## St. Elizabeth of the Trinity Parish Grouping May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024 Sixth Sunday of Easter

#### 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 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at 9:30 a.m.

# Church

St. Jude's

3062 Main St Salisbury, NB E4J 2L5 Tel: 506- 386-6178 Sundays at 8:30 a.m.

#### **Summer Mass Schedule changes**

8:30 a.m. at St Jude's and 10:30 a.m. at Immaculate Heart of Mary



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.

Priest Moderator Pastoral Associate Parish Secretary Director of Catechetics Business Manager Fr Phil Mulligan Mark Mahoney Debbie Brideau Karen LeBlanc Anne Marcoux philstoryguy@hotmail.com markmahoney.set@gmail.com debbiebrideau.set@gmail.com catechism.set@gmail.com annemarcoux.set@gmail.com

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



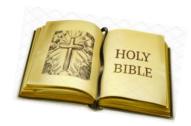
We pray for the sick, and those who are awaiting or recovering from surgery, those receiving treatment, and those needing strength including,

Megan Kelly, Morgan LaPlante, Kevin Mahoney, Mike Meade, Frank Quinn, and Michael Edwards (cousin of Lorraine Joudrey);

For those who have died including Gerry Grandbois, and for those who mourn the loss of a loved one.

**DID YOU KNOW?** Mary courageously expresses the selflessness of a truly devoted heart, open to serving the

will of God and, just as the sacrifice of Jesus Christ was made of complete love rather than adherence to the Law, so too does Mary say yes to the Angel, not out of fear but out of selfless love. God chooses the lowly and seemingly most insignificant of workers to do great things in His name. Mary's yes is one of great strength and is meant to be a model for all Christians in the service as the Lord's disciples. Her obedience to God is unmatched by any other. (p.170, SB 2024)



Daily Readings May 6 <sup>th</sup> -May 12 <sup>th</sup> 2024					
Monday	2 Timothy 4.1-5		John 10.11-16		
Tuesday	Acts 16.22-34		John 16.5-11		
Wednesday	Acts 17.15,22-18.1		John 16.12-15		
Thursday	Acts 18.1-8		John 16.16-20		
Friday	Acts 18.9-18		John 16.20-23a		
Saturday	Acts 18.23-28		John 16.23b-28		
Sunday (Ascension of the Lord)	Acts 1.1-11	Ephesians 1.17-23	Mark 16.15-20		

Upcoming Liturgies –May 8 <sup>th</sup> – May 12 <sup>th</sup> 2024						
Wed, May 8th	Immaculate Heart	9:30 a.m.	Wilfred Griffin (Anniv) – Anne & Family			
Fri, May 10 <sup>th</sup>	People's Park Tower	2:00 p.m.	Rita Comfort – IHM Ladies Society			
Sat, May 11 <sup>th</sup>	Holy Ghost	4:00 p.m.	For The People	St. Elizabe h		
Sat, May 11 <sup>th</sup>	Holy Family	7:00 p.m.	Bill Morano – Sheila Morano	of the Trinity		
Sun, May 12th	St. Jude	8:30 a.m.	Jess Frontain – IHM Ladies Society			
Sun, May 12 <sup>th</sup>	Immaculate Heart	10:30 a.m.	Simone Berry - Peter & Margaret Mulroy			



## **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 May 6th	Holy Family	Prayer Group-At 7:00pm
Tues May 7th	IHM	Catechism-At 6:30 pm grades 4,5,6
Tues May 7th	Dan Bohan	IHM Ladies Society – Meeting at 7:00 p.m.
Wed May 8th	IHM	Catechism-At 6:30 pm grades 4,5,6
Thurs May 9th	Holy Family	<b>LPC Meeting</b> - at 6:30 will be dicussing any issues and concerns

### St. Elizabeth of the Trinity



#### **Daily Rosary and Eucharistic Adoration:**

To honour the month of Mary, Queen of all Saints, the Most Holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary will be said daily Monday to Friday throughout May at 6:30 PM at St. Augustine's Church. Following each rosary, will be a period of Eucharistic Adoration. Hail Holy Queen, Mother of Mercy, Intercede for us!



