

MAKE A JOYFUL NOISE UNTO THE LORD!

The adult music ministry at St. Mark's invites new and returning members to its Monday evening practices, beginning Sept. 11th, from 7:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m. No experience necessary, you will learn new songs in a fun and welcoming environment. Parishioners from all 3 masses are invited to attend: singers and instrumentalists, and computer experts always welcome! Please contact Music Director Brenda Renaud 849-0125 or brendalee.renaud@gmail.com



Memory Letters for Father Don

If anyone missed the deadline for submitting a memory letter for Father Don, we will collect letters until September 17th. The details are as follows: write a letter to Father Don in which you share some memory/memories you have of him, one page (both sides if necessary), 8 1/2" x 11", unlined, please do not fold. Place your letter in the vellum envelope on the cabinet in the church's foyer OR drop it off to Dianne in the office OR e-mail it to Bob Doherty at raddoh@gmail.com. No one will read your letter except Father Don.

Diocesan News

Sept. 10 - KV Memory Cafe is holding an open house in honour of World Alzheimer Awareness month. This cafe features 'Learn more about Rothesay's new age-friendly initiatives' with Councillor Don Shea, Town of Rothesay and musical entertainers Cathy Dupuis and Norm Boucher. To be held from 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. at St Paul's Anglican Church Hall, 4 Church Ave, Rothesay, NB.

Sept. 13-16 – Quilt show and sale to be held on Wednesday 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m., Thursday 12 noon – 8:00 p.m., Friday 10:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. and Saturday 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Island View Lions Club 9 Market St. Quispamsis. \$5 daily or \$10/3 day pass.

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

If you are new to the Parish we would like to hear from you, or if you are leaving the area, please let us know.

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 _____

Phone _____

New in Parish ____ email:_____ Moving out of ____

Moving within the Parish_____

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MISSION STATEMENT

From three communities and beyond called into one to be Word of God. In a spirit of friendship, sharing of life and energy, faith and appreciation, we commit ourselves to accepting all who come and to be present to them, and from our gatherings open ourselves to our neighborhoods and to the wider church.

Pastor: Father Owen Burns

**Mass Times: Sat. 5 p.m.
Sun. 9 a.m. & 11:15 a.m.**

Parish Council Chair – Pat Carey

Baptism, Marriage, Catechetical Ministry - contact office.

Reconciliation - Sat. after Mass or by appointment

September 9th-10th, 2017 – 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ezekiel 33:7-9 Romans 13:8-10 Matthew 18:15-20

September 16th – 17th, 2017 – 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sirach 27.30 – 28.7 Romans 14 7-9 Matthew 18 21-35

*“You, son of man, I have appointed watchman for the house of Israel.” -
EZEKIEL 33:7*

Many of us are generous with our gifts. However, how often is our generosity at the minimum level required? We do just enough or give just enough. Remember, the Lord calls us to be generous with all the gifts He has given us, to grow them and return them with increase.

Announced Masses

Thurs.	Sept. 14	7:00 p.m.	Ernie Blanchard
Fri.	Sept. 15	9:00 a.m.	Jean McKee
Sat.	Sept. 16	5:00 p.m.	Kathleen & Neil Kelley
Sun.	Sept. 17	9:00 a.m. 11:15 a.m.	Edmond Blanchard Parishioners

Scheduled Events –Sept. 10th – 17th

Date	Event	Time	Location
Sun.Sept.10	Parish Fun Day	12:15pm	Hall
Mon.Sept.11	Adult Music Prac.	7:00 p.m.	Church
	Rosary	7:00 p.m.	Chapel
	Little Rock	7:30 p.m.	Room #1
Tues.Sept.12	Catechist meeting	7:30 p.m.	Hall
Wed. Sept.13	Parish Council	7:00 p.m.	Room #1
	CWL Executive	7:00 p.m.	Room #5

Annual Turkey Supper September 24th



Many items are needed for our annual turkey supper. Food tags are posted on the easel in the foyer as well as envelopes for money donations for purchasing the turkeys. On the food tags you will find the name of the item and the date it should be delivered to the church. The left side of the tag goes with you, the right side of the tag is put in the box provided. If you have any questions please call Fran Hickmott: 654-7200 or the office at 849-5111.

