

St. Dunstan's Roman Catholic Church

CORNER BRUNSWICK AND REGENT STREETS
FREDERICTON, NEW BRUNSWICK

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REV. BILL BRENNAN, PASTOR

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January 29th, 2017 – Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 2, *Feast of the Presentation of the Lord*, has been designated *World Day for Consecrated Life*. Within our 175th anniversary year, we remember with gratitude the twenty-three communities of Consecrated women and men who served our diocesan church over the years in the areas of health care, education, parish work, social work and more.

✠ Robert Harris, Bishop of Saint John

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.

Note to all parents of youth being Confirmed this year (any youth Grade 9 and older): Fr. Bill will be meeting with parents of Confirmation candidates on Sunday am, February 5th @ 10:00 am in the Helen O'Connor Gym (MBFC). This meeting is just for parents. The Grade 9's will be at their regular Faith Formation Class at this time. You will receive important information on the details of the special sessions we have in preparation for Confirmation and your important role in this process.

Now accepting, through to February 10th, 2017, applications for the position of **PASTORAL VISITOR AND COORDINATOR OF CATHOLIC VOLUNTEER VISITORS, DR. EVERETT CHALMERS HOSPITAL**, FREDERICTON, NB. QUALIFICATIONS, Knowledge of theological and health care matter, in good standing with the Church, Good communication skills, Emotionally stable, Willingness to accept training in Pastoral Care, Bilingualism is an asset. HOURS: 20 hours per week, A Stipend is offered for this position. Please send applications to: Shawn Daley, 715 Priestman St., Fredericton NB, E3B 5W7

The Spanish Mass will take place this Saturday, January 28th at 7:30 pm at the St. Thomas University Chapel in the Holy Cross House on Montgomery.

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: Zephaniah 2:3; 3:12-13

Gospel: Matthew 5:1-12

2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:26-31

† MASS INTENTIONS †

Wed	1 st	6:30 pm	Jane Fleming
Thur	2 nd	12:05 pm	Special Intention
Fri	3 rd	12:05 pm	Kay & Alfred Feeney
Sat	4 th	5:00 pm	Lois O'Donnell
Sun	5 th	9:00 am	C J Gallagher
		11:30 am	Mona McMullin
		7:00 pm	Dr. Patricia Thorpe

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 4th & 5th

<u>Lectors</u>	<u>Eucharistic Ministers</u>
5:00 Evelyn Pollard Mary Holland	Penny Hutley Dobson (H2) Verna Shaw Patrick Tang
9:00 Patricia Kelly Alice Coady	John Denning (H2) Marg Denning Heather Maillet Peter Maillet Pauline Arnold
11:30 Doreen Cormier John Brennan	Chris McAloon (H2) Noreen Vaillancourt Robert Michaud Jeannine Cochrane Doreen Cormier
7:00 Esther Archibald Paola Marusic	Marie Costello (H2) Carole Dilworth Tim Dilworth

January 21st & 22nd

Offertory (operating)	\$ 8,808.75
Budget	\$ 7,847.00
Variance	\$ 961.75
Other (Bldg Fund, Cemetery, Poor, etc)	\$ 1,129.00

Envelope User #105, 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

Jan 30	William Gaudet	1972
	Mary Irene Dineen	1985
	Madelon Helen Moran	1990
	Sybilla Mary Mabie	1994
	Josephine Marie Halahan	2003
	Henri Archille Darrell Boulet	2005
	Patrick James Burns	2005
	Helen Marie Ryan	2005
	Thomas Joseph Lavoie	2014
Jan 31	Sarah Slade Maloney	1981
	Joseph Alcide Frennette	1990
	Cavaliere Gaetano DiGiacinto	1995
	Stanislawa Lenarczyk	2002
Feb 1	Msgr Benedict J Murdock	1973
	Theodore Edward Dawson	1977
	George Leo Gallant	1988
	Gilberte O'Neill	1997
	Catherine Irene Foster	1999
	Murdock Walter Burns	2008
Feb 2	John J Gorman	1977
	Dr Hugh Alfred Warner	1991
	Custodio Braganza	1992
	Tanya Victoria Mary Barrett	1994
	Joseph Coleman Campbell	1994
	Attila George Janoky	1999
	Theresa Elizabeth Cusack	2002
	Michael Fitzgerald	2008
	Regina Burns	2012
Feb 3	Gisela Power	1979
	Edward James Malone	1983
	Madeline Marie DeMerchant	2001
	Margaret Patricia Grant	2003
	Margaret Kathleen Feeney	2004
	Grace Catherine Dineen	2008
Feb 4	Gerald J Finnegan	1971
	Robert Joseph Hatfield	1973
	Rev. Wilfred Joseph Mallette	1974
	Howard Richards	1975
	Winnifred Marie Desaulniers	1978
	Estella Martinson	1992
	Alfred J Feeney	1997
	Mary Ethel Gallagher	1998
	Mary Leona Keenan	1999
Feb 5	Eugene T McCarthy	1996
	Mary Patricia (Pat) Cale	1997
	Kathleen Wade	2003
	Genevieve Haimila Holland	2006
	Mary Christine Bradshaw	2008

Faithful Departed

Doralice Basque, wife of Joseph

Uma Ramiah, niece of Philomena Sishta

Matthew Lemna, nephew of Peter & Heidi MacLean

Readings for February 5th

1st Reading Isaiah 58:6-10
2nd Reading 1 Corinthians 2:1-5
Gospel Matthew 5:13-16



Sanctuary Lamp *In Loving Memory of Murdoch & Genevieve Tucker*

St. Dunstan's Parish Council of the Catholic Women's League will hold the first meeting of 2017 on Tuesday, February 14th, at 6:30 pm in the Mary Sullivan Room of the MBFC. We will be voting by secret ballot on the following two motions:

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.

