## St. Elizabeth of the Trinity Parish Grouping February 18th, 2024 -First Sunday of Lent

### 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



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

## 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**

#### 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 Claire Cordeiro, Larry Gilroy, Roy Garner and Bill Connor.

For those who have died. and for those who mourn the loss of a loved one.



Daily Readings Feb 19 <sup>h</sup> to Feb 25 <sup>th</sup> , 2024				
Monday	Leviticus 19.1-2,11-18		Matthew 25.31-46	
Tuesday	Isaiah 55.10-11	Isaiah 55.10-11		
Wednesday	Jonah 3.1-10	Luke 11.29-32		
Thursday	1 Peter 5.1-4	Matthew 16.13-19		
Friday	Ezekiel 18.21-28	Matthew 5.20-26		
Saturday	Deuteronomy 26.16-19	Matthew 5.43-48		
Sunday (2nd Sunday of Lent)	Genesis 22.1-2. 9-13.15-18	Romans 8.31b-35.37	Mark 9.2-10	

Upcoming Liturgies Feb 21st – Feb 25th				
Wed Feb 21st	Immaculate Heart	9:30 a.m.	Sara Lia Loberza – Gordon & Liliana Trail	
Fri, Feb 23 <sup>rd</sup>	People's Park Tower	2:00 p.m.	Carm Delong- Annette Mac Eachern	
Sat, Feb 24 <sup>th</sup>	Holy Ghost	4:00 p.m.	For the People	
Sat, Feb 24 <sup>th</sup>	Holy Family	7:00 p.m.	Jean (Dalton) Stewart- Terry & Betty Lou Remington	
Sun, Feb 25 <sup>th</sup>	St Jude's	9:00a.m.	Deceased Members of Kavanaugh & Corbett Family- Gerry & Pat Corbett	
Sun, Feb 25 <sup>th</sup>	Immaculate Heart	11:00 a.m.	Ed Mac Neil – Lyn MacNeil	



**Did you know?** Lent is a time of return, repentance, renewal, and preparation. We stand in the need of prayer, knowing well our thoughts, challenges, strengths, and hope. Liturgical ministers help organize, instruct, and witness the passages for those preparing for baptism, confirmation, and reception into our faith community. We experience the distinct honour of assisting these seekers while remembering our own times of faith-life cycle

events. Moving through this season toward the great days of the resurrection festival, we pray sincerely for ourselves, for each other and for the extensive work of all liturgical ministers to come. (p. 93, SB 2024)

## 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	
Mon Feb 19th	<b>SET Moncton</b>	Office closed- for New Brunswick Family Day Holiday!
Mon Feb 19th	IHM	Choir Practice-At 6:30pm
Mon Feb 19th	<b>Holy Family</b>	Social Club- Meeting at 1:30p.m. – 4:00p.m.
Mon Feb 19th	<b>Holy Family</b>	Prayer group-At 6:30pm
Tues Feb 20th	IHM	Catechism-At 6:30pm grades 4,5,6.
Tues Feb 20th	<b>Holy Family</b>	Choir Practice-At 7:00pm everyone welcome!
Wed Feb 21st	IHM	Catechism-At 6:30pm grades 4,5,6.
Wed Feb 21st	IHM	<b>Prayer Day-</b> Every Wednesday following 9:30 mass. Please contact Janet
Wed red 21st	1111/1	at 506-386-3184 for more details.
Tues Feb 27th	Dan Bohan	<b>Prayer Shawl-</b> Meet at 10:30 bring your laughter and smiles!

# St. Elizabeth of the Trinity



Considering the popularity of The Chosen, I thought these next couple/three weeks should highlight DVDs coming into our library that look quite good. Check them out on the new DVD stand!

Cathy Kennedy Lending Library

"Love the Lord your God with all your mind.

#### The Gospel of John (DVD)

This is a motion picture that purports to be an epic in the spirit of The Passion of the Christ and offers two versions, one two hours and one three hours. Of course, comes with bonus features... *Colleen* 



#### 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)

Mayonnaise, powdered milk, canned vegetables, and Juice Drinks and bring the items to mass with you! Thank you for sharing with others.

A Friendly Reminder: If you have moved or plan to move, please give us a call at the parish office (506-386-6178) so we can update our files. We want to stay in touch with our church family and always keep you informed.





