Diocesan News

- **Feb. 5 Job Opportunity -** Financial Administration Manager (Part-time position three days a week) located at the Diocese of Saint John. The ideal candidate will have strong financial and leadership skills, excellent communication, accounting and budget experience. Qualifications: 7-10 years experience at a senior level of finance or accounting position; have an accounting designation (CPA or the equivalent). Resumes can be dropped off by February 24th. Call 653-6800 for more information.
- **Feb. 5** Mass for Life is the first Wednesday of the month, Holy Spirit Parish, Saint Rose Site of Worship, 7:00 pm with reception to follow.
- **Feb. 13** Saint John Chapter New Brunswick Right to Life General membership meeting to be held in the board room at the Saint John Diocese, 1 Bayard Drive, at 6:30 p.m.
- **Feb. 17** The monthly Mass for those living with cancer will be celebrated at 6:30 pm at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception. Anointing of the sick will be offered.
- **Feb. 23** Come all and bring your guests with you from 10:30 1:00 pm for breakfast sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Council 9176. Where: St. Matthew's Hall, 1 Dollard Drive, border of Grand Bay-Westfield and Saint John. Beans, sausages, pancakes, eggs, ham, and toast plus coffee, tea, milk and juice. Adults \$ 7.00 and children \$ 3.00 or \$ 20.00 for a family of five or more.

Shrines of Italy Pilgrimage – October 27 to November 6, 2020 travel with Marlita Chase through Maritime Travel to Italy. Round Trip Air from Fredericton, Air Taxes and Fees/Surcharges, Hotel Transfers. Highlights of this trip include: Rome, Basilica of St. Francis of Assisi, San Giovanni Rotondo, Tomb of Padre Pio, Abbey of Santissima Trinita, Madonna de Rosario Sanctuary, Vatican City, and much more. Double \$4829, Single \$5529, Triple \$4799. For more information, contact Tracy McCully at Maritime Travel (506) 458-8969 or by email tmccully@maritimetravel.ca.

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 collection basket in an envelope, along with a VOID cheque.

If you are new to the Parish, we would like to hear from you. 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			



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.

Strategy, Parish Support Team Chair – Michele Connors

Baptism, Marriage, Catechetical Ministry - contact office Reconciliation - Sat. after Mass or by appointment

Feb. 1st – 2nd, 2020 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time Mal. 3 1-4 Heb. 2 10-11 13b-18 Luke 2 22-40 Feb. 8th – 9th, 2020 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time Isaiah 58 6-10 1 Corinthians 2 1-5 Matthew 5 13-16

February 2, 2020 - The Presentation of the Lord

"...they took him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord..." (Luke 2:22)

How seriously do you take being a Catholic? Is "being Catholic" something I just do when I attend Sunday Mass or attend one of my parish functions? It's easy to be Catholic then, it's harder to be Catholic when I am out in the world. Would someone recognize you as a Catholic by the way you act, dress, and talk? How do you present yourself to the Lord and to others?

Announced Masses				
Mon. Feb. 3 Tues. Feb. 4 Wed. Feb. 5 Thurs. Feb.	9:00 a.m. 6:30 p.m.	Norman & Ed McHugh Marie Louise Vienneau Souls in Purgatory Jim McMackin Adoration		
Sat. Feb. 8 Sun. Feb. 9	5:00 p.m. 10:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	Milie & RudiWiddershoven Eileen & Albert Gogan For Parishioners		

Scheduled Events- Feb. 2nd -Feb. 9th

Date	Event	Time	Location
Sun.Feb. 2	Music Prac.7pm	5:30 p.m.	Church
	Mass		
	Pathfinders	7:00 p.m.	Hall
Mon.Feb. 3	Girl Guides/Sparks	6:30 p.m.	Hall
	Music Prac. 5pm	7:00 p.m.	Church
	Mass		
	Rosary	7:00 p.m.	Chapel
	Little Rock	7:30 p.m.	Room#1
Tues.Feb. 4	Music Prac. 10am	6:30 p.m.	Church
	Mass		
Wed.Feb.5	Little Rock	9:30 a.m.	Room#1
	Brownies	6:30 p.m.	Hall
	Bible Timeline 1	7:15 p.m.	Room#1
Thurs.Feb. 6	Mothers Prayers	9:35 a.m.	Chapel
	Alpha	6:30 p.m.	Hall
	Adoration of the	7:00 p.m	Church
	Blessed Sacrament	8:00 p.m.	
Sun.Feb. 9	Music Prac. 7pm	5:30 p.m.	Church
	Mass		
	Pathfinders	7:00 p.m.	Hall

If you have not picked up your 2020 Sunday Collection envelopes, these are now available in the church office. Please drop in or call Dianne to arrange a pick up time that is convenient for you.

Please note: The office is closed on Monday, Feb. 3rd.

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

Whole Parish Catechesis

About the Gospel: As was the Jewish custom, Mary and Joseph presented Jesus in the Temple forty days after his birth. Two holy people, Simeon and Anna, recognized Jesus as the Messiah—promised to be the Savior.

Exploring the Sunday Readings:

For Pre-K-Grade 7: See weekly handouts!

For Adults: What more can you do for the children you love? What wisdom do you hear from the elders in your parish? What expectations of God characterize your faith? The faith you see in the people in your believing community?

Family Corner:

In Church: Stand before the tabernacle and present yourselves to Jesus, whose Body (hosts) is reserved inside. Pray: "Here we are, Lord, we come to do your will."

Family Prayer: Lord, help us to imitate the Holy Family and to follow the teachings of the Catholic Church. Amen.

Question of the Week: What Catholic faith traditions and customs are important to you and/or your family?

Feast of St. Blaise Blessing of Throats

Blessing of Throats will take place after 6:30 p.m. Mass on Monday, February 3rd. Candles are a natural symbol for Christ, the light of the world. As a Christian, Blaise beheld the light of Christ. *The prayer is:* Through the intercession of Saint Blaise, bishop and martyr, may God deliver you from the ailments of the throat and from every other sickness, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

2019 Tax Receipts are Ready for Pick Up

Please pick up your **2019 Tax Receipts** located on the table next to the Pettingill Road side entrance.

Responsible Ministry Protocol

ALL VOLUNTEERS/ALL MINISTRIES – Have you completed your Volunteer form and police check? Has it been 5 years since you did? Not sure, call Dianne at the church office 849-5111. If so, then we are required under the Responsible Ministry Protocol to update your information! Anyone who volunteers at the church in any way is asked to complete a Volunteer/Covenant Form. Those working with youth and vulnerable adults or are in possession of a St. Mark's building key are also required to have a Police Background Check and Vulnerable Sector Search. Forms are available at the office.

SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE, SAUSAGE & BEAN SUPPER

Tues., February 25, 4:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. Adults \$6.00, Children \$4.00 Maximum \$20.00 per family (immediate) No tickets required, Use the Back Entrance Come and bring some friends!

YOU ARE INVITED!



Anyone who would like to learn how to pray the rosary or pray it with a group is invited to join us Monday evenings at 7:00 p.m. (after Mass) in the chapel. Rosaries and a "How To Pray the Rosary" handout with prayers are provided. Many great popes, saints, and Christian leaders have exhorted us to pray the rosary, as it is a powerful prayer that can change lives, strengthen the family, bring peace to the world, convert entire nations, and win the salvation of souls. We look forward to welcoming you!

<u>Last year's palms</u> may be brought to the church and left at any of the entrances. The deadline to bring in your palms is February 16th. They will be burned on Ash Wednesday.



Required Weekly	\$ 5,555.00
Sunday Collection, January 26 th	\$ 4,803.60