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MISSION STATEMENT

Go and Make Disciples

VISION

Be the face of Jesus in the world; where church matters and a relationship with Jesus Christ is central to every person

Pastor: Fr. Owen Burns

Mass Times: Sat. 5:00 p.m.
Sun. 10:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.

Parish Council Chair: Michele Connors
Baptisms, Marriage, Catechetical Ministry: contact office
Reconciliation: Saturday after Mass or by appointment.

August 10th – 11th, 2019 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Wisdom 18. 6-9 Hebrews 11 1-2, 8-19 Luke 12 32-48
August 17th – 18th, 2019 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Jeremiah 38 2, 4-6, 8-10 Hebrews 12 1-4 Luke 12 49-53

Announced Masses

Mon.	Aug. 12	6:30 p.m.	Ernie Blanchard
Tues.	Aug. 13	9:00 a.m.	Special Intention
Wed.	Aug. 14	6:30 p.m.	Bernard Evans (Anniv.)
Thurs.	Aug. 15	9:00 a.m.	Helen & Denis Leland
Sat.	Aug. 17	5:00 p.m.	Marlene Vaillancourt
Sun.	Aug. 18	10:00 a.m.	Artie Bennett
		7:00 p.m.	For Parishioners

There will be no weekday Masses from August 19 - September 2.

"For where your treasure is, there also will your heart be." (Luke 12:34)

Jesus encourages us to build up our treasure in heaven. The world encourages us to build up our treasure in real estate, investments, and material goods. How much time are you investing in building up a worldly treasure? How much time are you investing in building up a heavenly treasure? To invest more time in the things of heaven, you must let go of some of the things of this world.

St. Mark's Communications Team

St. Mark's has an opening for a Communications Administrator. This person will lead our Communications Team and will sit on our Parish Support Team, which meets bi-weekly. Our Communications Team is also looking for new members. The team meets on a regular basis. If you have been gifted with great communications skills, or you know someone who has, please contact Dianne at the Parish Office 849-5111 for more information about this important ministry.

R.C.I.A.

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is for unbaptized adults wishing to become members of the Catholic Church, or baptized adults seeking full communion with the Church through the profession of faith and sacraments of First Communion and Confirmation.
Co-ordinators: Jackie and Allan Beckingham, 849-9521 or the Parish Office, 849-5111.

Required Weekly	$ 5,555.00
Sunday Collection, Aug. 4th	$ 4,080.45

Religious Formation - 849-5111
Coordinator – Wendy Ellis 849-8162
Email: stmarksreled@bellaliant.com

Registration for 2019-2020 Catechism for all grades is now open! Please see our website www.stmarksparish.ca to register. In-person registration will be available after all Masses September 7th and 8th only. We are always looking for faithful, enthusiastic and fun catechists to help our young people grow in their relationship with Jesus. If you are interested, please contact Wendy at stmarksreled@bellaliant.com. All materials, training and support is provided. Please pray for our catechists and young people!

Reminder – The Rosary is prayed Monday evening at 7:00 p.m. in the chapel. All are welcome.

Do Your Children See You Give?

Every parent wants to raise children who share and give generously. When our children someday meet God face to face we want to know that they will hear Jesus say to them the same words the master said to those who used their talents wisely, *"Well done, my good and faithful servant...Come, share your master's joy."* (Matt 25:21)

However, raising a generous child is a challenge in a society that constantly teaches children to want more and more things for themselves. One of the key factors in teaching children to be generous is to let them see you giving. After all, children mimic what they **see**, *not* what they **hear.**
Today many donations to the parish Offertory may be made electronically, monthly, quarterly, or via mail. Thus, children may never actually see their parents give. A child who never sees a parent place an envelope in the Offertory could grow up thinking, *"My parents never gave any support to the Church. Why should I?"*

Therefore, it is important that parents talk with children about the charitable gifts the family makes. If you would like to increase your giving you might even ask your kids about ways the family budget could be adjusted so that there is more to share with God. Their suggestions might surprise you!

Pre-Authorized Debit System – If you would like to start this system of donation, forms are available in the foyer. Please fill out the form and drop it in the collection basket in an envelope, along with a VOID cheque.

Sunday Collection Envelopes – If you would like to begin using collection envelopes, these are available in the foyer on the brown table, please fill your name and address on the first envelope that you use.

Would you like to enrich your faith and connect to more people in our parish?

How about serving with one of the ministries listed below? You get to meet people in our parish, learn something new, and will have the opportunity to help the parish grow! Training and support is provided for all ministries!
These ministries all contribute to our celebration of the Mass: Hospitality, Lector, Prayer of the Faithful, Extra-ordinary Minister of Communion and Mass Coordinator. For more information on these ministries, please visit the St. Mark's website www.stmarksparish.ca or call the church office 849-5111.

School Supplies

Parishioners are invited to support families in need by placing **NEW SCHOOL SUPPLIES** in the foyer. Items such as calculators, sketch books, small binders, notebooks, loose leaf, USB memory sticks and zipper binders are a few examples of the more common things needed. (no coil notebooks are required). Any donations will be appreciated.

Diocesan News

August 13 – Rosary Rally in Commemoration of the 102nd Anniversary of the Apparitions of Our Lady of Fatima & Miracle of the Sun will be held at 6:30 p.m. in King Square in Saint John. Each rally lasts about one hour. Rosary Rallies will also take place on Friday, Sept. 13 at 6:30 p.m. and on Saturday, Oct. 12 at noon.

August 17 – "Requiem for the Living" c**o**ncert by the Monadnock Chorus of New Hampshire, with local singers and accompanied by organ and instrumental ensemble at 7:30 p. m. at Portland United Church, Saint John. Free will offering.

August 19 - The next monthly Mass for those living with cancer will be celebrated at 6:30 pm. Anointing of the sick will be offered.

If you are new to our Parish, we would like to hear from you; if you are leaving, please let us know. The office telephone number is 849-5111.

Register Update:
Please fill out this form and put it in collection basket or give to greeter. Thank you for helping to keep our records up to date.
Name _____
Address/Postal Code _____
Phone_____ _____
Email _____
New in Parish ____ Moving out of _____
Moving within the Parish_____