

Religious Education

We've come to the end of another year of Religious Education Classes at St Matthew's worship Site. This year, we saw 15 of our young people receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, 11 received the Sacrament of Communion for the first time, and 2 had their First Reconciliation.

The "Sacramental Years" , year 2, year 3 and year 8 saw a resurgence of registration, but I'd like to remind everyone that, just as in public school, all learning doesn't take place in the so called "special' years, all of the classes provide a foundation for the more intense learning leading up the actual ceremonies. Regular attendance to Religious Education classes throughout the formative years provides our young people a familiarity and comfort level with their spiritual home, and a basic knowledge of the prayers, rituals and background of our Faith, making it possible for them to better understand the Sacraments they will be receiving.

We may be making some changes in the program for next year based on attendance numbers for this past year, and although the existing time and day seem to be our best available option, we may be able to reschedule the Sacrament of First Reconciliation earlier in the year, since that was the year that particularly suffered from extracurricular activities which focused on the second school semester.

Starting later in the summer, please watch the website and bulletins for notifications regarding registration for next year's program, and all participants registered this year will receive an email at the appropriate time. Meanwhile, I encourage you to help your child learn your own family's personal Faith traditions, and practice the Prayers they can, for example, The Lord's Prayer, The Sign of the Cross, The Hail Mary, and as they get a bit older, The Apostle's Creed and the Act of Contrition.

Linda Spinney
Religious Education Coordinator
St. Matthew's Worship Site

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY TO ALL MOTHERS AND MOTHER FIGURES

HOLY SPIRIT PARISH PHOTO ALBUM

UNIVERSAL STUDIOS

The photo team from Universal Studios will be returning on June 14th at St. Matthew's Hall for any one from **both worship sites** who did not get their photos taken due to schedule conflicts. Please call **1-888-769-7339 Ext 1** to book an appointment with Brenda. It would be wonderful to have as many parishioners as possible included in this photo album. **If you haven't had your photos done please call now to book.** Contact Pattie Blake @ 738-8264 to submit your ministry/group photo.

YEAR END REPORT – our goal is to have the report ready for distribution within the next 2 weeks. We are still waiting for a couple of reports.

K of C Council 9176 - Wednesday Night Crib at St. Matthew's Worship Site Hall Wednesday Evening @ 7pm. All are welcome!

K of C Council 9176 – Brunch on May 26th from 10:30am – 1pm at St. Matthew's Hall. \$7 per adult, \$3 for children. Spread the word – all welcome!

CHASE THE ACE – Stay tuned for info on the next round of Chase the Ace.

Holy Spirit Rectory Hall Prayer Shawl Ministry every Wednesday from 10am – 1pm in the Rectory Hall on the Nerepis Road, Grand Bay-Westfield. Contact Joanne Spencer – 506-486-1800

St. Rose Place Prayer Shawl Ministry – Every Wednesday from 12:30 – 2:30pm. All welcome – please note changed to Wednesdays!!!

Bible Study – The bible study group meets at St. Rose Place every 2nd Monday evening of the month from 7pm – 8:30pm. For more information contact Jim @ 651-1689 or Tilda @ 672-5046.

Ministries List for St. Rose Worship Site - It is time to prepare the summer schedule, July to September. Please let me know if you are going to be unavailable and when. **We welcome new people** to be of service in our church. Consider signing up for any of the ministries. You can e-mail or call Helen. azor@nb.sympatrico.ca 674-1548 or Contact the office at 653-6850

New Website – it has come to our attention that some people have found it difficult to access our website or be able to see the complete bulletin. We have addressed this problem. If you encounter an issue please call the office and we will have the problem addressed by our web designer – Matthew Tingley.

Mary Alice Glasgow, Regional Coordinator of Religious Education, invites you to her May workshop – “Ecological Crises? Says Who” on Tuesday May 14th (2-4 pm) or Saturday May 18th (10 am – noon). Select one time only. The workshop is based on the last paper of her Master's Degree. Come and learn what she learned about Religious Education, Abrahamic Faiths and Ecology. Prior registration is required. Please register via mahglasgow@bellaliant.net or 506 849 6392 or stmarkschurch@nb.aibn.com or 849-5111 by May 13th.

