Diocesan News

Mar. 20 – Meditation, music and word for the Year of Mercy will take place at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception at 2:30 p.m. Jane Howlett, Kathy Molloy, Tom Goud, Christopher Lane and Marilyn Williams will present a program of sacred song and word on the theme of Mercy. Free will offering to the Cathedral Scholarship Fund. Wheelchair accessible at the back of the Church.

Mar. 25 - 7:00 p.m. a special Good Friday Concert by the Baroque Group "Arioso" featuring Maureen Stackhouse, with guest artist Natalie Stephenson late of McGill University now living here in New Brunswick. This is an extensive concert of Bach's music with the entire second half of the concert featuring Bach's 5-movement sacred cantata "ich have genug" #82a depicting the Purification of Mary. Free will offering for St. Vincent de Paul.

Apr. 23-24 – Marriage Enrichment - Plan to attend a very special two-day marriage enrichment at Crandall University, Moncton, NB (new format non-residential weekend). For more information, contact Worldwide Marriage Encounter at renewmarriage@gmail.com or (902) 892-2061.

Please pray for Father Stan from Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church who had serious eye surgery this past week.

The National Catholic Mission 2016, "Merciful Like the Father", with Fr. Tom Rosica CSB and will be broadcast during Holy Week on the following dates/times:

Salt + Light TV: Part 1: Tuesday March 22nd 9:00 p.m. and 1:00 a.m.
Part 2: Wednesday March 23rd 9:00 p.m. and 1:00 a.m.
Vision TV**:** Part 1: Monday March 21st 7:00 p.m. and 11:00 p.m.
Part 2: Tuesday March 22nd 7:00 p.m. and 11:00 p.m.

Prayer for Our Troops - Of all the gifts we could give a Soldier, Sailor, Airman, and others deployed in harm's way, prayer is the very best one. ***We pray for: Darren Persaud***

Pre-Authorized Debit System - If anyone would like to start this system of donation, forms are available in the foyer. Please fill out and drop in collection basket in an envelope along with a VOID cheque. If you are new to the Parish we would like to hear from you, or if you are leaving the area, please let us know.

Register Update:
Please fill out this form and put it in collection basket or give to greeter. Thank you for helping to keep our records up to date.
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MISSION STATEMENT

From three communities and beyond called into one to be Word of God. In a spirit of friendship, sharing of life and energy, faith and appreciation, we commit ourselves to accepting all who come and to be present to them, and from our gatherings open ourselves to our neighborhoods and to the wider church.

Pastor: Father Don Breen

Mass Times: Sat. 5 p.m.
Sun. 9 a.m. & 11:15 a.m.

Parish Council Chair – Rick Northrup

Baptism, Marriage, Catechetical Ministry - contact office.

Reconciliation - Sat. after Mass or by appointment

March 19th – 20th, 2016 – Passion Sunday
Isaiah 50 4-7 Philippians 2 6-11 Luke 22 14-23.56
March 26th -27th, 2016 - Acts 10:34, 37-43 Col 3:1-4 Jn 20: 1-9

Palm Sunday

"I tell you, Peter, before the cock crows this day, you will deny three times that you know me. " (Luke 22:34)

How many times have you heard someone make a disparaging comment about Jesus or the Catholic faith? How do you react? Do you remain quiet not to cause a disturbance or worst yet, because you don't want your friends or family to think negatively about you? Pray for the courage to speak up and enter into a respectful dialogue.

Announced Masses & Liturgies

Wed. Mar. 23 9 a. m. Walter McLean

Holy Thursday
Mar. 24 **7 p.m.** Tommy LeBlanc

Good Friday
Mar. 25 **11 a.m**. Good Friday Service for families with young children
2 p.m. Good Friday Service
7 p.m. Way of the Cross

Principal Celebration of the Resurrection

Easter Vigil
Mar. 26 **8 p.m.** Rita Garey

Easter Sunday
Mar. 27 **9 a.m.** For Parishioners
11:15 a.m. Francesco Graceffa (Anniv)

There will be **no Mass at Saint Mark's on Tuesday March 22nd.** Parishioners are invited to attend the Chrism Mass at the Cathedral at 6:30 p.m.

