

## From the Handbook of the Mass

### “...My body given up for you”

As He said these words, Jesus was thinking about what He was going to do the following day on the cross. He was thinking of His death. He was thinking that His death would be the sign of His love for all. He had said: “There is no greater love than to give his life for his friends.” We are His friends. May we understand the love with which we are loved. Jesus, Who had given His life the night of the Last Supper, has given it again on the cross. And He gives it every time a Eucharist is celebrated somewhere in the world. Eternal is His love!

**Baptism** – The following baby has been welcomed into our Faith Community through the sacrament of Baptism: **Alexsis Charlene Marie Malcolm**

### Diocesan News

**Aug. 12** - Sunday Exposition/Adoration at St. Rose of Lima from 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. with Benediction.

**Aug. 19** – Father Kevin Barry retirement - Mass at 10:30 a.m. at St. Alphonsus and reception to follow 12 noon – 3:00 p.m.

**Aug. 19** - Sunday Exposition/Adoration at Villa Madonna from 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

**Aug. 20** - The monthly Mass for those living with cancer will be celebrated at 6:30 p.m. at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception. Anointing of the sick will be offered.

**Aug. 23** - All are invited to join parishioners of St. Samuel’s, Miramichi to celebrate Fr. Maurice Swift’s 81<sup>st</sup> Birthday. He will be retiring at the end of August so we will also be honouring his retirement after 40 years of priesthood. Mass begins at 6:30 p.m. with reception to follow in the parish hall. All are welcome!

**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 next week in 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.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address/Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

New in Parish \_\_\_\_ Moving out of \_\_\_\_

Moving within the Parish \_\_\_\_\_

### **Parish of St. Mark**

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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 Owen Burns**

**Mass Times: Sat. 5 p.m.  
Sun. 10 a.m.**

**Parish Council Chair** – Pat Carey

**Baptism, Marriage, Catechetical Ministry** - contact office.

**Reconciliation** - Sat. after Mass or by appointment

**August 11<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup>, 2018 19<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

1 Kings 19 4-8 Ephesians 4.30 – 5.2 John 6 41-51

**August 18<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup>, 2018 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Proverbs 9 1-6 Ephesians 5 15-20 John 6 51-58

### **19<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

*“Get up and eat, else the journey will be too long for you!” 1 KINGS 19:7*

Jesus knows that our stewardship journey will be difficult; we are not designed to do it on our own. Fortunately, Jesus gave us the greatest gift of all – the gift of the Eucharist; His own body and blood. When we join our sacrifices with the sacrifice of the Mass, we find the strength and courage to be His joyful disciples.

**Announced Masses**

Mon.	Aug. 13	6:30 p.m.	Kevin Wright
Tues.	Aug. 14	9:00 a.m.	Diana Colepaugh
Wed.	Aug. 15	<b>NO MASS</b>	
Thur.	Aug. 16	9:00 a.m.	Gary Hovey
Sat.	Aug. 18	5:00 p.m.	For Parishioners
Sun.	Aug. 19	10:00 a.m.	Walter McLean

**Condolences:**

\*Maynard and Ellen Robart and family on the death of Maynard’s brother Roger Robart

\*Don Mitchener and family on the death of Don’s wife Jane Mitchener

**Music Ministry Open Positions**

Our parish is currently looking for worship leaders for Saturday evening, Sunday morning Masses, as well as shared liturgical events throughout the year. A copy of responsibilities is available by contacting the parish office. Eligible applicants must demonstrate their ability to be Faithful, Available, Contagious, Teachable, and Musical. Resumes can be emailed to the parish office [stmarkschurch@nb.aibn.com](mailto:stmarkschurch@nb.aibn.com) before August 20<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

**School Supplies**

Parishioners are invited to support families in need by placing **NEW SCHOOL SUPPLIES IN THE FOYER**. Items such as calculators, sketch books, small binders, notebooks, loose leaf, USB memory sticks and zipper binders are a few examples of the more common things needed. Any donations will be appreciated.

