

**St Elizabeth of the Trinity Parish Grouping  
January 12th , 2025 The Baptism of the Lord**

<b>Holy Family Church</b>	<b>Holy Ghost Church</b>	<b>Immaculate Heart of Mary Church</b>	<b>St. Jude's Church</b>
			
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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 9-4:00pm**  
**To meet with Fr. Phil, please call the parish office.**

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**Saint Elizabeth of the Trinity**



**Prayer Requests**

**We pray for the sick, and those who are awaiting or recovering from surgery, those receiving treatment, and those needing strength including Eric Tracy, Helen Skidmore, Glenda O'Hara, Evelyn Danahy, Chris Hachey, Johanna Van Elst, Albert Jackson, and Sheila Mc Lean; for those who have died, and for those who mourn the loss of a loved one.**



- 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)



## Daily Readings Jan 13th –Jan 19th ,2025

Monday	Hebrews 1.1-6		Mark 1.14-20
Tuesday	Hebrews 2.5-12		Mark 1.21-28
Wednesday	Hebrews 2.14-18		Mark 1.29-39
Thursday	Hebrews 3.7-14		Mark 1.40-45
Friday	Hebrews 4.1-5,11		Mark 2.1-12
Saturday	Hebrews 4.12-16		Mark 2.13-17
Sunday (2nd Sunday in OT)	Isaiah 62.1-5	1 Corinthians 12.4-11	John 2.1-12

## Upcoming Liturgies Jan ,15th —Jan ,19th

Wed, Jan 15th	IMH	9:30 a.m.	Boyd Clory—Claire Clory
Fri, Jan 17th	People's Park Tower	2:00 p.m.	Dorothy Connor—Al & Beth Kavanaugh
Sat, Jan 18th	Holy Ghost	4:00 p.m.	For the People
Sat, Jan 18th	Holy Family	7:00 p.m.	Lowell Brine—Roger & Judy Bourque
Sun, Jan 19th	St. Jude	9:00 a.m.	Peter Lebens— Janet Gordon
Sun, Jan 19th	IHM	11:00 a.m.	Dr. Jose Leal—Pat Burrows

## 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		St. Elizabeth of the Trinity
Mon, Jan 13th	IHM	Choir Practice — Meet at 6:30pm	
Mon, Jan 13th	Holy Family	Prayer Group – Meet at 7:00pm	
Tues, Jan 14th	Holy Family	Senior's Club– No Meeting this week.	
Tues, Jan 14th	IHM	Catechism— at 6:30pm	
Wed, Jan 15th	IHM	Catechism — at 6:30pm	
Wed, Jan 15th	IHM	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament—Every Wednesday Following 9:30am mass	

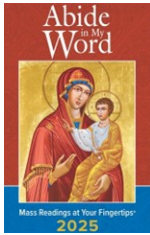
## Seniors Connect :Thursday January 16th @ 10:30 am



Holy Family Church, 52 Falkland Street  
A safe place for seniors to gather, socialize, learn about and discuss issues related to aging in New Brunswick. The theme for January's gathering is  
"Simple Tips for Computing and the Internet"

**You do not need to have a computer with you.**

Contact Karen at 506-387-4198 or youth@diocesemoncton.ca



**The Word Among Us**—Sorry for the delay on the Word Among Us, this was due to the mail strike. Happy to report the February booklets are here. Nothing for January as of yet, we're not sure if they will come in. February is ready for pick up ! Thanks for your patience !

**Did You Know ?** *All baptised are called to point away from themselves toward the places where Christ is present in our world: in the hungry, the thirsty, the poor, the sick and the imprisoned. ( p.18, SB 2024)*



### Wildcats Game – Parish Unit Outing

**We are organizing a parish unit outing** at a Moncton Wildcats game on Sunday, February 23<sup>rd</sup> at 3 p.m. at the Avenir Centre. We would all sit together in a section designated by the Wildcats front office. The cost to you would be **\$10 per ticket**, regardless of age, and the parish would absorb the extra cost of the tickets as they are a bit more expensive than \$10. This is a great chance for us to come together with folks from our own parish, and other parishes in our unit and get to know one another while at the same time, enjoying a game. If you are new to Canada, and are not familiar with the game of hockey, we will sit you next to someone who will be happy to explain things as the game goes on. Please let me know by Friday, January 31<sup>st</sup> if you would like to attend so I can coordinate the tickets with the Wildcats head office.

### DYING WITH CHRIST, LIVING WITH HOPE



St. Elizabeth of the Trinity pastoral unit is pleased to present the three-part series, Dying with Christ –Living with Hope. Developed by the Christian Medical and Dental Association (CMDA), this program explores topics related to death and dying in a Christian context.

The purpose of the series is to help those who are searching to understand the meaning of a Christian death and how it fits into God's plan. It can help participants find strength in their faith and in their ability to articulate a Christian approach to these issues.

Using both large and small groups discussions, video presentations from theologians and medical specialists, and individual reflections, the program addresses the topics of: **Session 1** – Death and Dying; **Session 2** – Pain, Suffering and End of Life and; **Session 3** – The Christian Duty to Care.

