

Saint Mary Magdalene Parish

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

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June 7th, 2020 - Trinity Sunday

Note from Fr. Bill and Fr. Maria,

This weekend the New Brunswick Government has given us permission to have Church Service of 50 people or less. We have been anticipating and preparing for this. So, this weekend we will be having Mass for those who have signed up. Many people have chosen at this time for their safety and the safety of others not to choose this option. This is certainly an option that we deeply respect. We need to know that everyone is dispensed from the Sunday obligation to attend Mass during this pandemic. However, we have enough people signed up to have the 5pm Mass on Saturday and the 9 am Mass at St. Dunstan's Church Site. As well, we will have the 9 am Sunday Mass at St. Columba Church Site and the 11 am Mass at St's John and Paul Church Site.

Those who have signed up are assigned a grouping with a 'color' to identify them. Each of them are being contacted by email or phone today (Friday) to give them their group color, Mass Time and Site as well as some clear directives they need to know about attending that are related to safety protocols.

In anticipation that as the weeks evolve there might be more people sign up and they will be placed in a 'color' group at the Mass at their 'Church Site' Preference. Since we can only have Masses of 50 people or less, we will possibly need more than one Mass at each Site (which is already so at St. Dunstan's). When there is more than one Mass at a Site then we will be rotating the schedule so the time of the Mass for your grouping could change from week to week. We will make sure everyone knows the schedule each week.

For those who are choosing to remain home, we will be live-streaming the 9 am Mass at St. Dunstan's site and then it will be uploaded to the Video on the website so you can watch it at your convenience. If you wish to receive Holy Communion in your vehicle, you can do so between 10:30 am and 11 am on Sunday at St. Dunstan's Site. Just drive in through the Tim Horton's Parking area on King St. and drive along the Monsignor Boyd Family Center building and toward the 3 car garage. Fr. Bill or Fr. Maria will be there.

If you wish to sign up for a weekend Mass in coming weeks, please contact the Parish Office by email (stdun@stdunstansparish.ca) or phone (444-6001).

Have a safe week and be well everyone,

Blessings,

Fr. Maria and Fr. Bill

Options for your offertory contributions available to you at this time.

1. Pre-Authorized Debit (PAD) you can make your donations through a debit at your bank on a weekly, semi-monthly or monthly basis. There is a PAD form below. You would have to fill out, scan and return via email along with a scanned copy of a voided cheque. Form available at <https://stdun7.wixsite.com/stdunstansparish>
2. Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) You can e-transfer your offertory at any time with this option, if you do online banking. You would use the following email address: stdun@stdunstansparish.ca

We regret we do not have the breakdown of donations for the past 3 weekends, hopefully it will be available in next weekends bulletin.



Readings for June 14th

1st Reading Deuteronomy 8:2-3, 14-16
 2nd Reading 1 Corinthians 110:16-17
 Gospel John 6:51-52

June 7th - Responsorial Psalm: Glory and praise, for ever!

Website: Michael Minifie, Business and Facilities Manager is designing a new Website that will be a St. Mary Magdalene Parish Website. We will inform you when it is in operation. This will reflect our new parish reality rather than having a St. Dunstan's and a St's John and Paul website. In the meantime, as you know, we are using the St. Dunstan's Website for all of our on-line and live stream events.

NECROLOGY

June 7	Alice Mary Higgins	1974
	Dagmar H Burgess	1988
	Laura Pauline Butterwick	1999
	Robert Joseph Stevens	2007
June 8	Dennis "Sr" Critchlow	1975
	Ronald Charles Hurley	1983
	Fanny Riva	1986
	Wilfred Hubert Francoeur	1996
	Peter John Jensen	1997
June 9	Jason Thomas McGilligan	1975
	Melissa Ann Kenney	1976
	Samantha Jane Kenney	1976
June 10	Anna Parmigiani	1988
	Joseph Leo Mullaly	1994
	William Kevin Morrissey	2003
	Edna Marie O'Donnell	2003
	Dora Lorraine Smith	2005
	Dean Gregory Landers	2017
	Emery Godin	2000
June 11	Fred J Desaulniers	1976
	Helen Elizabeth Kane	1976
	Celine Anne McGinty	1988
	John Tarr	1988
	Bridie McIntyre-Kelly	2007
	Christopher Kennedy	2009
June 12	Sylvia Mason	1975
	Earl Joseph Grant	1987
	Patricia Anna Jardine	1992
	Mary Irene O'Brien	1997
	Nicole Poirier	2000
	John Merlin Cogle	2005
	Ilona Mary Pader	2019
June 13	William Simcock Sr.	1974
	Joseph Stanley Boudreau	1992
	Ida Vinci	1992
	Arthur Vaughan Woods	2001
	William Bertram Tims	2005
	Saengwoo "Simeon" Lee	2010
	Emmett Joseph Burgess	2014

Outreach to Those in Need: During this Pandemic our local Food Banks, Fredericton Community Kitchen and Homeless Shelters are making tremendous efforts in providing for those in need. Our parish has been able to contribute to these through our Poor and Needy Fund that you contribute to regularly. We have been able to assist other efforts as well focused on the most vulnerable at this time. If you would like to contribute to any these programs just go to their website and follow directions on making donations to them.

**2019 Income Tax Receipts – Please call
or email the office if you would like to
have your receipt mailed to you
444-6001.**

**Trinity – The Mystery of God’s Hug
(Fr John Jennings)**

“I miss the opportunity to hug my grandchildren.” During our experience of Covid-19 these words have been a common refrain from grandparents. The closeness that we all long for in families and in friends has gone as we move into enforced distancing. This has been one of the losses in the course of the last several months. It is a necessary response to the virus, but still a loss.

