

# St. Mary Magdalene Parish

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Baptism: Call the office one month before desired date

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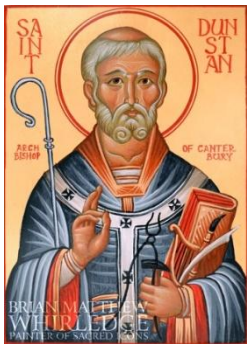
RCIA: Call the office any time

## May 11<sup>th</sup> – May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2025 – 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Acts 13.14, 43-52

Gospel: John 10.27-30

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Revelation 7.9, 14b-17



### Novena Prayer to St. Dunstan - May 9 to May 17 (Feast Day May 19th)

O God, whose grace has guided your servant, St. Dunstan, to a life of holiness and service, we humbly beseech you to hear our prayers. Through the intercession of St. Dunstan, grant us your blessings in our lives. [Here, you can insert your specific intention or prayer.] Bless our families and give them strength and guidance.

St. Dunstan, patron of our church, we turn to you for help. Lead us to a deeper understanding of your faith, and guide us on our path to holiness. We place our trust in your intercession and your powerful prayers.

St. Dunstan, intercede for us before the throne of God. Grant us the grace to live lives that are pleasing to Him and that reflect the joy of the Gospel. Amen



Note: You can repeat this prayer for nine consecutive days, praying it daily, preferably with the addition of a few Hail Marys and Our Fathers. Also, since May 19 is Victoria Day, we are celebrating St Dunstan's Feast on the nearest Sunday (May 18<sup>th</sup>). So, the Novena begins on May 9, ending on May 17.

**The Church Dedicates The Month of May to Mary**, the Mother of God, and our mother. We are invited to trust in Mary in all our suffering, and ask for grace in all our needs. She intercedes for us in love to Jesus, her Son, Who is the Source of all Grace. Spiritually, May is considered a time of great favour and grace, a time to seek Divine favour for the rest of the year. Mother Theresa of Calcutta often said 10 Memoraries in a row to Mary when she did not have time to do a 9-day novena for urgent needs. Her missionaries still use it. Copies can be picked up on the table across from St Joseph's Altar at the front left of St Dunstan's Church. We can also make little sacrifices in Our Lady's honour, and pray the rosary with more attention in her honour when seeking her aid.

**Fredericton Regional Jubilee Mission:** on June 2-4, Bishop Riesbeck will preach a three-day Jubilee Mission on the theme, "Rejoice in Hope." Inspired by *Spes Non Confundit*, the Jubilee Bull of Indiction of Pope Francis, Bishop Riesbeck will speak on our need for hope in these times, the relevance of Jesus as the anchor of our hope, and the role of the Holy Spirit as the agent of hope empowering us to mission as apostles of mercy and hope. These missions will take place **at Saint Theresa's Church (Our Lady of Peace Parish) beginning from 6:30 pm-8:30 pm**, ending with a reception. Each session will begin with Mass followed by a teaching, with a healing rosary on Monday, Adoration and the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Tuesday and commissioning prayers on Wednesday. Come and be a seeker of hope! <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=khOPjj3hbUg>.

Our **Annual General Meeting for Saint Mary Magdalene Parish** will take place on Sunday **May 18<sup>th</sup> at 2 pm** in the **gym**. **Come and join us** to find out what happened during 2024 and to gather as a community. It is a great opportunity to learn and discuss issues and perhaps share some ideas for how to improve our Parish. **Your voice is always important**. Moreover, May 18<sup>th</sup> being the feast of Saint Dunstan, we will have a cake with coffee and tea to celebrate this important event as he is the patron of our church.

## Readings for May 18<sup>th</sup>

**1<sup>st</sup> R:** Acts 14.21b-27

**2<sup>nd</sup> R:** Revelation 21.1-5a

**Gospel:** John 13.1, 31-33a, 34-35

### ST. DUNSTAN'S

**Mass Intentions:**

Sat, May 10 4:00 PM Ronnie Robichaud  
Sun, May 11 9:00 AM Perlita Cabotaje Duldulad  
11:30 AM Alicia Relador  
Myrna Asejo  
Tue, May 13 6:30 PM Peggy Kileel  
Wed, May 14 6:30 PM David Emerson  
Thu, May 15 12:05 PM Joan Daley  
  
Fri, May 16 6:30 PM Clarice Roxborough  
Sat, May 17 4:00 PM Ofelia Alvarez Flores  
John Cooper  
Sun, May 18 9:00 AM Steve McInroy  
11:30 AM Joanne Connolly

