

Saint Mary Magdalene Parish

St. Columba † Sts. John & Paul † St. Dunstan's
Fredericton Junction New Maryland Fredericton
Father Maria Arokiam Chinnappan ~ Father Bill Brennan

Phone 506-444-6001 Email: stdun@stdunstansparish.ca Office Hours Mon – Fri 8:30 am – 5:00 pm

December 23rd, 2018- 4th Sunday of Advent
December 30th, 2018- Feast of the Holy Family

Christmas Message from Fr. Maria: Dear friends, as we prepare ourselves to celebrate the greatest feast of all time, the celebration of Christmas, it is a reminder that God who was divine became human, just like you and me. He took our human nature which was weak and frail and sinful so that you and I can become divine like God.

As we celebrate this festival of Christmas, let it be a reminder of what Jesus did for us. He came down to become one like us. He came to reveal the love of God for us. The world now stands in need of God's love as two thousand years ago it stood in need of God's love because they were poor, sick, less privileged and sinners who were cured and made clean. Let the birth of Jesus reveal God's love to each one of us that we may carry the divine love to each one of us by sharing our gifts.

The spirit of Christmas is all about giving. It's all about sharing. It's a reminder of God's greatest giving, giving of His only Son. May we take part in that giving, in that sharing of God who was so generous in giving us His only Son that we may share and give ourselves to one another. And thus, let us bring to your mind people who have hurt you, people whom you are struggling to forgive. If you yourself experience so much love of God and the forgiveness of God then the greatest gift you can give to them is the gift of forgiveness. So, share your forgiveness to someone who has hurt you. If you do this you are going to experience God's tremendous peace in your hearts. I wish you all merry Christmas and may the infant Jesus be born in your heart to spread His love and mercy for others.
Fr. Maria Arokiam.

Christmas Message from Fr. Bill: It is a great gift when we get to know someone more deeply who we have not known before or have only known as an acquaintance. We become amazed at the person's unique character, imagination, dreams, fears, complexities and to most of all learn of the gift they are and have been to others. This has been my experience of our new merging parish of St. Mary Magdalene. We are of three faith communities of St. Columba, Sts John and Paul and St. Dunstan's who each have had a unique story and character where dreams have been dreamed and brought into reality, where programs have developed out of vision, imagination and working collaboratively with others, where Sacraments have been celebrated and brought healing, hope and new energy for mission to thousands. As new friends we are getting to know this amazing story that now belongs to us all.

We are beginning a journey of friendship, companionship, resourcefulness, collaboration, prayer and celebration together as a new parish and we are invited to be and become a 'Holy Family' and to imitate 'the Holy Family'. At Christmas we remember their beginnings and how, over time, these three unique persons grew and deepened in relationship with each other for the sake of bringing Christ's joy, peace, food, clothing, shelter, belonging, dignity and inclusion to all they met and reached out to. As we live our beginnings as the new parish of St. Mary Magdalene may we have the openness to know each other more deeply and work enthusiastically at forming bonds of love, respect and hospitality. May we imitate Mary Magdalene and look for the Good News of God's presence within and among us and proclaim it loudly to the world. Merry Christmas to everyone!

Christmas Mass Times

Christmas Eve - Dec 24th Sts. John & Paul 5 pm, St. Columba 7 pm
St. Dunstan's 5, 7, 9 pm, 12 midnight

Christmas Day – Dec 25th St. Dunstan's 10 am

New Year's Eve – Dec 31st Sts. John & Paul 5 pm

New Year's Day – Jan 1st St. Columba 9 am, St. Dunstan's 11 am



MASS INTENTIONS

St. Columba Church Site

Sun 23rd 9:00 am Loretta Birch

Christmas Eve

Mon 24th 7:00 pm For The Parishioners

Sun 30th 9:00 am DMs of McCann Family

Tues 1st 9:00 am Special Intention

Sts. John & Paul Church Site

Sun 23rd 11:00 am Marcellus MacDonald
and Paul Harriman

Christmas Eve

Mon 24th 5 pm Foreman & Wolstanholme Families

Sun 30th 11 am Bob Kenny

Mon 31st 5 pm Dr. Patricia Thorne

St. Dunstan's Church Site

Christmas Eve

Mon 24th 5 pm Lorne and Sarah McQuade
7 pm Andrew and Alphonse Christie
9 pm Florence and Albert Maillet
12 midnight Tim Dilworth

Christmas Day

Tues 25th 10:00 am John Thompson

Wed 26th **NO MASS**

Thur 27th **NO MASS**

Sat 29th 5:00 pm Joel & Isabel Mercer

Sun 30th 9:00 am Noreen McQueen
11:30 am Noreen Moar

Christmas Eve Mass in French will be celebrated on
**December 24th at 8pm, in Saint Mary's Chapel on
the Base in Gagetown** with Fr. Shawn Daley.

