

ST. MARY MAGDALENE PARISH

St. Columba † *Sts. John & Paul* † *St. Dunstan's*

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Pastor: Fr. Suresh Savariraj, HGN
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Parish Office Hours:
 Monday to Friday – 9 AM - 5PM
 Saturdays 2 PM – 6 PM
 Sundays 8 AM – 1 PM

Co. Pastor: Fr. Peter Osborne
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May 10th 2026 – May 17th 2026

1st Reading: *Acts 8.5-8, 14-17*

Gospel: *John 14.15-21*

2nd Reading: *1 Peter 3.15-18*

Mass Times St. Dunstan's Church

Sundays at 9:00 AM & 11:30 AM

Tuesday May 12th - NO MASS – Priest Retreat

Wednesday May 13th - NO MASS – Priest Retreat

Thursday May 14th – NO MASS – Priest Retreat

Fridays – ROSARY TO ST. JOSEPH at 6 PM, then Mass at 6:30 PM

Saturdays at 4:00 PM – **CONFESSION from 2:30-3:30PM**

Mass Times Sts. John & Paul Church

Sundays at 11:00 AM

ROSARY: Before Mass at 10:10 AM

Thursday May 14th – NO MASS OR ADORATION

Mass Times St. Columba Church

Sundays at 9:00 AM

ROSARY: Mondays at 7:00 PM

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

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 Passamaquoddy and Mi'kmaq Tribes/Nations, signed Peace and Friendship Treaties with the British Crown in the 1700's

PARISHIONERS GATHERING FOR MASS

| Mass Schedule | 5th Week of Easter May 2nd-3rd |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| ST. COLUMBA | |
| Sunday, 9:00am | 52 |
| ST. DUNSTAN'S | |
| Saturday, 4:00pm | 188 |
| Sunday, 9:00am | 248 |
| Sunday, 11:30am | 320 |
| STS. JOHN & PAUL | |
| Sunday, 11:00am | 81 |
| TOTAL | 889 |

Confirmation Celebration – May 3, 2026 ✨

Our parish community was blessed to welcome **Bishop Christian Riesbeck, CC**, who celebrated the Holy Sacrament of Confirmation on **May 3, 2026**. 🙏

We joyfully celebrated this important milestone with **16 candidates from St. Mary Magdalene Parish**, along with **4 candidates from St. Kateri Tekakwitha Parish**, **6 from Our Lady of Peace Parish**, and **2 from St. John the Baptist Church**. 🌿

🎉 Congratulations to all of these young people as they take this next step in their faith journey. May the Holy Spirit guide their lives and bless them with the **Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit** throughout their lives.

Please continue to keep our newly confirmed in your prayers. 💙🙏

VIGIL CANDLES FOR SALE IN THE OFFICE \$5.00 EACH ~ VOTIVE CANDLES FOR SALE IN EACH CHAPEL \$2.00 EACH

PLEASE TURN YOUR CELLS PHONE OFF OR TO SILENT DURING MASS

MASS INTENTIONS:

St. Dunstan's Mass Intentions May 9th to May 17th, 2026

| Mass Schedules | | Mass Intention | Sponsored By | Priest |
|-----------------------------|----------|---------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------|
| Sat. May 9 th | 9:00 AM | Geroge & Mary Jane McGraw | Hector & Elane Losier | Fr. Suresh Savariraj, HGN |
| Sun. May 10 th | 9:00 AM | Irene Docksey | Natasha Woods | Fr. Suresh Savariraj, HGN |
| Sun. May 10 th | 11:30 AM | Mary Ryan | Tina McDonald | Fr. Suresh Savariraj, HGN |
| Tues. May 12 th | 12:05 PM | NO MASS | NO MASS | --- |
| Wed. May 13 th | 6:30 PM | NO MASS | NO MASS | --- |
| Thurs. May 14 th | 12:05 PM | NO MASS | NO MASS | --- |
| Fri. May 15 th | 6:30 PM | Flores -Basabe Family | Hazelle Flores | Fr. Suresh Savariraj, HGN |
| Sat. May 16 th | 4:00 PM | Edmond & Rachel Losier | Hector & Elaine Losier | Fr. Peter Osborne |
| Sun. May 17 th | 9:00 AM | Mary Ryan | The Daigle Family | Fr. Peter Osborne |
| Sun. May 17 th | 11:30 AM | Mary Ryan | Patricia Earle | Fr. Peter Osborne |

STS. JOHN & PAUL

| Mass Schedules | | Mass Intentions | Sponsored By | Priest |
|---------------------------|----------|--|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| Sun. May 10 th | 11:00 AM | Cristy Lily Flores (Birthday) | Cristy Lily Edelene Flores | Fr. Peter Osborne |
| Sun. May 17 th | 11:00 AM | Marriage Blessings for Anna & Anna & Alex/Tessa & Taylor | Margaret Campbell | Fr. Suresh Savariraj, HGN |

