


St Elizabeth of the Trinity Parish Grouping
February 23rd, 2025 Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

| Holy Family Church | Holy Ghost Church | Immaculate Heart of Mary Church | St. Jude's Church |
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| <p align="center">52 Falkland St Moncton, NB E1E 4S8 Tel: 506- 854-6099 Saturdays at 7 p.m.</p> | <p align="center">2 Church St Riverside-Albert, NB E4H 3W8 Tel: 506- 882-1123 Saturdays at 4 p.m.</p> | <p align="center">5 Fatima Dr Riverview, NB E1B 2X8 Tel: 506- 386-6178 Sundays at 11:00 a.m. Wednesday at 9:30 a.m.</p> | <p align="center">3062 Main St Salisbury, NB E4J 2L5 Tel: 506- 386-6178 Sundays at 9:00 a.m.</p> |


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|  | <p align="center"><i>We would like to acknowledge that we carry out our worship on the unceded, ancestral territory of the Indigenous peoples of Atlantic Canada, the Mi'kmaq and the Wəlastəkwiyik (Maliseet). Our relationship and our privilege to live on this territory was agreed upon in the Peace and Friendship Treaties of 1752, and so it is to be acknowledged that we are all Treaty people, having a responsibility to respect this territory.</i></p> |
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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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| Priest Moderator | Fr. Phil Mulligan | philstoryguy@hotmail.com | (506) 386-6178 ext 106 |
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Saint Elizabeth of the Trinity

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|  | <p align="center">Prayer Requests</p> <p align="center"><i>We pray for the sick, and those who are awaiting or recovering from surgery, those receiving treatment, and those needing strength including Remi Rioux (grandson) & Connie Firlotte (sister in-law) of Jean & Dale Ryan, Al Kavanaugh, Louis LeBlanc (brother of Marie Betts), Betty Lou Remington, Mary Burns, Mary Wilt; for those who have died including and for those who mourn the loss of a loved one.</i></p> |
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|  | <p align="center">Please support the Food Banks in our area:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • House of Nazareth (Holy Family) • Albert County Food Bank (Immaculate Heart of Mary) • Salisbury Helping Hands (St Jude's) • Shepody Food Bank (Holy Ghost) Thank you for your continued support! |
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Daily Readings Feb 24th – March 2nd 2025


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| Monday | Sirach 1.1-10 | | Mark 9.14-29 |
| Tuesday | Sirach 2.1-11 | | Mark 9.30-37 |
| Wednesday | Sirach 4.11-19 | | Mark 9.38-40 |
| Thursday | Sirach 5.1-8 | | Mark 9.41-50 |
| Friday | Sirach 6.5-17 | | Mark 10.1-12 |
| Saturday | Sirach 17.1-4,6-8,10-15 | | Mark 10.13-16 |
| Sunday (8h Sunday in OT) | Sirach 27-4-7 | 1 Corinthians 15.54-58 | Luke 6.39-45 |

Upcoming Liturgies Feb 26th—March 2nd

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| Wed, Feb 26th | IMH | 9:30 a.m. | Vaughan LeBlanc (Anniv) - Carolyn |
| Fri, Feb 28th | People's Park Tower | 2:00 p.m. | For The People |
| Sat, Mar 1st | Holy Ghost | 4:00 p.m. | Gerald & Scott Stuart—Donna Stuart |
| Sat, Mar 1st | Holy Family | 7:00 p.m. | Gordon Hunter —Sheila Morano |
| Sun, Mar 2nd | St. Jude | 9:00 a.m. | Peter LeBans—Carol Lunney |
| Sun, Mar 2nd | IHM | 11:00 a.m. | Eleanor Doucette—Reg & Family |

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 | | |
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| Mon, Feb 24th | IHM | Choir Practice — Meet at 6:30pm |  |
| Mon, Feb 24th | Holy Family | Prayer Group – Meet at 7:00pm | |
| Tues, Feb 25th | IHM | Catechism— at 6:30pm | |
| Tues, Feb 25th | Holy Family | Choir Practice— Meet at 6:30pm | |
| Tues, Feb 25th | Dan Bohan | Prayer Shawl Ministry— Meet at 10:30 Bring Jokes and giggles ! | |
| Wed, Feb 26th | IHM | Catechism — at 6:30pm | |
| Thur, Feb 27th | Holy Family | LPC– Meeting at 6:30pm | |

Baptism Inquiries



We get many inquiries regarding baptism and what steps need to be taken in preparation. Most of the time people will send an email to the parish account which then gets sent to Mark. We have established a new email account you can use to have your questions answered. The address is: baptism.set@gmail.com. This will go straight to Mark and he will be happy to help you out.