**Lenten Coin Folders** are available at your church or from the parish office. Set aside 25¢ or more per day for the 40 days of Lent. Turn in your collection at the end of the season. The money is forwarded to Development & Peace. Your collection will count toward your annual charitable giving.



#### **Knights of Columbus - 40 Cans for Lent Project!**

Once again, the Knights of Columbus' can-do attitude is launching our 40 Cans for Lent Project!



Our goal is to help fight hunger and the project is simple. We are asking for cans or monetary donations are preferred!

**You CAN** donate to the cause through e-transfer, collection baskets at your church, mail in your cheque, any which way you wish, and each week we'll translate your money into numbers of cans! We will be collecting till Palm **Sunday March 24**<sup>th</sup>



The Knight of Columbus will be conducting a **4**<sup>th</sup> **Degree Exemplification Ceremony** on Saturday, February 17<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am in the church basement council chambers. Any interested candidates who have already completed their 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> degrees should apply ASAP **to Grand Knight Brian Hope or Victor LeBlanc at 506-386-8115** 

# Holy Family



Holy Family Seniors Club presents gospel music by GREATER STILL on Sunday, March 10 at 2 pm at Holy Family Church, 52 Falkland Street.

Admission is \$10. Tickets are available at the parish office (5

Fatima Drive, Riverview), from Joe Esson (506 204 4917) or Jean Ryan (506 382 9812),

or at the door. All welcome!

**RECEIPTS:** Thank you for your generous and faithful support of the parishes during 2023. Please save us a stamp and pick up your tax receipt at your church before or after mass!

# Holy Ghost



### Congratulations!

Winner of January's 50/50 draw is *Teresa O'Hara* 

# Sharing God's Gifts

Holy Family:Loose \$1880.00, Church Support \$490.50 (22), Maintenance Fund \$65.00 (3)

People's Park Tower: Loose \$45.00, Church Support \$195.00(12), Maintenance Fund \$5.00(1)

**Holy Ghost:**Loose \$55.00, Church Support \$153.00 (10), PAD Jan \$352.38 (3),Share Lent(1), 50/50 Fundraiser \$48.00,Donation for fuel\$48.00

**Immaculate Heart of Mary:** Loose \$244.00, Church Support \$1,812.00(74), Property Upkeep \$90.00(10), Youth \$36.00(4), Social Action \$127.00(9), 40 Cans \$25.00, Plus \$600.00 to Social Action from the IHM Ladies Society- Thank You!

Saint Jude's:Loose \$39.00, Church Support \$337.00(12)



Ash Wednesday-collection for the Upkeep of the Holy Land

Palm Sunday-collection for Development & Peace

**FFERING** Good Friday-collection for Hospital Chaplains

If you would like to add a one-time amount to your PAD to donate to one or more of these collections, please reach out to Anne at the parish office.



ENTEN

**Supporting our food banks during Lent** – bring your cans to church with you or donate through your church envelope (cheques should ALWAYS be made payable to your church!). Thank you for generously supporting the food banks during Lent.

Immaculate Heart of Mary "40 Cans for Lent" - Albert County Food Bank

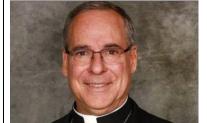
Holy Family – Peter McKee Food Bank

**Holy Ghost** – Shepody Food Bank

St Jude's – Salisbury Helping Hands Food Bank

#### **Rite of Election**

 $Sunday\ Feb\ 18^{th}, at\ 3:00p.m.\ \textbf{Archbishop\ Desrochers}\ will\ be\ celebrating\ the\ Rite\ of\ Election\ and\ Call\ to\ Lenten$ 



Renewal at the Cathedral for people journeying in the RCIA process and seeking to complete their initiation this Easter season.

Immaculate Heart of Mary has one catechumen who will be baptized at this year's Easter Vigil and your support would be truly appreciated.

This will be a bilingual celebration, and all are welcome. If you cannot make it to the Cathedral Sunday, please hold these candidates and catechumens in your prayers.

