Saint Mary Magdalene Parish

St. Columba † Sts. John & Paul † St. Dunstan's
Fredericton Junction New Maryland Fredericton
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January 13th, 2019 - Baptism of the Lord

Weekend Mass Times

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

Note from Fr. Bill and Fr. Maria regarding our financial merging into St. Mary Magdalene Parish: Although our financial resources are being merged into St. Mary Magdalene Parish, we have been asked by the Diocese to track revenues and expenses by worship site in order to have the best financial statistics in evaluating the viability and use of each worship site. This is why we have envelopes designated for each worship site and we will be counting the collection from each Mass separately. This month, January 2019 we will be combining the balance sheets of the three former parishes into the one, St. Mary Magdalene Parish. We will report our Income/Expense Statements as one (St. Mary Magdalene Parish), but will also have a report on each worship site. We now have one Bank Account under the name of St. Mary Magdalene Parish and all offertory cheques or other cheques to the parish need to be made payable to: St. Mary Magdalene Parish

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 444-6025.

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting has been rescheduled for Thursday, January 17th @ 7 pm at St. Dunstan's Church Site in the Monsignor Boyd Family Centre.

"Nacho New Year!!" Come and kick off the New Year. We'll be making nachos, exploring our Faith, plus a game or two. Bring a friend! Grades 6 and up. Friday January 25th from 7 - 8:30 pm Monsignor Boyd Family Center.

Pre-registration is required to help plan for supplies needed. Contact Karen Morris at karen@morris-photographics.com or Margot Parker at 444-6025 or fredreled@dioceseofsaintjohn.org.

<u>Children's Faith Formation</u> classes at St. Dunstan's Church Site resume THIS Sunday, January 13th, 2018 at 10:00 am.

'The only way you can fail at prayer is to not show up' ... Fr. Thomas Keating

Gospel: Luke 3:15-16, 21-22

2nd Reading: Titus 2:11-14; 3:4-7

MASS INTENTIONS

St. Columba Church Site

Sun 13th 9:00 am Fred McCarthy Sun 20th 9:00 am Artie Wilkes

Sts. John & Paul Church Site

Sun 13th 11:00 am For The Parishioners Mon 14th 9:00 am Vivian Greer Sun 20th 11:00 am Special Intention

St. Dunstan's Church Site

Wed 16th 6:30 pm Doris Hogan
Thur 17th 12:05 pm Mass of Thanksgiving
Sat 19th 5:00 pm Frank Forestell
Sun 20th 9:00 am John (Jack) Nolan
11:30 am Judy Stanley

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

Readings for January 19th & 20th

1st Reading Isaiah 62:1-5 2nd Reading 1 Corinthians 12:4-11 Gospel John 2:1-12

Saturday, Jan 26th from 2-4 pm in Ste. Anne's Court, Fredericton, Mary Ryan will be launching her two latest books, *Twenty Top tips From a Dandelion Growing in Asphalt, and Twenty-Six Life Lessons Taught by the Mouse in the House.* Books \$15.00. (Net Proceeds will go to Liberty Lane).

St. Anthony's Touched by Cancer Mass Friday January 18th @ 7 pm. Everyone welcome!

NECROLOGY

Jan 14	Vesta Jennie King	1990
	Harold William Chlow	1991
	Evelyn Elizabeth Eardley	1997
	Ana Lilian Rosales	2010
	James Lee (Jim) MacAfee	2017
Jan 15	William James Kennedy	1986
oun 10	Marie Louise Diana Bourque	1989
	Joyce Thelma Edwards	1989
	Catherine Nora O'Brien	1989
	Donald Edward Northrup	1994
	Lester John Whalen	1994
	Mariette C Blinn	1996
	Edward John Wilby	2002
	Marie Margaret Gallagher	2011
Jan 16	Thais Mary Connors	1997
	Richard P Creaghan	1984
	Harold Thomas Coyle	1997
	Gwendolyn Cavell Kileel	2004
	Mary Monica Robertson	2009
	Mary Sullivan	2013
Jan 17	Francis Joseph Legere	1977
	Miroslaus (Mike) Grzadka	1991
	Mary M Soucie-Matheson	2005
	Rita Innis Bent	2013
	Frank William Forestell	2015
Jan 18	John Trowbridge McEvoy	1970
	Terrance (Terry) Leo Doucet	1995
	Anthony Emerson Wilby	1998
Jan 19	Agnes Mary Gallant	1978
	Paul Carmel Levesque	2000
	Arnold Chase	2012
Jan 20	Vincent Dale LeBlanc	1979
	Rita Mary Gallant	1988
	Cecilia A (Boyd) Morrill	1995
	Anna Pearl Crowley	2000
	Elizabeth Anastasia Wood	2010

