

St. Mary Magdalene Parish

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

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Parish Office Hours: Monday to Friday 9 am – 4 pm (Closed for lunch 12 – 1 pm)

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

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March 10th, 2024 – 4th Sunday of Lent

<i>Sacrament of Reconciliation:</i>	<i>Saturdays @ 3-3:30 pm, St. Dunstan's Before and after weekday Mass, and any other time by appointment</i>
<i>Rosary and Divine Mercy:</i>	<i>Tuesdays @ 2 pm, St Dunstan's (Contact Mary McMahan 457-0093)</i>
<i>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:</i>	<i>Thursdays @ 1-5 pm, Sts. John and Paul Wednesdays @ 6 pm (before Mass), St. Dunstan's FIRST Friday @ 7 pm, St. Dunstan's</i>
<i>Rosary before Mass:</i>	<i>Sundays @ 10:20 am, Sts. John and Paul</i>
<i>Prayers for Peace in the World:</i>	<i>First Monday of each Month, 7 pm – 7:45 pm, St. Dunstan's Everyone is welcome, enter Church on King Street side by Tim's</i>

Livestream link for Mass: <https://www.stmarymagdaleneparish.ca>

Preparation time for the Sacrament of Marriage is 6 months prior to the marriage date.

Preparation time for the Sacrament of Baptism is one month prior to the Baptism date.

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.

Invitation to INTRODUCTION to the SYNOD on SYNODALITY

In October 2023, Pope Francis opened the first session of a synod in Rome with 365 delegates from around the world in attendance. The second session will begin in October 2024.

Father John Jennings is offering an introductory overview of what the synod is about and what it can mean for all members of the Catholic community on Wednesday, March 13 at 10am in the MBFC.

For those unable to attend at this time, a repeat session of the same material will be offered at St. Theresa's Church on Wednesday, March 20, at 7pm.

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1st Reading: 2 Chronicles 36.14-17a, 19-23

Gospel: John 3:14-21

Reading: Ephesians 2:4-10

MASS INTENTIONS & TIMES

St. Columba Church

Sun, Mar 10 9:00 AM Greg Shannon
Tue, Mar 12 7:00 PM Rosemary Regan
Sun, Mar 17 9:00 AM Archille Valentino

Sts. John & Paul Church

Sun, Mar 10 11:00 AM Patricka Seguin
Mon, Mar 11 9:00 AM Marjery Rattray
Sun, Mar 17 11:00 AM Wayne McCarthy

St. Dunstan's Church

Sat, Mar 9 4:00 PM Norman and Veronica Campbell
Sun, Mar 10 9:00 AM Joanne Arsenault
11:30 AM Krystina Kawka
Thomas Kanichaayi
Wed, Mar 13 6:30 PM Special Intention
Thu, Mar 14 12:05 PM Sr. Catherine MacPhee
Fri, Mar 15 6:30 PM Daniel Lockhart
Sat, Mar 16 4:00 PM Pat Davidson
Sun, Mar 17 9:00 AM Joseph Ing
11:30 AM Reta Hovey

Sanctuary Lamps are available for purchase @ \$10 each. Call the office for inquiries.

Readings for March 17th

1st Reading: Jeremiah 31:31-34

2nd Reading: Hebrews 5:7-9

Gospel John 12:20-33

Lent on FORMED ~ Parishioners are invited to discover the many Lent resources available on FORMED. There is something for everyone! Families with young children will enjoy "*Lent with Brother Francis*". Older children can explore Lent through art with "*Growing Closer to God*". Adults grow closer to God with "*RESTORE: Lent*". Registering for FORMED is EASY!

- Go to formed.org/signup
- Enter Postal Code – E3A 3N5.
- Register with your name and email address
- Check your email account for a link to begin using FORMED