We humans are social by nature. This is the way God made us and whether we are always aware of it or not, we seek to be with others. We strive to live in community. Rare is the person who can live life in full solitude. We need each other and we crave the relationships which come to us over our lifetime. In this we reflect the image of God.

As Christians, we describe our God as Trinity. This is one of the great “mysteries” of our faith. In faith, a mystery is more than just something we cannot explain. It is something the meaning of which we can never exhaust. Such a mystery takes us on a journey of discovery that will never end. In fact, we encounter such mystery in our own lives.

Think of any of our loving relationships from marriage, parent, to close friend. The closer the friendship, the more the mystery. We never fully know our partner. We struggle to describe or capture fully the meaning of such love. It is always beyond us. So, often we express in sign and action. In love, it is often in the hug or the kiss that we do this. But our love remains a mystery, always more to discover.

Our God is Trinity – Father, Son, Spirit. This is one of the deepest and the earliest beliefs of the Christian Tradition. It is also most expressive of our image of God. To have faith in God who expresses love and harmony, compassion and care, healing and comfort, is to have faith in the Trinity, a God who hugs us constantly to God’s own self, always and forever.

To see God as Mother or Father, a loving, life-giving parent is to see our God as the creative one, giving life to all that is. This is our God who gives and sustains life in all the universe. More than this, this is the God, who like a parent loves life into existence and supports it with this same inexhaustible love.

This loving, creating God has come among us in Jesus, the incarnation of God. So great is the love held in the heart of our God that it spills out in an overflowing flood as God takes on our humanity in the person of Jesus. God is ever with us, Emmanuel.

Such love cannot be just for a moment or a time. It is constant and forever. In the Spirit we are given the continuous hug of our God. We cannot win or lose it. God’s hug is ever with us, in our joys and sorrows, our good times and our bad. Like the hug of the mother, the embrace of the father, the love of our God, expressed in the Trinity has a warmth and comfort that draws us together. We are held in the heart of God. What an overflowing mystery! Truly, God’s hug.

During these days we all need to be conscious of what people are living with so we can be of assistance. We never know when we may need to know contacts for ourselves or others who need help, protection, safety and direction. Our Parish Bulletin is an instrument available to us to be informed. Domestic Violence is one such area to be well informed about and so please become familiar with the following:

The following community organizations are connections to provide support and guidance on how to recognize domestic or intimate partner violence, how to seek assistance if you are a victim, a child or a bystander who wants to help. The following organizations have professionals trained in how to assist and link people to the appropriate resources within our community. People who are in the midst of a threatening or violent event are reminded that 911 is the first option.

- Transition House for Abused Women and Children: 459-2300 (24 Hour Crisis Line), 457-2770 (Daytime Business Line)

- Gignoo Transition House: 458-1224 (24 Hour Crisis Line), 458-1236 (Daytime Business Line)

- Chimo Helpline (Provincial Crisis Line): 450-4357 or <http://www.chimohelpline.ca>

These organizations are open to receiving calls from any person seeking assistance.

Please continue to tune into the **Live Stream Mass** through our Website on Sunday at 10 am. It will also be uploaded to the Homepage so you can view it at another time. To live stream, google St. Dunstan's Church Fredericton and look for a 'click here' button right below the two Video Screens. The Mass will be uploaded to one of those Video Screens.

Live Stream Link to Website:

<https://stdun7.wixsite.com/stdunstansparish>

St. Mary Magdalene Facebook:

Other Links:

Daily TV Mass – <https://saltandlighttv.org/mass>

Weekdays at 9 am and 1 pm.

Diocese of Saint John for messages and updates from Bishop Riesbeck as well as the Daily Readings.

<http://dioceseofsaintjohn.org>

The following is a link to *The New Freeman*

<http://www.dioceseofsaintjohn.org/News/TNF-05-22.aspx>

CAMP SHELDRAKE:

As I'm sure many people are aware, due to the Covid-19 pandemic, even with the lifting of restrictions in New Brunswick, Camp Sheldrake is unable to open this summer. We need all the help we can get, in order to survive being closed for the first summer since we opened.

For the month of June, Camp Sheldrake is participating in the Great Canadian Giving Challenge. Here's how it works: for every donation made to Camp Sheldrake through www.campsheldrake.ca or www.givingchallenge.ca between June 1 and 30, will qualify us for an entry for the chance to win \$20,000! It's that easy and you can donate anything you wish, starting as low as \$3!

Not only will the donation give us an entry for the contest, but it will also help us out with staying afloat for another year. It's a win-win!

For more details, go to www.givingchallenge.ca

An Invitation from Bishop Riesbeck:

We are inviting people to participate in a Novena to the Holy Spirit in preparation for the Solemnity of Pentecost. Click or copy and paste the link below and you may participate beginning, Friday, May 22nd. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FM0c17IrFJQ>

FAITHFUL DEPARTED IN OUR PARISH COMMUNITY

<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE OF DEATH</u>	<u>FUNERAL HOME</u>
Frances Johnston	March 14 th	McAdams
Dave Taylor	March 24 th	McAdams
John Adams	April 11 th	McAdams
Margaret Doherty	April 14 th	McAdams
Leona (Parent) Boudreau	April 17 th	Bishops
Yvonne Murray	April 20 th	McAdams
Jack Dunlap	May 1 st	Bishops
Kevin Mott	May 1 st	Sunbury
Janet Donovan	May 24 th	Sunbury
Ryburn Budden	May 31 st	McAdams