

# ST. MARY MAGDALENE PARISH

*St. Columba* † *Sts. John & Paul* † *St. Dunstan's*  
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Pastor: Fr. Suresh Savariraj, HGN  
 Pastoral Council Chair: Evert Garcia  
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Parish Office Hours:  
**Mondays | Wednesdays | Fridays**  
 9 am - 5 pm  
**Tuesdays | Thursdays**  
 9 am - 9 pm  
**Saturdays – 2:00 pm – 6:00 pm**  
**Sundays – 8:00 am – 1:00 pm**

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**Weekend of November 22nd and 23rd, 2025 – 34<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time – Feast of Christ the King**

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading:** 2 Samuel 5.1-3

**Gospel:** Luke 23.35-43

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:** Colossians 1.12-20

## LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

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 Passamaquoddy and Mi'kmaq Tribes/Nations, signed Peace and Friendship Treaties with the British Crown in the 1700's

<b>Mass Times – Weekdays at St. Dunstan's</b>	Tuesdays and Thursdays at 12:05 PM • Wednesdays and Fridays at 6:30 PM
<b>Mass Times – Weekends at St. Dunstan's</b>	Saturdays at 4:00 PM • Sundays 9:00 AM & 11:30 AM
<b>Mass Times – St. Columba</b>	Sundays at 9:00 AM
<b>Mass Times – Sts. John and Paul</b>	Sundays at 11:00 AM
<b>Confession at St. Dunstan's Church:</b>	Saturdays 2:30 PM – 3:30 PM • Tuesdays & First Fridays during Adoration. <b>For any other time, please call or email the office.</b>
<b>Adoration at St. Dunstan's</b>	Tuesdays at 11:00 AM followed by Mass at 12:05 PM <b>FIRST FRIDAYS</b> – after 6:30 PM Mass until 8:00 PM
<b>Adoration at Sts. John &amp; Paul</b>	Thursdays 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM
<b>Benediction at St. Dunstan's</b>	Wednesdays at 6:00 PM at St Dunstan followed by Mass at 6:30 PM
<b>Rosary to Our Lady: St. Dunstan's St. Columba Sts. John &amp; Paul</b>	Tuesdays at 2:00 PM • First Saturdays at St. Dunstan, after 9:00 AM Mass. Mondays at 7:00 PM Sundays at 10:20 AM
<b>Rosary to St. Joseph at St. Dunstan's</b>	Fridays at 6:00 PM except on FIRST FRIDAYS
<b>Divine Mercy Chaplet – St. Dunstan's</b>	Wednesdays at 6:00 PM
<b>Baptisms:</b>	<b>Please call the office ONE MONTH before desired date</b>
<b>Marriages:</b>	<b>Please call the office SIX (6) MONTHS before desired date</b>
<b>RCIA:</b>	Sessions commenced October 25 <sup>th</sup> 2025, at 11:00 AM at Monsignor Boyd Centre – then 2 <sup>nd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> Saturday of the Month
<b>Faith Formation</b>	Every Sunday from 10:10 AM to 11:10 AM at Monsignor Boyd Family Centre

**THE DEADLINE FOR BULLETIN SUBMISSION IS WEDNESDAY BY 12:00 PM. LATE SUBMISSIONS WILL BE PLACED IN THE BULLETIN FOR THE FOLLOWING WEEK.**

**PLEASE ~ PUT YOUR CELL PHONES ON SILENT BEFORE MASS BEGINS**

**CHRISTMAS NOVENA MASSES will be celebrated from December 15<sup>th</sup> to December 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30 PM at St. Dunstan's Church**