# Spiritual Excellence by Alban Goodier, S.J. (Commentary and Discourse)

The subtitle on this little book is "how to make progress in prayer and love". This sweet little volume offers perspectives and guidance to help process daily life and its myriad of experiences and emotions in ways that can move us closer to God... in our thoughts, our deeds and our worldview. - 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)



## Immaculate Heart of Mary Church



**Grocery gift cards** are a great way to budget your grocery bill! Available at the parish office, they are a great way to keep you 'on track'! AND your parish earns 4% on the value of every card sold. Purchase with cash, cheque (made out to Immaculate Heart of Mary) or e-transfer to ihmc.set@gmail.com. Again, thank you.

## Holy Ghost





Mark your Calendars! Saturday May 25, 9 -1p.m. (Rain date May 26) Holy Ghost Parish YARD SALE at 2 Church St. Riverside Albert. Proceeds go to replacing the church roof.

Please contact Teresa O'Hara @ 506-874-6123 if you have items to donate. All donations appreciated!!

## Holy Family



#### Holy Family Yard Sale (52 Falkland St., Moncton)

We will be having our yard sale coming up on **Saturday**, **May 25 from 9am to 12 pm** Donations are appreciated such as books, music, clothes (clean and in good condition), tools, sports equipment, toys, small appliances, baking pans etc. NO large pieces of furniture! Drop off will be on Thursday May 23rd and Friday May 24th from 1pm to 4 pm. Mark your Calendar. Hope to see you there!



#### Cleanup!! IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR! Holy Family Spring Clean up Saturday, June 1st from 9am to 12pm

We need you (people of all ages and families) to help clean up! Please plan to come and join us!

We will be cleaning up the parking lots, trimming the trees, and picking up the litter and getting rid of clutter.

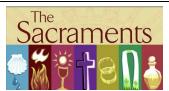
If you have any tools, we'd love for you to bring them!



Holy Family: Dish Towels: If you have taken home dish towels to wash after using the kitchen at Holy Family, could you please return them ASAP – there is a shortage of towels in the kitchen.



THANK YOU to everyone who joined the Saint Elizabeth of the Trinity Online Auction Facebook group and participated in our first online auction! Over \$700 was raised for Holy Family Church. Stay tuned for our next auction for another of our parishes.



This weekend we join with **Noah Fleet** in celebration as he received the Sacrament of Communion for the first time on Saturday night. We welcome him lovingly to the Table of the Lord and rejoice that he is finally able to join us fully in the Eucharist. He has eagerly awaited this day for a very long time. We pray he will frequently seek the spiritual nourishment that participating in this sacrament

will provide for him throughout his life. Congratulations from all of us at Holy Family, St. Jude's, Holy Ghost and Immaculate Heart of Mary, and may God bless you always, but in a particularly special way today.

## Sharing God's Gifts

**Freely you have received; freely give.'** – *Matthew 10:8* We may never know the affect our gifts have on others, but together we make a difference. Thank you for your generous offering to **Church Support**, supporting the life and work of our church.

## Immaculate Heart of Mary Church

Loose \$709.00, Church Support \$1,714.00 (85),

Property Upkeep \$71.00 (9),

Youth Support \$121.00 (3),

Social Action \$101.00 (7)

St. Jude's Parish

Loose\$69.00,

Church Support \$400.00(14)



People's Park Tower Chapel Loose \$43.00,

Church Support, \$130.00 (8)

Maintenance Fund \$15.00 (2)

*Holy Ghost Church* Loose \$25.00, Envelopes \$228.00, fundraising tickets \$95.00

Holy Family Church Loose \$276.00,

Church Support \$955.00 (44)

Maintenance Fund \$110.00 (4)

**Thank you for making our church your 'charity of choice'**, whether you wish to make a memorial donation, or recognize a special birthday or anniversary, or simply honor a friend with special recognition – a donation to your church is a thoughtful gesture for all occasions. Special donations and memorials (if you wish) are noted in the bulletin on the last Sunday of the month. Ask at the parish office for more information.