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

St. Thomas Chapel – Thursday's @ 7:30 am Mass

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

NECROLOGY

Dec 24	Artemas Knee	2004
	Violet Evelyn Adams	2008
	Andrew Michael Christie	2011
Dec 25	Eva Powers Cyr	2000
Dec 26	Donald Arthur Hashey	1996
	Roger Christopher McKay	2001
	Helen Evelyn Hughes	2004
Dec 27	Joseph Felix Caissie	1989
	Richard John Arseneau	1996
	Michael A Sarsfield MacAfee	2005
Dec 28	Helen Hind Ramey	1984
	Delcina Francois Hanies	1990
	James Layton Sullivan	1992
	Robert Hugh B. McLaughlin	2014
Dec 29	Cecil Perley Elliott	1990
	Sunvie Catherine Kelly	1994
	F Tracey Carten	1997
	Caroline Frances Graham	2002
	George Henry Tracey	2006
	Sarah Marie Adams	2013
Dec 30	Raymond J Burgoyne	1986
	Marie Doris Perry	2002
	Lloyd Douglas Burke	2005
	Hanora Kathleen Hurley	2006
Dec 31	George Lorne Grant	1998
	Helen Mary Kenny	2003
	Lillian Helen McIvor	2003
	Giovanni Persello	2008
Jan 2	Leslie DeLong	1988
	John David Smith	1996
	Luis Z. Magtibay	2007
Jan 3	Mary Noreen McQueen	2014
	Geraldine Gertrude Flynn	2015
Jan 4	Mary Josephine Gallagher	1990
	Msgr Joseph M Gallagher	1994
	Dennis Andrew Wolstenholme	1997
	Joseph Leander Guitar	2004
	Belva Louise Keohan	2007
Jan 5	Harold Peter Hughes	1999
	Helen Mae Morris	2009
	Annie Alice Swazey	2011
	Mario Jose Espejo	2014
Jan 6	Meladi Saad	1986
	Dennis James Gaskin	1994
	Josephine DeCoursey	1998

Faithful Departed

Lorna George, mother of Noreen (John) Brennan

Sanctuary Lamp

**In Loving Memory of
The Landry and Godin Families (Dec 23rd)
Joe Steever (Dec 30th)**

Summary of your donations December 15th & 16th

St. Columba Church Site

Collection	\$610.90
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Sts. John & Paul Church Site

Collection	\$ 1,100
Pre-Authorized Debit (PAD)	\$ 866
Total	\$ 1,966

St. Dunstan's Church Site

Offertory (operating)

Envelope	\$ 9,273
Pre-Authorized Debit (PAD)	\$ 1,425
Loose	\$ 1,342
Total	\$ 12,040
Budget	\$ 8,888
Variance	\$ 3,152
Other (Bldg Fund, Cemetery, Poor, etc)	\$ 3,745
Kitchen Reno Donations to date	\$ 30,612

2019 Offertory Envelopes

- The 2019 Offertory Envelopes are available to pick up at each church site entrance.
- Boxed envelope numbers for some parishioners will be changing in order to eliminate duplication between the three church sites; please make note of your assigned number. Please write your name, address and phone on the first envelope offered.
- Sts John and Paul Church Site Parishioners making offertory contributions by way of pre-authorized debits will not have to complete new agreements; your existing agreements are transferrable to the new Parish; note that your contributions will continue to accrue to the benefit of Sts. John and Paul church site.

Save the Date - Annual Catechist Retreat "I Believe...What?: Rediscovering The Creed" with Dr. Andrew Wilson. Villa Madonna January 25th-27th 2019. Cost \$175 (includes meals and accommodations). **Open to all ministries.** Further info Margot McAloon-Parker 444-

CONGRATULATIONS TO Mac Carter, winner of the CWL Raffle Quad Rocker, donated by Art Noseworthy.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE DEC 24TH, 30TH & 31ST

ST. COLUMBA CHURCH SITE

December 24th Christmas Eve - 7 pm

<u>Greeter</u>	<u>Eucharistic Ministers</u>
Judy and Frank Simpson	Judy Simpson
<u>Lectors</u>	<u>Offertory</u>
Danny McCann	Judy Simpson
Shelley Knorr	Frank Simpson
	Ken Simpson

