

Our New Parish

St. Columba † *Sts. John & Paul* † *St. Dunstan's*
Fredericton Junction *New Maryland* *Fredericton*

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Office Hours Monday to Friday 8:30 am – 5:00 pm

December 2nd, 2018 – 1st Sunday of Advent

Weekday Mass Times

Saturday @ 5:00 pm at St. Dunstan's Church Site

Sunday @ 9 am at St. Columba Church and St. Dunstan's Church Site

Sunday @ 11:00 am at Sts. John and Paul Church Site

Sunday @ 11:30 am at St. Dunstan's Church Site

At Sts. John and Paul Church Site our new Parish is offering the opportunity to celebrate Advent by doing something community oriented each Sunday of Advent. Here is the schedule for Advent.

December 9th - Second Sunday of Advent – Hats, Scarves, Mittens, Socks will be collected for those in need.

December 16th - Third Sunday of Advent - Hygiene Kits for the Shelters

December 23rd - Forth Sunday of Advent – Non-perishable items for the Food bank.

Advent Wreath Families. Here are the families that will be participating in the Advent Wreath Candle lighting:

December 2nd - Bridget, Greg, Olivia and Mallory Thornton

December 9th - Sheri-Lee Samson, Jeff Moore, Carter, Spencer and Rebecca Moore

December 16th - Natalie, Ryan, Liam and Amelia O'Shea

December 23rd - Melanie, Chris, Gillian and Ellie Miles

St. Dunstan's Church Site Christmas Exchange. Please take a Gift Tag off the Jesse Tree located at the Regent Street entrance. There are also Tags for Non-Perishable Food Items. Information and directions are on a sheet on the table. Thank you for your generosity and support of our Christmas Exchange Program.

St. Columba Church Site Memorial Donations for Christmas Flowers – Anyone wishing to make a donation towards Christmas Flowers in memory of loved ones is asked to place your donation in a white envelope and put it in the collection box. Please include your name, envelope number and what family members you would like to honor.

Sts. John & Paul Church Site invites you to make monetary donations for our Christmas floral arrangements in memory of deceased loved ones. All monies contributed will be used to purchase flowers that will decorate our church throughout the Christmas season. If you would like to donate funds for Christmas flowers in memory of a loved one, you may do so by completing the information below and placing it with your donation in a plain envelope. That envelope can be put into the collection basket at Mass. Names of deceased loved ones will be included in the Christmas bulletin.

Christmas Flower Donations for St. Dunstan's Church Site – You are invited 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. A special display listing all those being remembered will be placed next to the side Altar.

Regional Advent Reconciliation Service will be held on Thursday, December 13th at 7:00 pm at St. Dunstan's Church Site

December 2nd, 2018 – 1st Sunday of Advent

1st Reading – Jeremiah 33:14-16

Gospel: Luke 21:25-28, 34-36

2nd Reading: 1 Thessalonians 3:12–4:2

MASS INTENTIONS

St. Columba Church Site

Sun 2nd 9:00 am Nancy Dobbelsteyn
Sun 9th 9:00 am Mae and Joe Butler

Sts. John & Paul Church Site

Sun 2nd 11:00 am Bob Kenny
Mon 3rd 9:00 am Special Intention
Sun 9th 11:00 am Alexina Pelletier

St. Dunstan's Church Site

Mon 3rd 12:05 pm Funeral Mass-David Macneil
Wed 5th 6:30 pm Reg Porter
Thur 6th 12:05 pm Ron Gallagher
Sat 8th 5:00 pm Viola and Albert Davidson
Sun 9th 9:00 am George & Mary Jane McGraw
11:30 am Special Intention

Mass Intentions: Contact Marlita Chase (Parish Office 444-6001). Indicate at which Church Site that you want the Mass celebrated.

stdun@stdunstansparish.ca.

1st Friday Eucharistic Adoration 1–2 pm at St. Dunstan's

Eucharistic Adoration Sts. John & Paul Thursdays 1-8 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturday 4:00 – 4:30 pm
at St. Dunstan's Church Site

Legion of Mary Tuesday mornings at 11 am St. Dunstan's

Natural Family Planning www.billings.life/en 450-9343

Sunday Missals 2018-2019 are now available at all our Church Sites.

Sunday Missals for Young Catholics at St. Dunstan's office \$8.00 ea.

