

St. Dunstan's Roman Catholic Church

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REV. MR. KENNETH PARKER, DEACON

November 26th, 2017 – Christ the King

Note from Fr. Bill regarding weekend Masses:

Please take note that beginning on the First Sunday of Advent, December 2nd and 3rd, there will be three Weekend Masses at St. Dunstan's Church instead of four as follows:

Saturday @ 5:00 pm, Sunday @ 9:00am and 11:30am. There will be NO 7:00 pm Mass. The reason for this change is due to the new Mass schedule at St. Thomas University which now has Mass on Sunday evening @ 7:00pm. For many years there has been a commitment to make sure there is a Sunday evening Mass scheduled in the city of Fredericton to accommodate those who through work or other commitments have not been able to attend an earlier Mass. We are blessed that the Sunday evening Mass @ 7:00pm at St. Thomas University continues to provide this service. The Chapel at St. Thomas is on the main floor of Holy Cross House on Montgomery St. and there is ample parking on Sunday evenings in the parking lot beside Holy Cross House. Thank you to the many people who have taken on ministries at the 7 pm Mass to assure prayerful and vibrant liturgies for so many years.



Last opportunity this Sunday, November 26th in the MBFC Gym from 10:05 am to 10:50 am. An invitation... to Parents, Grandparents and Guardians, and all others interested ... Discover ways to support continued Catholic faith formation for yourself, your children and grandchildren in your home. This week is the 4th

of 4 sessions leading up to the Advent Season. This is an opportunity to engage in prayers, music and scripture readings of the season; and learn about the history and meaning of symbols and rituals used for deepening our understanding of the coming of God to live among us. **Sessions are free** with each session independent of the previous one. If you miss one week, you are encouraged to come along the following week. **Coffee and Cider will be provided!** Enquires can be directed to Carole Dilworth, a candidate in the

Diocesan Lay Pastoral Ministry Formation program. Tel. 458-5571 or email at

evaluationdesigns@nb.aibn.com.

Learn to Pray 'Lectio Divina' as an individual and in groups as a way of revitalizing your faith. On Wednesday, November 29th at 7:30 pm in the Mary Sullivan Room The Parish Pastoral Council will be hosting an information session regarding a method of prayer called 'Lectio Divina'. We are being invited to prayer this form of prayer during this time of 'Revitalization' in our diocese. Lectio Divina is a Latin term that means 'divine reading' and is a traditional practice of scriptural reading, meditation and prayer intended to promote communion with God, an increase in the knowledge of God and a grace for leading us forward in Christian action. This session is for all interested persons and will focus on how to pray 'Lectio Divina' privately and within a small group. Please join us!!

Note from Fr. Bill: We now have gluten free hosts for Communion. To receive the gluten free consecrated hosts simply mention to the Minister of Communion that you want to receive 'gluten free'. There will be a small table on the step behind the Ministers of Communion with a ciborium (container with the consecrated hosts) on it. The Minister of Communion will lift the ciborium to you and will offer you Communion without touching the consecrated host by saying "The Body of Christ". You will say "Amen" and reach in to the ciborium (container of the consecrated host) and take one and receive it.

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1st Reading: Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17

Gospel: Matthew 25:31-46

2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 28

† MASS INTENTIONS †

Wed	29 th	6:30 pm	Ted Daigle
Thur	30 th	12:05 pm	DFM Francis and Cochrane
Sat	2 nd	5:00 pm	Frank Connolly
Sun	3 rd	9:00 am	Edmond & Rachel Losier
		11:30 am	Domingo Angeles

Friday Mass is celebrated at St. Anthony's @ 10 am
Our Lady of Fatima @ 11 am / St. Theresa's 12 noon.

Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturday's 4:00 – 4:30 pm

Legion of Mary – Tuesday mornings at 11:00 am
1st Friday Adoration following noon Mass until 2 pm
Natural Family Planning www.billings.life/en 450-9343

Lector & Eucharistic Minister Schedule December 2nd & 3rd

<u>Lectors</u>	<u>Eucharistic Ministers</u>
5:00 Mary Holland	Marie Costello (H2)
Lilia Cozzarini	Frances Briand
	Felipe Serrano
9:00 Patricia Kelly	Hughena Macneil (H2)
Meg Mombourquette	David Macneil
	Pauline Arnold
	Bob Scott
	Jayne Nicki
11:30 Chris McAloon	Claire Leach (H2)
Noreen Vaillancourt	Rose-Anne DiGiacinto
	Maria Flores
	Doreen Cormier
	John Brennan

November 25th & 26th

Offertory (operating)

Envelope	\$ 5,294.00
Loose	\$ 1,406.70
Pre-Authorized Debit (PAD)	\$ 1,350.00
Sub-Total	\$ 8,050.70
Budget	\$ 8,888.00
Variance	(\$ 837.30)
Other (Bldg Fund, Cemetery, Poor, etc)	\$ 659.00
Kitchen Renovation	\$1,871.75

(Operating deficit to June 30th, 2017 is \$25,193)

*Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, Friday
December 8th @ 12:10 pm. A reception will follow in the
Cathedral residence. Letter of invitation from
Bishop Harris at the entrances of the church.*

Available in the Parish Office
2017-2018 Sunday Missals \$4 each
Sunday Missal for Young Catholics \$7 each
Little Blue Book Advent and Christmas \$1 each

NECROLOGY

Nov 27	Adeland Duguay	1975
	Marion King	1983
	Mary Goguen	1984
	Carmel Evelyn McManus	1992
	Colleen Mary Price	1998
	Helen Agatha O'Connor	2007
	Victoria Lee Scott-Kileel	2015
	Reginald (Reg) Porter	2016
Nov 28	J Theodore (Ted) Daigle	1983
	Mary Agnes Sears	1990
	Lawrence Daigle	2000
	Christine Margaret Lavoie	2013
Nov 29	Nellie Agnes O'Brien	1973
	Frank McCafferty	1983
Nov 30	Frances H McGinn	1976
	Joseph Hector Arsenault	2004
Dec 01	Wilfred Dionne	1976
	John William Hutt	1979
	Msgr Joseph B Ward	1990
	Paul Douglas MacNeil	1991
	Mary Hazel Jones	1999
Dec 02	Louise Dobbeltsteyn	1975
	Edna Helena Jones	2006
	Frederick J Whitten	2010
Dec 03	Aaron Thomas Vienneau	1991
	Harold Andres Burns	1993
	Laddie Charles Lyons Jr.	1993
	Mary Florence Kerton	2003
	Louise Tommy	2009

Faithful Departed

Alex Scholten, husband of Irene
(Funeral Mass Tuesday, November 28th @ 11 am)



Sanctuary Lamp
*In Loving Memory of
Richard Chouinard*

Readings for December 3rd

1st Reading Isaiah 63:16b-17; 64:1, 3-8
2nd Reading 1 Corinthians 1:3-9
Gospel Mark 13:33-37

**ADVENT TALKS (Bishop Bill Hockin) – A Christmas
Reset! Finding the DNA of the Holiday Season.
Mondays November 27th and December 4th & 11th
starting at 12:15 at the Crowne Plaza Hotel on
Queen. All Welcome!**

Note from Bishop Harris: In response to the Rohingya persecution in Myanmar, the Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace-Caritas Canada is working with Caritas Bangladesh to support a food distribution program along the border with Myanmar. Development and Peace is also assisting Bangladeshis with food and other emergency relief given the enormous strain that the refugee crisis is having on their own country's very limited resources.

