

Third Sunday Of Lent

March 23, 2014

"The water that I will give will become a spring of water gushing up to eternal life."
– John 4.5-42

When there is a funeral at "either" Holy Trinity or St. Joachim's, our regular 12 noon Mass will be cancelled and the Mass intention rescheduled for another day.

MASS SCHEDULE THIS WEEK

Wednesday	March 26	12 noon
Friday	March 28	12 noon
<u>Saturday</u>	March 29	4:00pm
<u>Sunday</u>	March 30	11:00am

MASS INTENTION

Alden Watson
Kenneth Landry
For All Parishioners & Their Intentions
Doug Murphy

Last Week's Offertory Collection

<u>Parishioners Using Envelopes:</u>	284	<u>Average Envelope Donation:</u>	\$19.29
<u>Parishioners Using PAD:</u>	46	<u>Average PAD Donation:</u>	\$20.21

79	Regular Envelopes	\$1,524.00
	Loose Donation	\$229.00
	Pre-Authorized Debit	\$929.54
8	Debt Fund	\$175.00
3	Easter Flowers	\$50.00
4	Missions In Canada	\$60.00
1	Food Bank	\$20.00

<u>Last Weekend's Total</u>	\$3,017.54
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Father Peter Thanks Everyone For their Generosity

Easter Flower Memorial

We are asking for your assistance as we decorate the church for Easter. We encourage you to make a donation towards our Easter flowers in memory of a loved one. Simply **print** the name(s) of those you would like to remember **on an envelope**. Please also indicate that the envelope is for "**Flowers**", and include your envelope number. The names of all those being honored will be included in our Easter bulletin. Deadline for submission of names is Sunday, April 13th.

Adult Religious Education Program - "The End Times"

The second religious education program for adults this winter is a six-week video series on "The End Times". Some of the topics touched on in this series include the anti-Christ, the final tribulation, the rapture, bodily death, general judgment, purgatory, heaven, hell, the second coming of Christ, the end of the world, the end of time, bodily resurrection, final judgment and universal restoration. This six-week series is currently being presented each Thursday, 7pm, during Lent in the Saint Joachim's Parish Center concluding on Thursday, April 10th. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend.

Church Supper

St. Joachim's will be holding a home-style Turkey Supper on Sunday, March 30th from 4pm - 6pm in the Parish Center. The cost is Adults \$12; Seniors \$10; Students \$5 and Children under 5 are free.

Tickets will be available at the church entrance before and after the Saturday and Sunday Masses, or during the week at the St. Joachim's office between 1:30 - 5pm. Get your tickets early as only 150 will be sold. Hope you can join us.

Petition Against Abortion Funding

Parishioners are being encouraged to sign an online petition against the New Brunswick government providing funding for abortions at the Morgentaler Clinic in Fredericton. The petition, and more information on it, can be found at the following website:
<http://www.citizengo.org/en/5514-do-not-fund-abortion-demand-morgentaler-clinic-fredericton-nb?tc=gm>

Community Reconciliation Celebrations

During Lent, there will be two Community Reconciliation Celebrations followed by individual Confessions that will be held in Saint John. The first will be held on Sunday, March 30th, 2pm at Our Lady of the Assumption, Dufferin Row. The second will be held on Sunday, April 6th, 2pm, at the Cathedral, Waterloo Street. Everyone is welcome to attend.



Spring Fever Craft Market/Expo

There will be a Craft Market & Expo held on Saturday, April 12th, from 10am - 2pm, at Saint Joachim's. Admission is **FREE**, so why not stop by to pick up some unique Easter or Mother's Day gifts! There will also be Door Prizes and a canteen. For more information, contact Connie Loughery (833-4697 or crloughery@xplornet.ca). Hope to see you there!

Lenten Stations Of The Cross

A community celebration of the Way of the Cross will take place in the church immediately following Friday 12 noon Mass during the Season of Lent.

Daily Mass

For those who would like to attend daily Mass each day during Lent, Holy Trinity offers Mass on Tuesday and Thursday at noon.

Chrism Mass

Bishop Robert Harris invites everyone to attend this year's Chrism Mass to be held on Tuesday, April 15th, 6:30pm, at the Cathedral. The full text of the Bishop's is available on our website and on the bulletin boards in the foyer of the church.

Gift Shopping

Throughout the year, please keep our Catholic Bookstore in mind for gift-giving ideas. The bookstore is located at 48 Waterloo Street and carries a wide range of items.

Memorial Plaque

Spots are still available on our Memorial Plaque for those who wish to remember a deceased loved one. It is only \$200/plaque, for which a tax receipt will be issued. All proceeds are going towards the repayment of the parish debt.

The following are two suggestions you may wish to consider for wording on a plaque:

In Memory of our Loving Parents Bob & Judy Smith

In Loving Memory of my Sister Mary Jones

We are reasonably flexible on the wording; however there is only so much space on each plaque. To request a Memorial Plaque, or if you want more information, please contact the parish office (653-6852 or office@saintjoachims.com).

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SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptisms are celebrated on the first Sunday of the month at 12:30pm for parish families and those living within the boundaries of our parish. To make arrangements, please contact the office.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE / RECONCILIATION

Confessions are celebrated in the church every Saturday from 3pm - 3:30pm, or at other times if you would like to make an appointment by speaking with Father Peter.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

To reserve our church for a wedding, couples must first make an appointment with our pastor to discuss their plans and complete the pre-nuptial investigation forms. At least a six month notice and taking a marriage preparation course is a requirement. Because of our Pastor's schedule for two parishes, weddings cannot be celebrated any later than 1pm on Saturday.

SACRAMENT AND MINISTRY TO THE SICK

If there is a family member or relative in the hospital who would like to receive a visit from the Pastor, please inform Father Peter. Also, please let Father Peter know if there is someone sick or confined to their home who would like to receive a visit, receive Holy Communion, or be anointed with the Sacrament of the Sick.