors obtained		
Sunday, Nov 26 th	Immaculate Heart	11:00 a.m.	Barry Clowater (Anniv) - Knights of Columbus		



Did you know?

Who do you belong to? We belong to our families, our schools, our teams, our communities, and our parishes. But we also belong to God -first and foremost. We are children of God. And as God's children, we must actively do the work of God every day. Opening our hearts and minds to God's Word is one good way to do this. (p. 141, SB 2023)

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Upcoming Meetings and Events

Are you interested in joining a parish activity? Or seeking a faith formation time? Please see below for a list of upcoming meetings and events

DATE	LOCATION		
Sun, Nov 19	IHMC	RCIA – 6:30-8 pm Please call Mark for more info	
Man Nau 20	Holy Family	Defibrillator Training at 2 pm-Maureen Dennis-LeBlanc will be the	
Mon, Nov 20		instructor, please call office if you plan to attend.	
Mon, Nov 20	Holy Family	Prayer Group gathers at 6:30 p.m.	
Mon, Nov 20	IHMC	Choir practice at 6:30 pm – new members welcome!	
Mon, Nov 20	IHMC	Diocesan Parish Catechetical Coordinators at 6:30 pm	
Tues, Nov 21	Dan Bohan	Prayer Shawl Ministry meets at 10:30 a.m. Knitters welcome!	
Tues, Nov 21	IHMC	Catechism (Years 4, 5,6) at 6:30 pm	
Tues, Nov 21	St Jude's	LPC meets at 6:30 pm at the church	
Tues, Nov 21	Holy Family	Choir practice at 7 pm	
Wed, Nov 22	IHMC	Prayer Day following mass until 4 pm	
Wed, Nov 22	IHMC	Catechism (Years 4, 5,6) at 6:30 pm	
Thurs, Nov 23	IHMC	Diocesan Sacramental Preparation Committee at 2:30 pm	
Thurs, Nov 23	Holy Family	LPC Meeting @6:30 in the double room.	
Fri, Nov 24	IHMC	Finance Committee at 9 a.m.	
Sat, Nov 25	Broadleaf Guest Ra	nch Diocesan Advent Retreat (9-12) with Craig Murphy	
Sun, Nov 26	IHMC	Team Meeting for A Night in Bethlehem at 12 noon	
Sun, Nov 26	Holy Family	Mass in Italian at 4 p.m. Fr LeBlanc presiding	
Mon, Nov 27	ONLINE	Advent at the Movies! '1917' (2 pm) Contact Karen for more info	
Sun, Dec 3	Dan Bohan	Family Advent Wreath making after mass / register with Karen	
Thurs Dog 7	Holy Family	Seniors Connect at 10:30 a.m.	
Thurs, Dec 7		Christmas Carols and Music followed by refreshments	
Fri, Dec 8	IHMC	A Night in Bethlehem FAMILY EVENT – call Karen for more info	



Welcome Home!

by Various(Biographies and Journals)

As the cover says, Stories of Fallen-Away Catholics Who Came Back!
Personal formation stories are always surprising and inspiring.
We each tread a winding path to the table within our community of aspiring disciples.



Colleen.

Immaculate Heart of Mary

ADVENT WREATH MAKING!

When: Sunday, December 3rd Where: The Dan Bohan Centre

When: 12:15 p.m. (right after Mass) The cost is \$5.00 per wreath

IT'S A GREAT FAMILY ACTIVITY!

Please register with Karen at 387-4198 or by email at catechism.set@gmail.com

Coats for Kids Fundraiser

This year there is a great need for children's coats in our parish unit. Unique, hand-tied, broach pins and lapel pins are available, \$10.00 each, before and after mass the 12th and the 19th of November. Three pins will buy one winter coat. Please support this Knights of Columbus cause. Thank you!



The IHM Ladies Society will be meeting (please note the time!)

Tuesday, December 7th at 6:00 p.m. in the Dan Bohan Centre for our annual potluck!

Reminder ladies we are having our annual potluck and bringing gifts for Harvest House! 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. Other

suggestions are hand warmers, hats, mittens or gloves, socks, scarves, nail files, nail clippers, makeup for the ladies, shampoo, deodorant, razors. Please don't put whatever you bring into stockings or gift bags, rather, bring your contributions loose and unwrapped. *Thank you all!*



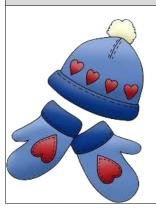
Donations for Coats for Kids

Immaculate Heart of Mary Church (Foyer)
We are collecting new or gently used winter wear
(e.g., coats, snow pants, mittens, gloves, hats, scarves)
for children and adults.

We are accepting donations until December 3rd



Holy Family Church



The "Box for Mittens"

is a traditional Holy Family 'Advent' project and again this year,
we welcome donations of mittens, hats and scarves!
The collection box will be out next weekend Nov 25th and will remain there until December 9th, after which time the donations will be given to the local schools.
Each year we've done this project, the schools have been truly grateful.

