



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 9:30am-5:30pm (Closed for lunch 12-1pm)

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

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August 4th, 2024 – 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

<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>
<i>Prayers for Peace in the World:</i>	<i>August 6 @ 7pm – 7:45pm, St. Dunstan's</i>

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.

First Friday, August 2nd - Mass at 6:30pm, adoration at 7pm, Confessions at 7:15pm

First Saturday, August 3rd - Mass at 9am followed by rosary, Confessions at 2:30pm

*We welcome Soleil Ameera Nacpil to the Catholic community,
baptized August 1st, 2024.*

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 4 9:00 AM Joseph Pepi DiGicinto

Sun, August 11 9:00 AM Viola Aubin

Sts. John & Paul Church

Sun, August 4 11:00 AM Jane Mersereau
Yvon Pitre (Special Mass)

Mon, August 5 9:00 AM Michael Onorato

Sun, August 11 11:00 AM Clairine, Georges & Yves

St. Dunstan's Church

Sat, August 3 4:00 PM Norman & Veronica
Campbell

Sun, August 4 9:00 AM Addy Palomino
Nicole Mary Bourcier

11:30 AM Wyn Smith

Wed, August 7 6:30 PM Faye Gilmore

Thu, August 8 12:05AM DFM of Landry-Godin

Fri, August 9 6:30 PM Mary Brennan

Sat, August 10 4:00 PM Alyre & Charline LeBlanc
Beaupré

Sun, August 11 9:00 AM Elie Beaulieu

11:30 AM Norman Vautour

Readings for August 11th

1st Reading: 1 Kings 19.4-8

2nd Reading: Ephesians 4.30-5.2

Gospel: John 6.41-51



*Sanctuary Lamp week of
August 4th, 2024
In Loving Memory of
Maria Algisa Corsetti*

The parish is offering St. Benedict Medals for those interested in placing them in their cars, homes (on doors, over door and window frames), on walls of sheds and buildings on your property, in one's place of business, to carry on your person etc. Please find them in front of the Altar.

***Rest in Peace to
Murray Parker***

Christian Life Community (CLC)

Is a worldwide organization within the Church, associated with the Jesuits, and based on the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius. On July 28, the members of JOY and On Eagle's Wings CLC's from Nackawic, New Maryland and Fredericton, met at St. Dunstan's for our summer gathering. The 3 Pillars of CLC are Spirituality, Community and Mission. We began with the celebration of the Eucharist, (Spirituality), followed by a potluck feast at the MBFC, (Community) and held a blessing and sending ceremony for Karen Reeves of JOY CLC and Beth Nicholas of On Eagle's Wings CLC, (Mission). Karen, a member of the CLC Canada General Council, is one of the delegates from CLC Atlantic to the CLC National Assembly to be held in Nanaimo, BC in November, while Beth is the alternate delegate. We concluded our celebration with a fun time of card games, socializing and, in the words of St. Ignatius, "finding God in all things." We were blessed to have Father Suresh, Father Martin Arputham and Father David Fulton join us for feasting and fellowship.

Skiff Lake – August 11, 2024

We would be honoured if you could join us on our spiritual journey as we celebrate our Annual Shrine Sunday at Skiff Lake. This year it will take place on August 11th. The schedule of events begin with a mass at 11:00am, lunch at 12:15pm, Rosary 1:00pm, followed by a Healing Service at 2:00pm. A canteen is on site before and after mass.

Prayers for Peace

Will be Tuesday, August 6, 2024 at 7pm to 7:45pm at St. Dunstan's Church site. Come and celebrate with us. We need peace in our world today.

Holy Mass for the departed souls at Hermitage Catholic Cemetery on August 18th at 2:00pm. Please bring your lawn chairs and umbrellas if needed.

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 Update

- **Sacrament Preparation (1st Eucharist)**

Preparation for 1st Eucharist takes place as part of the parish's Faith Formation Program starting in September. Children in grades 2 and up are eligible to take part in 1st Eucharist preparation.

- **Confirmation Preparation**

Youth entering grade 8 in the fall of 2024 (or older if not already Confirmed) are invited to join us in September to begin their journey to the Sacrament of Confirmation. Please watch the bulletin over the summer on how to register or contact Patty Cameron, Director of Faith Formation at 444-6018 for more information.

- **Highschool Youth Rally Save the Date!**

"Take Up His Calling", a Diocesan Youth Rally for high school youth will take place at the Villa Madonna Retreat House on Sunday, August 18th, from 1:00 pm to 6:30 pm. Join us for an afternoon of sports, activities, faith, fellowship, worship and prayer. Interested in attending? Contact PattyCameron at faithformation@stmarymagdaleneparish.ca or (506) 444-6018. There will be a bus from Fredericton going to Saint John for the day, cost \$15.00 / youth. Be sure to book your seat early!

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.

Fredericton Catholic Young Adults (FCYA)

Hosted the city's first Summit Night on Friday, July 26. It was an evening dedicated to adoration and prayer. The event featured a talk by Nathan Van Putten, a member of the Fredericton Royals, who shared his personal experience with Christ and emphasized that adversity does not signify God's abandonment. During the evening, attendees had the opportunity for confession, followed by a time of fellowship and food. Approximately 50 people, primarily young adults, attended the event. FCYA plans to host another Summit Night in the coming months. A big thank you to everyone who participated and contributed to making this event a success!