ST. COLUMBA

| Mass Schedules | | Mass Intentions | Sponsored By | Priest |
|---------------------------|---------|--------------------|------------------------|---------------------------|
| Sun. May 10 th | 9:00 AM | Patrick Savariraj | Fr. Suresh Savariraj | Fr. Peter Osborne |
| Sun. May 17 th | 9:00 AM | Visitacion Samonte | Alyssa Jannisen Saljay | Fr. Suresh Savariraj, HGN |

Call to Christian Charity

Parishioners are invited to support a local family of five facing hardships **by donating finances, food, and hygiene items**. Your kindness will offer comfort, dignity, and hope. **Donation boxes** will be available at **each church entrance**. Your **financial donation** can be left at the office indicating "**Family in Need**". Your generosity is so much appreciated.

Needing a space to rehearse (choir group) or want to book a space at MBFC for a meeting? When planning a practice or a meeting for your parish group **ALWAYS** check with the office FIRST for availability **AT LEAST ONE MONTH IN ADVANCE**. We need to ensure we have sufficient staff working in order to assist your event and to lock up afterwards. Please be aware that when leaving the facility in the evening after 5PM, you are to exit either through the church doors (as they will be automatically locked) OR through the **back doors of the MBFC** to the parking lot. This will help us guarantee the safety of everyone and confirm that the front doors will be locked after everyone leaves.

THIS WEEK'S SANCTUARY LAMP BURNS IN MEMORY OF:

LIONEL DOUCETTE



THE CHURCH DEDICATES THE MONTH OF MAY TO MARY

the Mother of God and our Mother . Mary intercedes for us in love, to Jesus, her Son, Who is the source of all grace. She waits for us to go to Her in our needs and suffering. Her intercession is powerful, as when she asked Jesus to perform His first miracle at the wedding feast of Cana. Though He told Her it was not yet His time to perform miracles, He heard and answered His Mother's compassionate plea to save the wedding hosts at Cana from the embarrassment of running out of wine for their guests. At this compassionate request of His Mother, Jesus altered the appointed time for His miracles to begin, He turned water into wine. Not only that, the Bible tells us the wine was the best wine of the evening, normally served at the beginning of wedding celebrations, not at the end as it was at Cana. How powerful and kind was the answer of Jesus to the intercession of His beloved Mother. How can we doubt the great works of Mary's intercession to Her Son when we ask for Her help. This May, pick up the "consecration to Mary" prayer, or the memorare prayer, found on the table across from St Joseph's altar (front left of St Dunstan's Church). Use the memorare prayer as a short prayer through the day, as a 9-day novena, or as Mother Theresa of Calcutta did when there was not enough time to say a 9-day novena- instead, for urgent matters, she recited the memorare to Mary 10 times in a row when there was not enough time for a 9 day novena. Or, to honour Mary, say the rosary with greater reverence and attention. And for extra powerful prayers to Mary, accompany them with an act of sacrifice for someone else, like no salt on your meal, or skipping dessert. MAY IS A TIME OF GREAT FAVOUR FROM MARY, A TIME TO SEEK DIVINE GRACE FOR THE ENTIRE YEAR. Go to Mary in May.

Celebrating Mary this May!

Sts. John and Paul Church will be celebrating Mary throughout the month of May by saying *One Decade of The Rosary* just before Mass starting at 11:00 AM. We invite everyone to join us on this beautiful, guided experience.



FOLLOWING THE TEACHINGS OF JESUS

At Sts. John and Paul Church, we will be exercising compassion and stewardship over creation and helping provide dignity to the vulnerable.

Starting this Sunday, we will have a collection for the following items:

- non-perishable food items for people and pets
- hygiene products, especially for women
- gift cards to places like Sobeys, No Frills, Wal-Mart, Costco, Kent, Shur-gain, REN's Pets

Each week moving forward, we will have theme weeks, or a month which will be posted in the bulletin.

Please help us help others.

Pew Care Reminder: Some of the pews in the church are currently **peeling**. To help preserve the condition of the seating, we kindly ask parents to please ensure that their children **DO NOT PULL** on the peeling pieces of vinyl covering. We sincerely appreciate your cooperation and assistance in caring for our church.

Attention! Time change. The Televised Mass sponsored by our Parish will be televised on the Vision Channel, Monday, May 18th at 9 o'clock am and 1 o'clock pm. Thank you to Fathers Suresh and Osborne, the CWL and to everyone who so generously supported this wonderful ministry which brings spiritual comfort to so many .Vision TV administrators have told me that they will always do a Mass sponsored by our Parish, regardless of contributions, in thanksgiving for our many years of support.