Spiritual Spring Cleaning: Making room for Spirit – At this time of year, many of us are cleaning our homes after a few months of everything being closed in. Simultaneously, on tv and through books, much emphasis is on the benefits of ‘decluttering’ our living and working spaces. What about considering our spiritual journey ... what needs ‘cleaning’? Where haven't we looked in a while? As we move things around, what will we find? What do we need to let go of? What can we reclaim? All of this to make room for Spirit. Let's connect all of this to the Pentecost story, the one that reminds us that Spirit abides and moves within us. Two opportunities offered through the Adult Faith Formation Office, facilitated by Claudette Derdaele. Join us at St. Dunstan's church in Fredericton Tuesday, May 28th, from 6:30 to 9 pm. or Villa Madonna Monday, June 3rd, from 6:30 to 9 pm. To register, please contact Claudette at cderdaele@dioceseofsaintjohn.org or 506-386-7012.

MASSES

May 14, 2019	Tue	St. Matthew's Worship Site	7 pm	NO MASS
May 15, 2019	Wed	St. Matthew's Worship Site	9am	NO MASS
May 16, 2019	Thur	St. Rose of Lima Worship Site	12:10pm	NO MASS
May 18, 2019	Sat	St. Rose of Lima Worship Site	4pm	Leo Buckley Ralph McGee
May 19, 2019	Sun	St. Rose of Lima Worship Site	9am	Hazel Palmer Kayla Anderson
May 19, 2019	Sun	St. Matthew's Worship Site	11am	John Paul Jeffrey

PRIEST RETREAT: In the bulletin you will see there are no weekday Masses. This is because the priests of the diocese will be on retreat at the Villa Madonna Retreat House.
Please pray for us during this time.

Revitalization Committee Meeting – Wednesday May 15, 2019 @ 6pm – St. Matthews Worship Site

Holy Spirit Parish Feast Day – Our feast date is Pentecost, June 9, 2019 – Please stay tuned for up and coming information

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 1st COMMUNION CANDIDATES – They are the first to be receiving this Sacrament from our new Parish.

Collection Holy Spirit Parish
 May 04 & 05, 2019
 Regular - \$3,800.00 Loose - \$355.95 Building Fund - \$1,878.85
 PAD - \$4,073.00 PAD Buildings - \$446.00
Thank you for your generosity!

*This weekend we welcome into our faith community through the Waters of Baptism
 Christopher Lawrence Carr*

Holy Spirit Parish

St. Matthew & St. Rose of Lima Worship Sites

May 12, 2019

“When we have the Holy Spirit we have all that is needed to be all that God desires us to be”

OFFICE HOURS

Mon & Tue: St. Matthew Worship Site: 9 am to 4 pm
 Wed & Thurs: St. Rose of Lima Worship Site: 9 am to 4 pm
 Office Number - 738-2320 Office Number - 653-6850
 Friday: both offices closed

CONTACT INFORMATION

Email: holyspiritparish@nb.aibn.com

Pastor – Rev. David J Martin

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 Civic Address: 45 Dollard Drive
 St. Rose of Lima Worship Site – (506)653-6850 Fax: (506)653-6865 Website www.holyspiritparish.ca
 Civic Address: 541 Milford Road

**Confessions - The Sacrament of Reconciliation 3:15pm Saturday's at
 St. Rose of Lima Worship Site**

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CONTACT INFORMATION

St. Matthew Worship Site – Please contact Linda Spinney at 486-2144 or email her at linspin@nbnet.nb.ca
 St. Rose of Lima Worship Site – Please contact Andrea McGrath @ 672-4733 or text 651-6074, or email her at stroselima.religioused@gmail.com

Sanctuary Light at St. Rose of Lima Worship Site - Week of May 12, 2019 is in memory of our deceased parishioners. All of May is available – call the office to book 653-6850

*St. Matthews Worship Site
 Month of May for Bulletin, Altar Wine, Bread in memory of... still available
 Months May – Aug & Nov – Dec for Sanctuary Light in memory of... are available
 Call the office to book – 738-2320*