St. Elizabeth of the Trinity Parish Grouping March 10th, 2024 Fourth 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 Bill Connor, Chelsey Bent (niece of Terry & Yvonne), and Michelle Methot (daughter of Anne Methot)

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

Daily Readings March 11th -March 17th, 2024

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Monday	Isaiah 65.17-21		John 4.43-54	
Tuesday	Ezekiel 47.1-9,12		John 5.1-16	
Wednesday	Isaiah 49.8-15	John 5.16-30		
Thursday	Exodus 32.7-14		John 5.18,31-47	
Friday	Wisdom 2.1a, 12-22		John 7.1-2,10,25-30	
Saturday	Jaremiah 11.18-20		John 7.40-53	
Sunday (5 th Sunday of Lent)	Jaremiah 31.31-34	Hebrews 5.7-9	John 12.20-33	

Upcoming Liturgies March 13th - March 17th 2024					
Wed Mar13 th	Immaculate Heart	9:30 a.m.	Special Intention – A Parishioner		
Fri, Mar 15 th	People's Park Tower	2:00 p.m.	Maureen Murphy (Anniv) daughters Nancy, Susan & Linda		
Sat, Mar 16 th	Holy Ghost	4:00 p.m.	Clement Campbell – Tim & Grace Elderkin		
Sat, Mar 16 th	Holy Family	7:00 p.m.	Dave Daigle – The Daigle Family		
Sun, Mar 17 th	St Jude's	9:00a.m.	For the People		
Sun, Mar 17 th	Immaculate Heart	11:00 a.m.	Bob & Mary Williams – Mark Williams		



DID YOU KNOW? Isaiah reminds us that God cannot forget us, just as a mother cannot forget her child. Even when we feel lost and alone, we are never far from God's arms, open, and ready to embrace us again. God's love for us is stronger even than a mother's love for her child. God is always with us, even when we feel alone.

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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	
Mon Mar 11 th	IHM	Choir Practice-At 6:30pm
Mon Mar 11 th	Holy Family	Prayer group-At 6:30pm
Tues Mar 12 th	IHM	Catechism-At 6:30pm grades 4,5,6
Tues Mar 12 th	Holy Family	Senior's Club- Meeting 11-1:00pm .Election of excutive all postitions.
Tues Mar 12 th	Holy Family	Choir Practice-At 7:00pm everyone welcome!
Tues Mar 12 th	St. Teresa	R.C.I.A. Parish -Leadership Meet at 6:30 pm
Wed Mar 13 th	IHM	Catechism-At 6:30pm grades 4,5,6
Wed Mar 13 th	IHM	Prayer day -Following 9:30 mass call Janet 506-386-3184
Wed Mar 13 th	IHM	End of Life Pastoral Care Committee- Meets @ 10:30am
Mon Mar 18 th	IHM	Parish Catechetical Coordinators- Meeting at 6:30pm
Thur Mar 21st	IHM	Penitential Service for St Elizabeth of the Trinity- at 6:30 pm

St. Elizabeth of the Trinity



Join me for a Tribute to the 70's

I will be doing some of my favorites of Karen Carpenter, Anne Murray, Crystal Gayle, Abba, and Dolly to name a few. Friday, May 10th (Mother's Day weekend) Doors open at 6:30 show starts at 7:00

Tickets are \$15.00 (available at parish office)

Cash Bar and 50/50 tickets (All proceeds go to our local Albert County food bank) to reserve your ticket call or text Debbie @ 506-232-3017 Hope to see you there!



Remembering our loved ones at Easter. We are accepting donations in memory of deceased family members and friends for the Easter season environment in each of our churches! The easiest way for you to do this is to call the Parish Office (506-386-6178) and then put your donation in a clearly marked envelope and drop it in the collection basket, mail it to the office or use one of the online payment options.



Please take note of Special Collections during Lent:

Palm Sunday-collection for Development & Peace

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.



Power of the Cross - Hollywood 1950s (DVD)
This lovely trilogy of movies made in the fifties includes a long list of actors from that period, including James Dean! Enjoy! **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)

Canned goods, tomatoes, soup, canned sandwich meat, Juice boxes and bring the items to mass with you! Thank you for sharing with others.