Readings for December 9th

1st Reading Baruch 5:1-9
2nd Reading Philippians 1:3-6, 8-11
Gospel Luke 3:1-6

Knights of Columbus Breakfast Sunday, December 9th, from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM.
Adults \$ 7.00, children \$ 3.00, families \$ 20.00.
Everyone welcome.

NECROLOGY

Dec 3	Aaron Thomas Vienneau	1991
	Harold Andres Burns	1993
	Laddie Charles Lyons Jr.	1993
	Mary Florence Kerton	2003
	Louise Tommy	2009
	Gregory Mitchell Phillips	2017
Dec 4	Mary Irene Lee	2005
Dec 5	John Richard F Hayes	2001
	Doris Anne Fury	2008
Dec 6	Thomas D Lees	1980
	Geoffrey Richards	1982
	Elizabeth M Berthelet	1984
	Kathleen Mary Crowley	1994
	John Joseph Richard	2004
	Ronald Richard Gallagher	2016
	Michael Joseph Darrah	2016
Dec 7	Clarence J DesRosier	1981
	Wilson Joseph MacMillan	1991
	Bridie Collins	2001
Dec 8	Florence May Cluney	1982
	Rev Henry M Dobbelsteyn	1984
	Eugene John Rideout	1998
	James Robert Poitras	2001
	Walter Carney McGinn	2007
Dec 9	Ferdinand C Whalen	1982
	Mary May Hughes	1990
	Brian Joseph Ouellette	2005
	Mary Veronica McSorley	2013
	Gregory Lloyd Crawford	2016

Faithful Departed

David Macneil, husband of Hughena



Talks for Advent/Christmas 2018 with Bishop Hockin. Nov 26th, Dec 3rd and Dec 10th from 12:15 – 1 pm at the Crowne Plaza, Queen Street.

Memorial Tree Lighting – McAdams Funeral Home Tuesday, December 6th @ 7 pm. To place your loved ones name on the Honour Roll please call 458-9170.

Couples for Christ New Brunswick invite all CFC Members and its Family Ministries to a Year End Gathering/Christmas Party. December 14th @ 7 pm. Stella Maris Community Centre. See notice at church entrances for more information.

Summary of your donations November 24th & 25th

St. Columba Church Site

Collection	\$ 1,371.46
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Sts. John & Paul Church Site

Collection	\$ 2,288.10
Pre-Authorized Debit (PAD)	\$ 866.23
Total	\$ 3,154.33

St. Dunstan's Church Site

Offertory (operating)

Envelope	\$ 6,498
Pre-Authorized Debit (PAD)	\$ 1,425
Loose	\$ 1,070
Total	\$ 8,993
Budget	\$ 8,888
Variance	\$ 105
Other (Bldg Fund, Cemetery, Poor, etc)	\$ 516
Kitchen Reno Donations to date	\$ 30,592

MINISTRY SCHEDULE DEC 8TH & 9TH

ST. COLUMBA CHURCH SITE

Greeter

Juanita Gaudet

Lectors

Sheila McCarthy

Bev Shannon

Eucharistic Ministers

Al Landry

Offertory

Cathy McCann

Danny McCann

Al Landry

ST. JOHN & PAUL CHURCH SITE

Lectors

Janice Leahy

Mike McIntosh

Offertory

Lorraine Bird

Eucharistic Ministers

Margaret Murray (CO)

Albert Murray

Isabel McDonald

ST. DUNSTAN'S CHURCH SITE

Lectors

5pm Veronica Saliendra
Cecilia White

9am John Denning
Theresa Akomode

11:30 Carole Dilworth
John Brennan

Eucharistic Ministers

Marie Costello (H2)
Felipe Serrano
Verna Shaw

Marg Denning (H2)
Kate Black
Pauline Arnold
Karen Kelly
Hughena Macneil

Maria Flores (H2)
Ramon Martillano
Chris McAloon
Robert Michaud
Noreen Vaillancourt

Mass for the Solemnity of the Immaculate

Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary will be celebrated at Our Lady of Fatima Church on Saturday, December 8 at 11:00 a.m.

Through Sts. John and Paul Church Site, 2 local families will be supported by our Parish this Christmas Season. There are lists in the Church entry where you can sign up to purchase items for the families. Gifts are to be unwrapped (can include wrapping paper with the gift if you would like), be clearly labelled as to who the gift is for, example - Family #111 Boy Age 6 months. Gift receipts are to be placed in an envelope clearly marked with the same description and so should Gift cards. Gifts are to be at Sts. John and Paul no later than December 9th at 11:00 am Mass. Thank you for lending a helping hand this Christmas Season.