**May 13 - May 16: Masses will be celebrated in Villa Madonna (NOT in St Dunstan's) by Father Suresh. Please keep Bishop Christian Riesbeck and other priests in your prayers as they are gathering for the annual retreat from Monday (May 12) to Friday (May 16).**

**Mass Times:**

6:30 PM Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Fridays  
12:05 PM, Thursdays  
4:00 PM, Saturdays  
9:00 AM, 11:30 AM, Sundays  
9:00 AM, First Saturdays

**Divine Mercy / Rosary:** 2 PM, Tuesdays  
9:30 AM, First Saturdays

**Rosary to St. Joseph:** 6 PM, Wednesdays

**Adoration:** 6 PM, Fridays  
7 PM, 1<sup>st</sup> Fridays

**Confessions:** 2:30 PM-3:30 PM, Saturdays  
May call the office for other times

All those who are serving at masses in St. Dunstan's church as **communion ministers**, and those who wants to become communion minister, are **invited to come for communion minister workshop**. To be held on May 20<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>, 7pm at St. Dunstan's church. Please join us in any one of them.

**2025 Steubenville Conference Fundraiser:** Your recyclable cans and bottles can help the youth from our parish attend this year's Steubenville Atlantic Conference in Halifax. Anyone wanting to donate their cans or bottles and give those funds to the youth may do so at the Southside Redemption Center at 70 Timothy Ave. S, Hanwell. Our donation number is 36. You don't have to wait, clearly mark your bags with #36 (duct tape on the bag works great) and drop them in the trailer in the parking lot. The parish will receive an e-transfer as soon as the recyclables are counted. It is just that easy! Thank you for supporting our youth!

### STS. JOHN & PAUL

**Mass Intentions:**

Sun, May 11 11:00 AM Dody Placido  
Sun, May 18 11:00 AM Albert Khoury

**Mass Time:** 11:00 AM Sundays

**Rosary / Divine Mercy:** 10:10 AM Sundays

**Adoration:** 1 – 5 PM Thursdays

### ST. COLUMBA

**Mass Intentions:**

Sun, May 11 9:00 AM Pepi DiGiacinto  
Sun, May 18 9:00 AM Louie LeClerc

**Mass Time:** 9:00 AM Sundays

#### **Offerories Received - Week Ending May 04**

	<u>St C</u>	<u>Sts J&amp;P</u>	<u>St D</u>	<u>Total</u>
Regular offerories	\$577	\$1,291	\$7,219	\$9,087
Cemetery funds	\$242	\$170	\$885	\$1,297

**Next Special Collection is May 25 for Pope's Pastoral Works**

**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.

**Our Lady of Peace Parish's monthly "Touched by Cancer" Mass** for those whose lives have been affected in any way by cancer will take place at St. Anthony's Church on Friday, May 16<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. All are welcome.

**The Fredericton Ladies Choir** invites everyone to their **Spring Concert** to be held **on May 13<sup>th</sup>, 7pm** at **St Dunstan's Church**. Tickets @ \$20 each.

**St. Mary Magdalene Parish sponsored Mass in EWTN will be telecasted on May 19<sup>th</sup>.**



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- All singles aged 18-40
- Open to those seeking a deeper faith
- Welcoming to those from all walks of life

### WHEN?

- Date: May 10 - June 14, 2025 (every Saturday)
- Time: 9:00 am to 12:00 pm
- Location: St. Theresa Church Hall Fredericton NB

### WHAT TO EXPECT?

- A welcoming community of like-minded individuals
- In-depth exploration of faith and spirituality
- Meaningful discussions and reflections
- Opportunities of personal growth and development