Sanctuary La<mark>mp</mark>
In Loving Memory of
Marcel & Eleanor Brzak

Knights of Columbus Monthly Community Breakfast: 170 Regent Street, on **Sunday, January 13th**, from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM. Cost: Adults \$ 7.00, children \$ 3.00, families \$ 20.00. Everyone welcome.

Summary of your donations January 5th & 6th

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St. Columba Church Site	
Collection	\$ 1

Sts. John & Paul Church Site

Collection \$ 666 Pre-Authorized Debit (PAD) \$ 866

St. Dunstan's Church Site

Offertory \$ 8,936 Pre-Authorized Debit (PAD) \$ 1,425

(Details will be in next week's bulletin).

MINISTRY SCHEDULE JANUARY 19TH & 20TH

ST. COLUMBA CHURCH SITE

<u>Greeter</u> <u>Eucharistic Ministers</u>

Eleanor McCann

Lectors

Lynn Butler

Eleanor McCann

Heather Shannon

Larra Bussell

Larry Russell

Eucharistic Ministore

Rose-Anne DiGiacinto

STS. JOHN & PAUL CHURCH SITE

LectorsEucharistic MinistersFred FarrellBertha O'LearyMary FarrellNeyda LongOffertoryJackie Lovely (CO)

Gwynfor & Georgina Jones

ST. DUNSTAN'S CHURCH SITE

<u>Lectors</u>	<u>Eucharistic iviinisters</u>
5 pm Catherine Harrop	Penny Hutley-Dobson (H2)
Verna Shaw	Felipe Serrano
	Linda Roach
9 am Jayne Nicki	Godwin Njoku (H2)
Cassidy Lafrance	Marg Denning
	John Denning
	Karen Kelly
	Mary McMahon
11:30 Chris McAloon	John Brennan (H2)
Robert Michaud	Carole Dilworth
	Jeannine Cochrane
	Doreen Cormier

Women's Inter-Church Council of Fredericton - World Day of Prayer Planning Meeting has been changed to Monday, January 28th @ 10am at Christ Church Parish Church, 245 Westmorland Street. (Wheelchair Accessible). World Day of Prayer will be held on March 1st., 2019.

Note from Fr. Bill regarding our Scent Free Pews at the St. Dunstan's Site: Scented products that we wear and launder our clothes with can make people with RADS (Reactive Airways Dysfunction Syndrome), asthma and allergies very sick and prevent them from attending Mass. In order to make our worship space at St. Dunstan's Site a safe and welcoming environment for them, we have designated the back two pews on the right-hand side (facing the altar) a 'SCENT FREE ZONE'. Please make sure Not to sit in these two pews if you are wearing perfume, cologne, aftershave, body sprays or clothes laundered in scented product. We have had these pews designated for many months now without much success of people adhering to this request. Thank you for your consideration and kindness in this regard. Should anyone with sensitivities to scent want to speak further with me to help us respond with our 'Best Approach', feel free to contact me through the Parish Office (444-6001).

Jenn Russell Big Band Bonanza Triple Step CDLaunch. Friday, February 1st from 8:00 pm to 11:30 pm at the Delta Fredericton. Tickets \$45 available at Tony's Music Box or Libertylane.ca or reserve a table of 8 at a discount by calling 451–2120. This fun elegant night of jazz music features Jenn Russell and her band, a dance floor, cash bar, silent auction and light hors d'oeuvres. This event proudly sponsors Liberty Lane.

