

**Catechist Retreat**

Annual Catechist Retreat January 25<sup>th</sup>—27<sup>th</sup>: ***I Believe...What? : Rediscovering The Creed:*** A weekend of reflection and discovery **open to people in all ministries** will be held at Villa Madonna Retreat House. To be held Friday 8:00 p.m.– Sunday 1:00 p.m. Cost is \$175 (accommodation and meals) or \$90 for commuters (included meals). For information, please contact Mary Alice : 653-6829 or sjreled@dioceseofsaintjohn.org

**Diocesan News**

**Rosary for Life** - Fourth Monday of the month Holy Spirit Parish, St. Rose Site of Worship, 3:00 p.m.

**Mass for Life** - First Wednesday of the month, Holy Spirit Parish, Saint Rose Site of Worship, 7:00 p.m. with reception to follow.

**Jan. 13** - The KV Memory Café is held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month from September to May. Next café is from 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. at Shannex Parkland in the Valley, Quispamsis in the lounge on the lower level of Jubilee Hall, 19 Shannex Drive. For more information contact Mark Harris of the Alzheimer's Society at 634-8722 or email [mharris@alzheimernb.ca](mailto:mharris@alzheimernb.ca)

**Jan. 16** – Fr. M.A. Harris Council #6766 Knights of Columbus monthly meeting at 7:30 p.m. to be held at Our Lady of Perpetual parish centre rear of rectory. Bring along an item for the food bank. The Knights will gather on January 16<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. to prepare soup for Romero House.

**Jan. 20-** Sunday Exposition/Adoration to be held at Villa Madonna 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

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 next week in 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/Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

New in Parish \_\_\_\_ Moving out of \_\_\_\_

Moving within the Parish\_\_\_\_\_

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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: Father Owen Burns

Mass Times: Saturday 5:00 p.m.  
Sunday 10:00 a.m.  
Sunday 7:00 p.m.

Parish Council Chair – **Michele Connors**

Baptism, Marriage, Catechetical Ministry - **contact office**

Reconciliation - Sat. after Mass or by appointment

**January 12<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup>, 2019 Baptism of the Lord**

Isaiah 40 1-5 9-11 Titus 2 11-14; 3.4-7 Luke 3 15-16 21-22

**January 19<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup>, 2019 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Isaiah 62 1-5 1 Corinthians 12 4-11 John 2 1-12

**January 13, 2019 - Baptism of the Lord**

*“John answered them all, ‘I baptize you with water; but he who is mightier than I is coming...he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit... ’” (Luke 3:16)*

The Catholic Catechism states that *“Jesus’ immersion in the water is a sign for all human beings of the need to die to themselves to do God’s will.”* In other words, as baptized Catholics there is only one gift that we need to give to Jesus – the gift of ourselves. Surrender yourself to God, place your trust in Him and allow the Holy Spirit to work through you for the greater glory of God.

Announced Masses			
Mon.	Jan. 14	6:30 p.m.	Special Intention
Tues.	Jan. 15	9:00 a.m.	Christina Yen Wright
Wed.	Jan. 16	6:30 p.m.	James Furey
Thurs.	Jan. 17	9:00 a.m.	Roger Robart
Sat.	Jan. 19	5:00 p.m.	Parmelia Bourgeois
Sun.	Jan. 20	10:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	Bill Galloway For Parishioners

Scheduled Events — Jan. 13 <sup>th</sup> – 20 <sup>th</sup>			
Date	Event	Time	Location
Sun. Jan.13	Peru Committee	11:00 a.m.	Room#5
	Music prac.7pm Mass	5:30 p.m.	Church
	Pathfinders	7:00 p.m.	Hall
Mon.Jan. 14	Girl Guides/Sparks	6:30 p.m.	Hall
	Rosary	7:00 p.m.	Chapel
	Music Prac. 5pm Mass	7:00 p.m.	Church
	Little Rock	7:30 p.m.	Room#1
Tues.Jan.15	Seniors Potluck	Noon	Hall
	Music Prac.10amMass	6:30 p.m.	Church
	Bible Time Line	6:30 p.m.	Room#1
Wed. Jan. 16	Brownies	6:30 p.m.	Hall
Sat. Jan. 19	Bible Basics	9:30a.m.	Room#1
Sun. Jan. 20	Music prac. 7pm Mass	5:30 p.m.	Church
	Pathfinders	7:00 p.m.	Hall

**Condolence:**

\*Pat and Larry McPhee and family on the death of Pat’s mother Ethel Alexander

\*Bertrand St. Pierre and family on the death of Bertrand’s wife Margaret St. Pierre

**The Catholic Women’s League of Canada** is accepting new members. Add your voice and support to a national sisterhood of Catholic women who promote awareness and respond to political and social issues that affect all Canadians.

