



# 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:  
Monday to Friday – 9 AM - 5PM  
Saturdays 2 PM – 6 PM  
Sundays 8 AM – 1 PM

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March 22<sup>nd</sup> 2026 – March 29<sup>th</sup> 2026

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: *Ezekiel 37.12-14*

Gospel: *John 11.1-45*

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: *Romans 8.8-11*

### Mass Times St. Dunstan's Church

Sundays at 9 AM & 11:30 AM

Tuesdays at 12:05 PM and ROSARY at 2PM

Wednesdays – BENEDICTION at 6 PM, followed by 6:30 Mass  
Lectio Divina after mass.

Thursdays at 12:05 PM

Fridays-ROSARY TO ST. JOSEPH at 6 PM • Mass at 6:30 PM  
Stations of the Cross at 7:00 PM

**Good Friday April 3<sup>rd</sup> Stations of the Cross at 2:30 PM  
(not at 7:00 PM) followed by service at 3:00 PM**

1<sup>st</sup> Fridays Mass at 6:30 PM, followed by Adoration at 7:00 PM

Saturdays – Confession: 2:30 PM – 3:30 PM followed by Mass at 4PM  
**HOLY SATURDAY (APRIL 4TH): NO CONFESSION OR MASS**  
Easter Food Blessing at 1PM  
Easter Vigil at 8:00 PM

### Mass Times Sts. John & Paul Church

Sundays at 11:00 AM

ROSARY: Before Mass at 10:10 AM

Thursdays: Adoration 1PM-5PM

Fridays: Stations of the Cross at 7:00 PM

### Mass Times St. Columba Church

Sundays at 9:00 AM

ROSARY: Mondays at 7:00 PM

### 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

## Triduum at St. Mary Magdalene Parish

*April 2<sup>nd</sup> Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper:*

*6:30 PM at St. Dunstan's*

*April 3<sup>rd</sup> Good Friday Celebration of the Passion of the Lord:*

*12:00 PM at Sts. John & Paul*

*3:00 PM at St. Columba*

*Stations of the Cross at 2:30 pm (none at 7:00 PM)*

*at St Dunstan's followed by service at 3:00 PM*

*April 4<sup>th</sup> Easter Vigil: 8:00 PM at St. Dunstan's*

**NO FIRST FRIDAY MASS ON APRIL 3<sup>RD</sup> AND  
NO FIRST SATURDAY MASS ON APRIL 4<sup>TH</sup> AT ST. DUNSTAN'S**



**PLEASE TURN YOUR CELLS PHONE OFF OR TO SILENT DURING MASS**

**MASS INTENTIONS:**

**ST. DUNSTAN'S**

Mass Schedules		Mass Intention	Sponsored By	Priest
Sat. March 21st	4:00 PM	Mary Joanne Manore	Gina Forest, Patti White & Family	Fr. Peter Osborne
Sun. March 22 <sup>nd</sup>	9:00 AM	Frank & Margaret Forestell	The Forestell Family	Fr. Peter Osborne
Sun. March 22 <sup>nd</sup>	11:30 AM	Mary Joanne Manore	Gina Forest, Patti White & Family	Fr. Peter Osborne
Tues. March 24 <sup>th</sup>	12:05 PM	James & Elaine Lawyer	Mark & Paulette Lawyer	Fr. Suresh Savariraj, HGN
Wed. March 25 <sup>th</sup>	6:30 PM	Mary Joanne Manore	Gina Forest, Patti White & Family	Fr. Peter Osborne
Thurs. March 26 <sup>th</sup>	12:05 PM	Charline LeBlanc Beaupré	Nadine LeBlanc	Fr. Peter Osborne
Fri. March 27 <sup>th</sup>	6:30 PM	Mary Joanne Manore	Gina Forest, Patti White & Family	Fr. Suresh Savariraj, HGN
Sat. March 28 <sup>th</sup>	4:00 PM	Mary Joanne Manore	Gina Forest, Patti White & Family	Fr. Suresh Savariraj, HGN
Sun. March 29 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 AM	Bill Sarty	The Sarty Family	Fr. Suresh Savariraj, HGN
Sun. March 29 <sup>th</sup>	11:30 AM	Mary Joanne Manore	Gina Forest, Patti White & Family	Fr. Suresh Savariraj, HGN