Sunday, December 30th - 9 am

<u>Greeter</u>	<u>Eucharistic Ministers</u>
Sheila & Albert McCarthy	Bev Shannon
<u>Lectors</u>	<u>Offertory</u>
Gert Maynard	Albert McCarthy
Sheila McCarthy	Sheila McCarthy
	Ken Simpson

STS. JOHN & PAUL CHURCH SITE

December 24th Christmas Eve - 5 pm

<u>Lectors</u>	<u>Eucharistic Ministers</u>
Albert Murray	Georgina Jones (co)
Margaret Murray	Isabell McDonald
<u>Offertory</u>	Jackie Lovely
Ryan, Natalie, Liam and Amelia O'Shea	

Sunday, December 30th - 11 am

<u>Lectors</u>	<u>Eucharistic Ministers</u>
Courtney Mason	Karen Mason (co)
Helen McHugh	Bertha O'Leary
<u>Offertory</u>	Neyda Long
Lorraine Bird	

Monday, December 31st - 5 pm (New Year's Eve)

<u>Lectors</u>	<u>Eucharistic Ministers</u>
Courtney Mason	Georgina Jones (co)
Judy Ingram	Albertine Allport
<u>Offertory</u>	Karen Mason
Joe and Lauren Bouchard	

ST. DUNSTAN'S CHURCH SITE

Saturday/Sunday, December 29th & 30th

<u>Lectors</u>	<u>Eucharistic Ministers</u>
5 pm Tina Christie	Marie Costello (H2)
Phyllis Daigle	Patrick Tang
	Gracie Mersereau
9 am Esther Archibald	Kate Black (H2)
Jayne Nicki	Karen Kelly
	Heather Maillet
	Peter Maillet
	Pauline Arnold
11:30 Carole Dilworth	Ramon Martillano (H2)
Bev Woznow	Claire Leach
	Doreen Cormier
	Marie Costello
	Robert Michaud

St. Dunstan's Church Site, Christmas and New Year's Schedule is on the back of the bulletin.

Readings for December 24th & 25th

1st Reading	Isaiah 9:2-4, 6-7
2nd Reading	Titus 2:11-14
Gospel	Luke 2:1-16

Readings for December 30th

1st Reading	Micah 5:2-5a
2nd Reading	Hebrews 10:5-10
Gospel	Luke 1:39-45

CHRISTMAS EVE LECTORS AND EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS (St. Dunstan's Church Site)

CHRISTMAS EVE (Dec 24th)

LECTORS

5:00 Cassidy LaFrance
Bob Scott

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Marg Denning (H2)
John Denning
Kate Black
Jeannine Cochrane
Brook McLaughlin
Maria Flores
Felipe Serrano

7:00 Jennifer Flynn
Chris McAloon

Ramon Martillano (H2)
Verna Shaw
Karen Morris
Paola Marusic

9:00 Robert Michaud
Thelma Innes

Jayne Nicki (H2)
Pauline Arnold
Peter Maillet
Heather Maillet
Claire Leach

12:00 Patricia Kelly
Carol/Ethan Dilworth

Marie Costello (H2)
Mary McMahon
Marlita Chase
Karen Kelly
Gerard Keenan

CHRISTMAS DAY (Dec 25th)

10:00 Nancy MacAfee John Brennan (H2)
Noreen Vaillancourt Ramon Martillano
Doreen Cormier

NEW YEAR'S DAY LECTORS AND EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS (St. Dunstan's Church Site)

NEW YEAR'S DAY (Jan 1st) 11:00 am

LECTORS

11:00 Josie Mazzuca
Anne Savidge

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Rose-Anne DiGiacinto (H2)
Margaret Savidge

Refugee Sponsorship Meeting, Thursday,
January 10th at 7 pm at Sts. John and Paul Church Site:

This is an invitation for anyone in our
St. Mary Magdalene Parish who is interested.
At this meeting we will continue to discuss and
discern as we move forward in sponsoring,
friending and supporting refugees.

Next Parish Pastoral Council Meeting
Tuesday, January 8th @ 7 pm at
St. Dunstan's Church Site
Monsignor Boyd Family Centre.

THANK YOU!!

The Christmas Exchange has been an opportunity
for so many of us to journey together with 90+
families throughout our Advent Season. Thank
you for the great generosity of time, resources and
friendship that you have provided.

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Saturday @ 5:00 pm at St. Dunstan's
Sunday @ 9 am at St. Columba and
St. Dunstan's
Sunday @ 11:00 am at Sts. John and Paul
Sunday @ 11:30 am at St. Dunstan's

Websites: www.stdunstansparish.ca
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