Thank you for your support!

Holy Ghost



Holy Ghost Fundraiser -

1st prize \$300.00 Gift Card collection we will also have a 2nd and 3rd prize with this draw.

Tickets are \$2.00 each or 3/\$5.00.

Draw date December 16th following mass.



Sincere sympathy goes out to James and Audrey Campbell on the recent death of daughter in law Kelly Campbell, to her husband Scott and family we will continue to keep you in prayer as you journey these days of saying a final goodbye and know she is at rest in the arms of Jesus.



Faithful Giving: Here we are, mid-November – have you been able to meet your goals for sharing your gifts with the church? If you would like to know how much you have offered to the church this year (to date), give Anne a call at the parish office. Looking ahead to 2024, offering envelopes will be available on Nov 25/26. Would you like to start using offering envelopes? Call Anne – we still have boxes for 2023 available for you to use now. Interested in PAD donations? It's simple and secure – Call Anne for more information.

People's Park Tower: Church Support \$180 00(11), Maintenance Fund \$5 00(1), Loose \$52.00, Heat \$90.00(5)

Holy Family: Church Support \$411.50 (19), Maintenance Fund \$47.50 (2), Loose \$167.00, Hear \$169.00 (11)

Holy Ghost: Nov 4&11Church Support,\$435.00 Loose-\$5.00Cemetery \$205.00 50/50 \$96.00 Donation \$40.00

Immaculate Heart of Mary: Church Support \$1,877.00 (72), Property Upkeep \$82 00(9), Youth \$46.00 (6), Social Action \$106.00 (8), Loose \$369.00 Coats \$375.00 Heat \$90.00 (5)

St Jude's: Church Support \$469.00 (13), Loose \$60.00 Heat \$195.00(9)



Please support the Food Banks in our area

House of Nazareth (Holy Family)
Albert County Food Bank (Immaculate Heart of Mary)
Salisbury Helping Hands (St Jude's)
Shepody Food Bank (Holy Ghost)

When shopping this week, if you are able, pick up coffee, tea, pasta, Peanut butter, and/or juice boxes and bring the items to mass with you!

Thank you for sharing with others.





Up on the Hill top, Chaplain's call...

Yes, the fine chaplaincy team at Dorchester Penitentiary (Medium and Minimum) are calling out and seeking folks who might consider being a volunteer from time to time at the chapel. There are monthly liturgies that take place with Fr. Phil Mulligan or Lay RC Chaplain Craig Murphy presiding where you could attend and bring a welcoming community presence. If interested in more information, please contact Craig Murphy at

<u>craig.murphy@bridgesofcanada.com.</u> Thanks for considering, Craig!



Albert County Christmas Aid Phone lines for the Albert County Christmas Aid will be open from

Monday, November 20^{th} to Friday, December 8^{th} Monday to Friday between the hours of 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM Please call 386-1771 to register your family. Have Medicare numbers for all those in the family registering. available when you call. For those wishing to visit Headstart Toyland, registration will be done online. Only one family per address can be registered. You can not register for another family.



Trevor Droesbeck – 506 857-4879 or trevord.diocese@gmail.com Karen LeBlanc – 506 387-4198 or karen.diocese@gmail.com



THEOLOGY ON TAP (MARK THE DATE!) Our next Theology on Tap will take place on Monday, December 18th at 6:30 pm at Five Bridges Pub in Riverview. Our guest speaker will be Maurise Levesque who will share with us talk entitled "Dealing with Loss in Death and Life: Common Misconceptions about Grief." Please register with Karen at 387-4198 or email karen.diocese@gmail.com

COP28 Matters - What would happen if the global temperature rose above 2 degrees?



"If the global temperature rises above 2 degrees, the ice caps of Greenland and a large part of Antarctica will melt completely, with immensely grave consequences for everyone." LD5

Let us pray,

'Dear God, as we give thanks for the beauty and wonder of creation, we pray that our leaders grasp the urgency expressed in the latest science. May they guide our

economic systems to reject dependence on fossil fuels and may all countries work together to stabilize global temperature rise. Amen'

A NIGHT IN BETHLEHEM All families are invited to attend a special interactive event at Immaculate Heart of Mary on Friday, December 8th at 6:00 pm. Families will be led through a journey similar to that of Mary and Joseph on the night Jesus was born. This is a collaborative effort between St. Elizabeth of the Trinity and the diocesan Office for Evangelization and Catechesis. Registration is required, so please contact Karen at 387-4198, karen.diocese@gmail.com.

SENIORS CONNECT - Welcome to Seniors Connect, a safe space for seniors to gather, socialize, learn about, and discuss issues related to aging in New Brunswick. Our next gathering will take place on December 7TH at 10:30 am at Holy Family Church, 52 Falkland Ave., Moncton. We will gather for some festive music and treats. Also bring your ideas of topics you would like to discuss. Questions? Contact Karen LeBlanc at 387-4198 or email karen.diocese@gmail.com

ADVENT @ THE MOVIES



We are excited to announce that again this year we will meet four times prior to Christmas to discuss Advent themes found in some of our favourite popular films.