Sts. John and Paul Church Site is hosting a Christmas Party for parishioners of our new parish on December 8th at 6:00 pm. Pot luck / Yankee Swap (limit \$10.00). Please RSVP to Lisa no later than Dec 2nd by email at coordinator.stsjohnandpaul@gmail.com It is an evening for the adults to relax, gather and have fun celebrating the season, so get that sitter lined up and we will see you there.

Refugee Sponsorship Meeting, Thursday, December 6th at 7 pm at Sts John and Paul Church Site: This is an invitation for anyone in OUR NEW PARISH who is interested. Before becoming a New Parish, all three parishes (St. Columba, Sts John and Paul and St Dunstan's) have been involved in the Sponsorship and 'Friending' Syrian Refugees. At this meeting we will share our experiences and then discuss some possibilities as we move forward as a new parish in sponsoring refugees. This will be a great opportunity for those who have been involved in any way to express what this experience has meant and for all interested persons to be engaged in discussing our next steps.

Sts. John and Paul Catholic Women's League Christmas Party December 8th at 11:00 am at the home of Mary Sorenson (Nasonworth). Yankee Swap (limit \$10.00) Pot Luck and if you would like to bring mittens, hats and/or socks for the shelters that is very much appreciated.

Advent Prayer Booklets - Please pick up one of the following Advent Booklets for yourself or your family to assist you on your Advent journey. They are on the tables at the entrances of the church.

1. **The Fathers Love - Henry Nouwen**
2. **Peace on Earth - Danielle Bean**
3. **Word Made Flesh - Gabrielle Johnson**
4. **Jesus The Savior Among Us - Pope Francis**
5. **Living Faith - Daily Devotions**
6. **Advent Calendars**

Children's Gifts to Pine Grove Nursing Home & Veterans Unit at DECH. Children (through their parents) are invited to bring gifts for residents during Advent. Please see notice with further information at the church entrances.

Advent: Trusting with Hope in a Loving God (Fr. John Jennings)

Traveling can be stressful. How often have we reached a turn in the road and had to make a choice on which turn to take, on a roundabout, which exit to choose, on a highway, which route to select? We might end up where we did not plan to go. That might not be good. On the other hand, it actually can be very good. Often, we discover that getting lost offers us wonderful new vistas and sights. What we thought was the “wrong” choice actually proved to be the best one.

Life is full of such choices and decisions. Often these bring a lot of grinding and worrying. The challenge is that as we look ahead to the decision, we cannot be entirely sure how it will all work out. The reality is we have to make decisions and choices. We cannot know the future nor can we have everything. When we make a choice, we have to let go of other options. And that is difficult.

Advent is always a new beginning, a move into a future yet unknown. Our Scripture stories start again, but in a new year. We go back to how our Christian story began but in the setting of a new personal story and a different community story. Again, we are called to anticipate our future with Christian hope. We hold to our faith in a God who loves us enough to come and share life with us.

The readings of this First Sunday of Advent reveal the difficulty of choices and changes. In the Old Testament reading from the Book of the Prophet Jeremiah (Jer.33:14-16), Israel is waiting for God’s action in their lives. God has promised never to desert them and to be with them even as they were in exile and bondage. The prophet utters words of encouragement. Though the future cannot be known, he calls on God’s people with words of hope. Like the dry branches in the desert or for us like the leafless trees as we enter winter, life will come again. What seems lifeless contains the seeds of new life and so we wait with the promise to come.

This Sunday, in Luke’s Gospel, we hear Jesus issuing an exhortation to his disciples. He calls them to remain in hope for the growing of God’s reign among them. It may seem that all they had around them was ending and they may look “with fear and foreboding” at what is happening. As discouraging and threatening as an unknown future may be for us, we cannot stay where we are. We must decide to move forward in hope, for we are God’s People and our God is with us always, bringing the promise of new life.

Are we a church, a community of hope-filled faith? Can we move forward into an unknown future with hope and trust? Do our lives and actions reveal our trust in a loving God?

Sts. John and Paul Catholic Women’s League will be holding their Annual Spring Luncheon on April 27, 2019 in the Family Center. Watch the bulletin for more details.

Sts. John and Paul Catholic Women’s League will be hosting a Ladies Day Retreat on March 23, 2019 in The Family Center. The guest Speaker is to be announced. Bring a friend.

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