**VIGIL CANDLES ARE AVAILABLE AT THE OFFICE FOR \$5**

**ST. DUNSTAN'S**

<b>Mass Schedules</b>	<b>Mass Intentions</b>	<b>Sponsored By</b>	<b>Priest</b>
Sat. November 22 <sup>nd</sup> 4:00pm	Rosemary Thomas George & Mary Jane McGraw	Stephen Thomas Hector & Elaine Losier	Fr. Peter Osborne
Sun. November 23 <sup>rd</sup> 9:00 am	Allison Keilty	Joyce Walton	Fr. Peter Osborne
Sun. November 23 <sup>rd</sup> 11:30 am	Thanksgiving for George & Priya	Priya Rajasekaran	Fr. Peter Osborne
Tues. November 25 <sup>th</sup> 12:05 pm	Fr Monte Peters	Regina Spencer	Fr. Suresh Savariraj, HGN
Wed. November 26 <sup>th</sup> 6:30 pm	Charline LeBlanc Beaupré	Nadine LeBlanc James and Jean Foster	Fr. Suresh Savariraj, HGN
Thurs. November 27 <sup>th</sup> 12:05 pm	Joseph Zebrowski	David or Gail Wojcik	Fr. Peter Osborne
Fri. November 28 <sup>th</sup> 6:30 pm	Paula Ferris	David or Gail Wojcik	Fr. Peter Osborne
Sat. November 29 <sup>th</sup> 4:00 pm	Edmund & Rachel Losier	Hector & Elaine Losier	Fr. Suresh Savariraj, HGN
Sun. November 30 <sup>th</sup> 9:00 am	Father Grynvolksi (Pastor of St Benedict's)	David or Gail Wojcik	Fr. Suresh Savariraj, HGN
Sun. November 30 <sup>th</sup> 11:30 am	Victoria & Andrew Horyczun	David or Gail Wojcik	Fr. Suresh Savariraj, HGN

**STS. JOHN & PAUL**

<b>Mass Schedules</b>	<b>Mass Intentions</b>	<b>Sponsored By</b>	<b>Priest</b>
Sun. November 23 <sup>rd</sup> 11:00 am	James and Jean Foster Stanley Wadden	Anonymous Cathy Wadden	Fr. Brian Murphy
Sun. November 30 <sup>th</sup> 11:00 am	Ernel	Angela Dela Cruz	Fr. Peter Osborne

**ST. COLOMBA**

<b>Mass Schedules</b>	<b>Mass Intentions</b>	<b>Sponsored By</b>	<b>Priest</b>
Sun. November 23 <sup>rd</sup> 9:00 am	Special Intention for the Health of Father Peter Osborne	Fred McAloon	Fr. John Jennings
Sunday November 30 <sup>th</sup> 9:00 am	Charlie Burns	Mike & Jane Burns	Fr. Peter Osborne

*Sanctuary Lamp for the week of November 23rd to November 30th is in honour of **GRAHAM AND PATRICK BOUDREAU***

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** Looking for volunteers to help with **RCIA** candidates (to act as their sponsors), **CATECHISTS** for Children's Faith Formation as well as **COMMUNION MINISTERS** to help with those recovering from a debility or sickness. If you are interested in helping with any of these ministries, please call the office at (506) 444-6001 or email: [office@stmarymagdaleneparish.ca](mailto:office@stmarymagdaleneparish.ca) and leave your contact information with reception. Thank you!

**To our Parishioners:** We are looking for the names and contact information for the following offertory envelopes in order to update our records. Will the following people who are assigned these numbers, please contact the office?

***Envelope #132, Envelope #181, Envelope # 388, Envelope #353, Envelope #384 and Envelope #52.***

Please call the office at 506-444-6001 and speak to Debbie, or leave a message, detailing your name, envelope number, phone number, email address and mailing address. You can also email those details to office:

***[office@stmarymagdaleneparish.ca](mailto:office@stmarymagdaleneparish.ca). THANK YOU!***

***Regional Reconciliation • December 7<sup>th</sup> 2025, at 3:00 PM • St. Dunstan Church. Many priests will be available for individual confessions***

*We share a deep sentiment of sorrow and offer prayers and condolences to the family of **MARGARET LOUISE BURGOWNE**.  
Her funeral mass is on November 25<sup>th</sup>, 2025 - 2pm at St. Dunstan's Church*

### **\*\*Prayers for Our Catechists\*\***

On Sunday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>, during the 11:30 AM Mass, our dedicated Catechists will renew their **Yearly Commitment to the Ministry of Teaching the Faith to children. We invite all parishioners to join in prayer** for these generous men and women who give their time and energy to guide our children in growing closer to Christ. Let us thank them for their unwavering commitment and ask the Lord to bless their efforts abundantly.

### *Prayer for Catechists*

**L**oving Father, we pray today for our catechists. We thank you for their gift of ministry in your Church.

Grant them your wisdom that they may grow in the understanding and teaching of your Word. Grant them also your love that they may be fruitful heralds of your Word and lead others to love you.