I would like to express my sincere gratitude for your great generosity during **last year's collection, which allowed our Archdiocese of Moncton to raise \$15,369**. A big thank you to all the faithful who contributed and the people who organized fundraising activities. The Catholic Bishops of Canada have committed to raising \$30 million within five years. Last year, the collection across Canada raised \$9,594,986. The funds

are managed by a national board of directors composed of leaders, half of whom are Indigenous. This Board is responsible for implementing measures to ensure the proper functioning and transparency of the administration of the collected funds. I am pleased to inform you that the funds collected in our parishes last year will be used for local projects in collaboration with our four local Mi'gmaq communities: Elsipogtog First Nation, Bouctouche MicMac, Fort Folly First Nation, and Indian Island First Nation. **Special envelopes will be distributed to parishes for this year's collection, which will take place on May 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>, 2024. I invite you to continue to support this fund. Thank you. -** *Archbishop Guy Desrochers* 

#### **Confirmation 2024**



On Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup>, seven young people from St. Elizabeth of the Trinity Parish Grouping, and two young people from Queen of All Saints Parish Grouping and one young person from Unité Sainte Croix, celebrated the Sacrament of Confirmation! They have now completed their initiation into the Roman Catholic Church which began with their Baptism. These young people have spent this year journeying in a special way with their peers and while many people have led them to this point in their faith journey, many more will influence them as they continue on. If we have been successful

in preparing them for this sacrament, they now have an understanding of the role that God plays in our lives. They have the courage to live as children God and the wisdom and knowledge to discern the presence of the Holy Spirit. They will use their judgement to make good choices throughout their lives and see wonder and awe in the ordinary. May the grace of this sacrament fill them with reverence, and may they feel the unconditional loving presence of God throughout their lives.

#### Congratulations and may God bless you all!

Renée Breau Landon Graham William Murphy Nathanea Coelho Raphael Coelho Kenneth Antony Martin Leanne Salcedo

Joel Dickson Liam Martin Catherine Terry

# Exploring our Faith

#### **Faithful Servants**

After studying the readings for today I wondered how I could possibly say anything about love that has not already been said more eloquently by greater theological minds. I could have used many personal examples such as family and friends, or one of the many folks I encounter who consistently radiate joy, kindness and love. Lately though, my two dogs have been demanding a great deal of my energy, time and resources, so I am going to tell you about them and why I think dogs can teach us a valuable lesson about joy, faithfulness and unconditional love. A colleague recently said how much he liked the quote, "Be the person your dog thinks you are," and I think this is an honourable goal to work towards. I have a Shepherd/Labrador mix named Murray who might be half as big as a house, and a white Valley Bulldog named Marilla who came from Kent County Animal Rescue. Marilla is deaf and never seems to quite meet my gaze when we look at one another.

Murray and Marilla abide faithfully in me, and for non-human animals, they infiltrate nearly every aspect of my life. Recognizing the unconditional love of these two canines helps me feel accountable to them, and I want to respond with the same patience, joy, and love they enkindle within myself.

If I feed them late, the little beasts still love me, in fact they will not say a single word. If I leave them all day while working, they still greet me excitedly when I return home. If I leave them in sudden care of a stranger when on vacation, they greet me with unbridled joy when I

return. They do not hold it against me by carrying a grudge. Their response is joy and love...and for a time, that is all there is and all that matters. When I take them to an empty beach and let them off their leashes, I see their pure happiness in a way that is fun to see. St. Francis of Assissi said we are to not only love animals, but "we have a higher mission —to be of service to them wherever they require it."

Every day I encounter the word love through music, books, articles, movies or television programs, but its meaning can still seem elusive or intangible. I hear it, I believe it, but how do I know its meaning? A wise priest I knew once said we should not begin with ourselves in our relationship, but with Jesus who abides in us. This example of canine friendship is an uncomplicated yet powerful way for me to imagine how Jesus abides in me, and what happens when I recognize this and respond to it.

