

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

September 29th, 2024 – 26th 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 @ 10:10am – 10:40am, 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, Adoration 7pm, Confessions 7:15pm</i> |
| <i>FIRST Saturday:</i> | <i>Mass @ 9am, St. Dunstan's, Rosary 9:30am, Confessions 2:30pm</i> |
| <i>Prayers for Peace:</i> | <i>Tuesday, October 8th 7 pm – 7:45 pm, St. Dunstans</i> |

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

THE ADORATION EXPERIENCE – A WITNESS STORY

Father Suresh asked for a testimony from witnesses to the Adoration of the Eucharist.

Personally, I take advantage of these moments to run away from the negativity of the world, to have a full experience of a *pure peaceful moment*. What I mean with the negativity of the world is from what we are exposed to on a daily basis with Facebook, the internet, the TV news etc.

Everywhere we look is a constant reminder of the ugly that exist. I realize there is still good out there but, you need to search for it in the media as it does not pup up at first glance. When you put yourself in the presence of the Sacrament, it is “the Holly Host consecrated to the Mass which is Our Lord Jesus Christ truly present.” What an honour we have to be so close to our Lord in these special moments. It is such a great treasure in our life, “like a communion that is realized between God and ourself, the greatest union that can be realized here on earth.” Next time you are seeking peace in your life, I invite you to be curious and take part in the adoration which take place every Wednesday at 6 p.m. or on the first Friday of the month at 7 p.m. Father Suresh goes out of his way to make this experience so wonderful and beautiful, but, don't take my word for it, you need to come and check it out. Come and see. I assure you ... you will not regret it !

Nadine LeBlanc, Chair - Pastoral Council

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

St. Columba Church

Sun, Sept 29 9:00 AM John Norman Young
 Sun, Oct 6 9:00 AM John Mooney

Sts. John & Paul Church

Sun, Sept 29 11:00 AM Zoe Morin
 Mon, Sept 30 9:00 AM David Parmegiani
 Sun, Oct 6 11:00 AM Ernie and Patricia Holten

St. Dunstan's Church

Sat, Sept 28 4:00 PM Kathleen Newell
 Sun, Sept 29 9:00 AM Fr. Joesph Hattie
 11:30 AM Pepi DiGiacinto
 Wed, Oct 2 6:30 PM Alma Doiron
 Thu, Oct 3 12:05PM Priests and Parishioners
 of SMMP
 Fri, Oct 4 6:30 PM Maura & Gerard Keenan
 Sat, Oct 5 4:00 PM Andre Houle
 Sun, Oct 6 9:00 AM Josie Mazucca
 11:30 AM Lynn Mann

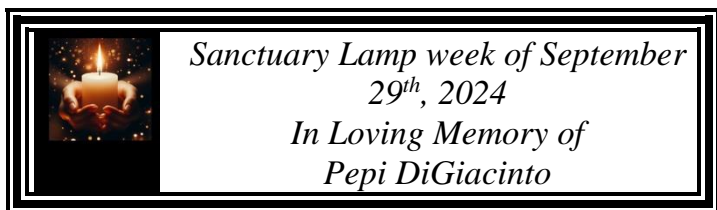
**There will be no Mass on Monday, September 30th,
 Office will also be closed.**

Readings for October 6th

1st Reading: Genesis 2.7ab, 15, 18-24

2nd Reading: Hebrews 2.9-11

Gospel: Mark 10.2-16



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.

If you are interested in being initiated into the Roman Catholic Church, please consider attending Mass with us and contacting us at 506-444-6001 to enquire about the RCIA program.

CHRISTMAS EXCHANGE PROGRAM

St. Mary Magdalene Parish would like to support our parish family members who are in needs and would appreciate help for Christmas. If you are a registered family member and wish to have your name added to the list, please call the office at 444-6001.

Prayers of the Faithful

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.

Do You Like to Sing?

The 11:30 Sunday Mass Choir resumed their WEDNESDAY EVENING REHEARSALS on September 18th at 7:30p.m. New members are welcome to join. Please use the Brunswick Street Church Entrance. If you are interested, please email Helen Chenier at hchenier@rogers.com

Parish Outreach Ministry to the Fredericton Community Kitchen

- We are looking for new team members and spares for our Parish Outreach Ministry to the Community Kitchen on Sundays from 4 pm - 6 pm. There are 4 teams of 6 members with each team scheduled every 4th Sunday. This is a good way to get to know other parishioners as you work together to help provide food security to the most vulnerable members of the Fredericton community. If you are interested, please contact Beth Nicholas at bethandgraydon1@gmail.com or 506-476-2009.

The Pastoral Council would like to map out a full list of events from all Ministries which will take place in the remaining of 2024-2025 in order to better prepare these events. If you have any events coming up, please forward the information to the office. Thank you.

Parishioners who attend mass at Sts. John and Paul church are invited to Q and A session on the 28th of September, Sunday after mass, regarding possible use of the rectory by Right to life NB.

Faith Formation Update

Family Faith Formation Sunday, September 29th ~

Join us for our first Family Faith Formation session on Sunday, September 29th at 10:00 am in the gym at the Msgr. Boyd Family Center. This year we will explore and learn about the Mass together with family-focused and inviting sessions. Families with children in Kindergarten to Grade 7 are encouraged to attend.