Don't Forget! **Friendly Reminder:** On **Sunday March 9th, 2025** in the early hours, time will jump forward (spring ahead) by one hour from **2:am to 3:am**



Did you Know ? The church has had its false shepherds, people who seek their own gain, power and pleasure at all costs. We need to pray for good shepherds –shepherds like Jesus - who seek the good of the other, not themselves. (p.10, SB 2024)



World Day of Prayer 2025

Kia Orana!

World Day of Prayer is a prayer movement that invites us to enrich our faith experience with the experience of Christians from other countries and cultures and to bring hope to women touched by injustice. Our siblings in The Cook Islands welcome us and lead us for World Day of Prayer 2025! This group of 15 islands in the South Pacific Ocean has a rich and colourful Māori heritage and a deep connection to nature. Join with us as we pray together and reflect on the theme 'I made you wonderful'. The scripture base is Psalm 139 – verses 1-18.

Friday, March 7th at IHMC at 2:00 p.m.

Storm Date March 14th reception to follow at Dan Bohan Center
Bible study for will be held on Feb. 25 at 2:00pm Dan Bohan center
storm date Feb 26th.

Facilitated by **Ellen Bennett.**

Memorial & Special Gifts this Month

Memorial & Special Gifts are a special way to give to the life and works of the church.

These gifts can be made in memory of a loved one, or to honour a living person.

During the month of February 2025

At Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish,

donations were made to the flower fund in memory of

Stephen Hickey – By: Bob & Helena Vaughan & Al & Bridget Daly

Noella Cormier – By: Bob & Helena Vaughan

Marie Godin - By: Bob & Helena Vaughan

Donations were made in Memory of

Darrell Terry – By: Al & Beth Kavanaugh

Marion Doherty – By: Wayne & Ellen Bennett

And a donation to the Building Fund in memory of

Marion Doherty – By: Neil Fulton

At Holy Family Parish

donations were made to the church in memory of

Mother Elise Furlong & twin brother John Furlong– By: Dale & Jean Ryan



Holy Ghost Church



50/50 Winner -Congratulations to Donna Stuart 50/50 winner of \$89.00 and Thank you for the Donation towards the Roof!



On Ash Wednesday, March 5, we will hold Mass at Forest Dale Home to include the residents. The service will begin at 3 PM.

Immaculate Heart of Mary Church



Pancake Supper Shrove Tuesday
March 4th from 4:30 - 6:30 p.m. Dan Bohan Center
 Menu includes pancakes, sausage, beans soup, crackers, tea, coffee, and. lemonade **Price \$10.00. or \$25.00 per family.** All are welcome! Bring a friend .



Social Action Committee



On behalf of all the staff and clients of Crossroads for Women, thank you to the Immaculate Heart of Mary Church Social Action for your generous contributions over the years. Your support changes lives—helping people like Elyse and Noah find safety, hope, and a fresh start. We are deeply grateful for your compassion and commitment to our cause.

Testimony of Elyse & Noah

Heartfelt thanks

Thanks to Crossroads and all the staff, I am leaving this place feeling empowered, blessed and truly grateful! I cannot thank you enough. Thank you for welcoming us, for giving me the time to breathe and regain my courage, for all the support, comfort and meals, and most importantly, thank you for your kindness to Noah - it means the world to me! God bless you all, Elyse REDACTED and Noah REDACTED



On February 22nd, 1900 the Knights of Columbus 4th Degree was introduced and placing emphasis on PATRIOTISM. It remains to this day the highest level attained by a Brother Knight, always keeping the love of their country foremost. Please join Our Sir Knights after Mass for some fellowship time and some refreshments along with an opportunity to offer congratulations on their 125th Anniversary.

Holy Family Church



Choir practice **Tuesdays at 6:30 pm at Holy Family Church** – new members welcome to join in! Please speak to Bill if you have any questions.