The course will be taking place on three evenings, January 16<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church.

Registration is required. Please contact Karen at 386-6178 or [youth@diocesemoncton.ca](mailto:youth@diocesemoncton.ca) to register or for more information.



Zacchaeus, the miracle baby about to be born, and I would like to thank you for your generous donations. You have been so generous in your gifting and your thoughts and prayers. Thank you so very much.

May you have a prosperous New Year!

Much love, The mother-in-waiting.



**Sunday Missal's available at parish office for \$7.00 per copy. Drop by or call Debbie to reserve your copy. We have 11 left . Thank you !**

## Immaculate Heart of Mary Church



Riverview Winter Carnival's Ladies Society Chicken Luncheon  
**Saturday, February 8<sup>th</sup>**, (Storm date Feb 9th, 2025)  
from 11-1 pm at the Dan Bohan Centre  
Tickets must be reserved, call Pam @ (506 386-5451) to reserve yours.  
Tickets are \$10.00 each

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.



**Raffle in support of Albert County Food Bank.** The Knights of Columbus are selling tickets (\$2 each or 3 for \$5) on a basket of wine (7 red; 6 white). Tickets will be sold before and after mass 12 January, and 19 January. The draw will be made after mass on the 19th. Coincidentally, the gospel on the 19th describes Jesus turning water into wine at the wedding feast of Cana. Did you know Primitivo (3 bottles) has been around since the time of Jesus? We can only turn one ticket into wine; however, 100% of the proceeds will be turned in to the Albert County Food Bank (no apologies for the pun) 😊.



### IN GRATITUDE

You're too many to mention individually, so I just want to say "thank-you" to everyone who gave me a Christmas card and/or a gift. (Included were a stuffed monkey and Spider Man socks. Awesome!). I appreciated it so much. You are all so very generous. *Fr. Phil*



### Saint Elizabeth of the Trinity Online Auction—Here we go again!

The next online auction will be for **Immaculate Heart of Mary!**

Help us kick off our fundraising for 2025!

The auction will take place mid-February so for now **JOIN THE FACEBOOK GROUP** and invite your friends. Also, we are collecting items to auction off such as gift items, collectibles, items that would be of interest or use, new or gently used. Call Anne at the parish office if you have questions or items to donate!

## Holy Ghost Parish

**Our sincere sympathy** to George and Teresa Collrin on the recent death of grandson Jeremy Robichaud. May his memories bring you comfort and also knowing he RIP in arms of Jesus.

## Holy Family Parish



**Holy Family Church** is seeking an enthusiastic, musically gifted team player to serve as **Music Leader**. The perfect candidate will lead the music at mass celebrations and choir practices. This is a paid position. For a detailed position description or additional information, please reach out to Mark at the parish office: 506 386 6178 this posting will remain open until filled.

# Exploring Our Faith

## What's Your Focus, Love or Fear?

While this greeting might be coming a couple of weeks late, I would like to wish each of you a very Happy New Year! Each new year celebration brings with it a sense of new beginnings; of resolutions to do things differently; a sense of optimism that this year we are going to do it better than ever. The reality is that we haven't been getting it that wrong in past years. There are always things we would like to improve or bad habits we wish we could break, but I think that is our reality any time of the year, not just on January 1<sup>st</sup>.

The other event that we celebrate at this time of year is the baptism of our Lord. For me, this invites me more into self-reflection than the changing of month and year on the calendar. As I read the familiar story of Jesus' baptism, I am struck by the fact that each account of his baptism in the three gospels that write about it finishes with the same line. A voice from heaven (presumably God's voice) saying: "You are my Son, the beloved, with whom I am well pleased."

If God is saying this about Jesus, I believe God is saying this about each and every one of us. That we are God's child, and that God is well pleased with us. I wonder if we are comfortable with the idea that God is well pleased with us. Many Christians I encounter are more focused on what's wrong with them than what's right. Much of our prayer, both personally and publicly, is filled more with saying I'm sorry than saying thank you. Even within mass, on five different occasions we are telling God how sinful we are and how much we need forgiveness, while only once do we have a prayer of thanksgiving (Prayer after Communion), yet Eucharist literally means to give thanks.



I am not saying that we should go around thinking we are the greatest thing since sliced bread or that we don't need to reflect on times when we haven't been at our best, but I believe we need more balance. I can honestly say that I am not the greatest thing since sliced bread, but I am also not the worst human being God has ever created. When I began my job here at Saint Elizabeth of the Trinity and was introduced to the folks in the 5 churches we serve, I told each congregation that I was part time sinner, part time saint. I believe that applies to each one of us. None of us get it right all the time and none of us get it wrong all the time, and the wonderful thing about that is Jesus spent most of his time with people who got it wrong, a lot.

