

Diocesan News

Apr. 5 – Mass for Life to be held at Divine Mercy Catholic School chapel at 7:00 p.m. Everyone welcome.

Apr. 12 - ‘Be Safe, Be Well’ seniors information fair. Free health check, 25+ booths, and special short talks. To be held at St. James the Less Church 1760 Rothesay Road 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

New Brunswick’s March for Life

March for Life will be held May 2nd. A Mass for Life will take place at St. Dunstan’s in Fredericton at 10:00 a.m. Bishop Harris will be presiding. Following Mass there will be a rally at the legislature and march through Fredericton beginning at 11:30 a.m. Reception to follow. All are welcome.

Week 5: April 2 - Development and Peace – Caritas Canada Solidarity Sunday!

Thank you for your generosity! Each donation is used to help our sisters and brothers all over the world — from Paraguay to Syria, to Indonesia and beyond! We conclude this Share Lent with the words of Pope Francis, offered on the occasion of the Jubilee of Mercy: “Mercy is the force that reawakens us to new life and instils in us the courage to look to the future with hope.” Thank you for helping us create a future filled with hope! Did you know that in 1992, Rigoberta Menchú, a friend of Development and Peace – Caritas Canada, received the Nobel Peace Prize in recognition of her work defending the rights of Indigenous peoples? To learn more about this inspiring woman, visit devp.org/insp-women#rigoberta.

The CWL have placed **Baskets** at each entrance of the church for the KV Food Basket. All donations would be greatly appreciated.

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 _____ Moving out of _____

Moving within the Parish _____

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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 – Pat Carey

Baptism, Marriage, Catechetical Ministry - contact office.

Reconciliation - Sat. after Mass or by appointment

April 1st – 2nd, 2017 5th Sunday of Lent

Ezekiel 37 12-14 Romans 8 8-11 John 11 1-45

April 8th -9th, 2017 Palm Sunday

Mt 21:1-11 Is 50: 4-7 Phil 2:6-11 Mt 26:14-27

April 2, 2017- Fifth Sunday of Lent

“Jesus said to her, ‘Did I not tell you that if you believe you will see the glory of God?’” JOHN 11:40

Many of us say that we believe in God. We go to church on Sunday. We volunteer for events at our parish. But when life gets hard, the pressure is on, things aren’t going our way, do we really believe, do we really put our trust in the Lord? When we live a life of gratitude, being thankful for the gifts we have been given, we really do see that God is providing all that we need



Announced Masses

Tues.	Apr. 4	7:00 p.m.	Ronald Michael Cormier
Wed.	Apr. 5	9:00 a.m.	Eddy Dunphy
Thurs.	Apr. 6	7:00 p.m.	Bob Brittain
Fri.	Apr. 7	9:00 a.m.	Douglas Ballard
Sat.	Apr. 8	5:00 p.m.	Elizabeth Brownlow
Sun.	Apr. 9	9:00 a.m.	For Parishioners
		11:15 a.m.	Francesco Graceffa

Chrism Mass

Blessing of the Holy Oils -Tuesday, April 11th at 6:30 p.m. at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception. All parishioners are welcome to attend. There will be no Mass at St. Mark's on this date

Scheduled Events –April 2nd - April 9th

Date	Event	Time	Location
Sun. Apr. 2	Pathfinders	3:30p.m.	Rm 5-7
Mon. Apr. 3	Girl Guides/Sparks	6:30pm	Hall
	Adult Music Prac.	7:00 p.m.	Church
	Rosary	7:00 p.m.	Chapel
Tues. Apr. 4	Lenten Program	7:30p.m.	Hall
	Baptismal Prep	7:30pm	Rm 1
Wed. Apr. 5	Brownies	6:30pm	Hall
	Liturgy Meeting	7:00 p.m.	Rm 5
Thur. Apr. 6	Holy Thur. Practice	7:30 p.m.	Church
Fri. Apr. 7	CWL Way of the Cross	9:30 a.m.	Church
Sat. Apr. 8	Bible Workshop	9:00 a.m. - Noon	Hall
	Easter Vigil Practice	6:00 p.m.	Church
Sun. Apr. 9	Pathfinders	3:30 pm	Rm5-7

Several donations have been made to the building fund in Memory of Ernie Blanchard

Religious Formation - 849-5111

Coordinator – Wendy Ellis 849-8162
Email: stmarksreled@bellaliant.com

- Apr. 2 -** Sessions K-8 (No sessions Gr. 2) 10:05a.m. Gr. 9 Confirmation practice with Candidates and parents
- Apr. 5 -** Reconciliation Gr. 2 – 9 ***Gr.9 required to attend if they are to be confirmed***
- Apr. 9 -** 10:15 a.m. all grades meet upstairs for the Way of the Cross and Respect for Life
- Apr. 16 –** Easter Sunday – No Sessions
- Apr. 22/23 –** Confirmation weekend, no regular sessions

New Date for Adult Faith Formation Bible Workshop

This workshop takes place on Saturday, April 8th from 9:00 a.m. to noon in the St. Mark's hall. Topics are basic introduction to the Bible and Prayer using the Bible. Please note that pre-registration is requested in order to properly prepare. Call Denise at 847-7258 or e-mail annies06@nb.sympatico.ca.



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 April 10th.



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.

Condolences:

*Msgr. Joseph Woods and family on the death of his sister, Sister Marjorie Woods

*Pam and Jim Nyers and family on the death of Pam's brother Van Burdon

HOLY WEEK CELEBRATIONS

- April 9 - Palm Sunday
- April 13 - Holy Thursday 7:00 p.m.
- April 14 - Good Friday 11 a.m. for younger grades and 2 p.m. for youth & adults
Way of the Cross – 7 p.m.
- April 15 - Easter Vigil – 8 p.m. The most important celebration of the year!
- April 16 - Easter Sunday – 9:00 a.m. & 11:15 a.m.

Urgent

Ellen Robart will be coordinating the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday April 13th. She needs someone to assist her with the hope that next year that person will coordinate the ceremony as Ellen will retire from this ministry this year. Please contact Father Don, the office, or Ellen Robart if you are willing to help.



Holy Week Sign-up Sheets for ministries are in the foyer. Please sign for the Mass or service you will be attending.



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.

TIMES FOR HOLY WEEK PRACTICES

Good Friday	Sun. April 2	12:15 p.m.
Holy Thursday	Thurs. April 6	7:30 p.m.
Easter Vigil	Sat. April 8	6:00 p.m.

Easter Baskets For Those In Need – A list of needs is on the board in the foyer. Please sign one half of the sheet and place in the box provided. Please return food items by the weekend of April 8th/9th.

Required Weekly	\$ 5,550.00
Sunday Collection, April 2 nd	\$ 4,158.20