**Are you new to St. Mark’s Church?**

Would you like to find out more about the activities and different ministries that take place in our church. Call Andrea MacLean-Holohan 847-8127 or Dianne 849-5111 from our Newcomers ministry, she would welcome any questions you may have.

**Religious Formation - 849-5111**

Coordinator – Wendy Ellis 849-8162

Email: [stmarksreled@bellaliant.com](mailto:stmarksreled@bellaliant.com)

Do you want to see more people, especially youth and young adults, at Mass, engaged with their faith and celebrating the Sacraments? Are you willing to walk with a group of children, youth, or adults on a journey to deepen their relationship with Jesus? Our faith formation programs are growing, and we are looking for leaders to grow with us!

We are in the process of refocusing all our faith formation programs to encourage a lifetime faith journey in relationship with Jesus Christ through a welcoming community where every person knows they are cared for and belong.

We want as many parishioners to be involved as possible because a sure sign of support and belonging for those growing in faith are those in their community that are willing to invest, journey and grow with them. Here are some ways you can show your support!

**Faith Formation for Grades Kindergarten to Grade 9**

With the new Sunday Mass time of 10:00 a.m., a new time for sessions is needed. Understanding that many have work commitments on Sunday afternoons, we will offer our classes from 8:45 to 9:45 a.m. on Sundays for all grades. This will enable families to participate in sessions, attend Mass and still be able to honour work commitments. While we know that no time can work for everyone, we hope this time will work for your family! Thank you for your understanding as we work out the new schedule this year!

**Kindergarten to Grade 7**

- We are looking for 22 catechists for these grades. The primary role of the catechist is to encourage children and youth to have a personal relationship with Jesus through prayer and the practice of the faith. Catechists pass on the basics, using age-specific supplied programs. The materials are easy to follow and guide you step-by-step for every lesson. All materials and supplies are provided. This program will run from 8:45 a.m. to 9:45 a.m. Sunday mornings from late September to late April.

Required Weekly	\$ 5,555.00
Sunday Collection, August 5 <sup>th</sup>	\$ 4,215.10

**Grades 8 & 9** - We are looking for 4 men and 4 women to serve as small group leaders for youth in Grades 8 and 9. These are not catechists or “teachers”; small group leaders work with a small group of between 6 and 10 young people to facilitate open discussion on matters of faith following a video-based presentation. The role of a small group leader is not to provide all the answers but to create a safe welcoming space for great questions and conversations. We provide training in small group facilitation as an essential part of the program for leaders. This program will run from 8:45 a.m. to 9:45 a.m. Sunday mornings from late September to late April.

**Small Group Leaders for Adult Faith Formation**

– We are looking for adults to help facilitate small group sessions throughout the year. The role of a small group leader is not to provide all the answers but to create a safe welcoming space for great questions and conversations. We provide training in small group facilitation as an essential part of the program for leaders. There are a variety of shorter (1 to 6 sessions) programs and longer programs (up to 12 sessions over 8 months) that you can be a part of (short retreats, book studies and DVD-based programs) depending on your preference, schedule and availability. Previous experience is not a requirement. All materials and supplies provided! These programs run at various times throughout the year.

If you are interested in any of these opportunities, please contact Wendy at [stmarksreled@bellaliant.com](mailto:stmarksreled@bellaliant.com) or 849-8162.

**Mark Your Calendar**

**Annual Turkey Supper – September 30<sup>th</sup>**

It’s time to start thinking about St. Mark’s Annual Turkey Supper which is less than 2 months away .....**Sunday, September 30<sup>th</sup>**.

Food donation request boards are set up in the foyer and at each of the side doors. As in the past, envelopes for money donations for the purchase of turkeys will be on the boards as well. If you have any questions please call Fran Hickmott at 654-7200 or Dianne Beyea at the church office 849-5111.