

St. Dunstan's Roman Catholic Church

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August 19th, 2018 – 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

**REGISTRATION FOR FAITH FORMATION (K to Gr. 9) will be
Sunday, September 9th and September 16th following the 9 am and
11:30 am Masses in the Monsignor Boyd Family Centre
Mary Sullivan Room 120**

FAITH FORMATION CLASSES
will begin on Sunday, September 23rd 10:00 am.

Divorce Care at St. Dunstan's – Find Help, Discover Hope and Experience Healing, Support Group
Tuesday, September 11th from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm. In the Monsignor Boyd Family Centre, Room 123.
Call Jeanette at 458-9546 to register or for more information.

Mass Times for our newly merged Parish beginning September 1st & 2nd

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

Please note these Mass times will be evaluated in October.

The principle that we will continue to use in evaluating our Mass schedule will be from the directive given to each new parish from the Bishop on June 29th: " When scheduling Masses for each parish, two principles should be kept in mind. First, no priest may celebrate more than three regularly scheduled Masses on a weekend (this includes the anticipated Masses on Saturday and the Masses on Sunday). Second, parishes should not celebrate more Masses on a weekend than are necessary to accommodate the people. These two principles should lead to fuller churches for Sunday Mass with more people available for the various liturgical ministries."

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1st Reading: Proverbs 9:1-6

Gospel: John 6:51-58

2nd Reading: Ephesians 5:15-20

† MASS INTENTIONS †

Wed 22nd 6:30 pm Landry & Godin DFM
 Thur 23rd 12:05 pm Doreen Batchliger
 Sat 25th 5:00 pm Loretta Birch
 Sun 26th 9:00 am Anna Kilfoil
 11:30 am Camille Theriault

1st Friday Adoration 1:00 – 2:00 pm.

Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturday's 4:00 – 4:30

Legion of Mary – Tuesday mornings at 11:00 am
Natural Family Planning www.billings.life/en 450-9343

Lector & Eucharistic Minister Schedule August 25th & 26th

<u>Lectors</u>	<u>Eucharistic Ministers</u>
5:00 Spencer Smith Mary Holland	Krista Casey-Smith (H2) Curry Smith Verna Shaw
9:00 Catherine Harrop Marg Denning	John Denning (H2) Heather Maillet Peter Maillet Andrea McLaughlin Marg Denning
11:30 Mary Ryan Chris McAloon	Anne Macies (H2) Doreen Cormier Ramon Martillano Maria Flores Carole Dilworth

For the weekend of August 4th & 5th

Offertory (operating)

Envelope	\$ 6,211
Pre-Authorized Debit (PAD)	\$ 1,425
Loose	\$ 841
Total	\$ 8,477
Budget	\$ 8,888
Variance	(\$ 411)
Other (Bldg Fund, Cemetery, Poor, etc.)	\$ 1,822
Kitchen Reno Donations to date	\$ 30,522
(Operating deficit to May 31, 2018 is \$29,026)	

For the weekend of August 11th & 12th

Offertory (operating)

Envelope	\$ 6,021
Pre-Authorized Debit (PAD)	\$ 1,425
Loose	\$ 957
Total	\$ 8,403
Budget	\$ 8,888
Variance	(\$ 485)
Other (Bldg Fund, Cemetery, Poor, etc.)	\$ 789

NECROLOGY

Aug 20	Frances Theriault	1960
	Msgr. Michael O'Brien	1968
	Rev. Robert Burgess Fraser	1978
	Anna Belle Comeau	1984
	Frederick James Dugan	1985
	Antoine (Tony) Leger	1991
	M Eileen McGloan	1995
	Michael Landry	2000
	William Patrick Ryan	2012
Aug 22	Msgr Andrew L McFadden	1988
	Geraldine Emma Woods	1997
Aug 23	Delmas A Olts	1981
	Catherine A Keenan	1992
	Theresa Maria Tobin	1992
	Dorina Therese Nolan	1998
Aug 24	Rev. Robert Joseph Nugent	1984
	Theodore Levesque	1999
	Joseph Alcide Gaudet	2007
Aug 25	Patrick K Simpson	1970
	Henry J Llambias	1991
	Lucia DaCunha	2008
	Florence Louise Hughes	2005
Aug 26	Rev John F Ryan	1972
	James Joseph Pitcher	1989
	John Lukasik	2001
	Jean Alain	2009



Readings for August 26th

1st Reading	Proverbs 9:1-6
2nd Reading	Ephesians 5:15-20
Gospel	John 6:51-58

Note regarding offertory envelopes: If you forget to bring your envelope to Mass, or are visiting, please use an 'unnumbered' envelope which you will find in the pews or at the church entrances. Remember to write your name and address on the envelope so you will get credit for your donation.

For new parishioners requesting a box of offertory envelopes, they will be left on the table at the Regent Street entrance of the church with your name on the box. Welcome to St. Dunstan's.

Note from Fr. Bill: As we continue to explore the meaning and practice of discernment, I offer these gems by Dr. John Shea. The following are a sample of many reflection and discussion starters that accompany a book for adult faith formation *Following Jesus* by Dr. John Shea. Dr. Shea is a theologian, author, and storyteller of great renown both nationally and internationally.

“What thoughts do I have about the concepts presented: discipleship “is the way of self-knowledge and changes” and “development is paramount?”

