

PLANT A ROW FOR THE HUNGRY

Food Banks and soup Kitchens face a daily struggle in getting enough food to address the growing needs of their communities. Gardeners are invited to plant an extra row in their garden and donate the harvest to the Food Bank or Romero House.

Diocesan News

May 21 - The monthly Mass for those living with cancer will be celebrated at 6:30 p.m. at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception. Anointing of the sick will be offered.

May 29 -Retreat – **Two Days** at Villa Madonna, Rothesay, NB

May 29th - 10:00 a.m. to Thursday, May 31st breakfast included or June 1st - 10:00 a.m. to Sunday, June 3rd Breakfast included. An experience of solitude in the company of others. Retreat is half price for new retreatants. All Welcome. For information call Doreen 642-3152 or email: doreenm@hotmail.com

May 31 - A choral concert featuring the Saint John High School Concert Choir, Men's Chorus, Girls Choir, Jazz Choir and Madrigal Choir to be held at 6:30 p.m. at Holy Trinity, 348 Rockland Road. The choir of 75 students, directed by Patricia Gallagher, sings in a multitude of genres and languages reflecting the diversity of the ensemble. Free will offering.

June 1 – 3 – The Atlantic Marian Gathering will take place at a new location at St. Vincent de Paul Church 320 Flying Cloud Drive Cole Harbor Dartmouth Nova Scotia. Theme: Mary’s Motherly Love and Care in Today’s World. Visit the website to learn more about the weekend www.mariangatheringhalifax.com.

June 6 - Saint John Right to Life is holding their Annual Meeting and Dinner, at Stella Maris Church on Bayside Dr. at 6:00 p.m. Turkey Dinner \$20 for ticket which you can pre-order before June 5th by phoning the Centre at 657-3771. Everyone Welcome.

Pre-Authorized Debit System - If anyone would like to start this system of donation, forms are available in the foyer. Please fill out and drop in collection basket in an envelope along with a VOID cheque.

If you are new to the Parish we would like to hear from you, or if you are leaving the area, please let us know.
Register Update:
Please fill out this form and put it in collection basket or give to greeter. Thank you for helping to keep our records up to date.
Name _____
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New in Parish _____ email: _____ Moving out of _____
Moving within the Parish _____

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MISSION STATEMENT

From three communities and beyond called into one to be Word of God. In a spirit of friendship, sharing of life and energy, faith and appreciation, we commit ourselves to accepting all who come and to be present to them, and from our gatherings open ourselves to our neighborhoods and to the wider church.

Pastor: Father Owen Burns

**Mass Times: Sat. 5 p.m.
Sun. 9 a.m. & 11:15 a.m.**

Parish Council Chair – Pat Carey

Baptism, Marriage, Catechetical Ministry - contact office.

Reconciliation - Sat. after Mass or by appointment

May 19th – 20th, 2018 Pentecost

Acts 2 1-11 1 Corinthians 12 3b-7 12-13 John 20 19-23

May 26th – 27th, 2018 Trinity Sunday

Deuteronomy 4 32-34 39-40 Romans 8 14-17 Matthew 28 16-20

“There are different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same Spirit; there are different forms of service but the same Lord; there are different workings but the same God who produces all of them in everyone.” – 1 CORINTHIANS 12:4-6

All of us are blessed, regardless of our own individual circumstances; God has given each of us many gifts. How we use those gifts is our gift back to God. For God’s plan to work, each must do what we are called to do and guess what – we are not all called to do the same thing!

Announced Masses

Tues.	May 22	9:00 a.m.	Ernie Blanchard
Wed.	May 23	6:30 p.m.	Elizabeth Jardine
Thur.	May 24	9:00 a.m.	Sandra MacInnes
Sat.	May 26	5:00 p.m.	Blamid & Frank Daley & Family
Sun.	May 27	9:00 a.m.	For Parishioners
		11:15 a.m.	Jean & Anthony Toner (Anniv.)

There will be no Mass on Victoria Day, Monday, May 21st

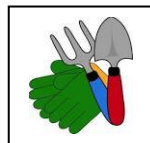
Scheduled Events – May 21st – 27th

Date	Event	Time	Location
Mon. May 21	Rosary	7:00 p.m.	Chapel
Wed. May 23	Brownies	6:30 p.m.	Hall
	Revitalization meeting-all welcome	7:00 p.m.	Church
Thur. May 24	Alpha Training	6:30p.m.	Hall
Sun. May 27	Pathfinders	7:00 pm	Hall

Vision of a Revitalized Church

A parishioner information session on the revitalization is scheduled for Wednesday, May 23rd following the evening Mass. A period of prayer and conversation around the vision of a revitalized church.