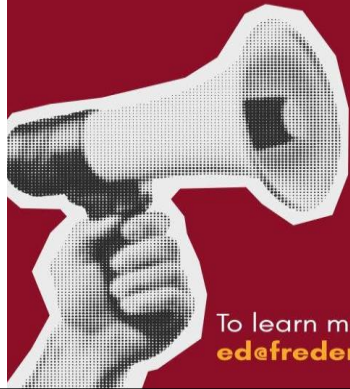
Call for Board Members

Do you want to help make in impact in our community?
Join the Fredericton Community Kitchens Board today!

Do you have a background in:

- Fundraising/Philanthropy
- Law
- Education
- Legal/Governance
- Public Safety
- First Responders
- Real Estate
- Human Resources
- Project Management

All nominations welcome!



To learn more, email Marco at edefrederictoncommunitykitchens.com

“Taste and See” June 2026 Retreats invite adults to step away from the busyness of life and deepen their relationship with God through the Ignatian spirituality of finding God in all things. From **June 10–17, 2026**, participants may choose either a 7-day directed retreat that begins with four days online and concludes with three days in silence at Villa Madonna, or a fully in-person silent 3-day directed retreat at Villa Madonna (**June 15–17**). Both retreats include daily accompaniment by a spiritual director and opportunities for prayer, Scripture, nature, and worship. For details and application, visit aaseasaintjohn.ca or contact Bob McDermott at 506-696-4772 or mcdermot@nbnet.nb.ca.

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 15 at 7:00 pm.

Special ask of parishioners: Please be proactive and help us keep our church clean. When throwing out your garbage, please place it in the appropriate receptacle. Papers like old bulletins or memos (not paper plates or cups) go in “Paper & Card Recycle” bins. Coffee and drink cups are to be EMPTIED FIRST (dump the unused portion in the sink or toilet) then placed in “TRASH” or “GENERAL WASTE”. Pop cans and plastic water bottles are to be EMPTIED FIRST, then placed in the “RECYCLE BOTTLES AND CANS” bin. DO NOT UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCE put food containers, leftover food waste, drinking cups with liquids in them, paper coffee cups, plastic utensils in the large blue bin called “PAPER & CARD RECYCLE”. Cleaning this bin out after it's been used as a garbage can is extremely difficult for our staff to do. Thank you!

SPECIAL COLLECTION - PAPAL CHARITIES:

On the 6th Sunday of Easter, May 17, a second collection will be taken up to support Papal charities. Two-thirds of the funds collected directly support the pastoral mission of the Holy Father in his service to the Universal Church by financing the various Secretariats, Dicasteries, Academies, and other institutions of the Holy See. The other third supports the fund known as Peter's Pence, which, in addition to supporting the needs of the Holy See, also devotes a portion of the money to charitable projects. Thank you for your generous support of this important work.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED to assist parishioners across the busy cross walks at BRUNSWICK ST. AND REGENT for Saturday and Sunday Masses. If interested, please contact EVERT GARCIA at (506) 471-9065 or esg_mit@yahoo.com

Hey Teens! Only 12 youth spots remain on the second bus for Steubenville Atlantic! (after our spots are filled - youth will be put on a waiting list) Registration is closing soon, for the July 10–12 conference in Halifax. If you're entering Grade 9 through graduating Grade 12, this is your chance to experience an unforgettable weekend of faith, music, powerful speakers, and hundreds of teens from across the region. Register now so you won't be disappointed.

Talk to your parish RE Coordinator or priest before registering. <https://www.steubenville.ca/register->



Knights of Columbus Mother's Day Community Breakfast

May 10th from 10 AM to 1PM
at the Knicol Hall: 170 Regent St.
Adults \$ 12.00, Children \$ 5.00
and Families \$ 35.00. Proceeds
will be used help fund a Men's
Conference taking place this Fall
at St. Mary Magdalene Parish.
Everyone welcome.

Offertories Received Week Ending May 3rd 2026

Please call the Parish Office at 444-6001 if you have any questions

| | St C | Sts J&P | St D | Total |
|---------------------|------|---------|------|-------|
| Poor & Needy | --- | 90 | 338 | 428 |
| Loose Collection | 40 | 154 | 1476 | 1670 |
| Envelope Collection | 914 | 810 | 4558 | 6282 |
| Vigil Candle Sales | --- | --- | 113 | 113 |
| P.A.D. | --- | --- | --- | 8598 |
| Family in Need | --- | 100 | 70 | 170 |
| Papal Charities | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Cemetery Fund | 322 | 240 | 1020 | 1582 |

Next Diocesan Collection: Papal Charities - May 10th, 2026