Volunteering at the Turkey Supper

There are various volunteering opportunities for youth and adult at our annual supper. Duties such as waiting on tables, servers, kitchen tasks, peeling vegetables and cleaning tables are just a few. Many hands will make a successful day. Visit the foyer to view and sign up for the various volunteering positions.

Required Weekly	\$ 5,555.00
Sunday Collection, September 3 rd	\$ 3,925.40

Religious Formation - 849-5111

Coordinator – Wendy Ellis 849-8162

Email: stmarksreled@bellaliant.com

Catechists Needed

Catechists needed for grades K-8! We provide all the materials; the manuals walk you through each session, and you are never alone – all our catechists work with a partner. You need not have any special skills beyond a desire to help our young people grow in faith! You will get to know a pretty great group of kids, and explore our Catholic faith together.

The time commitment is about 2 hours for each week you have sessions: 1 hour to read and prepare at home, and then the actual session time. Sessions are Sunday morning, from 10:05 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. We know you have a lot going on, so we try to build in some “weeks off” for the catechists. Sessions run over the 32 week period from Sept. 17th to Apr.22nd. There are 18 sessions for Gr. K-6 and 12 for Gr. 7 and 8. If you are able to help with this important ministry, please contact Wendy as soon as possible at stmarksreled@bellaliant.com or at 849-8162.

New On-line Registration for Religious Education

NEW – Religious Education Registration now open on-line! Please visit our website or use the following URL: <https://www.stmarksparish.ca/religious-education-registration>. Register from anywhere, quickly with no line-ups! In-person registration will be available Sep 7 & 8, 5-7 pm (please use the office entrance), or the weekend of Sep 9-10, after all Masses.



FAMILY DAYS

We need volunteers for our new Family Days! What is a Family Day? Families will gather together, along with the teaching team, 4 times a year: Fall, Advent, Lent and Easter. There will be gathering prayer, some music (led by our fabulous Music Ministry!), and then activities and family discussions around the theme for the day. Families will pray and learn together. The teaching team will guide participants to explore the theme, but will not be “teaching” a lesson. Sessions are at 10:05 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. on Sunday mornings. All materials and support will be provided. If you are interested in being part of this team, please contact Wendy at stmarksreled@bellaliant.com or at 849-8162. Please pray for our faith formation ministry!

Volunteer Opportunities

We are blessed with very active ministries in Saint Mark’s Parish.

If you have never served in a ministry of the parish or are considering returning to ministry after a period of absence, below there is a list of coordinators and the ministries that are in need of volunteers.

Jake Hebert	Eucharistic	849-3439
Contact office	Prayer of Faithful	849-5111
Rick Northrup	Hospitality	849-2480
Peter Little	Lectors	849-7896

Mass and Dinner

The Diocese of Saint John is celebrating its 175th anniversary as a Diocese on October 1st, 2017. The celebration will begin with Mass at the Imperial Theatre at 3:00 p.m., presided by Cardinal Gérald Cyprien Lacroix, Archbishop of Quebec and Primate of Canada. Following the Mass a Gala Dinner will take place at the Delta Hotel on King Street. The Gala begins with a reception at 5:30 p.m. and dinner at 6:30 p.m. A limited number of tickets are available for the Gala Dinner at \$65 per person. To purchase your tickets, please call Holly Riley at 506-653-6800.

CWL Meet and Greet



All women of the Parish are invited to a “meet and greet” evening for our future CWL National President Elect Ann Gorman. Ann will be our guest speaker on Wednesday, September 27th at 7:00 p.m. in the church. Ann will be installed as our National president during the National convention in Manitoba in 2018.

R.C.I.A. - (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

If you know someone interested in becoming a Catholic or would like to inquire into the Catholic faith yourself, call Coordinators: Jackie and Allan Beckingham 849-9521. Sessions begin on September 26th.

Eucharist Ministers for Home Communion are needed. The required time for this ministry is once a month. If willing to help in this ministry please call Paula, 849-2186