Visit our table in the foyer and talk to a member or call Jeannie Lane, Membership chairperson, at [849-1319](tel:849-1319) or Fran Hickmott, CWL Council President, [654-7200](tel:654-7200) or [fran.hickmott@gmail.com](mailto:fran.hickmott@gmail.com)

Religious Formation – 849-5111  
Coordinator – Wendy Ellis 849-8162  
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January 13 - Sessions 8:45 a.m. – 9:45 a.m. Gr. K-9  
January 20 - Sessions 8:45 a.m. – 9:45 a.m. Gr. K-9  
Gr. 2 children & parents meet upstairs  
8:45 a.m. – 9:45 a.m. for family session  
January 27 - Sessions 8:45 a.m. – 9:45 a.m. Gr. K-9

**Want to learn more about your faith? Looking for a way to grow? We have options!**

As we begin another year, many people consider how they can grow in their faith. We offer a variety of options for adults at different places in their journeys! For more information and to register for any of our programs, please visit our website [stmarksparish.ca](http://stmarksparish.ca) Please note that registration is required for all programs (so we can order/plan materials) Thank you!

**Coming Up Soon: Bible Basics for Catholics:** This is a beginner study suitable for anyone who wants to begin reading their Bible this year (or reading it with more focus!). Great for adults, and we also encourage parents and teens to come and learn together! This short book study will introduce you to the “big picture” of the Bible, through exploration of 8 key events from Genesis to Revelation. If you are looking to just dip your toe into exploring your Bible and learning more about the Scriptures, this is a great place to start! 6 sessions Sat. Jan.19-Feb. 23, 9:30 – 10:30 a.m. in Room #1 Materials supplied include the book and study guide.

**Walking With God:** This short book study unpacks the central story woven through Scripture and presents it in an easy-to-read, concise manner. From the same folks who present [The Bible Timeline](#), this is a great option for people who may want more than (or after!) [Bible Basics for Catholics](#). Lent book study: 6 sessions Sat. Mar. 2-Apr. 13, 9:30—10:30 a.m. in Room #1 Materials supplied include the book and study guide.

**Bishop Roberts Barron’s THE MASS:** Join Bishop Robert Barron as he gives an in-depth overview of, and invites us to enter more fully into, the beauty and mystery of the Mass. Lent study: 6 sessions Wed. Mar. 13-Apr.17, 7:15—8:45 p.m. in the Hall. Materials supplied include the Study manual and Mass Q&A booklet.

**Registration Now Open For St. Mark’s Winter Alpha Program**

Registration is now open for St. Mark’s Winter Alpha program. Alpha has been instrumental in revitalizing parishes throughout North America and we hope you will consider participating. Alpha:

- Begins on Thursday, January 31<sup>st</sup>
- Runs from 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
- Consists of a great meal, a short video and a chance to share in small groups
- Location is St. Mark’s Parish Hall
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**Not sure if Alpha is for you?** Feel free to attend the first evening and see how it goes. There is no commitment and there is no cost to participate. For planning purposes (meals), we are asking participants to **REGISTER** by contacting Dianne at the church office (849-5111/[stmarkschurch@nb.aibn.com](mailto:stmarkschurch@nb.aibn.com)) or by **registering online** at [www.stmarksparish.ca](http://www.stmarksparish.ca). Simply select the ‘Register’ button on the Alpha promotion located on our website home page.

**Attention CWL members**

Membership fees are due. See Jeannie or Fran or any member of the executive council or place your cheque or money in an envelope marked CWL and drop it in the collection basket.

**Peru Committee**

St. Mark’s Peru Committee will meet this Sunday, January 13<sup>th</sup> after the 10:00 a.m. mass in room 5. We will be planning for the quilt raffle and the Lenten Project. All newcomers are welcome! Jean 849-7647

Several donations have been made to the building fund in memory of David Gould, Jim McMackin and John Saunders.

**A Seniors Potluck** will be held on Tuesday, January 15<sup>th</sup> at 12 noon in the church hall. Bring your favourite dish or dessert, bingo to follow, all our welcome.

Required Weekly	\$ 5,555.00
Sunday Collection, January 6 <sup>th</sup>	\$ 4,371.40