Community



If you have a modest income and a simple tax situation, volunteers from the **Community Volunteer Income Tax Program** may be able to do your taxes for you, **for free!**

Bring your tax information slips, receipts, SIN and ID to a clinic near you

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| <p>Riverview Public Library</p> <p>Walk in clinic offered on March 5 & April 16 from 10 -12 p.m.</p> | <p>MAGMA, Salvation Army, Moncton Library, Club d'Age d'Or NBCC and the Legion located 100 War Veterans Ave.</p> <p>Please call 1-800-959-8281 for more info or go to Canada.ca/taxes-help</p> |
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EXPLORING OUR FAITH

Today's reading and Gospel focus heavily on the theme of radical love and forgiveness, particularly the call to "love your enemies" as Jesus teaches in the Gospel reading urging us to do good to those who hate us, bless those who curse us, and pray for those who persecute us, essentially challenging us to extend mercy even to those who may not deserve it, mirroring God's own boundless love. Jesus encourages us to give without expecting anything in return and warns against judging others. We are called to show understanding and compassion.



"To do unto others as you would have them do to you" is one of the most difficult of all Jesus' teachings to follow. We all struggle against it. There are many objections. The concept of not judging others is relatively easy to understand and put into practice. But the concept of why we should love our enemies is extremely difficult. I must admit that I am not completely convinced I could do this. I have two beautiful granddaughters (5 and 7). If someone hurt either one I would not be willing to not seek revenge or hurt them back or forgive them. I just pray this never happens and hope my faith

will carry me through dilemmas such as not being truly able to follow what Jesus has taught me.

Today's world is rife with the opposite of what Jesus taught. All we have to do is look at our society, current events, the power and abuse by world leaders, the conflicts in the Middle East and Eastern Europe. It is a natural instinct to want to seek revenge, etc but we must try to do what is suggested. By applying the philosophy of treating others as you would like to be treated doesn't mean we support our enemies, or agree with them, or even necessarily become good friends with them, if we refuse to hate, refuse to hurt it may soon mean that the cycle of hate, the cycle of revenge, the cycle of retaliation, the cycle of violence may eventually subside and ideally stop. When we talk about forgiving those who hurt us, we are not denying our right to defend ourselves. We are not advising that we accept abuse and manipulation. We are saying that when we respond to our enemy we can try to resolve problems with the "do unto others as you would do to you" belief. In our daily personal lives we can try to apply this to our relationships with family, friends, community. Forgiveness doesn't mean we act as though nothing happened, it means we are aware of what happened yet we choose to let go. Try to treat other people with the concern and kindness we would like them to show towards us.

Someone who attempted to explain the wisdom in loving our enemies was Martin Luther King Jr. The civil rights activist said "Jesus asks us to love our enemies because "darkness cannot drive out darkness; only light can do that; hate cannot drive out hate, only love can do that."

Let us pray for that inner strength to be compassionate when our survival instincts say something else. Let us pray for the inner strength to do as Jesus said "Do unto others as you would have them do to you." Let us pray that by doing so, the world will get a little better each day.

By: Cathy Keirstead

Sharing God's gifts

Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish:

Loose \$329
Church Support \$6,006 (160)
Property Upkeep \$515.50 (24)
Youth Support \$53 (6), Social Action \$85 (9)

Holy Ghost Parish:

Church Support \$319. (12)
50/50 \$89., Roof Donation \$45.



St. Jude's Parish:

Loose \$55
Church Support \$422 (13)

Holy Family Parish:

Loose \$88
Church Support \$2,296 (54)
Maintenance Fund \$300 (13)

Holy Family (PPT) :

Loose \$82
Church Support \$725 (16)
Maintenance Fund \$35 (3)



Thank you for your donations to our churches in 2024—tax receipts are available this weekend at your church. After Monday, Feb 24, all remaining receipts will be mailed out. If you are able, save us a stamp and pick up your receipt ASAP! This year, we need your help us meet our parish- es' operational budgets! Your monetary gifts keep the doors open, the lights on, the snow re- moved, support the staff, provide the liturgical elements such as hosts, wine, candles and more, and ensure our places of worship as safe, welcoming houses of God – **we cannot operate as we do without your gen- erous and faithful offering to the life and work of our churches. Please be intentional in your giving – prayerfully con- sider how you can be a pillar in our parish by sharing your time, your talents, and your treasures. All gifts are received in the spirit with which they were offered... with gratitude and thanksgiving to God!**



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“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 12th, 19th, and 26th** (please note change of dates) 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 387-4198 or youth@diocesemoncton.ca to register.

