



ST. MARY MAGDALENE PARISH

St. Columba † *Sts. John & Paul* † *St. Dunstan's*
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October 18th, 2026 to October 25th, 2026

1st Reading: *Isaiah 45.1, 4-6*

2nd Reading: *1 Thessalonians 1.1-5ab*

Gospel: *Matthew 22.15-21*

Mass Times St. Dunstan's Church

Sundays at 9:00 AM & 11:30 AM

Tuesdays & Thursdays Mass at 12:05 PM – Rosary Tuesdays @2PM

Wednesdays - Benediction at 6PM, Mass at 6:30 PM

Fridays – ROSARY TO ST. JOSEPH at 6 PM, then Mass at 6:30 PM

First Fri. Mass – 6:30, followed by Adoration & Confession

Saturdays – CONFESSION at 2:30-3:30 - Mass at 4:00 PM

First Sat. Mass – 9:00 AM – ROSARY & CONFESSION AT 9:30 am

Mass Times Sts. John & Paul Church

Sundays at 11:00 AM

ROSARY: Before Mass at 10:10 AM

Thursdays – Adoration 1PM-5PM

Mass Times St. Columba Church

Sundays at 9:00 AM

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

This is to acknowledge that the land on which we gather is the traditional territory of the Wolastoqiyik, whose ancestors, along with the Passamaquoddy and Mi'kmaq Tribes/Nations, signed Peace and Friendship Treaties with the British Crown in the 1700's

PLEASE NOTE: THERE WILL BE NO MASS AT ST. DUNSTAN'S CHURCH ON OCTOBER 20TH, 21ST AND 22ND. MASS WILL BE CELEBRATED AT VILLA MADONNA

FAMILY FAITH FORMATION BEGINS IN OCTOBER!

We are excited to introduce "*Families Encounter Jesus*" this year at our parish! This new Family Faith Formation program will take place at **10:10 a.m. on the third Sunday of each month**, bringing families together to grow in faith, prayer, and fellowship. Our **first gathering will be held on Sunday, October 18, in the Parish Gym**. Everyone is welcome, including **parents, grandparents, and of course, the children**.

Family Faith Formation is a time to encounter Jesus together, share meaningful conversations about faith, and strengthen the connection between home and parish life.

Come and enjoy a faith-filled time as a family. We look forward to journeying with you!

"As for me and my household, we will serve the Lord."
(Joshua 24:15)

INTRODUCING OUR NEW MINISTRY OF REVIVAL!

Building a Culture of Hope, Faith, Love, Life, and Joy in Christ!

We are excited to introduce our new Ministry of Revival, dedicated to strengthening our parish community through the pillars of ****Hope, Faith, and Love****. Working closely with all parish ministries, we will celebrate one another, recognize the needs of different groups in our community, and help fill gaps through prayer, encouragement, and joyful events. Each month, we will highlight a particular group in our community, sharing in their tears, smiles, and hopes. This October, we celebrate our children—in the womb and outside, the child in our arms, the child in our hearts, and the child within each of us! **** In Christ, we are LOVED, VALUABLE, AND NEVER ALONE **** Contact: Marlene Rodriguez - 506-282-4331 or email: marlenerr@gmail.com



MASS INTENTIONS:

