

St. Dunstan's Roman Catholic Church

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FREDERICTON, NEW BRUNSWICK

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REV. BILL BRENNAN, PASTOR

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February 19th, 2017 – Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

We are looking for new **Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers and Greeters at St Dunstan's**. If you feel called to serve in any of these ministries, or would like more information, please contact the appropriate person. Training will be provided. For Lectors contact lcozzarini@hotmail.com. For Eucharistic ministers contact John Denning at 470-5696. For Greeters contact Edith Robichaud at 450-1793.

World Day of Prayer for 2017 sponsored by the Women Inter-Church Council will be held as follows:

Fredericton South, St. Dunstan's Roman Catholic Church - Friday, March 3, at 2:00 pm.

Fredericton North, St. Theresa's Roman Catholic Church - Friday, March 3, at 7:00 pm

Forest Hill – Lincoln, Forest Hill United Church - Friday, March 3, at 7:00 pm.

New Maryland- Hanwell, Roman Catholic Church of St. John and Paul - Friday, March 3, at 7:00 pm.

All are welcome. This year the program will be the 'Women of the Philippines Am I Being Unfair to you?'

St. Dunstan's CWL SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPER
Tuesday, February 28th 4:30-6:30pm in the Monsignor Boyd Family Centre
Helen O'Connor Hall. Pancakes, Sausages, Beans and Desserts.
Adults \$7 / Children \$3. There will be a Silent Auction and the
CWL will be selling Quilt Tickets.

Your 2016 Donation Tax Receipts are available to pick up in the Parish office.

If you have a change/correction to your address/phone please advise the office 444-6001.

Thank you for your generous and continued support of our Parish.

Steubenville Atlantic Youth Conference: Steubenville Youth Conferences, a series of North American conferences, brings 50,000 teens and their leaders closer to Christ every summer. Steubenville Atlantic 2017, in Halifax, is presented in partnership with the Archdiocese of Halifax-Yarmouth and the Franciscan University of Steubenville. Conference dates are July 7-9, 2017. All aged 14-18 are welcome. Cost: \$325 (transportation included) with early bird registration at \$300 before Feb. 28th. If you are interested in attending Steubenville Atlantic, please contact Margot McAloon-Parker 444-6025, fredreled@dioceseofsaintjohn.org. For further information, please check out: www.halifaxyarmouth.org/archdiocesan-offices/pastoral-life-new-evangelization/steubenville-atlantic. There will be financial assistance for St. Dunstan's Youth, please call the parish office (Fr. Bill at 444-6001).

Children's Faith Formation In the case of inclement weather, call the parish office 444-6001 to see IF Classes are cancelled.

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1st Reading: Leviticus 19:1-2, 17-18

Gospel: Matthew 5:38-48

2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 3:16-23

† MASS INTENTIONS †

Wed	22 nd	6:30 pm	Cora Taylor
Thur	23 rd	12:05 pm	Cst. Christopher LaForest
Fri	24 th	12:05 pm	Dorothy Zinck
Sat	25 th	5:00 pm	John Costello
Sun	26 th	9:00 am	Eugene Joseph Samson
		11:30 am	Hubert Mullin
		7:00 pm	Onofre de Jesus Arellano

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 info: www.billings.life/en
or phone 450-9343

Lector & Eucharistic Minister Schedule

February 25th & 26th

Lectors

Eucharistic Ministers

5:00	Tina Christie	Penny Hutley-Dobson (H2)
	Joseph O'Donnell	Felipe Serrano
		Bill Woods
9:00	Mac Duffy	Sonny Grasse (H2)
	Jessica Gillis	Heather Maillet
		Peter Maillet
		Marg Denning
		John Denning
11:30	Kay Robinson	Carol Monterio (H2)
	Bob Monterio	Chris McAloon
		Paola Marusic
		Robert Michaud
		Anne Macies
7:00	Phyllis Daigle	Agnes LeBlanc (H2)
	Grace Martin	Esther Archibald
		Gracie Mersereau

February 11th & 12th

Offertory (operating)	\$ 7,033.55
Budget	\$ 7,847.00
Variance	(\$ 813.45)
Other (Bldg Fund, Cemetery, Poor, etc)	\$ 593.00

Envelope User #105 & #279, please call the parish office and advise your name and address. Thank you!

Any NEW parishioners who have requested Offertory Envelopes, they are located at the Regent Street entrance of the church. Your name will be written on "Your Box" of envelopes. Welcome to St. Dunstan's!