You are invited to help raise awareness within your diocese / eparchy about the unfolding crisis and to direct interested donors to the website of Development and Peace for instructions on how to make a financial contribution to the Myanmar Crisis Relief Fund. Until 28 November 2017 the Government of Canada will match all donations made to Development and Peace or any other eligible Canadian charity:

<<https://www.devp.org/en/emergencies/bangladesh>><https://www.devp.org/en/emergencies/bangladesh>

Kitchen Renovation: On the first week of December the kitchen renovation will be complete. At our last Annual Parish Meeting (April 2017) we let you know that the kitchen would be renovated at a cost of \$55K plus tax. In order to adhere to building codes and food safety policies this renovation required a complete upgrading to our kitchen structure including electrical, plumbing, counter tops, cabinets and flooring. The cost will actually be \$101 K with tax included. At that Parish Meeting, we were asked by some of those in attendance to put out an invitation to parishioners requesting donations towards this project. Given that we have not approached parishioners for over 6 years for assistance with any of the many projects we have done at the cost of \$814K, it seems timely that we make this request once again. We have relied heavily on our investments to fund all of the projects we have undertaken. We are now looking to fund some of our new projects, including this kitchen renovation, through new funding from whatever you are able to contribute. With the bulletin last weekend, Fr. Bill included a letter to parishioners detailing all of the capital projects we have done in the past 6 years with an envelope attached for donations as one possible way to contribute to this kitchen project. That letter and envelopes are available at the entrances to the church and at the parish office. Thank you for your continued generosity to the parish.

Christ the King Collection, November 26th. Since last year the purpose of the "Christ The King Collection has been to help provide for priests on leave because of illness. (See letter from Bishop Harris at entrances of the church).

The Salvation Army are once again looking for volunteers for their Christmas Kettle Donation locations at Regent Mall. Contact Mary 463-2270.

2018 Offertory Envelopes are ready to pick up at the Regent Street entrance of the church. Please write your name and address on your first envelope offered.

Sharing Warm Hearts – The Spiritual and Religious Care Department of DECH is asking for help with our winter apparel drive. Donations of new or gently used winter hats, scarves, gloves, mitts, socks, sweaters, coats and boots can be dropped off at the Spiritual and Religious Care Department (Main lobby) by the gift shop. Donations accepted Nov 15th till Dec 13th.

Christmas Craft and Bake Sale at Our Lady of Fatima Parish, Crocket St., Marysville, on Saturday, Dec. 02, from 9:00 am – 10:15 am and 11:45 – 1:00 pm. There will be a good selection of crafts to help you with your gift-list as well as an assortment of Christmas baked goods.

McAdam's Funeral Home Memorial Tree Lighting Wednesday, December 6th @ 7 pm. All those who are remembering a loved one at this holiday season are invited to join us. Non-perishable food items will be collected for the Fredericton Food Bank.

*Once again, we invite parishioners to make a donation for 'Flowers' in memory of a loved one to help make our Church beautiful for Christmas. Please write **"FLOWERS"** on the front of your regular envelope and then write the name(s) of your loved one(s) on the back or place a special envelope in the offering. Beautiful flowers will adorn the church and a special display listing all those being remembered will be placed next to the side Altar.*

Tour the Festival of Lights at Pine Grove Nursing Home. December 1st to January 1st. Please join us in this special Christmas Tradition and view the decorated trees at Pine Grove. The Pine Grove Foundation accepts donations via donation boxes on the property, online through Canadahelps.org or by mail. Tax receipts issued for donations of \$10 or more.



Revitalizing our Diocese - 17 November at 11:32 Churches and buildings: is a new start possible?

One of the many considerations that have emerged in our revitalization and realignment process has been the impact on current church buildings and sites. Because we know that realignment will involve merging several parish communities into a single new parish. We know that we will not need all the buildings we have now. In some cases, people have asked whether it would be possible to build a new church, on an entirely new site.

The church buildings we use now were built in response to the needs of their time. People lived near them. They could travel to them. Their needs were met by the churches and public buildings of that era.

These are things we have considered in the context of realignment. We are merging communities into new parish communities in order to respond to present and future needs. In some cases it will make sense to build an entirely new building on a new site to replace the buildings currently used by the merged parishes.

There are a lot of factors to be considered before this step: the size, location and condition of present buildings, the changing needs of the newly merged community and the resources and energy available for such a step. A project of this scope can only be considered when the new community has been created and has begun its life.

Only the people of the new parish community can decide to embark on a project of this scale. While it will require approval by the diocese, a building project is a parish project and only the newly merged community can decide to take this step, with diocesan support. It will be up to the members of the new parish to decide if and when such a step should take place.

Fr. John Jennings

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