St. Mary Magdalene Parish Mass Intentions October 17TH to October 25th, 2026

St. Dunstan's	Mass Intention	St. Dunstan's	Mass Intention
Sat. Oct. 17 th 4:00 PM	Michael Joseph Melvin	Thurs. Oct. 22 nd 12:05PM	Ricard Nicki (at VILLA MADONNA)
Sun. Oct. 18 th 9:00 AM	Michael Joseph Melvin	Fri. Oct. 23 rd 6:30 PM	Michael Joseph Melvin
Sun. Oct. 18 th 11:30 AM	Alyre LeBlanc	Sat. Oct. 24 th 4:00 PM	Leo & Suzanne Losier
Tues. Oct. 20 th 12:05 PM	For the departed souls of the Romero/Dugarte and Arellano/Moreno Families (at VILLA MADONNA)	Sun. Oct. 25 th 9:00 AM	George Saad Linda Ajaltouny
Wed. Oct. 21 st 6:30 PM	Ricardo Arenas (at VILLA MADONNA)	Sun. Oct. 25 th 11:30 AM	Michael Joseph Melvin Birthday Wishes: Andrew C. Melvin
St. Columba	Mass Intention	Sts. John & Paul	Mass Intention
Sun. Oct. 18 th 9:00 AM	The Burke & MacDonald Families	Sun. Oct. 18 th 11:00 AM	Msgr. Hugh C. Elhatton
Sun. Oct. 25 th 9:00 AM	Vincent McCann	Sun. Oct. 25 th 11:00 AM	Rev. Joseph E. Whelly



WE SORROWFULLY ANNOUNCE THE PASSING OF CWL MEMBER **LUCIA GALLAGHER**, ON OCT. 13TH, 2026. HER FUNERAL SERVICE WILL BE AT ST. DUNSTAN'S CHURCH ON MONDAY OCTOBER 19TH AT 11AM. RECEPTION TO FOLLOW IN THE MARY SULLIVAN ROOM, THEN LAID TO REST AT THE HERMITAGE CEMETERY. TO HER FAMILY AND FRIENDS, WE SEND OUR SINCEREST CONDOLENCES.

Power Point Presentation on Treaties in Canada by Graydon Nicholas

When: October 21, 2026 from **7pm – 9pm** at the **Monsignor Boyd Family Centre Gymnasium**. **Coffee & sweets will be provided by the Knights of Columbus after the presentation.**

Graydon was part of the Canadian Delegation at the **International Conference on Catholic Indigenous (ICCI)** held in Auckland, NZ with Catholic Bishops and Indigenous Catholics from the United States, New Zealand, Australia and Canada on March 8-12, 2026. He will share the Power Point Presentation on Treaties in Canada which he made at the conference followed by a **Q&A**.

The ICCI's main purpose is to explore ways to develop, encourage, and promote the gifts that Catholic Indigenous are to the Church and to foster their missionary discipleship of Jesus Christ.

UPCOMING COMMITTEE & COUNCIL MEETINGS

CWL Meeting	Sunday October 18 th at 12PM
Cemetery Committee	Wed. October 21 st at 11:45 AM
CWL Meeting	Sunday October 18 th at 12PM
Women's Catholic Group	Tues. October 27 th at 7:30 PM
Finance Council	Thursday October 29 th at 6PM
St. Dunstan's Liturgy Committee	Tues. November 3rd at 6:30pm

It is with great sorrow that we announce the passing of **DANIEL DOBBLESTEYN** on October 9th, 2026. *Please accept our deepest condolences. May the hope of the Resurrection and the loving prayers of Our Lady bring you peace.*

Catholic Young Adults Women's Night:

The Catholic Young Adults of Fredericton hosts a monthly women's night of prayer, faith and fellowship. Activities vary month to month but include praying the rosary, book clubs, group discussions on different aspects of our Catholic faith, crafts and charitable works. All are welcome. Meetings are typically held at the Monsignor Boyd Family Centre attached to St. Dunstan's. October's meeting will be held on Tuesday October 27 at 7:30 p.m. For more info, please email Angela Bosse at: catholicyoungadultsfredericton@gmail.com

COFFEE SUNDAYS ARE BACK!

Please come out and join us on **NOVEMBER 1ST** & the **FIRST SUNDAY** of every month for **COFFEE SUNDAYS at 10:10 AM**. Enjoy the opportunity for fellowship, the chance to introduce yourselves and meet other parishioners. Have a coffee or tea and some baked goods! Meet new people! Catch up with friends! See you on November 1st!