CWL NEWS: Sts. John and Paul CWL Meeting we will be held at Sts. John and Paul on Sunday, January 12th. following the Mass in the Family Center. Meeting will begin at 12:15pm. All St. Dunstan's CWL Members are welcome to attend.

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. Special Collection Envelopes with your name are at the church entrance.

Baptism of the Lord: A Beginning: Baptism and Mission

(Fr. John Jennings)

Can you recall a time you began something new? Perhaps it was a course or a career? Perhaps it was a trip or a journey. Maybe it was a new relationship, a friendship or even a marriage. We set out on many adventures in our lifetimes. Each of these beginnings are marked by anticipation... and anxiety. What will we achieve? What will be the risk? What will it cost us to reach our goal? Can we even achieve our goal? Baptism can be seen in this light. It sets us out on a journey or an adventure. A better word might be **a mission**.

This weekend we celebrate the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord. It marks the beginning of Jesus's mission to bring the Reign of God into our world. The Gospel writer Luke tells us, (Luke 3:15-16, 21-22) Jesus walks to the Jordan River with others. All are filled with expectation and asking John the Baptist for baptism. John indicates someone was coming who would fulfill their hopes. After his baptism, Jesus comes up from the water. Luke tells us: "Heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended upon [Jesus] in bodily form like a dove." With this gift of the Spirit, Jesus begins his mission.

What is this **mission**? The short answer is that Jesus received the call to proclaim and make present the Kingdom or the Reign of God in our world. The whole meaning of the Incarnation, what we have just celebrated in the Feast and season of Christmas, is that in Jesus God shares in our humanity and our experience. There has been an entry of God into our world and our lives. The point of this entry of God is that God's Reign takes root and grows in the midst of creation and our human history.

And now the "So what" question. What difference does this make to us and our world? Fr. Richard Rohr in his online reflection for Jan.3, 2019 can help us here. He quotes theologian Brian McLaren: "For centuries, Christianity has presented itself as an 'organized religion' – a change-averse institution... that protects and promotes a timeless system of beliefs that were handed down fully formed in the past. Yet Christianity's actual history is a story of change and adaptation. We Christians have repeatedly adapted our message, methods, and mission to the contours of our time. (e.g. Vatican II)"

McLaren asks: "What might happen if we understood [Christianity] as creative, constructive, and forward-leaning?" In fact, this was the mission given to Jesus at his Baptism. It is the mission handed on to us at our own baptism. Our call is to be a faith community, an "organized religion" that models Jesus as we share his mission. And what is this model?

McLaren again: "Of the many radical things said and done by Jesus, his unflinching emphasis on love was the most radical of all. Love was the greatest commandment... – love for God, for self, for neighbour, for stranger, for alien, for outsider, for outcast and even for enemy." This was what we find in Jesus himself as he carried out his mission.

Our mission, received at baptism is to be an "organized religion", a faith community in this model. Like Jesus himself, we are to speak of love, live in love and plant, grow and nurture a world of love, mercy and compassion... for all.

What a reign, what a Kingdom, what a world! What a hope for our faith community!

D & P - World Day of Migrants and Refugees: Never have so many people fled war, persecution, natural disasters, extreme poverty, and development megaprojects. **It's time to step up!** In solidarity with the 68.5 million children, women, and men who have been forced to flee their homes, help us **Share the Journey**. **devp.org**



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NOTICE FOR THOSE ADMITTED TO DECH:

All those admitted to the DECH must register as Roman Catholic in order to receive visits from the Roman Catholic Pastoral Care Team. The <u>patient (or their next of kin)</u> may **call 5019** from their bedside phone to speak with an admitting clerk to do so. If there is any difficulty, please do not hesitate to contact the team coordinator, Meghan Gulliver at 447-4136 or by email at meghan.gulliver@horizonNB.ca or the Spiritual and Religious Care Department 452-5408.

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