

**St Elizabeth of the Trinity Parish Grouping  
January 7, 2024 - The Epiphany of the Lord**

Holy Family Church	Holy Ghost Church	Immaculate Heart of Mary Church	St. Jude's Church
			
52 Falkland St Moncton, NB E1E 4S8 Tel: 506- 854-6099 Saturdays at 7 p.m.	2 Church St Riverside-Albert, NB E4H 3W8 Tel: 506- 882-1123 Saturdays at 4 p.m.	5 Fatima Dr Riverview, NB E1B 2X8 Tel: 506- 386-6178 Sundays at 11 a.m. Wednesday at 9:30 a.m.	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 Wəlastəkwiyyik (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 Wəlastəkwiyyik 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**

**The parish office is open Monday to Friday from 9-4 pm.**

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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 for those who have died including Lowell Brine. and for those who mourn the loss of a loved one.**



*Daily Readings Jan 8<sup>th</sup> to Jan 14<sup>th</sup> ,2024*

<i>Monday</i>	Isaiah 42.1-4,6-7		Mark 1.7-11
<i>Tuesday</i>	1 Samuel 1.9-20		Mark 1.21-28
<i>Wednesday</i>	1 Samuel 3.1-10,19-20		Mark 1.29-39
<i>Thursday</i>	1 Samuel 4.1c-11		Mark 1.40-45
<i>Friday</i>	1 Samuel 8.4-7,10-22a		Mark 2.1-12
<i>Saturday</i>	1 Samuel 9.1-4, 17-19;10.1a		Mark 2.13-17
<i>Sunday</i>	1 Sameul 3.3b-10,19	1 Corinthians 6.13c-15a,17-20	John 1.35-42

## Upcoming Liturgies

Wed, Jan 10 <sup>th</sup>	Immaculate Heart	9:30 a.m.	Joe Gauvin -Lillian Gauvin & Family
Fri, Jan 12 <sup>th</sup>	People's Park Tower	2:00 p.m.	For the People
Sat, Jan 13 <sup>th</sup>	Holy Ghost	4:00 p.m.	Tracey Dowe-The late Clara Keirstead
Sat, Jan 13 <sup>th</sup>	Holy Family	7:00 p.m.	Special Intention – Laura Ross
Sun, Jan 14 <sup>th</sup>	St Jude's	9:00a.m.	George Holland- Mary Lamb & Family
Sun, Jan 14 <sup>th</sup>	Immaculate Heart	11:00 a.m.	Marcel, Albertine & Maurice LeCroix (Anniv) Monique LeCroix



**Did you know?** For many of us the spiritual life is one where we are searching for God, hoping that God will come out of hiding and talk to us, to notice us, to be present to us. Still we are invited to *fast*, not because God will appear, but with the faith that God is present even when we don't sense Him. Lent is an invitation to believe and know that God is watching even when we don't sense Him. (p. 108 SB 2023)

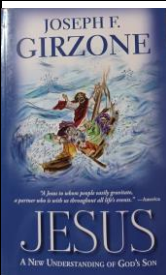
**MARK YOUR CALENDAR**

## 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	
<b>Mon Jan 8</b>	<b>Holy Family</b>	<b>Prayer Group-</b> gathers at 6:30 p.m.
<b>Mon Jan 8<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>IHM</b>	<b>Choir practice-</b> 6:30p.m
<b>Tues Jan 9<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>IHM</b>	<b>SET Catechism</b> – 6:30p.m. grade 4,5,6
<b>Tues Jan 9<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Holy Family</b>	<b>Choir practice-</b> 7:00p.m.Everyone welcome !
<b>Wed Jan 10<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>IHM</b>	<b>Prayer day</b> - following mass until 4 p.m.
<b>Wed Jan 10<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>IHM</b>	<b>SET Catechism</b> – 6:30 grade 4,5,6
<b>Thurs Jan 11</b>	<b>Dan Bohan</b>	<b>Seniors Connect</b> -gathering at 10:30 a.m.
<b>Mon Jan 15<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>IHM</b>	<b>Choir practice-</b> 6:30p.m

### St. Elizabeth of the Trinity



**JESUS: A New Understanding of God's Son** by Joseph F. Girzone (*Jesus, Mary, Joseph*)

“Joseph Girzone focuses us on the heart of the matter, the truth of the Gospel, and the revelations of the heart. People relate to his words, respond to his wisdom, read his books, and beg for more.” -- Catholic Times. *Colleen*

**Cathy Kennedy Lending Library**

“Love the Lord your God with all your mind.”