#### World Day of Prayer 2024

**TUESDAY FEBRUARY 20 -** World Day of Prayer **Bible Study** beginning at **1:30 pm** at St. Paul's in Riverview.

"I beg you...Bear with one another in love" Ephesians 4: 1-3

On Friday, March 1<sup>st</sup> at 2:00 p.m. at St. Paul's United Church, 404 Cleveland Avenue, Riverview, NB there will be an Ecumenical Worship Service celebrating the 2024

World Day of Prayer. This is a wonderful opportunity to gather with people of different faiths and traditions and join in a common prayer. If you are available to attend, it will be time well spent. **Everyone Is Welcome.** 

# Exploring our Faith

# REFLECTIONS FOR 2ND SUNDAY OF LENT

Today's readings encourage obedience to God through the examples of Abraham and Jesus. Abraham's readiness to sacrifice Isaac and Jesus' submission to His Father's will during the Transfiguration both exemplify profound obedience rooted in trust and love. The psalm in today's readings calls us to trust even amid trials and even to offer thanks despite the suffering. There is a resolve in the psalmist to remain faithful and to keep on walking in the Lord's ways and try to find comfort and hope during these times.

Abraham was tested to the full extent – to sacrifice his only son, Isaac. Abraham lived his faith and showed tremendous trust in God for what he was asked to do. Trust is such a strong word. It seems like it would be a consistent factor in one's life once one gains it. But it can ebb and flow. Trust has been likened to a roller coaster or a mountain with sudden drops and slow ascents. Yet, trusting God is the truest form of faith, transformation, and worship.



Life is not predictable. Many of us want to trust in God. When times are good, it can feel easier. But when times feel difficult, it becomes very hard to maintain this trust. We ask the question "Why is God putting me through this sickness or this issue in my life?" The answer seems to be that God does everything for a reason. If we are

suffering, do we turn away from God, or ask Him for help in our lives? This is when we should trust in God, for He is both faithful and good. God's unchanging character can give us a firm foundation when things feel unsteady and uncertain.

We can learn from Abraham; learn how to pray with faith; to listen to the Lord; to walk, to dialogue, even argue with Him. Sometimes we feel angry at God for what we are experiencing, but, according to Pope Francis: "Being angry is a form of prayer. Let us learn from Abraham to pray with faith, to dialogue and to argue, but always be willing to accept the Word of God and to put it into practice."

Trusting God is not about ignoring our feelings or reality. It is not pretending that everything is okay when it isn't. Trusting in God is living a life of belief in and obedience to God, even when it is difficult. Our faith will always be tried and tested by the different circumstances and situations in our lives. We are asked to have courage, and accept the challenges, to give our full trust to God. With our faith in God, we experience trust, love, respect, strength, hope, ethics, wisdom, and integrity. Let us try, during this Lenten season, to channel the trust shown by Abraham and adapt it to our own situations, especially when doubts overwhelm us. Trust in the Lord, for He is good.

#### Development and Peace — Caritas Canada: a movement of solidarity



Established in 1967, Development and Peace — Caritas Canada is the official international solidarity organization of the Catholic Church in Canada.

We address the root causes of poverty, oppression, and inequality by working with partners in the Global South and by mobilizing Canadians in the common struggle for justice and dignity.

We champion women and social movements as key agents of lasting change.

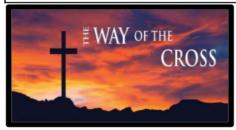
Our transformative work is possible **thanks to the generosity and support of our members** and Canadians who stand by us.

**Join the movement** of over 12,000 members and help us bring our campaigns to life in your community. Visit devp.org/membership.

For more information, contact Development and Peace - Caritas Canada Regional Office, telephone 506 801-0440 or by e-mail <a href="mailto:dpatlantique@devp.org">dpatlantique@devp.org</a>

#### The Way of The Cross

We will pray the Way of the Cross <u>during the holy season of Lent on Friday evenings at</u>
<u>6:30 PM</u>. To make this prayer available to as many people as possible, we will celebrate it in different churches according to the following schedule:



Immaculate Heart
St. Augustine's
St. Bernard's
Immaculate Heart
St. Augustine's
St. Bernard's
Immaculate Heart

#### **LENTEN WALK WITH THE LORD 2024**

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#### "A Kindness a Dav during Lent"