Diocesan News

- **An Afternoon for High School Youth**

in our Diocese (ages 14-18) - Join Us for Fun, Faith, Fellowship and Food! "Take Up His Calling". Date: August 18, 2024, Time: 1:00 PM to 6:30 PM Location: Villa Madonna Retreat House. Come and enjoy an afternoon filled with activities, faith, fellowship, and food. We are honored to have Bishop Christian celebrating Mass with us. Don't miss this special event just for high school youth! We look forward to seeing you there. To help with food planning, please email catechesis@dioceseofsaintjohn.org or text 506-627-6465 that you are attending.

- **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 or by calling 506-627-6465.

- **Diocesan Newsletter**

We are pleased to announce the launch of our email diocesan newsletter! Sign up to get the latest diocesan news and events delivered directly to your inbox by visiting <https://dioceseofsaintjohn.org/email-newsletter-sign-up>. Want to commit your time and talent to sharing good news stories from your region? Please email nmazerolle@dioceseofsaintjohn.org with any story ideas, photos, or testimonies/glory stories that you would like to have considered for submission. Please note that all content must be reflective of our diocesan mission and that photos require the consent of all parties in the photo to be submitted to our newsletter. Thank you!

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 Jun 30/2024:				
Offertories received	\$264,137	\$14,426	\$44,691	\$205,020
Operating expenses	\$359,632	\$37,928	\$63,133	\$258,571
Operating Surplus/(Deficit)	(\$95,495)	(\$23,502)	(\$18,442)	(\$53,551)
Week ending Jul 28:				
Offertories received	\$8,878	\$517	\$2,085	\$6,276
Oper. expenses (Estimated)	\$13,940	\$1,543	\$2,753	\$9,644
Operating Surplus/(Deficit)	(\$5,062)	(\$1,026)	(\$668)	(\$3,368)
Vigil candles	\$129			

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

In my prayer the last few days, I have been convicted to write this short letter to you. Our hearts are grieved whenever and wherever the Eucharist is blasphemed, whether that is on the world stage, in the media, by the actions of others, or even by our own actions that deny the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. Yet we know that “where sin increased, grace abounded all the more” (Romans 5:20), and so by a providential grace, the whole world now finds itself talking about the Last Supper – the central moment in human history when Jesus instituted the Eucharist. While Jesus is present to us in many ways, it is in the Eucharistic species – bread and wine changed into the true Body and Blood of Christ – that he most intimately abides in us: “Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me and I in them” (John 6:56). Jesus speaks to each one of us in a deeply intimate and personal way at the Last Supper – words repeated at the consecration in every Mass – “This is my body, which is given for YOU. Do this in remembrance of me” (Luke 22:19). Jesus gives himself to each of us in personal and profound intimacy so that we may be transformed from within more and more into his likeness to go out into the world as living tabernacles to help build a civilization of love. In our own diocese we are seeing powerful transformations happening through increased devotion to Eucharistic Adoration. Where Jesus is adored in the Eucharist, hearts are being healed and lives renewed. Recently, more than 80 youth and chaperones from our diocese participated in the Steubenville Atlantic Conference in Halifax where hundreds of young people gave their lives to Jesus and encountered him powerfully during Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Saturday evening and again in heartfelt intimate communion in the celebration of the Sunday Mass. We do not need to look far for Eucharistic miracles – miracles happen wherever and whenever people come before Christ’s Real Presence with open hearts. St. Thomas Aquinas tells us that “to love is to will the good of the other”. C.S. Lewis adds that “love is not affectionate feeling, but a steady wish for the loved person's ultimate good as far as it can be obtained.” The Eucharist is known as the sacrament of love. In every Mass, we re-present the one and only sacrifice of love made by Jesus on the cross who died for our sins and rose from the dead so that we might live with him for all. We are truly a Eucharistic people when we love sacrificially, imitating Christ’s love and giving of ourselves so that 2 others might come to experience God’s love and mercy through our actions and our words. If you have been transformed by a powerful encounter with Jesus in the Eucharist, I encourage you to share your story with the people around you. Invite others to encounter him at Mass or in Adoration. Your witness will help others come to know Jesus and the hope that he promises. In light of recent events, might I extend another invitation? In the week ahead, please join me in making reparation and praying for the souls of those who blaspheme the Eucharist through their ignorance of the truth and beauty of Jesus’ self-gift of Love and his True Presence among us. One way to do this is to attend a daily Mass in addition to your Lord’s Day Mass. Please also consider making a Holy Hour in Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at some point in the next week. Spend time at Jesus’ feet asking forgiveness for those who have offended God and for the times we have offended him ourselves. The Institute for Ministry at St. Vincent Seminary has a beautiful Litany of Healing and Repentance in the Eucharist that I invite you to pray with in Jesus’ Presence. If you have never spent time in Adoration before, I encourage you to meet Jesus there this week and allow him to minister to your heart. My deepest hope is that the whole diocese would come closer to the Eucharistic Heart of Jesus and be transformed in his merciful love. Let us invoke the powerful intercession of Mary, Mother of God, in praying that the whole world will know the gift of Jesus’ saving love in the power of the Eucharist and become Christ’s intentional and missionary disciples. United in prayer with Jesus and Mary.

✠ Christian Riesbeck, CC Bishop of Saint John