Pour forth your Holy Spirit upon them to grant them wisdom about what is important; knowledge of the truths of faith; understanding of their meaning; right judgement about how to apply them in life; courage to persevere even in the face of adversity; reverence before all that is sacred and holy; and that loving zeal which leads others to a transforming encounter with your Son.

We pray this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.



## *Faith Formation*

### **Faith Formation Update – We Are Growing!**

We are thrilled to share the vibrant life of our Faith Formation program! To date, we are blessed with **107 children** actively participating across all grades:

• Kindergarten: <b>13</b>	• Grade 1: <b>7</b>
• Grade 2 (First Reconciliation & First Communion Prep): <b>28</b>	• Grade 3: <b>10</b>
• Grade 5: <b>4</b>	• Grade 4: <b>4</b>
• Grade 7: <b>7</b>	• Grade 6: <b>10</b>
• Grade 9 (Second Year Confirmation): <b>11</b>	• Grade 8 (First Year Confirmation): <b>19</b>
	• Grades 10–11-12: <b>7</b>

In addition, **over 50 parents** are journeying in faith through the **CCO Discovery Program**—a beautiful witness to growth in family faith.

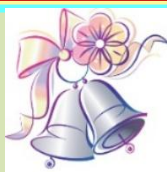
Each session begins in the gym, filled with **prayer, song, and energy**, before children head to their classrooms led by our dedicated catechists who are doing amazing work.

We had an **Adoration/Taizé session** on November 21<sup>st</sup> for the confirmation candidates (Grade 8 and 9) led by Father Peter Osborne.

We are truly blessed by the enthusiasm and commitment of our families and volunteers. Thank you for your continued support and prayers as we grow together in faith!

~ **Nadine LeBlanc,**

Faith Formation Coordinator



### ***YOU ARE INVITED!!***

***Ruth Savidge and Felipe Serrano***

***Mass at St. Dunstan's Church***

***Saturday November 29th at 10:30am.***

***Congratulations to Ruth and Felipe on their wedding day!***

***The parish community is warmly invited to attend and pray with them (best wishes & prayers only.)***

**Numbered Offertory Boxes** are ready for pick up at the entrances of St. Dunstan's Church (Regent St.), Sts. John and Paul Church and St. Columba Church. If your box number is not the same as last year, do not worry, as numbers may be cycled through from time to time and have no bearing on us issuing your tax receipt (receipts are generated by name). Any un-named boxes are available for new parishioners and for Pre-authorized Debit (PAD) donors requiring envelopes for Special Masses, such as Christmas, Easter, varying funds, and Diocesan collections. Please call the office at 506-444-6001 if you have any questions.

### **Lectio Divina for Advent**

Join us for a **Lectio Divina** beginning Wednesday, November 26th, immediately following the 6:30 PM Mass.

Together, we will prayerfully reflect on the Scripture readings for the following Sunday, preparing our hearts for the coming of our Savior during this Holy Season of Advent. This will take place on Wednesday: November 26<sup>th</sup>, December 3<sup>rd</sup>, December 10<sup>th</sup> and December 17<sup>th</sup>. Come and experience the beauty of God's Word as we journey toward Christmas in hope and expectation.

## FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS

Christmas is coming to  
**Pine Grove Nursing Home**  
on Woodstock Rd.  
A tree, donated by  
St. Mary Magdalene Parish will  
be decorated and lit on  
December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025  
Our Filipino Choir will also be  
singing at Pine Grove on  
December 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM.  
*Please come and enjoy the festivities!*

## Annual Memorial Tree Lighting Service - Fredericton

**Thurs. December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2025 - 7PM**  
**J.A. McAdam Memorial Chapel**

This special gathering is open to everyone in the community who is walking through loss. It's a time to remember loved ones, share in the light of hope and find encouragement in the presence of others who understand.

### Message to St. Columba & Sts. John & Paul Parishioners:

We will be having a special collection for the **Community Christmas Fund** on **November 30<sup>th</sup>**. These monies will be used to help local families in our community with costs towards their groceries, etc - to make their Christmas a wonderful experience. Envelopes for donations are on the table at back of the church.