**During the month of January**, we are collecting the following items to assist with the breakfast service at **Harvest House**: powdered milk, cans of coffee, boxes of cereal, cereal bowls, and coffee mugs. If you have items to donate, bring them to the church on Sundays or during the week. This collection will end on **Sunday, January 28**. Thank you for sharing with others!



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)

Canned tomatoes, pasta, cereal, and juice drinks  
 and bring the items to mass with you! Thank you for sharing with others.

### Immaculate Heart of Mary



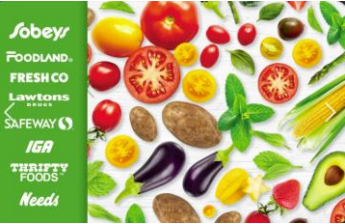
Riverview Winter Carnival's Chicken Luncheon is sponsored by our **IHM Ladies Society!**

Mark your calendar for **Saturday, February 10<sup>th</sup>**, and plan to be at the Dan Bohan Centre between 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.

The ladies are serving up their delicious Chicken a la king served on a tea biscuit with a side of coleslaw and cranberry sauce. Dessert will be a scrumptious serving of gingerbread drizzled with caramel sauce and topped off with whipped topping. The **Cost is \$12.00.**

**Call Pam Coughlan at 506-386-5451 for tickets!**

### Gift Card Draw – Win a \$50 Gift Card (your choice: Superstore or Sobeys!)



For each \$50 worth of gift cards you purchase, you can enter your name in the gift card draw. Winning name will be drawn on Wednesday, January 31. The parish earns 5% on the value of each gift card sold – it's a great fundraiser for the parish AND a great way for you to keep your grocery purchases on budget!



If you are from Holy Family, Holy Ghost, or St Jude's, just let us know and your parish can earn the 5% - and you can enter your name in the draw!! Gift Cards are available to purchase by cash or cheque (made payable to Immaculate Heart of Mary) on Sundays before and after mass and during the week at the parish office.



Thank you to every one of you who used your gifts and talents into making the Advent and Christmas liturgies meaningful. Our music ministries in each of the churches outdid themselves again. A big thanks to all our ministry volunteers, our communion ministers, lectors, greeters, ushers, we are grateful for all of you! The environment group out did themselves as the churches were so beautifully decorated. The lights and candles, the flowers and fresh greenery, the decorations – all created a prayerful and beautiful atmosphere. We are blessed to have such

wonderful and talented parishioners within this grouping!



### December Winners!

Anne Griffin \$84 (Dec 7)  
 Paul Perkison \$95 (Dec 14)  
 Dave Wheaton \$91 (Dec 21)  
 Fr. Phil Mulligan \$78 (Dec 28)



To buy tickets, go to the parish website, [www.setmoncton.com](http://www.setmoncton.com) and click on the **red Knights button**. Thank you all!

# Following our Faith

## REFLECTION FOR THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

Today we celebrate the Epiphany of the Lord. We celebrate the revelation that Jesus was born as the Son of God. Today's Gospel illustrates this revelation through the story of the three Magi (Wise Men) who travelled to visit Jesus following His birth.

" There ahead of them went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the Child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. "



The Magi embarked on a journey of faith until they reached the manger where Jesus laid. They brought gifts that symbolized their revelation of His divinity: Gold, which associated Jesus as a king; Frankincense, which was often used in worship, and symbolized the holiness of Jesus; Myrrh, a perfume used at the coronation of a king and also for embalming, which symbolized that Christ would one day die for us.

Most of us are familiar with the legendary presence of the " three kings " from manger scenes in our churches and homes. I remember being chosen in grade 8 to help set up the manger scene in our church and placing the statues of these men in flowing robes, around the Baby Jesus. There were also the figures of the shepherds and their sheep, so I knew that Jesus was revealed to the rich and the poor - representing all the peoples of the earth.

In celebrating the Epiphany, we should remember that epiphany is given to those who continually seek the Lord's presence in their lives. Each of us is called to search for the many ways in which God reveals Himself in our lives. We are all in the process of coming to know Jesus as Lord. Each of us is at a different place in our faith journey. The many experiences of our lives have shaped how we see God and others. Pope Francis stated: " The Magi teach us that we need to set out anew each day, in life as in faith, for faith is not a suit of armor that encases us; instead, it is a fascinating journey, a constant and restless movement, ever in search of God. The Magi also returned home 'by another way'. They challenge us to take new paths. " The Magi's return ' by another way ' represents that whenever we encounter Jesus, we will never be the same.

