



St. Mary Magdalene Parish

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May 4th – May 10th , 2025 – 3rd Sunday of Easter

1st Reading: Acts 5.28-32, 40b-41

Gospel: John 21.1-19

2nd Reading: Revelation 5.11-14

THE ADORATION EXPERIENCE – A WITNESS STORY

It was on holy Thursday and I was at my home town church. At the end of the celebration, the priest prepared the holy Eucharist in the monstrance. He did the procession in the centre aisle and when he arrived by my pew, I touched the monstrance. At that moment my heart started to beat at an extremely fast speed. I closed my eyes and it is at that moment I had like a ray that was shining in my vision on my left side but my eyes were still closed. I also saw like a bluish shadow that looked like a human form I had a sense it was our Mother. Then I had a most peaceful sensation. Tears started to fall. I had never experienced anything like this before. Thank you for this grace 🙏 A faithful parishioner

Our **Annual General Meeting for Saint Mary Magdalene Parish** will take place on Sunday **May 18th 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.**

Weekend Retreat – Our Lady's May Rosary-Making Retreat. Come and take up a holy hobby in honour of Our Lady! Learn how to make rosaries by hand with wire, beads, and high-quality rosary-making pilers. Already know how to make rosaries? Bring your rosary-making supplies and spend the weekend with others in rosary-making and praying! Don't want to make rosaries? Come and spend time on retreat in prayer with others to learn more about the rosary. May 16-18, 2025, at Villa Madonna Retreat House. Retreat facilitator, Jim Anderson, has been making rosaries for 30 years. Weekend in-house retreat fee: \$295 (commuter rate: \$165) + rosary making kit and supplies. For more information and to register on-line: <https://forms.office.com/r/QmQycigg3n?origin=lpLink>. For registration information please contact Veronica Wilson at 506-849-5125 or contact@villamadonna.ca. For more information on the retreat content, contact Jim Anderson at janderson@dioceseofsaintjohn.org

Weekend Retreat – He Loves Us! Growing in intimacy and devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus through prayer, reflection, and teaching based on Pope Francis' Encyclical Letter *Dilexit Nos: On the Human and Divine Love of the Heart of Jesus Christ*. June 13 - 15, 2025, at Villa Madonna Retreat House, facilitated by Jim Anderson. Weekend in-house retreat fee: \$295 (commuter rate: \$165). For more information and to register on-line: <https://tinyurl.com/HeLovesUsRetreatSJ> This retreat is open to all interested persons, for more information contact Veronica Wilson: contact@villamadonna.ca, 506-849-5125.

Readings for May 11th

1st R: Acts 13.14, 43-52

2nd R: Revelation 7.9, 14b-17

Gospel: John 10.14

ST. DUNSTAN'S

Mass Intentions:

Sat, May 3 4:00 PM Edmond and Rachel Losier
Sun, May 4 9:00 AM Heidi MacLean
11:30 AM Faye Gilmore
Tue, May 6 6:30 PM Nestor Flores
Wed, May 7 6:30 PM Timothy Doucette
Thu, May 8 12:05 PM Special Intention
Fri, May 9 6:30 PM Barbara Hughes Campbell
Sat, May 10 4:00 PM Ronnie Robichaud
Sun, May 11 9:00 AM Perlita Cabotaje Duldulad
11:30 AM Alicia Relador
Myrna Asejo

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, 1st Fridays

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

A **Memorial Mass for Pope Francis** will be held at St Dunstan's on **Wednesday May 7 at 6:30pm**

Knights of Columbus Community Breakfast:

Sunday, May 11th, from 10:00AM to 1:00PM at the Knicol Hall, 170 Regent Street. Adults \$ 10.00, Children \$ 5.00 and Families \$ 30.00. Proceeds will be used to assist with expenses for Saint Charbel Parish young people travelling to a Maronite Rite Youth Conference . Everyone is welcome.

The Fredericton Choral Society invites you to its concert, Spring Songs & Sweets. It promises an evening of wonderful choral music, followed by a reception with sweet treats to tempt your palate. Tickets are \$25 for adults and \$10 for students, available at the door. Come to Christ Church (Parish) Church at the corner of Westmoreland and Charlotte Streets in Fredericton, on Saturday, May 10th, at 7:00 pm. Contact Jack Walsworth for more information, using email: jlwals@nbnet.nb.ca or telephone 506-478-1980.