**CHRISTMAS FLOWERS:** Donations towards the purchase of Christmas flowers for the church are currently being accepted. Donation envelopes are at the back of the church. Please ensure you write "In memory of a loved one" on the back of your donation envelope.

### Starting November 30<sup>th</sup>:

**1st Sunday of Advent: Hope - Send A Prayer, Receive A Prayer.**

Prayer Cards distributed at the entrance and to be placed on the Jesse Tree

**2nd Sunday of Advent - PEACE - Peace of Mind Food Collection** - We will be collecting food items for our local food bank, **Loaves and Fishes.**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent - JOY - Warmth brings Joy** - Will be the collection of hats, winter socks, scarfs, gloves, handwarmers, for the women's & men's shelters.

**4th Sunday of Advent - LOVE - Sharing the Love&Care** - We will be collecting hygiene kits for Fredericton Emergency Shelter

~ Thank you! Lynn Butler

## CHRISTMAS TREASURES TEA

Christmas Treasures on Display  
Tea, Coffee, Finger Sandwiches  
& Sweets for All to Enjoy!



**NASHWAAKSIS UNITED CHURCH**  
46 MAIN STREET  
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 12  
2:00PM-4:00PM  
By Donation



**There will be Adoration, reconciliation, choral music and testimonial sharing at - STU Chapel - 7 PM on November 28<sup>th</sup>, 2025.**  
**Dylan Capstick, from the St. John Choir of the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception will be sharing his testimonial, and members of the Cathedral Choir will be providing the music during Adoration. There will be time for fellowship and food afterwards.**

God Bless  
~ Claire Morrison



## Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe at St. Dunstan's Church - DECEMBER 12<sup>TH</sup>, 2025



Bishop Christian Riesbeck will preside at a special Mass on Friday, December 12, 2025, at 6:30 pm in St. Dunstan's Church  
-120 Regent Street, Fredericton -

in celebration of the **Feast Day of Our Lady of Guadalupe**, Patroness of the Americas, and the National Day of Prayer in Solidarity with Indigenous Peoples. Graydon Nicholas will give a short talk on the miraculous appearance of Our Blessed Mother to St. Juan Diego in Mexico City on December 9, 10 & 12 of 1531. There will be an Indigenous presence with drumming and chanting and a special collection in support of GIGNOO Transition House. A reception will follow in the gym of the Monsignor Boyd Family Centre. Everyone is invited to attend.

### CHRISTMAS WREATHS

Fredericton is continuing their support for **Grandmothers Helping Grandmothers** - Grandmothers in Africa who are raising their orphaned grandchildren. We are selling fresh, double-sided, fir wreaths for **\$15.00**. If you are interested in supporting this worthy cause, please contact:

Irene Lydon at (506) 459-1051/ [irenelydon@gmail.com](mailto:irenelydon@gmail.com) OR Mary Jo McIntosh at (506) 461-1912/ [maryjomcintosh@gmail.com](mailto:maryjomcintosh@gmail.com)

### ORDER DEADLINE: Sunday Nov. 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2025

- Payment for your wreath can be either by INTERAC e-transfer; cash or by cheque payable to: **Grandmothers Helping Grandmothers**

To pick up your wreath for the St. Dunstan's Church site:

- **Saturday NOVEMBER 29<sup>th</sup> at: 50 Poets Lane** - between 10:00 AM and 3:00 PM

To pick up your wreath for Sts. John and Paul Church:

- **Friday November 28<sup>th</sup> at: 128 Daniel Drive** New Maryland.

(Alternative pick up arrangements if that is more convenient.)

Thank you very much for your continued support.

Irene Lydon and Mary Jo McIntosh

**33<sup>rd</sup> Advent Carol Festival** - Grace Memorial Baptist Church, 536 Northumberland Street, Wednesday December 3, 7:30pm. All are invited to attend this yearly festive event featuring local church and community choirs with audience carol singing. Free admission. A freewill offering will be received with proceeds going to the CBC Make the Season Kind campaign benefitting local Food Banks

### Offertories Received Week Ending November 16, 2025

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

	St C	Sts J&P	St D	Total
Regular offertories	\$375	\$1176	\$5727	\$7277

Next Special Collection is Dec 7 - PRO LIFE