All discussions will be held on Mondays at 2:00 pm via Zoom.

November 27th at 2:00 pm we will be discussing the 2019 film **1917**December 4th: *Citizen Kane*; December 11th: *Frozen;*and December 18th: *The Polar Express*.

Mondays @ The Movies is a film discussion group designed to spark conversation about issues of faith and spirituality found in popular films.

Please contact Karen at 506 387-4198 or karen.diocese@gmail.com if you are interested.





Mass of thanksgiving - In honour of Father Allison S. Carroll's Retirement Thursday, November 23, 2023, at 7 PM at St Bernard's Church.

All are invited to attend.

For those who wish to extend greetings, there will be a basket at the entrance of the church to drop them off in.

Thank you, Fr. Carroll for your care, love, and ministry to each of us. God bless you with His great peace, good health, and many happy years of retirement

Let's heed the cry of the Earth and the cry of the poor and let's act!



Pope Francis calls us to hear "the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor" (Laudato Si', 49). Yet, since 2015, the communities of Guapinol and the San Pedro sector have been trying in vain to be heard. In their struggle for justice, defenders are attacked, criminalized and even killed. Eight defenders were unjustly imprisoned for over two years, and three people have been murdered since January 2023."The Government of Honduras must act diligently and suspend these extractive activities, which are carried out illegally and with total disregard for the environment."

Elvin Hernández, human rights investigator, ERIC-Radio Progreso

Act now! Thank you to everyone who Signed the letter last week-end to the Honduran ambassador to Canada asking her government for protection, justice and reparation for environmental defenders and for Carlos Escaleras National Park (devp.org/act). If you haven't already done so, sheets are still available at the back of the church for you to sign.



Riverview Boys & Girls Club is looking for volunteers for the **breakfast program at West Riverview Elementary School.** Want to make a difference in your community? They would LOVE to have you join Matt in the mornings to help serve breakfast. If you are interested, contact Matt at matthayes@bgcriverview.com or 506-387-7070 ext. 4

Exploring our Faith

My reflections for this week's readings and gospel are focused on the First Reading from the book of Proverbs. The first reading talks about a woman who is valuable in many ways. She's trustworthy, hardworking, and caring. This isn't just about being a good wife, but also about being a strong individual. Her skills are practical; she can work "with wool and flax" and she helps the less fortunate. This paints a picture of a person who is balanced both in personal and communal responsibilities. The reading also mentions that real worth isn't just physical beauty or charm but moral and practical qualities.



It's not just about being a "worthy wife" but a woman of substance or valor. This makes the message relevant beyond marital context, but as an example of the strength a woman (wife, mother, friend) can portray. The theme in this reading, I think, is an invitation to live in such a way that we develop and make the best use of the talents, skills, abilities, and gifts God has given us. Pope Francis has stated that "God has given us so many good things, entrusting different talents to each of us. We possess a great wealth that depends not on what we possess but on what we are."

All too often, especially in these present times, we look at our lives and see only the things we lack. We then yield to the temptation to say " If only"--- if only I had that job; if

only I was pretty/handsome; if only I had that home; if only I had money and success, if only I didn't have this or that problem. These words "If only" prevent us from seeing the good all around us. They make us forget the talents we possess. You may not have "that" but you do have "this" just as the woman in this reading realized and developed.

The Book of Proverbs praises the woman who is rich in love, whose value is greater than that of pearls. I was able to experience this as I was growing up in my mother (whose name was Pearl incidentally). I knew she loved my father and my sister and me. She was a stay-at-home mom who trained as a nurse so would often be asked to look at someone in the neighbourhood that was sick to see if he/she needed to go to a doctor (back then you had to pay even to see a doctor). My sister and I had to straighten up our toys and she put on her red lipstick to be ready "for Daddy to come home from work". She gave us unconditional support as we made our way through high school and all its challenges. Then my father died suddenly (49 years old) and mom had to face many challenges. She learned how to drive a car (so she didn't have to depend on someone to take her places). She had to use her nursing skills and go to work. She didn't complain that because dad's pension wasn't enough to make a go of it and used her skills to make a good living and be a help as a nurse in a doctor's office. After she died at her wake, my sister and I heard many stories/examples of what type of woman, friend she was to so many. It made us realize that she indeed was the strong woman we thought she was. Hopefully, many of you can reflect on the reading from Proverbs and see your own example of a woman of strength, resiliency, love that the reading illustrates.

I read a poster once that said "A strong woman is both soft and powerful; she is both practical and spiritual. A strong woman in her essence is a gift to the world." Harold Macmillan, former prime minister of England wrote: "No man succeeds without a good woman behind him; wife or mother, or if it is both he is twice blessed indeed." So, fellow women, let us hope and strive to be like the woman in the first reading. Let us use the gifts, talents, abilities we have been given for the greater good.

Cathy Keirstead