**STS. JOHN & PAUL**

Mass Schedules		Mass Intentions	Sponsored By	Priest
Sun. March 22 <sup>nd</sup>	11:00 AM	Christopher O'Kane	Rob & Tracy O'Kane	Fr. Suresh Savariraj, HGN
Sun. March 29 <sup>th</sup>	11:00 AM	For the Parishioners	Fr. Suresh Savariraj	Fr. Peter Osborne

**ST. COLOMBA**

Mass Schedules		Mass Intentions	Sponsored By	Priest
Sun. March 22 <sup>nd</sup>	9:00 AM	For the Parishioners	Fr. Suresh Savariraj	Fr. Suresh Savariraj, HGN
Sun. March 29 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 AM	Father Kenneth Weir	Fr. Suresh Savariraj	Fr. Peter Osborne

**Easter Flowers**

**St. Columba • Sts. John and Paul • St. Dunstan's**  
 Easter Flower envelopes are available at the entry ways at each church.  
 If you would like to make a donation in memory of a loved one,  
 please write their name on the envelope  
 & indicate which church the flowers are intended.



**St. Columba – Donations for Loaves and Fishes**, our local Food Bank, will be collected the first Sunday of each month on an ongoing basis.

## DONATIONS NEEDED FOR GREENER VILLAGE

During the season of Lent, we are asking parishioners to find it in their hearts to give to **GREENER VILLAGE**. On **March 28th & 29th** weekend, St. Dunstan's will be collecting the following: **SUGAR (WHITE & BROWN) MARGARINE, KETCHUP & MUSTARD**. Kindly leave your donations in the collection boxes provided at each entry way to the church.



### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR LAWN CARE:**

We are currently needing a person/people for: **LAWN CARE SERVICES** around the church property. If interested, please contact the office at 506-444-6001 or email: [office@stmarymagdaleneparish.ca](mailto:office@stmarymagdaleneparish.ca) & leave your details.

If you are interested in working at our parish office during evening and weekend hours, please fill out a **JOB APPLICATION FORM**, located at the Regent Street entrance. Hours are from 5PM - 9PM during the week; Saturdays 2PM - 6PM and Sundays 8AM - 1PM. Drop your completed application at the office or email it to: [office@stmarymagdaleneparish.ca](mailto:office@stmarymagdaleneparish.ca).

### **✨ Church Cleaning Volunteers Needed – Holy Week Preparation ✨**

As Holy Week approaches, we want to ensure our church is clean, welcoming, and beautifully prepared for this sacred time. 🌿 Our beloved custodian will be away, and we are hoping to gather a **small group of volunteers** to help with cleaning the church.

🔪🧼 If you are able to lend a hand, please let me know as soon as possible. We can plan to meet one evening during the week, depending on everyone's availability.

🙏 Your help—no matter how small—would be truly appreciated. ❤️

Nadine LeBlanc, Coordinator of Faith Formation 📧 [faithformation@stmarymagdaleneparish.ca](mailto:faithformation@stmarymagdaleneparish.ca)

# The Saints

THE MERRY BEGGARS

**A Lenten Recommendation:** We warmly recommend “The Saints” by The Merry Beggars — a beautifully produced audio drama series that brings the lives of the saints to life in a faithful and engaging way. The full **Saints** series, adventures of Faith and Courage can be found here: <https://www.themerrybeggars.com/saints>. For Lent, they have also created “**Lent with the Saints**” - 40 short daily episodes (under 10 minutes each), along with a free downloadable companion booklet: <https://www.themerrybeggars.com/shows/lent-with-the-saints>



*Movie Night and Volleyball at Monsignor Boyd Family Centre: Tuesday Evenings starting at 6PM. Enjoy a night out with the family during Lent and see a movie with us in the Mary Sullivan Room.*

*Tuesday March 24<sup>th</sup> <Movie for the Evening> **“St. Paul”***

*Want to do something active? Join us for Volleyball in the Monsignor Boyd Gym. Middle School aged children – court time is from 5:30 – 7PM.*