Condolescences to:
*Jacqueline and Ronald McDevitt and family on the death of Jacqueline's mother Yolande Doiron
*Carrie and Greg Mattie and family on the death of Greg's mother Norma Mattie
*David Tait and family on the death of David's mother Alice Tait
*Joe and Nora Kane and family on the death of Nora's brother Alfred Richard
*Etienne Robichaud and family on the death of Etienne's brother Aubert Robichaud
Mary Worden and family on the death of Mary's husband Bill Worden

The Care and Concern Ministry are in need of a loveseat and microwave. Please call Rose if you are able to help 849-7364.

Sign up schedules for the various ministries for Easter are on the table in the foyer.

Religious Formation - 849-5111

Coordinator – Wendy Ellis 849-8162
Email: wendy.ellis@bellaliant.net

Mar. 20 - All grades meet upstairs for Way of the Cross And Respect for Life at 10:15 a.m.
Mar. 20 - Palm Sunday - Regular Mass times
Mar. 27 - No Sessions – Easter Sunday
April 3 - Sessions K-9
Grade 2 children & parents – Family Catechesis 10:05 a.m. upstairs in church

Volunteer Needed – Prayer of the Faithful Ministry

A coordinator for the Prayer of the Faithful ministry is needed, this ministry does not require a lot of time. If you are willing to consider this ministry please call Maynard at 847-5131or see Father Don.

Donation of Flowers for Easter

The Art and Environment Committee are asking for donations of flowers or a monetary donation for the Easter Celebrations. A card may accompany the plant or envelope with the donor's name, or in memory of a loved one. They may be brought to the church on the week of **March 20th**.

Scheduled Events - Mar. 20th - Mar. 21st

Date	Event	Time	Location
Sun.Mar.20	Youth music practice	12:15pm	Church
	Pathfinders	6:30pm	Family Rm
Mon.Mar.21	Adult Music Prac.	7:00pm	Church
	Rosary	7:00 p.m.	Chapel

The Cup will be re-introduced at the Holy Thursday Mass and all Masses thereafter.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

(Individual Confession)
Wednesday, March 23rd at 7:00 p.m.

Holy Thursday Adoration – After the Mass of the Lord's Supper you are invited to spend time in adoration, praying for the world for which Jesus gave his life. A list is in the foyer, giving you an opportunity to sign for a specific time, between 8p.m. – 12 midnight.

Seasons of Hope

As you know, mourning the loss of someone you love is never easy, but there is hope. Our St. Mark's parish community will host *Seasons of Hope*, a unique support group. This program, rooted in Catholic tradition, conveys God's consolation through scripture, prayer, reflection, and sharing our faith. I hope you and your family will read the enclosed brochure for details and prayerfully consider our invitation to come. The program will run each Tuesday evening 7:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. for 6 weeks from March 29th – May 3rd.. To be held in the family room in the church. Resource cost $15.00 (if able) All welcome.
For more information call Mavis Drummond at 847-8318 or Jack Evans at 847-7139.

CWL Meeting – Date Change

The CWL General meeting that was scheduled for Wednesday, March 23rd has been rescheduled for Wednesday, March 30th.

Help Needed at Easter Vigil - Individuals and families are needed to carry the flowers to the altar in the Easter procession. Volunteers are asked to please meet in the chapel before Mass begins for directions.

Holy Week collections
Good Friday, at Easter (2 collections) first is the regular Sunday offering and the second is the special Easter offering.

Spring's-A-Bloomin Bazaar

St. Mark's Catholic Church, invites you to get into the Spring of things at "Spring's-A-Bloomin' " Bazaar, *Saturday, April 9th 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.* in the church hall. Admisson: Free-Will Offering .The Bazaar will provide over fifty vendors offering art, food, cosmetics, jewellery, crafts, etc. Come out and have lunch and enjoy the day. For additional info:
Call Mary Alice Glasgow 849-6392.
All proceeds go to the Building Fund.

Required Weekly	$ 5,550.00
Sunday Collection, March 13th	$ 4,105.90
Development & Peace	$6,360.50