Parish Community Communication Initiative



One Parish, Many Cultures, One Family

At **St. Mary Magdalene Parish**, we are blessed by the rich diversity of cultures, languages, and traditions that make our parish such a vibrant and welcoming community. We would like to invite all parishioners to help us build stronger connections by creating community communication groups within our parish. The purpose of this initiative is to bring people together, strengthen communication, and help everyone feel a greater sense of belonging. By creating these communication groups, we will be able to share information about parish activities, cultural celebrations, and special events more effectively. It will also help us welcome new parishioners and connect them with members of their own cultural community, making it easier for them to feel at home in our parish family. We will be meeting with each community to gather contact information and identify a community leader who can help communicate important information and upcoming events to their group.

📍 **Location:** Mary Sullivan Room

🕒 **Meeting Times:** • Saturday after Mass • Sunday at **10:10 a.m.** (between Masses)

MEETING SCHEDULE

- 🌍 **Filipino Community** – October 17 & 18
- 🌍 **Indian Community** – October 24 & 25
- 🌍 **African Community** – October 31 & November 1
- 🌍 **Asian Community** – November 7 & 8
- 🌍 **Canadian Community** – November 14 & 15
- 🌍 **Latino Community** – November 21 & 22
- 🌍 **European Community** – November 28 & 29

Together, we can create a communication network that helps us stay connected, support one another, and grow as a parish family. Every person matters, and every community enriches our parish. We warmly encourage you to attend your community gathering and be part of this exciting initiative. With your participation, we can build stronger relationships, foster greater engagement, and continue growing as **one united community in Christ**.

We look forward to meeting you and hearing your ideas. Together, let us strengthen the bonds that make our parish a welcoming home for all. ❤️ 🙏

"For just as each of us has one body with many members... so in Christ we, though many, form one body." (Romans 12:4-5)

A WITNESS STORY

A while back I had my children visit me from Ontario. Neither of them had been to the Maritime Provinces, and I wanted their trip to be a special one. I took them to many sites like the Magnetic Hill and the Zoo; to Nova Scotia to go whale watching; to PEI to go out to the beach....The vacation wasn't what I had hoped for. We didn't get to see any whales and when we traveled to PEI, there was a torrential downpour. Therefore; no beach for us.

I recall having conversations with my children when I was driving them back to the airport in Saint John, about the purpose of the moose gates along the highway. I explained that we often have moose traveling across roadways, and causing serious accidents. Since I moved here, I've wished to see a moose, but never have. In that moment, I remember thinking to myself, "God? It would have been so nice for us to see a moose. That would have made this vacation a special one to remember". Literally within a minute of me silently wishing to God, my daughter started yelling, "MOM!! LOOK!!!" Low and behold, what came walking along the fenceline of the highway, was a gigantic moose!!! I was thrilled beyond thrilled, screamed and yelled with excitement, and thanked God for hearing my prayers. God is always present, whether we know it or not. He certainly let me know that day to never doubt, and to remember He is eternally there for me.

~Anonymous



Little Rock Scripture Study will resume at St. Dunstan's site on Tuesday, October 27, at 10 a.m., and Thursday, October 29, at 7 p.m. for a six-week study of **Hebrews**. To obtain more information or to register, please contact Jayne Nicki at 506-453-9899 or jaynenck@gmail.com

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES ARE IN FOR 2027!

For 2027, our Parish has made some changes to the Offertory Envelope system. The numbers past 300 have been eliminated in order to update the system. **Those of you on Preauthorized Debit** for your contributions **will not receive a numbered box**. If you need an envelope for any reason, there are envelopes for all occasions at every entrance to the church. **Those who contribute through Electronic Transfer, the same applies. Please don't be alarmed if your number changes.** As long as you **WRITE YOUR NAME on the envelope you offer**, no matter if it has a number or not, **we track your yearly contributions by NAME not by number**. The envelopes are placed in the main church entrances at all churches for pick up. Spare boxes are available at the parish office. Send in an email: office@stmarymagdaleneparish.ca to request one.