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

Immaculate Heart of Mary Church



Knights of Columbus - 40 Cans for Lent Project!

Update - \$1,447 collected to date - Great work!

Donations can be made with your church envelope or use one of the special envelopes

We will be collecting till Palm Sunday March 24th





To buy tickets, go to the parish website, www.setmoncton.com and click on the red Knights button. Thank you all!



IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY CHURCH SPRING FLING

Saturday, April 6th Tickets \$15.00 featuring the fabulous Gallant Family Band

Dancing from 8:00-10:00

Opening act will be Bill Taylor & Mountain Man Loney - 7:30-8:00 Please call Laura@ 506-854-1899 or Helen@ 506-386-2017 to reserve your ticket.



Holy Family Church



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 at the door - All welcome!

Line Dancing Classes starting Thursday, April 4th from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. at Holy Family

Classes will be in church hall and will follow each subsequent Thursday at the same time and place. The first hour will be devoted to new learners and those who want to review steps or receive individual instruction. The second hour for those who are already comfortable with linedancing. No need to preregister, just show up!

Saint Jude Church

St. Jude's Spring Raffle Fundraiser!

Gift cards/ Gift Certificates/ Merchandise

Tickets 1/\$2.00 or 3/\$5.00 Draw date March 24, 2024

Tickets sold after mass on Sundays also tickets sold at the parish office.

Thank you for your suppport!



Sharing God's Gifts

Holy Family:Loose \$232.00, Church Support \$1,630.00 (47), Maintenance Fund \$105.00 (5).Nazareth House \$5.00, Peter McKee Food Bank \$20.00

People's Park Tower: Loose \$56.00, Church Support \$205.00(10), Maintenance Fund \$5.00 (1)

Holy Ghost: Loose \$15.00, Church support \$434.00, Fuel \$135.00, share Lent \$20.00 PADs Feb \$452.38, Donations for roof \$300.00

Immaculate Heart of Mary: Loose \$330.00, Church Support \$9,381.33(156), Property Upkeep \$398.00(15), Youth \$86.00(6), Social Action \$245.00(14)

Saint Jude's:Loose \$62.00, Church Support \$484.00(20), Helping Hands Food Bank \$50.00

Thank you for your generous and faithful support of our parishes! We are the church together!



Make it Monthly!



from March 1-31 at Canadahelps mastercard **DONATE** to our parish **monthly** with your credit card and Canadahelps!

Are you NEW to Canadahelps? Set up a monthly donation of \$20 or more, and the parish receives a donation from Canadahelps of \$20 per new monthly donor!* Already a monthly donor? Increase your monthly amount by \$10 or more. and the parish receives a donation from Canadahelps of \$10 per donor increase!*

Go to our website www.setmoncton.com

- ➤ Click on the **DONATE** button
- Choose 'Donate Monthly'
- Choose your parish from the 'Fund' menu
- Fill in your donor information



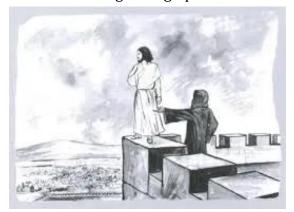
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Exploring Our Faith

Testing or Trusting?

As a kid growing up in the 1960s and 1970s, the two things' boys talked about most on the school



yard were "Friday Night at the Fights" (boxing from Madison Square Garden in N.Y.C.) and stuntman Evel Knievel. We didn't have pay-per-view, the wide range of live stream venues, or the internet to entertain us.

Evel Knievel was a motorcycle daredevil who performed death-defying jumps over buses, cars, and even canyons to the thrill of audiences. He would break numerous bones, heal up, and do it again. Knievel seemed to be willing to throw away his health and even risk death for his 15 minutes of fame. That kind of cavalier, reckless attitude didn't die when Evel Knievel died. Au contraire it has almost become the standard now in such things as ultimate cage fighting and extreme sports.