Church Grounds Spring Cleanup Tuesday, May 22nd 6:00 p.m.



Many hands are needed to spruce up the Church and Rectory grounds. If possible bring gloves, rakes, garden tools and push brooms. Call Wilf for more information 848-0896.

Home Visits

St. Mark's Church now has a new ministry in place for making home visits to parishioners who feel isolated from the parish activities due to health, mobility or other difficulties. If you would like a visit from our team or you know someone who would appreciate a visit call Dianne at the church office 849-5111.

Religious Formation - 849-5111

Coordinator – Wendy Ellis 849-8162
Email: stmarksreled@bellaliant.com

March for Life - May 24

Bishop Harris will offer a Mass for Life at 10:00 a.m. at St. Dunstan's Catholic Church, Fredericton. The March for Life gathering at the Provincial Legislature grounds will begin at 11:30 a.m.

Palliative Care Prayer Vigil



St. Mark's CWL is sponsoring a prayer vigil for Palliative Care on Thursday May 24 beginning with Mass at 9:00 a.m. with activities to follow in the church (ending at 2:00 p.m. All parishioners are invited; brown bag lunch. Call Denise to register at 847-7258 or e-mail at annies06@nb.sympatico.ca.

REVEALED - Steubenville Atlantic Youth Conference

Steubenville Youth Conferences, a series of North American conferences, brings 50,000 teens and their leaders closer to Christ every summer. Steubenville Atlantic 2018, in Halifax, is presented in partnership with the Archdiocese of Halifax-Yarmouth and the Franciscan University of Steubenville. Conference dates are July 6th – 8th. All ages 14-18 are welcome. Cost: \$325 (transportation included). If you are interested in attending Steubenville Atlantic, please contact Mary Alice Glasgow 653-6829 or sjreled@dioceseofsaintjohn.org

From the Handbook of the Mass

The Chasuble
The presider at the Eucharist, the priest, wears a chasuble, as his outer garment. The word "chasuble" comes from the word *casa* which means "shack" in Latin and "home" in Italian. During the celebration, he will act in the name of somebody else: in the name of Christ. It is as though he was putting on Christ's clothing. During the Mass, beyond the person of the priest, there is always Christ to be discovered. The priest was ordained to represent Him.

Required Weekly	\$ 5,555.00
Sunday Collection, May 13 th	\$ 4,471.05

Automatic Debit System

Offertory giving is not about the money only, but is part a total decision of stewardship.

Over the centuries the Offertory envelope has become a "tool for giving." Now modern technology is providing us with a new tool.

*Generally those who prefer to do online banking tend to also prefer to make their charitable gifts electronically.

*For many Catholics of today the intention to give may be present, yet the busyness and mobility of life might prevent an individual from remembering an envelope or being physically present at the Mass.

*Electronic giving would allow that "intention to be generous" to be realized.

*Electronic giving would allow parishioners to truly follow the stewardship call to "give off the top" or "give first" since the donation could be automatically deducted before any other spending might diminish that intended gift.

*Electronic giving is a more reliable way to give, reflecting the mobility of our society and allowing parishioners to still participate in their parish Offertory even when they may be traveling.

For more information or to arrange a weekly, bi-weekly or monthly automatic debit to your account please call Dianne at the office 849-5111, or Peter McGinn, 849-3174.

Yard Sale June 9th 9:00 a.m. – noon



When you are cleaning your attic, basement, and closets, remember we can use books, ornaments, household items as well as clothing. **NOTE: No baby furniture ex. cribs or car seats. No electronics ex. computers or TV's. Items must be clean and in working order.**

Drop off Thursday & Friday, June 7th & 8th from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. ONLY. Helpers are needed Thursday, Friday and Saturday, please call Rose, 849-7364, or the office if available to help.

Due to lack of storage room in the church basement, do not drop off items earlier than specified above.

Are you new to St. Mark's Church?

Would you like to find out more about the activities and different ministries that take place in our church. Call Andrea MacLean-Holohan 847-8127 from our Newcomers ministry, she would welcome any questions you may have.