If I can make a strong connection with scripture using a real-life example not only should it help me to grow, but it should help me to reflect this to others and the world around me in concrete ways. I say *should* because I know I am not successful 100% of the time, but I continue practicing. The more love I give, the more there exists in the world and the more I receive. The more joy I allow myself to receive, the more I can contribute to the world around me. So I will strive to be the person my dogs think I am but also the person God knows me to be. Abiding in a loving relationship with our Creation can help us to move mountains, perform miracles, and transform the world...not because of us but because of the one who loved us first.

#### ~Trevor Droesbeck

#### CFUW Bookworm Bonanza 2024 SOFT COVERS ONLY \$1.00 \$2.00 or \$3.00

**Donate Books -** Drop off at 5 Fatima Dr., Riverview

- May 19<sup>th</sup>- 1:00pm -5:00pm
- May 20th 10:00am-5:00pm
- May 21st 10:00am -12:00pm

#### **Buy Books**

- May 21st 1:00pm -8:00pm
- May 22<sup>nd</sup> 10:00am -8:00pm
- May 23<sup>rd</sup> 10:00am -12:00pm

#### **Harvest House Volunteer**

Harvest House is in need of a volunteer driver. Please see below for details and give this your prayerful consideration.



Funding scholarships for women in the Greater Moncton Area since 1944



#### Requirements:

- Complete a Volunteer intake process by clicking on this link: <u>Volunteer Application (harvesthouseatlantic.org)</u>
- Minimum of 2 years Driver's experience in Canada.
- Provide a valid driver's license and original, clean DRA (driver record abstract). Note: DRA cost to be reimbursed.
- Good knowledge of local roads and neighbourhood.
- ✓ Excellent driving skills, with a focus on safety and reliability.
- Strong communication and interpersonal skills.
- ✓ Ability to work independently and as part of a team.
- Compassion and empathy for individuals and organizations donating goods.

## Do you want to help us?

Kindly send an email with a photo of your driver's license to Joana.Castro@hhatlantic.org,

and let us know which type of driver position interests you the most:

1. On-call driver,

2. Regularly scheduled driver (Monday 8:30 am, Tuesday to Friday 9:00 am)



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



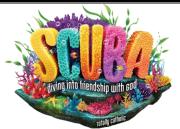
Welcome to **Seniors Connect** A safe space for Seniors to gather, socialize, learn about, and discuss issues related to aging in New Brunswick. Our **next gathering** will take place on Thursday **May 9<sup>th</sup> at** 10:30am at the Holy Family Church, 52 Falkland St. Moncton. Our topic of the day will be "Being Safe in the Sun", things to consider as we

enjoy the lovely days of summer! Don't forget to bring your favorite summer hat! Questions? Contact Karen LeBlanc at 387-4198 or email <a href="mailto:karen.diocese@gmail.com">karen.diocese@gmail.com</a>



MONDAY @ THE MOVIES Our next Monday @ The Movies will be on May 13<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 PM when we will discuss the 2022 film **The Whale**, starring Brendan Fraser. Monday @ The Movies is a film discussion group which meets monthly on Zoom to discuss faith themes in popular films. Contact Karen LeBlanc at 387-4198 or email <a href="mailto:karen.diocese@gmail.com">karen.diocese@gmail.com</a>

**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 **May 6th** and **May 13<sup>th</sup>** from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm. To register visit  $\underline{www.diomoncton.ca} \rightarrow Pastoral Offices \rightarrow Adult Faith \rightarrow Formation Opportunities. For more information contact Trevor at 857-4879 or email <math>\underline{trevord.diocese@gmail.com}$ 



**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2024 – SAVE THE DATE!** This year's Vacation Bible School (for ages 3 up to the end of sixth grade) is scheduled to take place this upcoming June 26<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup>, and 28<sup>th</sup> (mornings). It will take place at Immaculate Heart of Mary church in Riverview. Watch for more information in the coming weeks.

This year's theme is SCUBA: Diving into Friendship with God.



