#### 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 from our Newcomers ministry, she would welcome any questions you may have.

### <u>Peru Update</u>

In her recent email, Sister Verna Aucoin explained the current situation in Peru. More than a year after the floods and mudslides, there are still thousands in need of shelter. The Mayor has provided land lots outside the city and many young families are taking advantage of this offer instead of living with 2 or 3 other families in the city. Religious communities in Peru have tried to help by providing small two-room houses. To date they have received 42, with a further 15 promised. Hundreds still live in straw-mat constructions. The Sisters hope to build a small chapel in this new area to serve the people. They have asked if some of our donations can be used for this purpose. We of course, said yes! They are very grateful for our donations. So that we may continue to assist with housing, the Peru Committee will hold a Father's Day Bake and Plant Sale on June 17<sup>th</sup>. If you have plants or baked goods to donate, it would be much appreciated. Contact Jean MacDonald 847-7647 or jeanrynlon@gmail.com

### **Diocesan News**

May 9 - Spring Seniors' Mass and Lunch at 11:00 a.m., celebrant will be Fr. Ken Weir. Cost: \$10. Call to reserve 849-5125.

May 12 – A Mad Hatter's Spring Tea 12:00 noon- 2:00 p.m. at St. David's United Church in Rothesay. Cost is \$10. Call 847-7137 to reserve.

**May 13** – Mothers day brunch at Holy Trinity Church, Rockland Road 10:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Menu: bacon, sausage, eggs, home fries, pancakes, toast, beans, fruit. Cost: Free will offering.

**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.

Name Address Phone New in Parish \_\_\_\_\_ email:\_\_\_\_\_\_ Moving out of \_\_\_\_\_ Moving within the Parish Parish of St. Mark 171 Pettingill Road, Quispamsis NB, E2E 2V6 Office - 849-5111, Fax - 849-5120 website: <u>www.stmarksparish.ca</u> e-mail address - <u>stmarkschurch@nb.aibn.com</u> <u>Facebook/stmarkscc</u> Twitter@stmarkscc

### 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. 9 a.m. & 11:15 a.m.

Parish Council Chair – Pat Carey

**Baptism, Marriage, Catechetical Ministry -** contact office. **Reconciliation -** Sat. after Mass or by appointment

### May 5<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

Acts 10 25-26 34-35 44-48 1 John 4 7-10 John 15 9-17 May 12<sup>th</sup> -13<sup>th</sup>, 2018 Ascension of the Lord Acts 1 1-11 Ephesians 1 17-23 Mark 16 15-20

"This is my commandment: love one another as I love you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends" – JOHN 15:12-13

Do you love Jesus? Do you consider Him your friend? Jesus says that if we love Him we would be willing to offer whatever we have to Him, not because we want praise and glory, but simply because we love Him. Does your giving seem mechanical out of obligation or do you share freely out of love?

### Announced Masses

May 7	6:30 p.m.	Buddy Perry
May 8	9:00 a.m.	Sonia McClenaghan
May 10	9:00 a.m.	Elaine Tupper
May 12	5:00 p.m.	Vincenza Dalton
May 13	9:00 a.m.	For Parishioners
	11:15 a.m.	Abby Losier
	May 8 May 10 May 12	May 89:00 a.m.May 109:00 a.m.May 125:00 p.m.May 139:00 a.m.

PLEASE NOTE: THERE WILL BE NO WEDNESDAY MASS THIS WEEK

Scheduled Events – May 6 <sup>th</sup> – 13 <sup>th</sup>				
Date	Event	Time	Location	
Sun.May 6	First Communion	9:00 a.m.	Church	
	Class			
	Lector Workshop	6:00 p.m.	Church	
	Pathfinders	7:00 p.m.	Hall	
Mon.May 7	Girl Guides/Sparks	6:30 p.m.	Hall	
	Adult Music Practice	7:00 p.m.	Church	
	Rosary	7:00 p.m.	Chapel	
Tues.May 8	RCIA	7:30 p.m.	Room#1	
	Refugee Committee	7:00 p.m	Hall	
	Public Presentation			
Wed.May 9	Alpha Training	10:00a.m.	Room#1	
	Brownies	6:30pm	Hall	
	CWL Executive	7:00 p.m.	Room#5	
	Parish Council	7:00 p.m.	Room#1	
Thur.May 10	Alpha Training	6:30p.m.	Room#1	
Fri.May 11	Dessert Buffet/Silent	6:00 p.m.	Hall	
	Auction			
Sat.May 12	Confirmation	5:00 p.m.	Church	
Sun.May 13	Confirmation	11:15a.m.	Church	
	Pathfinders	7:00 p.m.	Hall	

