

Fourth Sunday Of Lent

March 30, 2014

"The man who was blind washed his eyes and came back able to see."

– John 9.1-41

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

MASS INTENTION

Wednesday	April 2	12 noon	Rev. Keith Nielsen
Friday	April 4	12 noon	Jack Maxwell
<u>Saturday</u>	April 5	4:00pm	Shirley Collette
<u>Sunday</u>	April 6	11:00am	For All Parishioners & Their Intentions

Last Week's Offertory Collection

<u>Parishioners Using Envelopes:</u>	284	<u>Average Envelope Donation:</u>	\$18.86
<u>Parishioners Using PAD:</u>	46	<u>Average PAD Donation:</u>	\$20.21

90	Regular Envelopes	\$1,698.00
	Loose Donation	\$289.95
	Pre-Authorized Debit	\$929.54
2	Debt Fund	\$15.00
3	Missions In Canada	\$20.00
1	Food Bank	\$20.00
4	Easter Flowers	\$90.00

Last Weekend's Total \$3,062.49

Father Peter Thanks Everyone For their Generosity

Parish Supper

Thanks to all the parishioners and others who have volunteered to help with our parish dinner this weekend. The tickets sold out in advance and it should be an overwhelming success! We hope to have other such community events in the future.

First Friday Holy Hour And Mass

The monthly First Friday Holy Hour will take place at St. Joachim's on Friday, April 4th, from 11am - 12:30pm. The Holy Hour begins at 11am and will consist of exposition, adoration, and benediction of the Blessed Sacrament; concluding with 12 noon Mass.

Chrism Mass Volunteer

Fr. Stephen is looking for an individual to attend this year's Chrism Mass on Tuesday, April 15th, 6:30pm, at the Cathedral, to receive the sacred oils from the Bishop on behalf of the parish. If you are interested, please speak to Fr. Stephen (653-6842) as soon as possible. Thank you.

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.

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.

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.

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 crcloughery@xplornet.ca). Hope to see you there!



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 today, 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.

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.

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>

Card Game

There will be a "Keep Your Partner" afternoon of Auction 45s on Sunday, April 6th, 1pm at the Assumption Center, Chapel Street. Tickets are \$10/couple and are available by calling John (672-1419).

Summer Camp

If you are interested in sending your child to summer camp, brochures for Camp Sheldrake, located near Miramichi, are available in the foyer of the church. More information on the camp can be found on their website (campsheldrake.ca).

Friday Night Cards

St. Pius X is hosting 45's every second and fourth Friday of the month. Doors open at 7, games begin at 7:30pm. Admission is only \$3/person with a light lunch and 50/50 draw.

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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.