

# St. Mary Magdalene Parish

St. Columba † # Fredericton Junction      Sts. John & Paul † # New Maryland      St. Dunstan's † # Fredericton

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Diocesan Newsletter: <https://dioceseofsaintjohn.org/email-newsletter-sign-up>.

Parish Office Hours: Monday to Friday 9:30am-5:30pm (Closed for lunch 12-1pm)

Weekends: Saturday 2 pm – 6 pm / Sunday 8 am – 1 pm

Address: 120 Regent Street, Fredericton NB E3B 4Y9

Faith Formation: Contact Patty Cameron 506-444-6018 or

email [Faithformation@stmarymagdaleneparish.ca](mailto:Faithformation@stmarymagdaleneparish.ca)

**August 18<sup>th</sup>, 2024 – 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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<i>Sacrament of Reconciliation:</i>	<i>Saturdays @ 2:30-3:30 pm, St. Dunstan's. (For appt. call the office)</i>
<i>Rosary and Divine Mercy:</i>	<i>Tuesdays @ 2 pm, St. Dunstan's</i>
<i>Rosary before Mass:</i>	<i>Sundays @ 10:15am – 10:30am, Sts. John and Paul</i>
<i>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:</i>	<i>Thursdays @ 1-5 pm, Sts. John and Paul</i>
	<i>Wednesdays @ 6 pm (before Mass), St. Dunstan's</i>
<i>FIRST Friday</i>	<i>Mass @ 6:30 pm, St. Dunstan's, Adoration 7pm, Confessions 7:15pm</i>
<i>FIRST Saturday</i>	<i>Mass @ 9am, St. Dunstan's, Rosary 9:30am, Confessions 2:30pm</i>

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*Preparation for RCIA, Sacrament of Marriage and Baptism, please call the office at (506) 444-6001.*

### Land Acknowledgement for St. Mary Magdalene Parish

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

*We welcome to the Catholic community:  
Bianca Beatriz Beverly, baptized August 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024 and  
Raven Rye Salvador, baptized August 14<sup>th</sup>, 2024.*

**There will be no masses from August 26<sup>th</sup>, 2024 to August 30<sup>th</sup>, 2024 due to vacation.**

**The name of the sick person you wish to be added to the Prayers of the Faithful list should be called in at the office. The name will be added to the list for a period of four (4) Sundays. If you wish to have the name remain on the list, you will have to call the office on the fourth week otherwise the name will be removed.**

**MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS**

**St. Columba Church**

Sun, August 18 9:00 AM Souls in Purgatory  
 Sun, August 25 9:00 AM Cynthia Mccarron

**Sts. John & Paul Church**

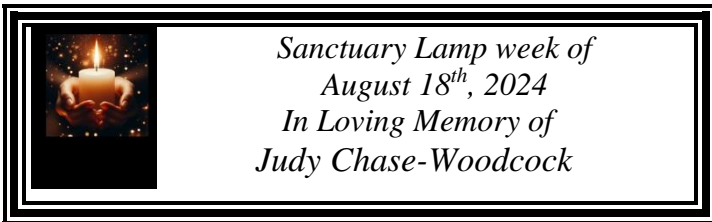
Sun, August 18 11:00 AM Albert Khoury  
 Mon, August 19 9:00 AM Edmond Albertine Doucet  
 Sun, August 25 11:00 AM Noreen Harrison

**St. Dunstan’s Church**

Sat, August 17 4:00 PM Lisa Fowler  
 Sun, August 18 9:00 AM Elie Beaulieu  
 11:30 AM Norman Vautour  
 Julieanne Seguin  
 Josie Mazucca  
 Wed, August 21 6:30 PM Marion Farren  
 Thu, August 22 12:05PM Lucia Contreras Castro  
 Fri, August 23 6:30 PM Margaret Forestell  
 Sat, August 24 4:00 PM Camille Theriault  
 Sun, August 25 9:00 AM Josie Mazucca  
 11:30 AM Katheleen Hogan

**Readings for August 25<sup>th</sup>**

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Joshua 24.1-2a, 15-17, 18b  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Ephesians 4.32-5.1-2, 21-32  
 Gospel: John 6.53, 60-69



**Prayer line Ministry**

The Prayer’s Line is a Ministry involving members available to pray for all parishioners. Anyone can request a special intention to be prayed over. Whether it is for a job interview, school exams, medical tests/surgeries, for a sick person, accident etc. We will pray over these special intentions for a period of one week. You don’t need to leave your name, simply the intention. All you have to do is call the office.

**To Parents in Our Parish:**

A few parishioners have expressed an interest in having a Catholic school within the Monsignor Boyd Family Centre, rather than having their child(ren) educated in the public school system. The Parish Pastoral Council and Finance Council have considered that a private school might be permitted to operate in the basement of the MBFC, if sufficient interest and capability exists. But please note that the school would not be supported by St. Mary Magdalene Parish and thus, undoubtedly, would require financial support from parents.

If you as a parent are interested, please respond to Rodney Savidge (a member of the Pastoral Council) by emailing ‘savi@unb.ca’. If sufficient interest exists, a meeting of all respondents will be called.

**New Kitchen Policy**

St. Mary Magdalene Parish has implemented a new kitchen policy, effective immediately, that requires anyone planning to use kitchen facilities at any of our three church sites to complete a Kitchen Policy Form in advance of using the site. The form may be obtained by contacting the office at 506-444-6001.