## Lector Workshop

Do you want to know more about the calling to be a lector? Existing (we can always learn more) and new lectors are invited to a workshop Sunday evening, May 6 from 6-9 pm. Please register with Peter Little genealogy@bellaliant.net.

### Pentecost Sunday- May 20th

Parishioners are asked to bring a **RED** potted flower (ie. Geraniums) to Mass on the weekend of May  $19^{th}/20^{th}$  in memory of a loved one. Parishioners are invited to wear something **RED** 

**Religious Formation - 849-5111** Coordinator – Wendy Ellis 849-8162 Email: stmarksreled@bellaliant.com

## **Confirmation**

Saturday, May 12<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m. Sunday, May 13<sup>th</sup> at 11:15 a.m.

*There will be no Confirmation at the <u>9:00 a.m. Mass</u> so if time is a factor please attend this Mass.* 

## **Refugee Committee Presents "The Eritrean Exodus"**

A film will be shown in the church hall on May 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. Anyone interested in learning more about the desperate plight of the Eritreans being held in Israel should attend. No admission fee.

**St. Mark's Refugee Committee**: Last weekend I appealed for donations for our refugee fund. If you wish to donate you may use cash or cheque and make a lump sum donation or monthly one. Put your donation in an envelope marked "Refugee Fund" and include your church envelope #. Then just place in the collection basket at mass. You may also use VISA by visiting the office.

Contact 849-7647 or <u>jeanrynlon@gmail.com</u>. Thank You Jean

A donation has been made to the Building Fund in Memory of Kevin Wright

## <u>Yard Sale</u> June 9<sup>th</sup> 9:00 a.m. – noon

When you are cleaning your attic, basement, and closets, remember we can use books, ornaments, household items as well as clothing. **NOTE:** <u>No baby furniture ex. cribs or car seats</u>. <u>No electronics</u> <u>ex. computers or TV's</u>. Items must be **clean** and in working order.

**Drop off Thursday & Friday, June 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. ONLY.** <u>Helpers are needed Thursday, Friday and</u> <u>Saturday</u>, please call Rose, 849-7364, or the office if available to help.

# Thinking about Donating?

There are numerous ways to begin donating to support your parish. Pre-authorized debit is available for any timeframe, (single debit, one month, two months etc.), postdated cheques, box of Sunday envelopes, and Mastercard/Visa transactions are all options. Call Dianne at the parish office (849-5111) and set up the way to make your donation that is the most convenient



for you. Remember, if your financial situation changes and you need to stop or change the amount you are donating, all you have to do is call the office to stop or change any donations.

## **Thank You and Congratulations**

The St. Mark's CWL would like to say a big thank-you to all those who participated in our first "Earth Day" clean-up. Our efforts were recognized by the Town of Quispamsis who presented our council with a lovely gift for our contribution and participation.

### <u>Mark Your Calendars</u> <u>Dessert Buffett and Silent Auction</u>

The Saint Mark's Catholic Women's League will be holding their Annual Dessert Buffet and Silent Auction on **Friday May 11<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.** Come out and enjoy a buffet of homemade desserts, tea and coffee. We also offer gluten free, diabetic and fruit dessert choices. Browse through our wide variety of auction items and our new to you purses and jewelry, something for everyone. Enjoy an evening of fellowship, **all for only \$5.00.** You can purchase your ticket at the parish office, from a CWL member or at the door. Tickets are limited. Donations for the silent auction can be dropped off at the office.

### **Home Visits**

St. Mark's Church now has a new ministry in place for making home visits to parishioners who feel isolated from the parish activities due to health, mobility or other difficulties. If you would like a visit from our team or you know someone who would appreciate a visit call Dianne at the church office 849-5111.

Required Weekly	\$ 5,555.00
Sunday Collection, April 29th	\$ 4,667.15