NATIONAL FAMILY AND LIFE WEEK A message to all Catholic families: National Family and Life Week (NFLW) this year will take place from 13 May to 19 May 2024. The theme for this year is "Love hopes all things," which is taken from Saint Paul's hymn on love in 1 Corinthians 13.7: "[Love] bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things." This description of love is also at the heart of Pope Francis's reflection on the dynamics of spousal and family love in the

Post-Synodal Apostolic Exhortation *Amoris Laetitia*, chapter 4. Through this theme, families are encouraged to cultivate, deepen, and renew Christian hope by drawing on scriptural reflection, family prayer, and the Sacraments. The CCCB Standing Committee for Family and Life and its corresponding Office have developed a pastoral toolkit specifically designed for the "domestic church." Each day of the NFLW 2024 celebrates a specific theme, accompanied by prayers and activities for different ages, cultures, and circumstances. The toolkit includes: the logo for the 2024 National Family and Life Week; catechesis; prayer intentions and daily activities for families and parishes; graphic resources with quotes on Christian hope for daily social media campaigns; as well as pastoral suggestions for a Mass to celebrate Family and Life. Dioceses/Eparchies, parishes, and Catholic movements and associations are encouraged to make good use of the pastoral toolkit in their own planning of activities to mark this Week, which concludes on Pentecost. May the Holy Spirit lead us into a "Love [that] hopes all things" during this Week. May our thoughts, words, and actions be inspired by the same Spirit, and may God hear the prayers of our Catholic families and grant them the hope that only He can give. *-The Most Rev. William T. McGrattan, Bishop of Calgary* 

#### 2024 STEUBENVILLE ATLANTIC YOUTH CONFERENCE

Calling all youths (Ages 14-18)

In our ever-changing world, Jesus is the answer to the longing of our hearts for meaning, fulfillment, security, and love. Join hundreds of Catholic teens at Steubenville Atlantic in Halifax, NS on July

5-7, 2024, to be illuminated in the light of Christ.



Steubenville Conferences are an outreach of Franciscan University of Steubenville. The conferences serve nearly 50,000 high school youth and their leaders at 25 different conferences across North America every summer. The conferences seek to invite teens into a life-changing relationship with Jesus Christ and his Church, empowering them to live as his disciples. These conferences are high energy events featuring inspiring talks, dynamic worship, and profound encounters with Jesus Christ in the Eucharist and sacrament of reconciliation.

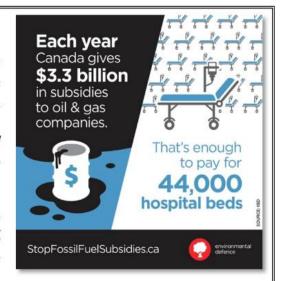
Come and join us! The registration fee will be covered by the archdiocese, parishes, and donors. It means the residence accommodations, five meals (Friday dinner through Sunday breakfast), talks, and sessions are all covered. You just have to show up!

If you are interested or someone you know is interested, please contact Fr. Carlos Jacinto at fathercarlosj@gmail.com or call the St. Bernard's Parish Office 506-857-0425 (Monday-Friday: 9am-12nn; 1pm-4pm)

# Did you know?

Knowing that Canadians from coast to coast to coast, have differing and passionate opinions about the taxes we pay at the pump, the **Laudato Si' Committee** would like to pose a question. How can it be that we must pay more at the pump, in an attempt to get people to move away from gasoline-powered vehicles, yet all the while different levels of government give huge financial support and/or tax breaks to fossil fuel companies?

A billion here and a billion there and oil and gas companies can boast about record profits, yet Canadian tax payers are footing the bill. We must speak to our MPs and tell the Canadian government:



- Do not introduce any new subsidies for oil and gas companies!
- Do not extend the lifespan of any existing subsidies!
- **Be honest** with us about how much taxpayer money you spend each year on incentives and tax breaks for oil and gas companies!

Upcoming Meeting - Parish Catechetical Coordinators - May 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6:00 PM, Immaculate Heart of Mary