NECROLOGY

Feb 20	Michael A M Hare	1977
	Charles Leslie Rogers	1988
	Charles Thomas French	1997
	Denise Bongard	2009
Feb 21	Dorothy McHugh	1973
	Walter B Hughes	1981
	Stella T McGinn	1985
	Nash Ellegood	1992
	John Stephen MacKinnon	1999
	Louis Joseph Robichaud	2000
Feb 22	Georgia Mary Ann Davis	2003
Feb 23	John Frederick Birtwistle	1994
	Angela Gilda MacDonald	2007
	Cst. Christopher LaForest	2015
Feb 24	Leofred Boudreau	1972
	Rev George J Harrington	1972
	Robert McAlinden	2001
	Dr. Ronald C Hurley	2009
Feb 25	Kathleen Howatt	1984
	Helena Mabel Ryan	1989
	Mrs. Eugenie Wiesner	1998
	John Joseph Costello	2010
Feb 26	Dolores Meagher	1972
	Robert Charles White	1976
	Eva Boudreau	1989
	Robert Damian Chessie	1997
	Hubert C Mullin	2016

Faithful Departed

Rodney Cochrane, brother of Rick
Onofre de Jesus Arellano, uncle of Josè Zeron
Thomas McDade, brother of Dorothy McDade Bliss
(John) and Harold (Bud) McDade (Alma)
and nephew of Gerry Poirier

Readings for February 26th

1st Reading	Isaiah 49:14-15
2nd Reading	1 Corinthians 4:1-5
Gospel	Matthew 6:24-34



Sanctuary Lamp

In Loving Memory of
Madeline Duplessie

Seeking Volunteers to Support our Syrian Family.
We need to add to a group of volunteers from St. Dunstan's who currently visit a Syrian family to provide opportunities to learn English. Our visits always involve a team of two people and lasts for about 90 minutes. This is a **vital need** for the family and a **tremendously rewarding** experience for the volunteers. If this ministry interests you please contact Barry Lydon (999-3567 or Barry.P.Lydon@gmail.com) for additional information.

St. Dunstan's CWL MEETING RESCHEDULED:

Due to poor weather conditions our meeting was rescheduled from Feb 14th to Feb 21st.

St. Dunstan's Parish Council of the Catholic

Women's League will hold the first meeting of 2017 on **Tuesday, February 21st at 6:30 pm** in the Mary Sullivan Room of the MBFC. We will be voting by secret ballot on the following two motions. As well the proposed Budget for 2017 will be presented and **Membership Dues for 2017 will be collected. We also need volunteers for the Pancake Supper as well as Desserts. Please call Heather 206-2927 or Mary 455-5439.**

1. Effective December 31, 2017, the Diocesan Council of The Catholic Women's League of Canada for the Diocese of Saint John in the Province of New Brunswick will Disband.
2. Effective January 1st, 2018 the present Provincial per capita fee of \$4.00 will be increased to \$7.00. It is important that all members of our Council be present to vote.

The **Saint John Diocesan Council CWL is offering one (1) bursary in the amount of \$500.00** to a 2017 High School Graduate and Mature Students entering University, Community College, Business College, Technical College or School of Nursing. Applications are available in the parish office; **complete and return by March 13, 2017.** The President of St. Dunstan's Parish Council CWL is Beth Nicholas. For further information please contact Bernardine Carter, Chairperson of Education and Health at 459-5270.

St. Francis of Assisi Parish, Lincoln, invites everyone to its **Annual Pancake Supper** (The Week before Shrove Tuesday) on Tuesday, February 21 from 4-6 pm. Adults \$7, Children under 10 \$4.

Note from Parish Pastoral Council: We are pleased to invite you to 2 follow-up sessions from the November 27, 2016 Parish Meeting we held to review the results of the Disciple Maker Index. *These meetings are scheduled for Wednesday, March 22nd and Wednesday, April 5th @ 7:15 pm (following the 6:30 pm Mass) in the MBFC.* We will be opening up several themes presented in the Survey that can help us explore aspects of our adult faith lives. Your input at these sessions can help us do some planning in the area of Adult Faith Formation. It will be helpful in our planning for the meeting to know how many will attend. Please sign up by phoning the parish office @ 444-6001.

York Sunbury Search & Rescue 25th Annual Sugarbush Breakfast fundraiser at King's Landing, March 11&12 and March 18&19 from 8:30am to 2:30pm. Early bird tickets up to March 10th \$10.00 per adult and \$7.00 per child (up to 12 years of age). Please call [506-206-6365](tel:506-206-6365) for early bird tickets. Tickets at the door will be \$11.00 per adult and \$8.00 per child (up to 12 years of age).

