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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: Fr. Owen Burns Mass Times: Sat. 5:00 p.m.

Sun. 10:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.

Parish Council Chair: Michele Connors

Baptisms, Marriage, Catechetical Ministry: contact office **Reconciliation**: Saturday after Mass or by appointment.

August 24th – **25**th, **2019 21**st **Sunday in Ordinary Time**Isaiah 66 18-21 Hebrews 12 5-7 11-13 Luke 13 22-30 **August 31**st – **September 1**st **22**nd **Sunday in Ordinary Time**Sirach 3 17-20 28-29 Hebrews 12 18-19 22-24a Luke 14.1 7-14

Announced Masses

Sat. Aug. 31 5:00 p.m. Jim McCarthy (Anniv)

Sun. Sept. 1 10:00 a.m. For Parishioners 7:00 p.m. Jean-Guy Sirois

There will be no weekday Masses from August 26 - September 2.

August 25, 2019 - 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

"For behold, some are last who will be first and some are first who will be last." (Luke 13:30)

Our standards in society are different from God's standards. We often rank people by what they have, how powerful they are, or how successful they are. Jesus reminds us that God will not judge us by the same earthly standards. When God asks you, "what have you done with the gifts I have given you?" How will you respond?

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!

Office Hours the Week of Aug. 26th

Monday & Tuesday 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Wednesday – Office Closed Thurs & Friday 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

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.

Why Do Catholics Pray the Rosary?

Catholics pray the rosary because it's a powerful prayer to God, through His mother, Mary.

Praying the rosary has been a tradition in the Church for a long time. It's a bit fuzzy who made it more formal; some say it was St. Dominic and others say it wasn't. What really matters is that this prayer is super powerful.

The <u>rosary</u> begins with the recitation of the Apostle's Creed, an Our Father, three Hail Mary's and a Glory Be. Then there are five decades which each begin and end with an Our Father and Glory Be, and have ten Hail Mary's in between. When you pray the rosary, you meditate on the events in Jesus' life. There are the joyful, luminous, sorrowful, and glorious mysteries.

In various apparitions, Mary has appeared holding a rosary and has asked that we continue to pray this prayer. She always leads us to her Son, and presents our needs before Him. Prayer is about developing our relationship with God, and loving Him more, so it makes sense to get to know Him through the events of the life of Christ that we meditate on during the rosary.

Rosaries are not just decorations. Battles have been won because people prayed the rosary! There have been hearts converted, and impossible intentions answered too. Your life can only be blessed if you start praying the rosary. Lifeteen.com

Reminder – The Rosary is prayed Monday evening at 7:00 p.m. in the St. Mark's Parish Chapel. Rosaries are available to borrow in the Chapel, or if you would like one of your own, please contact the office. All are welcome.

Diocesan News

Sept. 1 - Sunday Exposition/Adoration at St. Joseph's, Loch Lomond, 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. Benediction/Confession.

Sept. 7 - First Saturday Latin Mass: The Extraordinary Form of the Roman Rite, more commonly known as the Traditional Latin Mass will be offered at Saint Pius X Church at 10:00 a.m.

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

BEING A GRANDPARENT IS The second Sunday in September is National Grandparent Day. What a wonderful opportunity this provides to savour the gift of our grandchildren, to give thanks for the joy of being a grandparent, and pray for the gifts needed to be the grandparents we are needed to be. You are invited to join us to do exactly that. ... to savour, to give thanks, and to pray. Come ready to share stories. Please bring a picture or two that captures what being a grandparent means to you. We'll meet at St. Rose Church, Saint John, on Thursday, September 5, from 2:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.; Villa Madonna on Friday, September 6, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.; and St. Theresa's Church in Fredericton on Saturday, September 7th, from 9:30 to 11:30. For all three events, contact Claudette to register cderdaele@dioceseofsaintjohn.org 506-386-7012. For further information on this and other events, check out diocesan website http://dioceseofsaintjohn.org/Adult-Faith-Formation.

If you are new to our Parish, we would like to hear from you; if you are leaving, please let us know. The office telephone number is 849-5111.

Pre-Authorized Debit System – If you would like to start this system of donation, forms are available in the foyer. Please fill out the form and drop it in the collection basket in an envelope, along with a VOID cheque.

Sunday Collection Envelopes – If you would like to begin using collection envelopes, these are available in the foyer on the brown table, please fill your name and address on the first envelope that you use.

| Required Weekly | \$ 5,555.00 |
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| Sunday Collection, Aug. 18th | \$ 3,821.75 |