All of this reminds me of Jesus' 40-day sojourn in the desert that we hear about each first Sunday of Lent. We traditionally call it the "temptations in the desert." One of the temptations has the devil take Jesus to the parapet of the Temple and dares Jesus to jump. The false promise is that Jesus will have nothing to worry about because, if God exist, God will surely send His angels to protect Jesus from any harm. Jesus calls this a temptation. This showboating, for 15 minutes of fame, masquerades as faith in God but it is not faith at all. Jesus rebukes the devil with, "Do not put the Lord your God to the test." Sometimes, like Evel Knievel, we are willing to throw all common sense out the window, risk our health, our marriage, our good name, or even our lives, and expect God to save us. This is not trusting in the Lord; it's testing the Lord. It's living an irresponsible life.

Covid 19 saw lots of people resisting any talk of vaccinations, vaccinations for the common good (including their personal good). They even used Scripture to bolster their decisions and said things like, "I don't need a vaccination; I have God on my side. God won't let me get sick or die." Inferred was the idea that those who received the vaccination were really not very faithful or trusting in God. The irony was that the "anti-vaxxers" were putting the Lord to the test all the while pretending to trust in God.

When we throw our struggles of life onto God with the attitude, "If you're God, fix this!" We are acting irresponsibly. Passive responsibility is a contradiction in terms. As the late Jesuit Anthony DeMello said, "God cannot be bothered doing for you what you can do for yourself."

On Jesus' first return to his childhood synagogue, where everyone knew him, he spoke with authority and won the approval of all. They had heard that he had performed miracles elsewhere and now wanted their cut. "Do here in your hometown what we heard you did in Capernaum." They were not willing to listen to his message or to change their ways. They wanted miracles...now! He was expected to hop to their demands, but there was going to be no conversion within themselves. We are told that Jesus did not work any miracles there because of their lack of faith. Perhaps he could not be bothered doing for them what they were too lazy to do for themselves.

Our struggles cannot be overcome by us acting on our own—sheer willpower—nor by opting out and turning everything over to divine will. Instead, the power of grace flows most fully when human will choose to act in harmony with divine will. It is the difference between *testing* God by avoiding one's own responsibility and *trusting* God as one act responsibly. Perhaps that's why the word trust is a better word than surrender. Surrendering something over to God prematurely can be an escape from responsibility and an insult to the free will God gave us. We are neither gods ("I'll work this out for myself, thank you very much") nor puppets ("Do here God, what I heard you did in other peoples' lives).

Gerald May in his classic book, Addiction and Grace, says this: "God does not flash into our lives to work a piece of magic upon us then disappear. To do so would eradicate human dignity; it would prevent our participation...We are never simply visited with a healing or deliverance, which we can then safely forget. Grace is not a pill we are given, or a method applied to us so that we can simply go about our business. Grace always invites us forward. Every liberation requires attention, every healing demands continued care, every deliverance demands follow-up, and every conversion requires faithful deepening."

God's grace builds on and always invites human nature; they are partners, and we dare not separate them. "Liberation," as Gerald May says, "must finally come through grace, not solely through one's own efforts."

Fr. Phil



To: Faith Community

We are looking for 'volunteer drivers to' transport low-income clients from Monday - Friday to mostly food banks [including food box deliveries] and medical appointments [including those needing dialysis]. We are recruiting volunteer drivers for all of the areas we service. If you have a few extra hours a week to extend an act of kindness. Volunteers are re-imbursed .50/km. More information can be found on our website

at www.urbanruralrides.ca



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

LENT GOES TO THE MOVIES *Our* Mondays @ The Movies film discussion group will meet regularly over Lent to discuss Lenten themes in popular films. **March 11**th – *Calvary* (2014); **March 18**th – *Monsoon Wedding* (2001); and **March 25**th – *Billy Elliot* (2000). All discussions take place on Zoom at 2:00 pm. Please contact Karen at 387-4198 or karen.diocese@gmail.com to register. Everyone is welcome to join the discussion, and DVDs will be made available for participants to borrow.





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 14th** 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



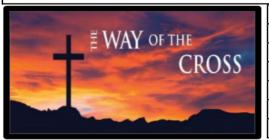
THEOLOGY ON TAP Our next Theology on Tap will take place on Monday, April 22^{nd} (Earth Day), when we will be joined by Sr. Denise Lirette, fj who will give a presentation entitled "My Faith Journey: From Sky God to God Consciousness at the Heart of the Cosmos." The event will take place at Mai Asian Restaurant (1909 Mountain Road, Moncton) at 6:30 pm. To register visit www.diomoncton.ca \rightarrow Pastoral Offices \rightarrow Adult Faith \rightarrow Formation Opportunities. For more information contact Karen LeBlanc at 387-

4198 or email karen.diocese@gmail.com.