### FOR INQUIRIES YOU MAY CONTACT:

- Theo 506-608-8257
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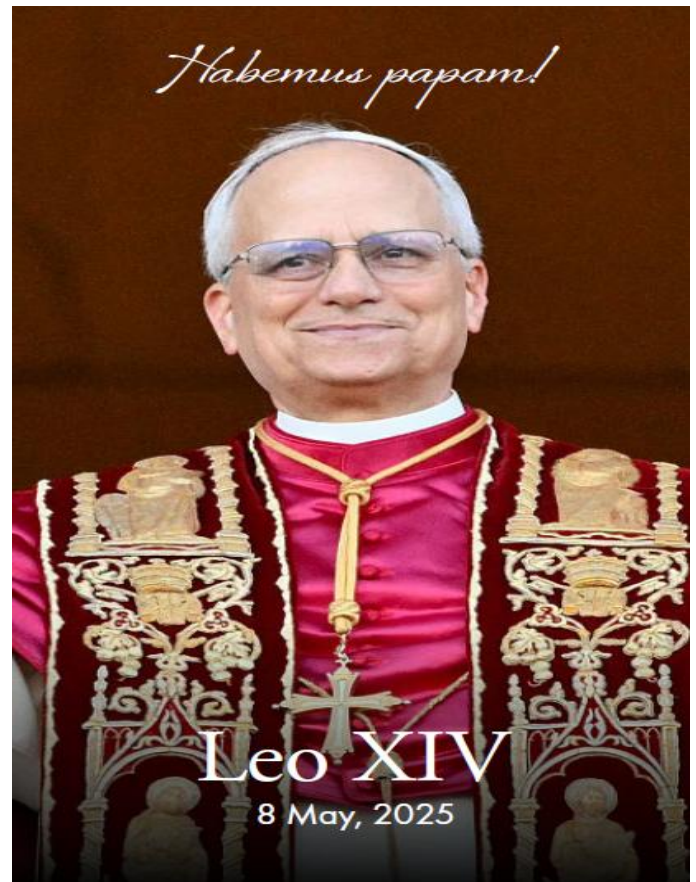
TO REGISTER

## Prayer for the Pope

O God, shepherd and ruler of all the faithful,  
 look favourably on your servant Leo XIV,  
 whom you have set at the head of your  
 Church as her shepherd;  
 grant, we pray, that by word and example  
 he may be of service to those over whom  
 he presides  
 so that, together with the flock entrusted  
 to his care,  
 he may come to everlasting life.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
 who lives and reigns with you in the unity  
 of the Holy Spirit,  
 God, for ever and ever.

*Habemus papam!*



Leo XIV  
8 May, 2025



**Press release**  
**For immediate distribution**

### **CCCBC Welcomes Pope Leo XIV with Rejoicing and Prayers**

**8 May 2025, Ottawa** – Today, the Church in Canada and throughout the world rejoices, as His Eminence Robert Francis Cardinal Prevost, O.S.A., after being duly elected by the College of Cardinals, has accepted to become the 267<sup>th</sup> Bishop of Rome, successor of Saint Peter, and vicar of Christ on earth!

Taking the name Leo XIV, the Roman Pontiff, as the successor of Saint Peter, is the “perpetual and visible source and foundation of the unity both of the Bishops and the whole company of the faithful” (*Lumen Gentium*, no. 23). As our loving shepherd and spiritual guide, Pope Leo XIV’s ministry is to orient Christ’s flock toward the kingdom of heaven, where the citizenship of Christians truly lies (cf. Philippians 3:20-21).

Pope Leo XIV was born in Chicago, Illinois, on 14 September 1955. As a member of the Order of Saint Augustine (O.S.A.), in which he held various leadership positions, he dedicated many years of service to the Augustinian missions in Peru as a priest and seminary professor. He was eventually appointed Bishop of Chiclayo, Peru, by Pope Francis. As a Bishop of the Church in Peru, he served as Vice President and member of the Permanent Council of the Peruvian Bishops’ Conference. In 2023, Pope Francis appointed him as Prefect of the Dicastery of Bishops and elevated him to the College of Cardinals. Pope Leo XIV holds a doctorate in canon law from the Pontifical College of St. Thomas Aquinas in Rome.

Commenting on this historic moment, the President of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops, the Most Rev. William T. McGrattan, Bishop of Calgary, asks the faithful to embrace the new Pope: “I encourage the faithful in Canada to unite with their local Ordinary in welcoming Pope Leo XIV as our new Holy Father, and to remember him daily in their prayers so that he may embark on his Petrine ministry with fidelity, confident that the Lord will help him.”

As the Church in Canada rejoices today with Christians throughout the world, let us remember our new Holy Father in prayer, that despite the considerable weight of his role and responsibilities, his yoke may be easy and his burden light (cf. Matthew 11:28-20).

May God grant strength and wisdom to our Holy Father Pope Leo XIV, and may Mary, Mother of the Church, be ever at his side, guarding him with her mantle of protection.

To pray for Pope Leo XIV, you are invited to use the [prayers for the inauguration of the Petrine Ministry now available on the CCCBC website](#).