*Adults/Parents court time is from 7PM-9PM*



Development and Peace (D & P) at our parish level is in a period of transition. We trust in the always ongoing and creative work of the Holy Spirit, to inspire and bring forth new energy for all parish ministries, which among many, includes the essential call to Social Justice outreach. D&P in our parish seeks those who have a desire to actively respond to the social justice imperatives of the Gospel beyond our parish boundaries. We seek

first to educate ourselves {our Global South & elsewhere, sisters & brothers are our primary teachers}, about the many privileges we enjoy in the North, as part of a developed nation, and to advocate for and support the rights and countless gifts of our vulnerable sisters and brothers in the Global South and elsewhere, who face numerous challenges to development. D & P seeks to both provide real support and on the ground partnership, while also shedding light as needed. Prayer, reflection, and action are one. Jesus' words continue to ring out to us today: *"Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you... for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink... I was a stranger and you welcomed me...naked and you gave me clothing..."* (Matt. 25: 34 - 36).

D & P has been most gifted and blessed in our parish for many years, with first, you, our faithful parishioners, who have prayerfully and financially supported its ongoing educational work, advocacy, petition campaigns, and the annual Share Lent collection... its primary source of funding. We also in our parish have been deeply blessed with the many gifts of parishioners, who have generously stepped forward for years to actively promote D & P at our parish level... too many to name... but we express our most sincere gratitude to each and every one. Parish volunteers for D & P across our nation are absolutely core to enabling its essential work. But we are now, as mentioned, in a transition, and in need of new parish volunteers. Our Share Lent campaign for 2025 was most fortunate to have a long-serving D & P volunteer member help promote the campaign, and in particular, the Solidarity Sunday collection. But our parish now needs someone, or ideally a few people, to continue to ensure the promotion of D & P within our parish. Some parish materials have been ordered, and we hope to have them soon in order for you to pray with, reflect, and support as you can. The Share Lent campaign for 2026 is: **On Track For Justice**. Please read about it at [devp.org](http://devp.org). Thank you kindly, as always, for your prayer and ongoing vital support. Please take it to prayer and discern if the Holy Spirit may be calling you to pick up the torch for D & P in our parish. Thanks once again.



**Seniors Mass at Pine Grove:** Thurs. March 26<sup>th</sup> at 2pm. All are welcome!



**Steubenville Atlantic Youth Conference & LEAD Registration is now open.**

Calling all high schoolers! Jesus meets our deepest longing for meaning, joy, and love. Join hundreds of Catholic teens at Steubenville Atlantic in Halifax, July 10–12, 2026, and encounter the transforming love of Christ. Rising grade 9s through graduating grade 12s are welcome to attend with our group. Register today by completing these two easy steps:

- 1 – Contact your Parish Priest or Religious Education Coordinator to let them know you want to register.
  - 2 – Visit <https://www.steubenville.ca/register-now> to register.
- For more information contact Patricia at [catechesis@dioceseofsaintjohn.org](mailto:catechesis@dioceseofsaintjohn.org) or visit [steubenville.ca](http://steubenville.ca).

You are invited to the **St. John Paul II Parish Lenten Mission at St. Vincent de Paul Church in Oromocto on Sunday, March 22nd at 6:30 pm.**

The mission will feature the following activities:

- Praise and Worship
- Quiet Prayer Time
- Adoration
- Inspirational Talk
- Individual Confessions
- Benediction

You are welcome to invite your non-Catholic friends. May you be blessed as you attend. 🙏

**Ste. Anne de Beaupre – June 2026.**

For anyone that had expressed interest in the Annual trip to **Ste. Anne de Beaupre for June 2026** with Rick Bourgeois, please give Rick a call to secure your seat and deposit. Phone 506-327-6777

**Offertories Received Week Ending March 15<sup>th</sup> 2026**

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

	<u>St C</u>	<u>Sts J&amp;P</u>	<u>St D</u>	<u>Total</u>
Poor & Needy	---	100	255	355
Loose Collection	---	24	1153	1177
Envelope Collection	612	560	2962	4134
Vigil Candle Sales	---	---	161	161
Easter Flowers	40	200	---	240
P.A.D.	---	---	---	4219
Development & Peace	---	---	---	---

Next Diocesan Collection:  
**Upkeep of the Holy Land (Good Friday)- April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2026**

**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](mailto:sacredheart3n1@gmail.com)