The above calendar serves as a simple reminder of how you may wish to enrich your Lenten journey through the undertaking of simple Acts of Kindness. By doing Little Acts of Kindness, you are sharing the love you have to give with family, friends and everyone you meet. Check off circle a `footprint' for each Act of Kindness for each day on your Lenten walk with the Lord. There are many things you can do as little expressions of kindness, such as the following:

- Visit or call someone who is sick or elderly and bring them a simple meal, soup, or loaf of homemade bread;
- Give someone a smile who needs it spend some time with them to help cheer them up;
- Yield the right-of-way to another driver or give up a parking space give them a wave and a smile rather than a frown;
- Bring someone a coffee who would appreciate it;
- Help out at home where needed;
- Contribute or help at a soup kitchen or similar facility;
- Help shovel someone's driveway or walkway;
- Help an elderly person get their groceries or offer them a drive in the cold/slippery weather;
- Baby-sit for a young couple or single mother so that they can enjoy an evening out;
- Run an errand for someone who needs it;
- Spend some time listening to someone because many times people are too busy to do so;
- Open a door for someone;
- Opportunities for kindness present themselves during every hour of every day take advantage of them as often
  and wherever you can! Use your imagination. And don't forget to enjoy the journey! You'll be in the best of
  Company.

Trevor Droesbeck -506- 857-4879 or <a href="mailto:trevord.diocese@gmail.com">trevord.diocese@gmail.com</a> Karen LeBlanc - 506-387-4198 or <a href="mailto:karen.diocese@gmail.com">karen.diocese@gmail.com</a>

#### **UPCOMING MEETINGS:**

March 12<sup>th</sup> 6:30 PM - Parish R.C.I.A. Leadership - St. Therese, Dieppe

March 13<sup>th</sup> 10:30 AM – End of Life Pastoral Care Committee – Immaculate Heart of Mary, Riverview

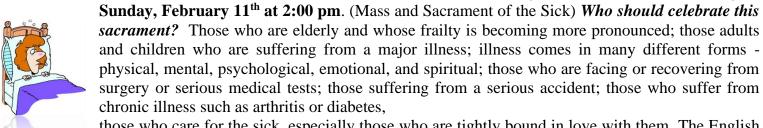
March 18th 6:30 PM - Parish Catechetical Coordinators – Immaculate Heart of Mary, Riverview

LENT GOES TO THE MOVIES Our Mondays @ The Movies film discussion group will meet five times over Lent to discuss Lenten themes in popular films. February 26<sup>th</sup> – The Notebook (2004); March 4<sup>th</sup> –

Straight Story (1999); March 11<sup>th</sup> – Calvary (2014); March 18<sup>th</sup> – Monsoon Wedding (2001); and March 25<sup>th</sup> – Billy Elliot (2000). All discussions take place on Zoom at 2:00 pm. Please

contact Karen at 387-4198 or <a href="mailto:karen.diocese@gmail.com">karen.diocese@gmail.com</a> to register. Everyone is welcome to join the discussion, and DVDs will be made available for participants to borrow.

## SACRAMENT OF THE SICK will be celebrated at St. Bernard's Church (43 Botsford Street, Moncton) on



those who care for the sick, especially those who are tightly bound in love with them. The English churches of the Archdiocese of Moncton work together to offer this communal celebration.

Everyone is invited and encouraged to participate in this celebration. It is important that those who are sick and those around them understand the significance of the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick as a sacrament of healing.



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 **March 14**<sup>th</sup> at 10:30am at the Holy Family Church, 52 Falkland St. Moncton. We will be joined by a representative from the Alzheimer's Society to talk about how **we can keep our brains sharp**. Jot down any questions you may have in the meantime. Questions? Contact Karen LeBlanc at 387-4198 or email

karen.dioceses@gmail.com

## ENLARGE YOUR TENT: A Symposium on Welcome and Hospitality The English Diocesan Adult Faith



Commission invites you to an interactive discussion on Thursday, February 29<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 pm at Holy Family Parish in Moncton (52 Falkland Street). Grounded in Isaiah 54:2, the tent image was used by Pope Francis to help ground our Synod conversations, and we will use it as a starting point for our conversation on the 29<sup>th</sup>. For more information and to register, contact Trevor at 857-4879, trevord.diocese@gmail.com or online at www.diocesemoncton.ca → Pastoral Offices → Adult Faith → Formation Opportunities.