One of our family traditions is the giving of three gifts to each other (like the three gifts of the Magi). Our granddaughters think that 'Santa' brings them three gifts just like the Baby Jesus got. To extend this further, perhaps we could worship Jesus through the giving of 3 gifts: our time, talent, and treasure.

The Magi followed the star and found Christ. May we, too, find the Lord who continues to search for us. And may Christ, the Light and the Light of Christ fill all our homes, families, and our communities this day and always.

*Cathy Keirstead*



## Faithful Giving



**Will this be you?** St Elizabeth of the Trinity families! Make 2024 the year that you pledge to make a financial commitment to your church. To operate as we do, we need your dedicated financial support of the life and work of the parishes. We are looking for 20 families among all our churches (over 700 families!), who are not presently regular donors, to commit to making regular monetary donations to the church: request a box of envelopes, start a donation by PAD, or use your credit card to donate monthly at [Canadahelps.org](http://Canadahelps.org) (choose your parish in the drop down menu). You decide how much you want to give and how often (weekly? monthly?) And by doing so, you are helping to secure the parish, the liturgical necessities, the formation, the fellowship, the clergy support, the buildings, and more! Will this be you? Reach out to Anne at the parish office to find out how you can become a regular donor to your parish.

### Collection for Dec 24<sup>th</sup> and Dec 31<sup>st</sup>

**Holy Family & People's Park Tower:** Loose \$955.00, Church Support \$4,110.00, Maintenance Fund \$945.00, Christmas \$6,495.00, Flowers \$480.00

**Holy Ghost:** Loose \$66.00, Church Support \$192.00(18), Christmas \$35.00, offering \$55.00 New Years Eve \$145.00

**Immaculate Heart of Mary:** Loose \$2,429.00, Church Support \$6,232.00, Property Upkeep \$227.00, Youth \$35.00, Social Action \$179.00, Christmas \$4,837.00, Flowers 1,152.00

**Saint Jude's:** Loose \$365.00, Church Support \$784.00, Christmas \$955.00, Flowers \$90.00

*thank you* ♥

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**"A cup of coffee to the church"** – While planning your offering for 2024, please consider donating the equivalent of an extra cup of coffee (\$2 or more!) each week to the church. For most of us, an extra \$2 per week is doable. If you give by envelope or e-transfer, simply add in \$2 each week. If you donate by PAD, please reach out to Anne at the parish office to increase your monthly contribution. Every 'cup of coffee' counts!!!



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On Christmas night the angel announced to the shepherds: "Do not be afraid, for behold, I bring you good news..." This message must still resound in our nights, in the nights of this world in crisis. Jesus is Emmanuel, "God with us"! On this occasion, I wish to convey to all my most sincere wishes, a Holy Year 2024 filled with love, peace, and joy in Christ! May it be an opportunity for you to recognize in an even deeper way this Jesus "God with us", who walks alongside us as he walked alongside his disciples.

*+ Guy Desrochers, C.M.*

Most Rev. Guy Desrochers, C.Ss.R.

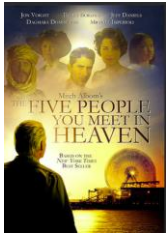
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### UPCOMING MEETINGS:

**Atlantic Catechetical Association Monthly Check-in** – January 16<sup>th</sup>, 9:30 AM via Zoom

**Adult Faith Commission** – January 16<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 PM at Immaculate Heart of Mary

**Parish Catechetical Coordinators** – January 22<sup>nd</sup>, 6:30 PM at Immaculate Heart of Mary



**MONDAY @ THE MOVIES** Our next film discussion will take place via Zoom on January 29<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 pm, when we will talk about faith themes from ***Five People You Meet in Heaven*** (2004). 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 387-4198 or [karen.diocese@gmail.com](mailto:karen.diocese@gmail.com) if you are interested.



**THEOLOGY ON TAP** Our next Theology on Tap will take place on Monday, February 12th at 6:30 pm at Mai Asian Restaurant on Mountain Road. Our guest speaker will be Fr. Carlos Jacinto who will speak to us about vocation and discernment. Please register with Karen at 506-387-4198, [karen.diocese@gmail.com](mailto:karen.diocese@gmail.com) or online at [www.diocesemoncton.ca](http://www.diocesemoncton.ca) → Pastoral Offices → Adult Faith → Formation Opportunities.



**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 **January 11** at 10:30 am at the Dan Bohan Centre at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, 5 Fatima Dr., Riverview. We will have retired dietician Lynn Burdock join us. Jot down any questions you may have in the meantime. Questions? Contact Karen LeBlanc at 387-4198 or email [karen.diocese@gmail.com](mailto:karen.diocese@gmail.com)