## **Faith Formation Online Registration**

**Join us for Family Faith Formation  
(Catechism – Sunday School) as we explore and  
learn about the Mass together!**

All families with children ages 5 to 12 (kindergarten to grade 7) are encouraged to participate in Family Faith Formation. Learn and share faith as a family at monthly sessions that are family-focused, inviting, and accessible. Children in grade 2 will receive preparation to receive 1<sup>st</sup> Eucharist in the spring of 2025.

To register please visit

<https://www.stmarymagdalene-parish.ca/faith-formation-1>

Families attending St. Columba Church are invited to contact Patty Cameron for Family Faith Formation and 1<sup>st</sup> Eucharist Preparation options.

### **Confirmation Preparation**

Youth in grade 8 and up, if not already Confirmed, are invited to begin Confirmation Preparation beginning this fall with the Sacrament of Confirmation celebrated the spring of 2026.

To register please visit

<https://www.stmarymagdalene-parish.ca/faith-formation-1>

If you have any questions, please contact Patty Cameron at (506) 444-6018 or

[faithformation@stmarymagdalene-parish.ca](mailto:faithformation@stmarymagdalene-parish.ca)

### **Everyone is invited to attend a 60<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary Party for Georgina and Jonesy**

This coming Saturday, August 17<sup>th</sup> at the Kinsmen Centre, 303 Waggoners Lane from 1:00 to 4:00; drop in and extend Best Wishes and Congratulations to them as they celebrate this milestone.

All are welcome!

### **Holy Mass for The Departed Souls**

Will be at Hermitage Catholic Cemetery on August 18<sup>th</sup> at 2:00pm.

Please bring your lawn chairs and umbrellas if needed

### **Twilight Retreat**

Everyone is welcome to attend the Twilight Retreat, hosted by St. Theresa's CWL, on Monday, September 9<sup>th</sup>, in the church hall. First session begins at 4:30 pm, followed by a pot luck, second session and closing prayer at 8 pm. Presenter, Jim Anderson, is the Director of Missionary Discipleship Formation for the Diocese of Saint John. Topic: "The Saints Next Door: Being Extraordinary Ordinary People of Faith".

### **Diocesan News**

#### **Visioning Youth Ministry in our Parishes**

A day of prayer, discernment, and discussion about Youth Ministry – Tuesday, August 27, 9:30-4:30, Villa Madonna. Do you feel a burden of spiritual concern for high school aged youth in your parish? Do you feel a nudge from the Holy Spirit to help address the needs for evangelizing young people? Patricia Lee and Jim Anderson will be facilitating a day of reflection and discernment for anyone interested in discussing the needs and initiatives for the evangelization of young people in our parishes. This is for current and new people drawn to building youth groups in your parish. The gathering will be held at the Villa Madonna Retreat House in Rothesay, Tuesday, August 27, from 9:30 am to 4:30 pm. Snacks and lunch will be provided.

Please register by email to:

[catechesis@dioceseofsaintjohn.org](mailto:catechesis@dioceseofsaintjohn.org) or by calling 506-627-6465.

**Offertories Received**  
**Week ending August 11**

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

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Regular offertories	\$620	\$1,455	\$5,978	\$8,053
Building fund	\$0	\$50	\$166	\$216

O Mary, Virgin most powerful and Mother of Mercy, Queen of Heaven and Refuge of Sinners, we consecrate ourselves to thy Immaculate Heart.

We consecrate to thee our very being and our whole life: all that we have, all that we love, all that we are. To thee we give our bodies, our hearts, and our souls; to thee we give our homes, our families and our country. We desire that all that is in us and around us may belong to thee and may share in the benefits of thy motherly blessing. And, that this act of consecration may be truly fruitful and lasting, we renew this day at thy feet the promises of our Baptism and our First Holy Communion. We pledge ourselves to profess courageously and at all times the truths of our holy Faith, and to live as befits Catholics, who are submissive to all directions of the Pope and the bishops in communion with him. We pledge ourselves to keep the Commandments of God and His Church, in particular to keep holy the Lord's Day. We pledge ourselves to make the consoling practices of the Christian religion, and above all, Holy Communion, an important part of our lives, in so far as we shall be able to do. Finally, we promise thee, O glorious Mother of God and loving Mother of men, to devote ourselves wholeheartedly to the spreading of devotion to thy Immaculate Heart, in order to hasten and assure, through the queenly rule of thy Immaculate Heart, the coming of the kingdom of the Sacred Heart of thy adorable Son, in our own hearts and in those of all men, in our country, and in all the world, as in Heaven, so on earth.

Amen.

### **A WORK IN PROGRESS...**

Parishioners will notice that the '**OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE**' image "has switched sides"... not to worry, she is still totally for us always. :) Some slight re-positioning to the right is still to take place. All of the volunteers are most capable for the task, but working amidst various, difficult restrictions and challenges; including very uneven stone surfaces, mortar lines that do not extend fully horizontal across, well-aged walls/corner lines that are no longer true which affect measurement, working safely from a high ladder position, etc. Our Lady will certainly guide us through to her final resting spot, even though we all know she never actually rests, but always listens/responds to us. Once her image is securely in place, the 'Divine Mercy' image will be re-hung. So in the words of our Lady to Juan Diego: "**...do not be troubled nor disturbed by anything...**" but realize this task is 'a work in progress' (much like us), and will gradually proceed as we plan around full-time work and availability of our most generous volunteers. Thank you kindly for your support, patience, and prayers. Our Lady of Guadalupe...pray for us.