STS. JOHN & PAUL

Mass Intentions:

Sun, May 4 11:00 AM Manilyn E Mari
Sun, May 11 11:00 AM Dody Placido

Mass Time: 11:00 AM Sundays

Rosary / Divine Mercy: 10:10 AM Sundays

Adoration: 1 – 5 PM Thursdays

ST. COLUMBA

Mass Intentions:

Sun, May 4 9:00 AM Joan Reardon
Sun, May 11 9:00 AM Pepi DiGiacinto

Mass Time: 9:00 AM Sundays

Offertories Received – Week Ending April 27

	<u>St C</u>	<u>Sts J&P</u>	<u>St D</u>	<u>Total</u>
Regular offertories	\$472	\$1,496	\$6,014	\$7,982

Next Special Collection is May 4 for Cemetery Fund

FREE WORKSHOP **COMMUNITY CONNECTORS, SOCIAL ISOLATION AND LONELINESS**

Join us to explore social isolation, loneliness, and the power of connection.

Learn strategies to stay connected and share your insights on how communities can foster meaningful relationships and support all residents.

May 5

2-4

Forest Hill United Church
45 Kimble Drive

REGISTER NOW! EMAIL NBCOMMUNITYCONNECTORS@GMAIL.COM



NATIONAL INQUIRY INTO MISSING AND MURDERED

INDIGENOUS WOMEN AND GIRLS

September 1, 2016 – June 30, 2019

Timeline of Key Milestones

THE MANDATE OF THE NATIONAL INQUIRY

- The National Inquiry must look into and report on the systemic causes of all forms of violence against Indigenous women and girls, including sexual violence.
- We must examine the underlying social, economic, cultural, institutional, and historical causes that contribute to the ongoing violence and particular vulnerabilities of Indigenous women and girls in Canada.
- The mandate also directs us to look into and report on existing institutional policies and practices to address violence, including those that are effective in reducing violence and increasing safety.
- While the formal name of the Inquiry is “the National Inquiry into Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls,” our mandate covers all forms of violence. This makes our mandate very broad.
- By not being limited to investigating only cases of Indigenous women who went missing or were murdered, we can include women and girls who died under suspicious circumstances.
- It also means we can address issues such as sexual assault, child abuse, domestic violence, bullying and harassment, suicide, and self-harm. This violence is interconnected and can have equally devastating effects.
- Expanding the mandate beyond missing and murdered, also creates space for more survivors to share their stories. They can help us look to the future from a place of experience, resilience, and hope.

OUR VISION

- Indigenous women and Two-Spirit people have traditionally been revered as life-givers and caregivers. This is why we say, “our women and girls are sacred.” But Indigenous women and girls, including those who are 2SLGBTQIA, continue to be devalued. All too many become the victims of violence.
- Our vision for the National Inquiry is to build a foundation that allows Indigenous women and girls to reclaim their power and place. Because of Indigenous Peoples’ rich diversity, this reclaiming will look different in different places.
- First Nations, Métis, and Inuit peoples each have their own distinct cultures, languages, and ways of life... There can be no one-size-fits-all, pan-Indigenous approach. Solutions must be culturally appropriate to First Nations, Métis, and Inuit women and girls, their respective communities, and their Nations.

FAST FACTS: DID YOU KNOW?

- 2386 Total Number of Participants in the Truth Gathering Process
- 1484 Family Members and Survivors provided Testimony
- 819 Individuals shared through Artistic Expressions
- 83 Experts, Knowledge-Keepers and Officials provided Testimony
- 15 Community Hearings
- 9 Knowledge Keeper, Expert and Institutional Hearings

There were 231 Calls for Justice

MAY 5TH IS THE NATIONAL DAY OF AWARENESS AND ACTION FOR MISSING AND MURDERED INDIGENOUS WOMEN AND GIRLS

- Also known as Red Dress Day, May 5 honours the thousands of missing and murdered Indigenous women, girls, 2 spirit, and gender diverse people in Canada by encouraging learning and building awareness to end violence against Indigenous women, girls, 2 spirit, and gender diverse people.
- Call to Action 41 of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission Report called on the federal government of Canada to begin an inquiry into the numerous cases of missing and murdered Indigenous women and girls.
- Starting in 2016, the National Inquiry into Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls held 15 community hearings and spoke with 2,386 people. A final report, released in June 2019, includes 231 Calls for Justice that "represent important ways to end the genocide & to transform systemic and societal values that have worked to maintain colonial violence" (Final Report, vol. 1B, p. 168).
- Also released was an engagement guide, "Their voices will guide us", which will "introduce the value of Indigenous women's and girls' lives into the classroom and into the minds and hearts of young people. It will prepare educators to use a decolonizing pedagogy & a trauma-informed approach in their teaching." (p. iii).

LOCAL EVENTS TO BE HELD ON MAY 5, 2025

10:30 am Kingsclear First Nation (Bilijk) Child and Family Building
Annual Run/Walk/Bike for MMIWG+2S. Everyone is welcome to participate.

10:30 am Indigenous Women of the Wabanaki Territories will hold a March in honour of Missing and Murdered Indigenous People beginning at Carleton Park on the North Side and ending at the Old Burial Grounds on Woodstock Road, next to Government House, at noon, where there will be speeches and ceremonies. BBQ & refreshments will be provided. Please wear red in support.

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.