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.

Hearts for Hospice Gala, February 11, Delta Hotel, Fredericton - Hearts for Hospice is a night of great food, dancing, and fun with all proceeds going to Hospice Fredericton. The Gala will take place at the Delta Hotel, Fredericton, on Saturday February 11 and will feature a sumptuous dinner, a live auction, dancing to the live band "Eight Track Mind", artist Amber Leger on site, prizes and more. Reception @ 6 pm and dinner @ 7pm. \$125 each (charitable donation receipt for a portion of the cost). Tickets available at the Hospice Boutique, Westminster Books, and at the Hospice House. Please call Lilia Cozzarini at 455-4411 or email lcozzarini@hotmail.com for more information.

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.

St. Theresa's CWL Luncheon Bridge ~ Thursday, February 16th at Noon at St. Theresa's Parish, 1 William St. \$40.00 per table. For reservations contact Joan Savoie at 459-3643. Storm date Friday, February 17th.

The Leo Hayes High School Safe Grad in partnership with the Nashwaaksis Y's Service Club will be holding a fundraising breakfast on February 4th, 2017 from 8 AM to 10:30 AM in the community room of Willie O'Ree Place. On the menu will be bacon, ham, eggs, home fries, beans, pancakes, toast, juice, tea and coffee all available for only \$8 for adults and \$6 for children. Please come out and support the Leo Hayes High School Safe Grad and your 2017 Grads by enjoying a great breakfast."

St. Francis of Assisi community breakfast on Saturday, February 11th from 8 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Adults \$6, children under 12 years, \$3.

The World Day of Prayer Bible Study - The Fredericton Women's Inter-Church Council is having the World Day of Prayer Bible Study on Monday, February 13, 2017 at 10:00AM at Forest Hill United Church, 45 Kimble Court, Fredericton just off Forest Hill Road. There is a sign just pass the St. Margaret Anglican Church on Forest Hill Road that points where Forest Hill United Church is on Kimble Court. Rev. Ali Anningson will lead the Bible Study. The Women of the Philippines have prepared the World Day of prayer event. The theme of this year is "Am I Being Unfair To You? People of all faith denomination are welcome and please bring a friend.

Revitalizing Our Diocesan Church: Identifying the challenges

Our Diocese of Saint John faces many challenges. This is not the first time we have done so. Since its beginning 175 years ago, we have lived through many eras of change, responding to the needs of the time. These periods, though challenging, proved to be opportunities, inspiring new ways of doing things - chances for growth and new life. As new peoples arrived on our shores and the population of our province grew there were new communities, new parishes and new chances to live and share our faith.

We in our diocese are now in a world that has changed significantly, even in the last 10 to 20 years. We notice our changing picture as we look around and see that our parishes are graying, with many older persons and fewer young people. Parents lament that their children no longer seem to practice our faith. In addition, we are seeing fewer youth in churches, as well as a declining number of children and youth in our religious formation programs.

It's evident that we cannot continue in the way in which we have been accustomed. Living faith is more than just attending Mass on Sundays. To live as a disciple of Jesus requires that we learn continually and that we enter into mission, sharing the Good News with others. Change is needed if we are to have thriving and active faith and life in our parishes and in the diocese as a whole. A revitalization of parish life and our own Christian life is essential. Our communities deserve more than a simple one hour on Sunday morning.

In each parish, the results of the Disciple Maker Survey taken in that community in early 2016 are being shared with the parishioners. This is intended to lead to reflection and discussion by the community at large, as well as in various groups in the parish, including pastoral councils, finance and administration councils, religious formation and other services and ministry groups in the parish.

Looking at the results of the Disciple Maker Index Survey and other diocesan resources, the challenges are obvious. The picture for each parish is reflected in the whole diocesan picture. Over the last five years, Mass attendance in the diocese has dropped by about 24%. The diocese of Saint John serves 84 churches (parishes & missions). Across the diocese the average Sunday Mass attendance at each site is 127 people.

We know that our province also has a declining demographic and an aging population. The result is that we now bury more people than we baptize. In some of our parishes this is more pronounced than in others, but the reality affects the whole diocese.

The process of revitalization and realignment on which we have embarked is aimed at bringing new life to our local Church. We will be called upon to see things differently and to respond in new ways, taking up the mission that Jesus gave to all of his disciples: share the Good News. We are challenged to become a local Church of mission, not maintenance.

Over the next months we will be given many opportunities to learn more about our mission and to become aware and involved in revitalizing our diocese. Please watch your parish bulletin, website and Facebook page for ways to be part of this journey. In addition, be sure to watch the website and Facebook page of the *Diocese of Saint John* for more information and opportunities for involvement.

<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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