St. Columba Turkey Dinner

@ Gladstone Curling Club:
224 Sunbury Dr, Fred. Junction
Sunday Oct. 25th :
4PM-6PM



Adults - \$20 • Youth - \$10 • Children Under 5 – FREE
Serving: Turkey, Carrots, Squash, Potatoes, Stuffing,
Gravy and Apple Crisp for dessert.

St. Dunstan's Fall Supper

@ MBFC: 120 Regent St., Fredericton

Sunday November 1st: 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM

Tickets: Adults - \$20 • Youth - \$10 • Children Under 5 – FREE.

**** Take Out Available ****

Featuring: Turkey, Carrots, Squash, Potatoes, Gravy,
Dressing, Desserts, Coffee/Tea.

Sign-up sheets will be at the Regent St. church entrance
for "Donations" and "Volunteers". Tickets available at
the St. Dunstan's office. There will be a silent auction
for several paintings by a local artist



🎄 Christmas Exchange Program 🎄

Our parish has already registered **32 individuals and families** for this year's Christmas Exchange Program. We invite you to help make Christmas brighter for those in need. You can donate by:

- ✚ Taking an envelope from the **Jesse Tree** in the church
- ✚ Using a **DONATION ENVELOPE** available in the pews.
- ✚ Bringing recyclable containers to the **Southside Redemption Centre** (70 Timothy Ave S.) using **Customer #36** so proceeds are sent directly to the parish via e-transfer.

Thank you for your generosity and support of local families this Christmas season. God bless you!

CONGRATULATIONS TO: *Jim Whelan!!*

He was the winner of the CWL Quilt Draw!

Fredericton North Heritage Fair is all set for **October 31st**
from **10am - 2pm** at the **Kin Center, 141 School St.**

Come visit a variety of community displays each with their own unique theme of remembering the past. All are welcome! There will be door prizes and treats for all. **Free admission!**



On **Monday Nov. 2nd**, there will be an **All Souls Day Mass at 11:00 AM** in **Hermitage Cemetery** for Souls in Purgatory and unremembered souls. Those planning to attend should dress for outdoor weather and bring a lawn chair and perhaps an umbrella.



Our parish is looking for **VOLUNTEERS** to become **sponsors for our OCIA Candidates**, and to accompany them as they begin their journey of faith. If you are interested in becoming a sponsor, please call the office and leave your contact. We have seven candidates becoming Catholics on Easter Vigil.



St. Francis of Assisi Bingo – Nov 1, 2026 at 1:00 PM

Join us at **St. Francis of Assisi Church Hall** located at **2130 Route 102 Hwy in Lincoln**, for our monthly bingo fundraiser. Cost is \$20 at the door with tea, coffee, and snacks available. We will be selling tickets for a 50/50 draw, and for a large quilted throw, plus chances to win extra cash prizes with the Bonus Card Draw and Bonanza Bingo. Please note this is a **CASH ONLY EVENT**. We appreciate your continued support.

SACRED HEART OF JESUS MEN'S GROUP –

Growing in prayer through the scriptures together as men, the Sacred Heart of Jesus Men's Group meets every 2nd and 4th Friday of the month 7:00pm at

St. Francis of Assisi Church in Lincoln. For more information, or to receive email updates please email **sacredheart3n1@gmail.com**

Offertories Received Week Ending October 11th 2026

Please call the Parish Office at 444-6001 if you have any questions

	<u>St C</u>	<u>Sts J&P</u>	<u>St D</u>	<u>Total</u>
Christmas Exchange	---	---	200	200
Poor & Needy	---	25	540	565
Loose Collection	---	103	1240	1343
Envelope Collection	---	426	3495	3921
P.A.D.	70	815	2384	3269
Building Fund	---	---	130	130
Vigil Candles	---	---	203	203
Needs of the Church	---	---	120	120

Next Special Collection November 1st, 2026
CEMETERY FUND