

Diocesan News

Sept. 3 - Sunday Exposition/Adoration at St. Joseph's Church, Loch Lomond,
1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Sept. 10 - In a spirit of joy and thanksgiving, we, the Sisters of Charity of the Immaculate Conception, invite you to join us in celebrating 50 years of Mission and Ministry with and among the people of Peru. Come, join us at 11:45 a.m. in a celebration of Thanksgiving at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception.

Sept. 10 - Brunch - Holy Trinity, Rockland Road, will be hosting a brunch 10:00 a.m. - noon. Menu includes bacon, sausage, eggs, hash browns, pancakes, toast & beans. Cost: Free will offering.

Sept. 16 – 19 - Pilgrimage to St. Joseph’s Oratory and the Tomb of St. Kateri Tekakwitha which is at the St. Francis Xavier Mission, **Montreal**. Cost per person, includes travel, accommodations , all entrance and tour fees. Single Room \$650/Double \$450/ Triple \$350/ Quad \$300. Contact Marlita 444-1643 or email marlitachase@hotmail.com.

A unique opportunity for a Memorial Remembrance – The 175th Diocesan Anniversary Dinner is being held at the Saint John Delta Marriott on October 1st. Guests will be attending from every region of our diocese. In memory of a loved one, you may sponsor a floral table centerpiece for a donation of \$30. Your loved one’s name will be recognized on a memorial card displayed on one of the 50 dining tables and you will receive a tax receipt for your donation. Please contact Anne Marie Tingley at 506-652-5615 or solserve@nb.sympatico.ca or Mary Arseneau at 214-4290.

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 _____ 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 Don Breen
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

August 26th -27th, 2017 – 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time
Isaiah 22.15 19-23 Romans 11 33-36 Matthew 16 13-20
September 2nd -3rd, 2017 – 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Jeremiah 20:7-9 Romans 12 1-2 Matthew 16:21-27

August 27, 2017 - 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time
“Or who has given the Lord anything that he may be repaid?” - ROMANS 11:35
St. Paul reminds us of a central fact of stewardship. We cannot **give** the Lord anything, because God already owns it all. God made everything. All that we can do is **return** a portion of God’s many gifts back to Him. Sincere gratitude for our gifts opens our hearts to joyful generosity!

Announced Masses

Wed.	Aug. 30	9:00 a.m.	Bob Brittain
Thurs.	Aug. 31	7:00 p.m.	Karen Ann Carrier
Fri.	Sept. 1	9:00 a.m.	Jean McKee
Sat.	Sept. 2	5:00 p.m.	Scott Gordon
Sun.	Sept. 3	9:00 a.m.	For Parishioners
		11:15 a.m.	Abby Losier

Condolences to:

* Marie Morrison, sons Kevin, Stephen and Jamie, sisters Ernestine, Ester, Martha and Elva on the death of husband, father and brother, Maurice Morrison.

* Stacey and Mario Salamone and family on the death of Stacey's mother Constance McNulty

* Anne McIntyre, Philip and Janet McIntyre and families on the death of Anne's and Philip's mother Carm McIntyre

Annual Turkey Supper – September 24th

It's time to start thinking about St. Mark's annual turkey supper. Instead of purchasing a turkey we are asking that you donate the amount of money that you would usually spend. Donation envelopes are available in the foyer of the church. You may drop off your envelope to the church office or drop it into the collection basket at one of the weekend Masses. If you have any questions please call Fran Hickmott: 654-7200 or the office at 849-5111.



LITTLE CHURCH

Little Church is looking for a coordinator and an adult helper. Little Church is held on Sundays at the 9:00 a.m. Mass, for about 20 minutes, through the catechetical year. All training and materials are supplied. This is a fun and simple ministry that takes place at a time when you are already here. If you are interested, please contact Wendy at stmarksreled@bellaliant.com or at 849-8162.



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!

*Together let's honor and celebrate the Retirement of our beloved Pastor
Father Don Breen*

*This Sunday, August 27th, 2017
Mass at 11:15 a.m. followed by a reception at 12:15 p.m.
St. Mark's Catholic Church
171 Pettingill Road
Quispamsis, NB
E2E 2V6
(Reception to be held in the church hall. Use the back entrance.)
(wheelchair accessible)*

Mark Your Calendar **Parish Fun Day, September 10th**

The whole parish is invited, young and old alike to St. Mark's Parish Fun Day. Parishioners who have the talent of juggling, magician, card tricks, making balloon figures, face painting or any other creative talent and are willing to help with the Fun Day activities please contact Kayla Johnson at 654-6272 or kaylajohnsonbusiness@gmail.com



ECHOES OF FAITH

Saint John Region Religious Education Office offers additional help for Catechists (for teaching Youth, for Sacramental Preparation support, for Liturgical learning, for personal faith development, for family faith development) formation - RCL Digital Echoes of Faith 3.0. Work at YOUR pace. Mary Alice Glasgow plans to start a session in late August, 2017. People can self-pace themselves through the modules. Once a month (or less frequently), we will get together, review, and try to answer questions. Do you know of anyone reflecting on becoming catechists? Seeking more religious knowledge? Watch for the introduction date of Echoes of Faith. For more information, contact Mary Alice Glasgow 653-6829 sjreled@dioceseofsaintjohn.org.

Required Weekly	\$ 5,555.00
Sunday Collection, August 20 th	\$ 4,424.10