Please register in advance at

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

Confirmation Preparation Family Meeting ~ There will be a short meeting for families with youth beginning Confirmation Preparation on Sunday, October 6th following the 11:30 am Mass at St. Dunstan's in the Mary Sullivan Room (Msgr. Boyd Family Center). If you have not registered yet for Confirmation Preparation please contact Patty Cameron at faithformation@stmarymagdalene-parish.ca.

"WHAT DO YOU SEEK?"

Adult Faith Formation coming this Fall!

We are all searching for answers to the most fundamental questions about life. Our Lady of Peace and St. Mary Magdalene parishes are uniting this fall to offer a weekly Adult Faith Formation program from September 25th to November 27th. Participants will explore the meaning of life as revealed through the lens of the Catholic Faith in an open, welcoming small-group atmosphere. For more information and to register, please contact Tracy Horsley at horsleysix@gmail.com (or call (506) 261-0713). Register early, as space is limited!

As we continue our Feast Talk series, titled, "FEEL: Why Your Emotions Matter". The goal of our 5-part teaching series is to learn how to lead your emotions better so that you can love God, love others, and love yourself more.

In our previous Talk 1 titled "Shame", it is the intensely painful feeling of believing you are flawed and therefore unworthy of acceptance and belonging. The key message of Talk 1 is you are already loved.


In this upcoming Talk 2 of our series, we explore fear. What is fear? And how does God want us to deal with fear? The message of Talk 2 is God's Love is your Safe Place. See you on September 29th 10:00am at Classroom 20 in St. Dunstan's Church.

~ A humble request from Father Suresh not to respond to the scam emails coming in with his name.

"What's Wrong with MAiD?"

Presentation Sunday, October 6 at 7 pm - The concept of Medical Assistance in Dying (MAiD), whether new to you or not, is a growing part of healthcare that deserves more attention from the faith community. Deacon, Larry Worthen, the executive Director of the Christian medical and dental Association of Canada will be leading this presentation. Deacon Larry has become one of the most outspoken advocates, raising concerns about MAiD in Canada. Learn how policies in New Brunswick may affect you, your loved ones, physicians in NB, and the overall healthcare system. We'll take a look at this important subject from the Christian perspective, with history, insights and testimonials on the increasing impact of MAiD on Canada.

Join us Sunday, October 6 starting at 7 PM from the Monsignor Boyd Family Centre (20 Regent St, Fredericton, NB). For more information or to register (<https://cmdacanada.org/event/whats-wrong-with-maid-saint-john-nb>) Please note that pre-registration is not required to attend only to help us prepare coffee and snacks.



WHAT'S WRONG WITH MAiD?

October 6th at 7:00pm | Monsignor Boyd Family Centre Fredericton, NB

CMDA Canada's Executive Director Larry Worthen will provide timely information on MAiD in Canada, policies regulating MAiD, and how we can advocate for dignity affirming alternatives and conscientious practice in our province.



RSVP TODAY!

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.

**ST. MARY MAGDALENE PARISH
Churches**

**Consolidated Statement of Operations
As of Jun 30, 2024**

| | YTD Actual | YTD Budget |
|--------------------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| Income | | |
| Donations | 264,137 | 247,200 |
| Sales | 4,628 | 4,134 |
| Advertising | 30 | 180 |
| Rental Income | 9,980 | 11,364 |
| Interest Income | 3,984 | 3,504 |
| Recoveries | 16,174 | 11,086 |
| Total Income | 298,933 | 277,468 |
| Cost of Goods Sold | 5,783 | 2,832 |
| | 293,150 | 274,636 |
| Expense | | |
| Salaries & Benefits | 153,817 | 166,407 |
| Administration | 10,955 | 14,917 |
| Chancery Assessment | 41,660 | 41,658 |
| Insurance | 13,973 | 13,962 |
| Priest Related Expenses (1) | 31,394 | 34,130 |
| General Expenses | 13,831 | 5,706 |
| Buildings & Grounds | 77,705 | 83,849 |
| Rectory, Sts. John & Paul | 7,009 | 8,176 |
| Ministries | 9,288 | 9,162 |
| Total Expense | 359,632 | 377,967 |
| Operating Income/(Loss) | (66,482) | (103,331) |

(1) Excludes salaries & benefits; includes St. Dunstan's rectory, mileage and household costs.

**Consolidated Statement of Investment Activity
As of June 30, 2024**

| | YTD Actual | YTD Budget |
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| Investment Income/(Expenses) | | |
| Income/(Losses) on Investments | 35,012 | 5,196 |
| Unrealized Gains/(Losses) on Investments | 101,313 | 72,000 |
| Insurance Proceeds | 22,500 | 22,500 |
| Investment Management Fees | (7,919) | (7,200) |
| Investment Income/(Expenses) | 150,906 | 92,496 |

Offertories Received - Week Ending Sep 22

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> |
|---------------------|-------------|--------------------|-------------|--------------|
| Regular offertories | \$535 | \$1,326 | \$7,173 | \$9,033 |

Next Special Collection is Sep 29 for: Needs of the Canadian Church