“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 10th, 17th, and 24th at 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm.

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



UPCOMING MEETINGS:

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

March 19th, 2025 @ 7:00 pm – **Adult Faith Commission** – Immaculate Heart of Mary

March 21st, 2025 @ 6:00 pm – **Dying with Christ, Living with Hope** – Immaculate Conception

March 27th, 2025 @ 10:00 am – **Diocesan Pastoral Care Committee** – Immaculate Heart of Mary



LENT GOES TO THE MOVIES - Our Mondays @ The Movies film discussion group will meet four times over Lent to discuss Lenten themes in popular films. **February 24th** – **On the Waterfront**; **March 10th** – **Close Encounters of the Third Kind**; **March 24th** – **A River Runs Through it**; **April 7th**– **Thelma and Louise**. All discussions take place on

Zoom at 2:00 pm. Please contact Karen at 387-4198 or youth@diocesemoncton.ca to register.

Everyone is welcome to join the discussion.



Steubenville Atlantic Youth Conference will take place this year from **July 11th-13th** at Dalhousie University in

Halifax. Steubenville offers teens a life-changing encounter with Jesus Christ that ignites their faith, strengthens their prayer life, and empowers them to live out their mission long after the conference ends.

Youth from 9th to 12th grade will be exposed to opportunities for worship, adoration, and reconciliation, while enjoying fellowship with hundreds of other Catholic teens from across Canada.

For more information,

contact Justin Mury at jgmury@gmail.com

or register at www.steubenville.ca.

2025, a Jubilee Year



What is a Jubilee? Celebrated every 25 years in the Catholic Church, a Jubilee is a special year of forgiveness and reconciliation in which people are invited to come back into right relationships with God, with one another and with all Creation. The tradition is inspired by the biblical year of jubilee, a time when debts were cancelled, slaves were set free and the land was allowed to rest (Lev. 25, Deut. 15).

This year, under the theme “Pilgrims of Hope,” Pope Francis invites Catholics to renew their hope and adopt a vision that can “restore access to the fruits of the earth to everyone.” Find out how Development and Peace — Caritas Canada will be living the Jubilee at devp.org/lent.

To learn all about Development and Peace — Caritas Canada’s new Share Lent campaign, join the launch webinar on

March 1st at 1:30 p.m. ET. Registration link is on devp.org/events
Interpretation will be provided in French, English and Spanish.

ENLARGE YOUR TENT: A CONVERSATION ABOUT HOSPITALITY AND WELCOME



Mark your calendars!

St. Elizabeth of the Trinity invites everyone to join a conversation on hospitality and welcome

on Wednesday, March 27th, 7:00 pm at Holy Family Parish (52 Falkland).

What does it mean to welcome someone? What is good hospitality? Grounded in the Vatican synodal document “Enlarge the Space in Your Tent,” taken from Isaiah 54:2, we will pray, reflect on and discuss these themes. Contact Mark to register at 506-386-6178 or

markmahoney@set@gmail.com.

Gospel Study Group February 27th and 28th:

Weekly in person or zoom, Thursdays at **St. Lawrence O’Toole** 6:00pm followed by adoration at 7:00pm AND Fridays at **St. Augustine’s** 11:00am, followed by Mass at 12:00noon and adoration. For information contact Charlie Farrell at 857-4223 or charlie.farrell@qasmoncton.com.

For 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time click on the following links and read:

Pope Francis

https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/angelus/2019/documents/papa-francesco_angelus_20190303.html

Gregory the Great Chapters 1 & 2

<https://www.newadvent.org/fathers/36011.htm>

We would like to thank you most sincerely for your generous donation to our church during the diocesan collection on **November 02 and 03, 2024**. Thanks to your support and generosity, the diocesan collection can be considered a real success. We collected approximately **\$102,000.00**. Your support is invaluable, and your support is invaluable and contributes greatly to sustaining our mission and balancing the archdiocesan budget.

We assure you that your gift has been received with greatest appreciation and will be used wisely to support our projects and initiatives. We are blessed to have committed people like you at our side.

We thank you warmly for your invaluable contribution to this achievement.

May God bless you abundantly.

+ Guy Desrochers, C.M.