Did you know that the ashes used at Ash Wednesday come from the burnt palm leaves of previous Palm Sunday celebrations that we place in our homes. These are a symbol of our commitment to follow Jesus, especially into challenging environments to bring God's peace, care, protection and message of God's love for everyone. Some of our commitment dries up over time, just like the palm leaves. We wear the ashes from these palms as a sign of God's mercy and forgiveness for not always staying with Jesus on this journey and that a new beginning is always possible and invited by Christ. If you have palm leaves from Palm Sundays of past years, please bring them to St Dunstan's and place them in the labeled box at the entrances to the church. We will see that they are burned. Burning these blessed palms is the proper customary practice rather than disposing of them in the garbage.

Live and Work with Refugees: **Romero House** seeks young people committed to social justice for full-time internship programs in Toronto. Room, board and a small stipend is provided. To apply, or to learn more please email internship@romerohouse.org. Or visit www.romerohouse.org 416-763-1303.

G.L.A.M.E. FULL DAY @ Villa Madonna Retreat House, Saturday, June 7th @ 9 am to Sunday, June 8th @ 9 am with Rick Benson as facilitator. Rick is a Spiritual Care Practitioner and Grief Recovery Specialist. **G.L.A.M.E.: Grief Loss Anxiety Mindfulness Exercise** if a program that brings together a number of evidenced based, researched interventions that have shown to significantly reduce stress, anxiety and depression related to grief and loss. Cost is \$225 for accommodations, meals and materials. Contact Villa Madonna at 506-849-5125 or email villamadonna@nb.aibn.com to register.

Up-Coming Retreats at the Villa Madonna Retreat House

There is a one **1-Day Guided Directed Retreat** scheduled for Wednesday, March 29, 2017 and a **5-Day Silent Directed Retreat** scheduled for Monday June 12, 2017 to Friday June 16, 2017. These retreats are sponsored and facilitated by the Atlantic Association of the Spiritual Exercises Apostolate (AASEA). For more information and registration go to www.aaseasaintjohn.ca or call Doug Hubbard at 506-738-2043.

Revitalizing our Church: What Are Our Strengths?

By Fr. John Jennings

The Disciple Maker Survey as well as our own experience indicates that there are challenges to our parishes and our diocese. But the survey also indicates some strengths on which we can build. First of all, our diocese has a solid core of dedicated Catholics. When the survey went out early this year it was completed by 6,135 people. That is more than 35% of the average number who attend Mass on any weekend. Normally a 10-15% response to such surveys is considered good. This response rate indicates that a significant number of Catholics in our diocese care and want to be heard. They want to contribute to our church's response to challenges we face.

Among the other strengths that the survey surfaced across the parishes of the diocese was the range of how we want to define ourselves a Catholics. For example, when parishioners were asked how they viewed themselves and their faith only 10% said "I consider myself Catholic, though faith is not a significant part of my life." On the other hand, more than 55% indicated that they were growing as a disciple of Jesus the Christ. Most of these saw their relationship with Jesus Christ as the most important relationship in their life. This is a strong base on which to build a revitalized diocesan church.

This strong base shows again in the parishes of the diocese when the survey results indicated that more than 70% of the respondents agreed that their parishes helped them to grow spiritually as Catholics. The response was somewhat weaker when asked about their parish helping to form them as disciples of Jesus Christ. It was even weaker when we were asked about our role as disciples who have a call to be witnesses and sharers of our faith, as low as 20% in some categories.

The fundamental call that comes from our baptism is to a discipleship to Jesus Christ. In this role we are to follow the model offered by Jesus and also to accept the mission of Jesus Christ. This means that through the witness of our faith we share the Good News with others. The survey indications are that we are not as aware of this as we might be and our parishes may be able to do more in forming us for discipleship that witnesses to the Good News in word and action. Currently, the challenges our parishes face in structure and resources may contribute to an inability to do more.

This baptismal call that is given to each of is the call that Jesus issued to every disciple, to be his witnesses. (Luke 24:48) The Gospel writer Mark is even more explicit when he tells of the Risen Jesus appearing to his disciples as they sat at table. "Go," he says "into all the world and proclaim the good news to the whole creation." (Mark 16:15)

The revitalization and realignment project in which we are involved is intended to build parishes and a diocese that can nurture the strengths of the faith we share. It is a project filled with hope and directed at building a church, a community of disciples who witness for the faith, for the present world and for future generations.

<http://www.sttheresaparish.ca/diocesan-revitalization> (this link is also on St. Dunstan's website) www.stdunstansparish.ca



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Breast Cancer Survivors Fredericton
meet the 2nd Thursday of each month at the Monsignor Boyd Family Centre @ 7 pm
Room 122. For more info contact – Eleanor McCloskey 460-1019 / Diane Taylor Myles 455-5502 / Margaret Sisk-McCully 472-8418.
(A member of the New Brunswick Breast Cancer Network - NBBCN).

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