“What is my understanding of the Good Samaritan parable? How does the parable influence how I live my life?”

“How does the message from Jesus to “Love our enemies, do good, and lend expecting nothing in return” reflect the inner condition of grace? How do they define what it means to follow Jesus? In what ways does this challenge my assumptions about following Jesus?”

“What does the phrase “action is triggered by inner communion with God” mean to me? How do I react to this statement? What prevents me from living out this teaching?”

“In the Sufi master story, Jesus is quoted as saying “I could only spend what I had in my purse.” What does this say about prayer?”

“What do I believe by the statement “Prayer is preparation for action?”

“The beginning of violence is the end of dialogue. Once we start to fight, we no longer have ears to hear each other. ” What are my thoughts on these statements? How might this affect how I live?”

“What does it mean to me to be grateful? How do I show gratitude? Who are some of the people in my life to whom I owe a debt of gratitude? How do I show gratitude for life itself?”

“What are some ways that images and preconceived ideas keep me from hearing God? What in my life keeps me from receiving God’s messages?”

“When Spirit that is received is given away, it is increased.” What does this mean? How might giving away something that I have increase what I have?”

R&R: Evangelizers Seeking Evangelization The Presence of God (Fr. John Jennings)

I was born into a family of Catholics, but also blessed with connections to several other Christian denominations. The elements of faith were handed on to me at an early age. But this faith was not fully developed at that point, nor is it fully developed now. In fact, I am sure it will never be fully developed. Faith is a journey of a lifetime. We are, all of us evangelized over and over again.

As disciples of Jesus, we are called to evangelize, to share the Gospel. But while we evangelize others, we are, ourselves constantly being evangelized. Being evangelized involves learning. Some of this is formal. It is what we hear in homilies, what we are given in religious formation as children and youths. If we are fortunate our parish will offer learning opportunities to us as adults – in adult faith formation opportunities – bible study, prayer circles, reading and discussion groups and in variety of ways.

Perhaps even more important than formal learning is the evangelization we experience through life with others. The people of our lives – parents, family, our parish, friends, neighbours, co-workers they evangelize us, even if they never realize it. They and the experiences with which we are blessed (and sometimes cursed), they share the good news of God’s love and presence.

This informal evangelization is significant. In fact it is what makes us into the persons and disciples that we are. Being evangelized is more about being formed as disciples by the examples of the people of our lives. And, it is this formation that we can pass on as we evangelize others.

This is what we see happening in the Gospels. Jesus taught by example. What he said was important. What he did and how he lived, however, was what told the real story. Disciples are formed by what we live. God continually reaches out and touches us in the experiences and persons of our lives.

The revitalized, living parish community that we long for is one that is evangelizing, sharing the Good News beyond itself. It is also a faith community that recognizes that we are always in need of being evangelized ourselves. Parish communities like this are open to all, caring and compassionate to all and ready to serve not just themselves but all those they encounter.

Pope Francis, reflecting on the role of the parish had this to say: “The parish is not an outdated institution; precisely because it possesses great flexibility, it can assume quite different contours depending on the openness and missionary creativity of the pastor and the community.” (*The Joy of the Gospel* 28)

The revitalized and renewed parish community is not about maintenance, but about mission. It is not content to protect the status quo, but seeks to reach out and take the faith and mission journey in new directions according to need. The revitalized parish recognizes that we are always in need of renewal, adapting to new and changing realities all around us. Then, we are true missionary disciples of Jesus.

Something to think about: As we join together in a new parish, with new members, how open are we to learn from each other and live as missionary disciples in our own time?

**Weekday Mass – St. Anthony's at 10 am on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday
(with the exception of 3rd Friday which is the Cancer Mass at 7 pm)**

Weekday Mass – St. Theresa's Parish at 12 noon on Wednesday and Friday

Weekday Mass - Our Lady of Fatima Parish at 11 am on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday.

St. Dunstan's Catholic Women's League upcoming events:

- ❖ **Supper Bridge**, Tuesday, September 18th @ 5:30 pm in the Monsignor Boyd Family Centre. \$48 per table. Contact Josie 455-5746 or Pat 206-0517 to reserve your table.
- ❖ **Prayer Breakfast**, Saturday, October 13th beginning with Mass at 9:00 am followed by breakfast in the Helen O'Connor Hall in the MBFC. Tickets \$8.00 on sale in the Parish office. Catered by the Knights of Columbus. Guest Speaker this year is Imelda Perley. Everyone is welcome to attend this event!
- ❖ **Annual CWL Retreat**, Villa Madonna Retreat House. October 9th to 11th. Facilitator Father David Ferguson. Cost \$184 (includes all meals and lodging). Commuters \$108 (includes all meals). All ladies welcome – you don't have to be a CWL member. Contact Louise O'Connor fegan@nbnet.nb.ca or phone 506-648-9059 to register. Deadline to register Sept. 24th.

SANCTUARY LAMP AVAILABLE DATES

Please arrange through the parish office 444-6001 ... \$10.00

Week of September 9th & 30th. Week of November 4th & 18th

Week of December 2nd, 9th & 30th.

Parish Secretary Position available at St. Vincent de Paul Parish in Oromocto. Hours of work: Monday to Friday 10 am to 2 pm. Contact Gisele at St. Vincent de Paul Parish Email svdp@bellaliant.com or 357-2593.

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