NECROLOGY

Mar 10	William L O'Donnell	1961
	Albina Long MacFarlane	1970
	Mary Agatha Rowan	1980
	Samuel Jackson Hale	1988
	Vernon Joseph Daigle	1991
	Kevin Patrick Burns	2003
	James (Jim Bob) Pirie	2009
	Dr. Marcel S Brzak	2012
	James O'Neill	2014
	Gregory Allen Shannon	2021
	Noma June Donovan	2023
Mar 11	Thomas Doherty	1956
	Most Rev William Mark Duke	1964
	Edith Frances Farris	1975
	John J Feeney	1976
	Anna K McCaughey	1976
	Lloyd Daniel Murdock Buggie	1989
	Thomas James O'Rourke	1992
	Thelma Anna Marie Williams	2003
	Robert Vincent Ramsay	2019
Mar 12	E Margaret McKimmie	1974
	Joseph Paul Lucien Leger	1987
	John Merlin Cogle	2005
	Edith Margaret Morrison	2007
	Michael James Cashin	2014
Mar 13	Agnes George	1957
	Murray Hagerman	1963
	Jack Ivory	1978
	Barbara M Prebble	1978
	Aline Marie Coombes	1983
	Elizabeth (Lizzie) McGinnis	1988
	Bernice Margaret Whalen	1993
	Joseph Gonzalve Roy	1997
	Laurie Frederick Graham	2005
	Simone A Smyth	2012
	Madeline Mildred Crilley	2019
Mar 14	Evelyn Violet Ellis	1992
	Most Rev Arthur J Gilbert	1999
	Joseph Perry Anthony York	2002
	Malfina Cimolino	2005
	Robert Bruce Rogerson	2017
	Frances Johnston	2020
Mar 15	Tina Adams	1967
	Margaret Agnes Sullivan	1983
	Robert Andrew Kennedy Jr	1989
	Cynthia Ann Burns	2005
	John Francis Carten	2021
Mar 16	Alice Farrell	1956
	William B Burns	1975
	Adela DiGiacinto	1983
	Leona Margaret (Peggy) Vink	2004
	Romeo Florean	2010

St. DUNSTAN:

- **Regional Reconciliation Service for Lent** is on March 10th, Sunday 3pm at St Dunstan's Church.
- **Ministries Workshop:** There will be a workshop at St. Dunstan's on Saturday March 16th, 10:00 am to 12 noon. This workshop is for all Lectors, Communion Ministers, Sacristans and for those involved in music ministry. All who are currently participating in these ministries, or who would like to become involved, are encouraged to attend.
- **Taizé (Contemplative Prayer):** During Lent, a prayer service will be held on Fridays after the 6:30pm Mass.
- **The CHOSEN (Season II)** will be shown on Wednesdays at 7pm in the Monsignor Boyd Family Centre.
- **Holy Week Ministries:** There are sign-up sheets at the Regent St entrance for Holy Thursday (7pm), Good Friday (Noon and 3pm) and the Easter Vigil (8:30pm) at St Dunstan's. Please sign up if you are able to assist as Sacristan, Altar server, Greeter, Lector, Offertory Collector or Communion Minister.

Sts. JOHN & PAUL:

- **Stations of the Cross** - Fridays during Lent, 7pm.
- **Renewal Charismatic Prayer Time** during Lent will be on Wednesdays from 2:00 pm to 3:00 pm at the Sts John and Paul basement. For questions and to confirm attendance, please send information to Neyda Long at long@stu.ca

St. COLUMBA:

- **Stations of the Cross** - Mondays during Lent, 7pm.
- **Mass on Tuesdays** at 7pm (Lent only).

Donations for Easter Flowers in memory of your loved ones:

Envelopes are available *at the back of each church*. Write your name, env# and name of loved one(s) on envelope and place envelope and donation in collection basket. A list of those being remembered to be displayed at Easter.

Holy Communion to the Sick and Shut in: All those who bring the Holy Communion to the Sick and Shut in are invited to come to MBFC on March 23 at 2 pm for a meet and greet.

New Parish Employee: Please help us welcome **Anna Maclean** to the administration team of our parish.

Regular Meetings for March:

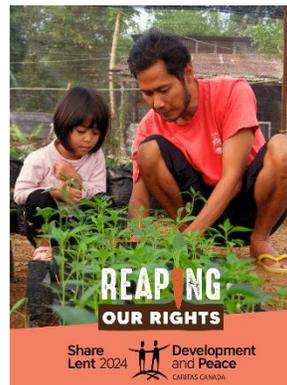
Pastoral Council - March 14 @ 530pm, MBFC
Finance Council - March 21 @ 3pm, MBFC
Truth and Reconciliation- March 11 @ 630pm, MBFC
Buildings and Grounds - March 7 @ 630pm, MBFC
Cemetery Committee - March 14 @ 3pm, MBFC

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS: When a person prays on behalf of others, it's a way of inviting God to intervene on those persons behalf. Intercessory prayers are offered to God on behalf of others; for people who are facing challenges, such as illnesses, difficult circumstances, or personal problems. Intercessory prayers are a way of offering support and showing compassion to others when we pray to God for His intervention. An intercessory prayer is a powerful force for good, and it can bring about positive change in the lives of those being prayed for. Thereby, **we encourage all those who are interested to team up to pray for others, or to know more, to call the office and leave your name and number.**

Nashwaaksis United Church, 46 Main Street will be hosting a Stew Takeout on Friday, March 22 from 4:00pm – 5:30pm. The menu includes delicious homemade Beef Stew, Rolls and Carrot Cake for dessert. The cost is \$15. Cut off for reservations is Monday, March 18th. Please call the church office 506-458-9452 or email admin@nashwaaksisunited.ca (please use the front door for pickups).

