

Diocesan News

Sept. 8 - Sunday Exposition/Adoration to be held at Holy Spirit Parish Saint Rose Worship Site 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. Benediction.

Sept. 12 - Evening Prayer at Carmel Chapel, 103 Burpee Ave., Saint John, at 7:00 p.m. All are welcome to the sounds of song, psalm, silence and prayer. A peaceful 30-40 minute experience.

Sept. 15 - Sunday Exposition/Adoration to be held at the Villa Madonna 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Sept. 16 - The next monthly Mass for those living with cancer will be celebrated at 6:30 pm. at the Cathedral of Immaculate Conception. Anointing of the sick will be offered.

Sept. 28 - Same Water, Different Well: Christianity and Popular Culture: Dr. Andrew Wilson, professor of religious studies at Mount Allison University, spends much of his time connecting to young adults around issues of popular culture. Having his ‘finger on the pulse’ of these young folks and the connections they make is a gift he offers to the rest of us who wonder how to connect and invite them into community with us. Using the Gospel story of the ‘Woman at the Well’, Dr. Wilson will help us make some connections between Christianity and Popular Culture. Join us at St. Matthew’s worship site in Grand Bay-Westfield 9:30 a.m. – noon. Good will offering would be appreciated. For further information or to register, please contact Claudette at cderdale@dioceseofsaintjohn.org or 506-386-7012.

Oct. 1 - Canadian Mental Health Association of New Brunswick Saint John office is now accepting registrations for the program Understanding Anxiety & Panic Disorder, an 8-week education program for individuals diagnosed with generalized anxiety and/or panic disorder. Preregistration is required, Call 633-1705..

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 _____

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MISSION STATEMENT

Go and Make Disciples

VISION

Be the face of Jesus in the world; where church matters and a relationship with Jesus Christ is central to every person

Pastor: Father Owen Burns

Mass Times: Saturday 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 10:00 a.m.

Sunday 7:00 p.m.

Parish Council Chair – **Michele Connors**

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

Reconciliation - Sat. after Mass or by appointment

September 7th – 8th, 2019 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wisdom 9 13-18 Philemon 9b-10, 12-17 Luke 14 25-33

September 14th – 15th, 2019 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Exodus 32 7-11, 13-14 1 Timothy 1 12-17 Luke 15 1-32

September 8, 2019 - 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

“Everyone of you who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be my disciple.” (Luke 14:33)

When we first hear this statement, it seems that Jesus is making an unrealistic demand upon us. How can we renounce all of our possessions? We need them to live. However, what we must renounce is the belief that they belong to us. Everything that we have belongs to God alone. All of our resources are entrusted to us not only for our own use, but also so that we can help others. Once we renounce the idea that we possess or are entitled to anything, it is much easier to share the many gifts that God has given us. Then we truly are His Disciples.

Announced Masses

Mon. Sept. 9	6:30 p.m.	Helen & Denis Leland
Tues. Sept. 10	9:00 a.m.	Special Intention
Wed. Sept. 11	6:30 p.m.	Missing & Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls
Thurs. Sept. 12	9:00 a.m.	Special Intention
Sat. Sept. 14	5:00 p.m.	Eric Collette
Sun. Sept. 15	10:00 a.m.	Edmond Blanchard (Anniv.)
	7:00 p.m.	For Parishioners

Scheduled Events — Sept. 8th – 15th

Date	Event	Time	Location
Sun.Sept. 8	Music Prac.7pm Mass	5:30 p.m.	Church
Mon.Sept.9	Rosary	7:00 p.m.	Chapel
	Music Prac.5pm Mass	7:00 p.m.	Church
Tues.Sept.10	Music Prac. 10amMass	6:30 p.m.	Church
Wed.Sept. 11	Parish Council	7:15 p.m.	Room#1
Sun. Sept.15	Music Prac. 7pm Mass	5:30 p.m.	Church

Condolence:

Sisters of Charity on the death of one of their own, Sister Angelina Martz

A Seniors Luncheon will be held on Tuesday, September 17th at 12 noon in the church hall. Food and refreshments will be provided. Bingo to follow. Memberships are available for \$10, new members and drop-in's are always welcome. Come and bring a friend.

Baptism- The following baby was welcomed into our faith community through the sacrament of Baptism:

Nora Teresa Pitre

Required Weekly	\$ 5,555.00
Sunday Collection, Sept. 1 st	\$ 4,228.30

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

Registration for 2019-2020 Catechism for all grades is now open! Please see our website www.stmarksparish.ca to register. In-person registration will be available after all Masses September 7th and 8th only. We are always looking for faithful, enthusiastic and fun catechists to help our young people grow in their relationship with Jesus. If you are interested, please contact Wendy at stmarksreled@bellaliant.com. All materials, training and support is provided. Please pray for our catechists and young people!

Singers Needed

Would you like to join the 10:00 a.m. Sunday morning choir? The music is primarily modern Christian music and we meet Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. Come up and see Trish after mass or email Patricia.gallagher@nbed.nb.ca

A donation has been made to the Building Fund in Memory of Emily Tracey

Ministry Schedules are ready for pick up in the Ministries room.

St. Mark's Alpha

Do you wonder about or have questions about life, faith and Jesus? Alpha offers a welcoming, friendly, non-judgemental, place where people can come, share a meal and explore the Christian faith. There is no cost, no commitment, no pressure, no follow-up and no limits on what you can ask! Fall Alpha at St. Mark's Parish offers an 11 week program beginning on Thursday, September 26th from 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. One week at a time. Come for one week and decide if it offers something to you. For more information about Alpha, visit the Alpha Canada website. To register for St. Mark's Alpha call Dianne at the church office at 849-5111 or stmarkschurch@nb.aibn.com or via St. Mark's website <https://www.stmarksparish.ca/alpha>.

Little Rock Scripture

The Monday evening group will be studying "Missionary Discipleship" from Threshold Bible Study beginning Monday, September 23rd at 7:30 p.m. in room #1 in the St. Mark's parish hall. It will focus on evangelization in the bible and how disciples are called to be missionary witnesses of the gospel. Cost is \$20 per person, or couple sharing a book.

St. Mark's Communications Team

St. Mark's has an opening for a Communications Administrator. This person will lead our Communications Team and will sit on our Parish Support Team, which meets bi-weekly. Our Communications Team is also looking for new members. The team meets on a regular basis. If you have been gifted with great communications skills, or you know someone who has, please contact Dianne at the Parish Office 849-5111 for more information about this important ministry.

Singers Needed

Singers are needed for the Saturday 5:00 p.m. Mass. We sing traditional and modern hymns and an occasional classical tune. No need to read music. First practice will be held on Monday, Sept. 9 at 7:00 p.m. at the church. All are welcome. For information, please contact Bonnie at 847-9830.

Farm to Food Bank Project

For the last two years, Public Health Dietitians in the Saint John Area have been pleased to partner with farmers and food banks on a local *Farm to Food Bank* project each fall. The goal of this project has been to provide farmers with volunteers at the end of their growing season to pick fruits and vegetables that have not been harvested and donate them to local food banks. This year, the first volunteer opportunity may be for apple picking in late September. Harvesting vegetables will take place in late October to early November. In addition to pickers, we are also in need of volunteers with trucks who are able to transport the produce from the farms to the local food banks. For more information, or to volunteer, please call 643-6250.