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>

6:30 PM. To make this prayer available to as many people as possible, we will celebrate it in different churches according to the following schedule:



February 16	Immaculate Heart
February 23	St. Augustine's
March 1	St. Bernard's
March 8	Immaculate Heart
March 15	St. Augustine's
March 22	St. Bernard's
March 29	Immaculate Heart

WAY OF THE CROSS 2024 – Please note the Way of the Cross on March 29th will take place at Holy Family Church in Moncton and **NOT** Immaculate Heart of Mary Church as originally published in your bulletin.

R.C.I.A. FORMATION WITH CATHERINE ECKER We will be offering a series of four virtual formation sessions (Via Zoom) on the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A.), facilitated by Catherine Ecker. Catherine joins us from the Archdiocese of Toronto, Ontario where she currently serves as the Coordinator of Ministry with Maturing Adults and Parish Catechist at St. Mary's Parish. She is also a lead Canadian expert in Christian Initiation and has co-authored the *Alive in the Spirit!* confirmation preparation program for young people. Sessions will take place on **April 22nd**, **April 29th**, **May 6th**, and **May 13**th from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm. To register visit www.diomoncton.ca → Pastoral Offices → Adult Faith → Formation Opportunities. For more information contact Trevor at 857-4879 or email trevord.diocese@gmail.com



World Water Day March 22nd

The Laudato Si' Committee invites youth from across the diocese to 'dive in' with us to learn more about **World Water Day!**

Packages of water information and activities will be distributed at participating Catechism gatherings during the weeks of March 10th and March 17th. If you have a child not currently in the Catechetical program, packages will also be distributed at Masses during the March 16th/17th weekend and we'll have some at the Good Shepherd and St. Elizabeth of the Trinity parish offices, too! Oh, the fun!

Please plan to join us.

We all have so much to learn about the sacredness and importance of God's perfect creation, WATER!

Training next-generation farmers in Indonesia



In rural Indonesia, young people are abandoning agriculture to work in cities. Over time, this could threaten food sovereignty.

Our partner PAYOPAYO empowers village communities to work together to find solutions to common challenges related to agriculture, food, energy, natural resource management and the engagement of youths, especially women.

This Lent, meet our solidarity visitor Karno Batiran, the executive director of PAYOPAYO. Learn more at devp.org/lent.

"September 2024, marks the 40th anniversary of the visit of Saint Pope John Paul II to our area. In honour of this event, there will be a special celebration of the Mass, plus other events, to be held at the Papal Site/Prayer Garden and which will be presented by the Knights of Columbus in conjunction with the with the Archdiocese. To prepare for this very special occasion, we are seeking members to serve on an organizational committee. All those interested, are asked to please contact Tom @ 506-871-3912. There will be a preliminary meeting at Council 1310 of the Knights of Columbus at 84 Broadway Ave., Moncton New Brunswick at 7:00 pm on March 13, 2024. Everyone is invited!

<u>Let the King of Glory Enter</u> Lenten Parish Mission with Fr. Mark Cherry

Lift up your heads, O gates; rise up, you ancient portals, that the King of glory may enter. Psalm 24:7

There is no cost to attend the Parish Mission; however, a Free-will offering will be taken to support the Mission. For more information, please contact The Parish Office: St. Augustine's Church Address: 113 Norwood Ave, Moncton, NB Phone: 506-857-4223 Email:

parish.office@gasmoncton.com ALL ARE WELCOME!

Monday, March 18, 2024

7:00pm Welcome,

7:05 - Praise & Worship

7;30 Teaching the Freedom and Joy of Repentance8:10 – Adoration

Tuesday, March 19, 2024

7:00 - Praise & Worship

7:25 - Teaching, A New Creation in Christ

8:05 - Adoration during Reconciliation

Wednesday, March 20, 2024

7:00pm - Mass: Homily, The Mass: Heaven

Comes to Earth

8:30 - Prayers for Healing after Mass