Development and Peace — Caritas Canada:

Training next-generation farmers in Indonesia



In rural Indonesia, young people are abandoning agriculture to work in cities. Over time, this could threaten food sovereignty.

Our partner PAYOPAYO empowers village communities to work together to find solutions to common challenges related to agriculture, food, energy, natural resource management and the engagement of youths, especially women.

This Lent, meet our solidarity visitor Karno Batiran, the executive director of PAYOPAYO. Learn more at devp.org/lent.

Greener Village Food Bank: Donations such as toothbrushes, toothpastes, hand soaps, and laundry soaps are most welcome! Thank you.



Old Salty's Fish & Chips

1850 Lincoln Road Fredericton

(506) 454-7272.

Summary of Offertories Received for day-to-day Operations
Please call the Parish Office at 444-6001 if you have any questions

	<u>Total</u>	<u>St C</u>	<u>Sts J&P</u>	<u>St D</u>
Year to Date Dec 31/2023:				
Offertories received	\$533,587	\$27,215	\$94,635	\$411,737
Operating expenses	\$700,151	\$79,963	\$136,289	\$483,899
Operating Surplus/(Deficit)	(\$166,564)	(\$52,748)	(\$41,654)	(\$72,162)
Week ending Mar 03:				
Offertories received	\$8,257	\$520	\$1,451	\$6,286
Oper. expenses (Estimated)	\$10,320	\$542	\$1,803	\$7,975
Surplus/(Deficit)	(\$2,063)	(\$22)	(\$352)	(\$1,689)
Vigil candles	\$67			

**YOUR 2023 DONATION TAX RECEIPTS ARE AVAILABLE TO PICK UP AT THE PARISH OFFICE. IF YOU WISH TO HAVE YOUR RECEIPT MAILED, PLEASE CALL AND LET THE PARISH OFFICE KNOW. PLEASE ADVISE THE OFFICE OF ANY CHANGE OF ADDRESS.
THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT OF OUR PARISH!**

The Feast Light – Fredericton: Everyone’s invited in our 3rd Table Talk Series called “The Greatest party of the Universe”. This 3rd talk is about the party God invites us to join – for us to grow spiritually. Talk 3 is based on the story of the Prodigal Son who takes his inheritance from his father, squanders it at parties, then goes back empty-handed to his father who holds a party for him for finally coming home. At this party, there are three characters that can represent the three stages of how to grow spiritually. At every Feast, God is holding a party of mercy! The key message of Talk 3 is Join the party. See you on **March 10th 10:00am at Classroom 20 in St. Dunstan’s Church.**

Knights of Columbus Community Breakfast Sunday, **March 10th at 10am to 1pm at the Knicol Hall.** Adults \$10, Children \$5, Families \$30. Please notice the price increase due to the cost of groceries. Proceeds going to Family Faith Formation’s students’ trip to Steubenville Atlantic in Halifax. Everyone is welcome!

Coffee Hour Ministry: The next Coffee Hour will take place next week, Sunday, **March 10th, from 10-11, in the Mary Sullivan Room.** Upcoming dates for Coffee Hour are March 24, April 14, April 28, May 12, May 19, June 2 and June 16. If you would like to sign up to volunteer for the Coffee Hour, please email vivien.zelazny@gmail.com.

Men of Faith Retreat: A Call to Prayer and Discernment
Saturday, March 23, 2024, 9:00 am – 9:00 pm; \$75.00 includes lunch, supper, and an evening social. For travelers or anyone wishing to extend their retreat experience, overnight accommodations are available for Friday and/or Saturday evenings for an additional \$75/night. **Villa Madonna Retreat House, 115 Villa Madonna Road, Rothesay, NB.** Open to all men in the Diocese of Saint John ages 19+ yrs. Register on-line (Deadline for registration is Sunday, March 17): <https://forms.office.com/r/eRYCgL2pWv?origin=lprLink>
For more information, contact Jim Anderson: janderson@dioceseofsaintjohn.org

New Brunswick Rite to Life: The Knights of Columbus Council 1942 is holding Acadian Night at 6:00pm on Sunday, **March 16, 2024, at the Knight’s Hall, 170 Regent Street, Fredericton.** Everyone is encouraged to attend and all proceeds from this terrific event will support the work of the Women’s Care Center.

Employment Opportunity at St. Dunstan’s:
Building Attendant for St. Dunstan’s Church and the Monsignor Boyd Family Centre. Casual position, well suited for a student, starting immediately. Guaranteed 4 to 5 hours Sunday mornings with opportunity for additional hours as Church events require. Please contact Mike at the Parish Office 506-444-6001.