I have been doing baptism preparation in our diocese for over 25 years and it always strikes me when talking to young parents about why they have decided to have their child baptized, how much of their motivation is fear based. They are so afraid that if something were to happen to their child before being baptized, there would be no place for that child in God's kingdom. We have spent so many years touting fear of God as a trait to be admired (*how many times have you heard the saying, "he is a good God-fearing man"*) that we have almost stopped talking about love of God, and more importantly, God's love of us. When people quote scripture to me, they never say, "Mark, there is nothing you can do that will separate you from the love of God." (Romans 8:39). Why not? That is really **GOOD NEWS!**

So, maybe that can be my focus (or resolution) for 2025, to live from a place of gratitude for being so infinitely loved and to do my best to share that love with anyone God puts in my path. I believe that will be well-pleasing to God.

Mark Mahoney, Pastoral Associate

## *Sharing God's gifts*

### *Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish:*

Loose \$558., Church Support \$9,134.(158)  
Property Upkeep \$201. (7), Youth Support \$20.(2)  
Social Action \$239. (11), New Years \$1,102. (54)  
Initial offering \$361. (33)

### *Peoples Park Tower :*

Loose \$72.  
Church Support \$245.(10)  
Maintenance Fund \$5.(1), New years \$110. (3)  
Initial offering \$110. (3)

### *Holy Family Parish:*

Loose \$243., Church Support \$1,862.(38)  
Maintenance fund \$85.(6)  
New Years \$375.(19)  
Initial offering \$112.(13)

### *Holy Ghost Parish:*

Loose \$30., Church Support \$25., Reg Env \$592., Fuel  
\$550., New Years \$35.

### *St. Jude's Parish:*

Loose \$70., Church Support \$287. (14)  
New years \$135. (8), Initial offering \$55.(8)



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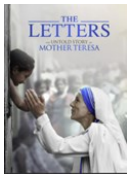
On December 30<sup>th</sup>, 2024, the Honorable Dominic LeBlanc, Minister of Finance and Intergovernmental Affairs, along with the Honorable Élisabeth Brière, Minister of National Revenue, announced that the federal government intends to amend the *Income Tax Act* to extend the deadline for making donations eligible for tax support in the 2024 tax year, until February 28, 2025.

This extension will mitigate the impacts of the four-week Canada Post mail stoppage. This will provide donors with additional time to ensure their contributions are received and processed by their parish.

The government will introduce legislation affecting these changes once Parliament returns in the new year.



**FORMATION FOR BAPTISM PREPARATION TEAMS** - To provide continuing formation for members of parish baptismal preparation teams, they are asked to gather on **Saturday, January 25<sup>th</sup> at Immaculate Heart of Mary parish from 9:30 am – 12:00 noon**. This formation is relevant to new members of baptismal preparation teams as well as a refresher for existing members. Facilitated by Trevor Droesbeck and Mark Mahoney, the formation will follow the themes and guidelines outlined in **Pastoral Recommendations for the Baptism of Children**, and will involve the resource that has been used in our diocese for the past several years and will include a dialogue around working with parents, the rewards and challenges of being involved in the ministry; what’s working and (maybe) what’s not; as well as ways we can be more effective. Please contact Trevor at [adultfaith@diocesemoncton.ca](mailto:adultfaith@diocesemoncton.ca) or 506- 857-4879 to confirm your attendance.



**MONDAY @ THE MOVIES** – Our next selection for Monday @ The Movies will be “*The Letters: The Untold Story of Mother Teresa*.” We will meet via Zoom on **Monday, January 27<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am** to discuss the movie. Contact Karen at 506-387-4198 or [youth@diocesemoncton.ca](mailto:youth@diocesemoncton.ca) for more information.



**“CELEBRATING SUNDAY” LITURGICAL FORMATION** – Liturgist Catherine Ecker will be offering a three-part Zoom series on the celebration of Sunday liturgy. Each session will take place via Zoom on **February 5<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, and 26<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm** and run until 9:00 pm. These sessions will be appropriate for any involved in liturgical ministries or anyone who would like to know more about how and why we celebrate. Contact Karen at 506-387-4198 or

**“ROADMAP TO INITIATION” R.C.I.A. FORMATION** – Catherine Ecker will also be offering a three-part series entitled “Roadmap to Initiation,” designed for those who are involved in parish R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) teams. These sessions will also take place via Zoom on **March 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, and 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm** to 9:00 pm. Contact Karen at 506- 387-4198 or [youth@diocesemoncton.ca](mailto:youth@diocesemoncton.ca) to register.



**UPCOMING MEETINGS:**

January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2025 @ 10:00 am – **Pastoral Care Meeting in Rexton**—Immaculate Conception

January 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2025 @ 7:00 pm – **Adult Faith Commission** – Immaculate Heart of Mary

January 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2025 @ 10:00 am – **Pastoral Care Committee** – Immaculate Heart of Mary

February 6<sup>th</sup>, 2025 @ 10:00 am – **Meeting of Parish R.C.I.A. Leadership** – St. Bernard’s

March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2025 @ 6:00 pm – **Parish Catechetical Coordinators** – Immaculate Heart of Mary

January 20, 2025

1:00 - 1:30 PM - Business Meeting

Location: Riverview Lions Club  
701 Coverdale Road

**An opportunity to hear from  
Monica Barely**



**Her focus will be on Powers of Attorney, how they work and their importance. Introduction to Estate Planning.**

**Deadline to confirm** January 16, 2025

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