MASS SCHEDULE 2021

Apr 20, 2021	Tue	St. Matthews Worship Site	7pm	Paul Daigle
Apr 21, 2021	Wed	St. Matthews Worship Site	7pm	Vera Gertrude Mooney
Apr 22, 2021	Thur	St. Rose of Lima Worship Site	12:10pm	William Brennan
Apr 24, 2021	Sat	St. Rose of Lima Worship Site	4pm	Frank Perry
Apr 25, 2021	Sun	St. Rose of Lima Worship Site	9am	Gladys Williams Monique Pineau
Apr 25, 2021	Sun	St. Matthews Worship Site	11am	Lois & Ronald McHugh

We have openings for weekday Mass intentions. Please call the office to book.

HARBOUR VIEW HIGH SCHOOL FOOD DONATIONS

The food items donated for the Sunshine Café at HVHS were delivered on Holy Thursday, April 1st. Many thanks go to Helen LeBlanc and her team of helpers at St. Rose Worship Site, as well as Bernice Martin and Stephen Parker at St. Matthew's for their assistance in packing the groceries and loading up the cars. The amount of food items received was quite remarkable; it took 2 full vehicles to deliver it all! When we arrived at the school, an army of students descended, in the torrential rain, to carry in all the boxes. They were amazed at the amount collected. In addition to the food items, cash donations were received, which were used to purchase a very generous grocery store gift card. The teacher involved, Ms. Dick, sent the following note of thanks:

"I must express my deepest gratitude for all the amazing donations. It was truly overwhelming. It provided a wonderful teaching opportunity for me to connect the importance of giving back to the community and ways to help pay something forward to others.

All these items will be used within our school to help provide nutritious meals and snacks to our students. The Sobeys card will help add the fresh products to the meals.

On behalf of the Harbour View Community, please pass along our gratitude and have a blessed Easter Season."

Thank you for supporting this ministry.

Submitted by Jill Robillard, Chair of the Holy Spirit Women's Society.

Stain Glass Windows at St. Rose Worship Site

This past week, the three large stain glass windows in the balcony area that were sent for refurbishing have been completed and re-installed. The windows look great! The cracks have been fixed, the bows taken out, and the releading done. As well, three new frames now hold the windows in place. Crack-filling and painting completed this major project.

Upon further examination, it was determined that the two lower windows that were slated for refurbishing are okay. The 'bows,' that currently exists in these windows have been there for many years-prior to the installation of lexan (protective covering for exterior windows that now given proper ventilation to these windows). These windows, like the others, are good for another 50 + years.

I want to take this opportunity to thank our Building and Maintenance Committee for managing this project, Finance Committee for their support, and Ned Bows for his expertise and professional approach to these windows that mean so much to all of us.

Fr. David

Celebrating the Easter... Season?

"How was your Easter, Father...?" No doubt when people ask me this, they're asking me 'How was your Easter Sunday... Only." However, Easter is a seven week season of joy and grace. Starting with the Triduum in Holy Week and ending with Pentecost Sunday, this 50 day season has been called "the radiant center of the liturgical year." We keep celebrating so that we might continue to enter into the meaning of the resurrection and to deepen the way it touches our daily lives.

After Easter Week's resurrection stories, the first reading for the rest of this long and glorious season is from the Acts of the Apostles. Every day we see how Jesus' followers reacted to his death, the challenges to their witness and the unexpected courage that comes to them. John's Gospel is used for the entire Easter Season, the one time of year we can enter into his poetic and layered stories on a daily basis.

Easter only begins with Easter Sunday. These daily prayers and meditations come together to remind us that Jesus is with us. He is not dead, but alive. And, that makes all the difference in the world in how much hope and courage we have, before any struggle, any possible fear of death.

In these 50 days, we are Easter People!

Third Sunday of Easter

Lord, let your face shine on us.

God has thus brought to fulfillment ... that his Christ would suffer.

Repent, therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be wiped away. Acts 3

Peter is still preaching to the people, and to us, to help us believe that the suffering of Jesus is part of God's plan to save us. The Risen Jesus meets the two discouraged disciples on the road, from Jerusalem to Emmaus. They felt their hopes were dashed.

Jesus opened the scriptures to them, to help them understand. And, they recognized him in the breaking of bread, for brokenness was no longer a scandal for them.

And, they remembered that their hearts were burning within them as they heard him put it together for them.

Today, we can ask for that gift of understanding affection for the relationship of new life Jesus wants to offer us.

> Lord Jesus, open the Scriptures to us; make our hearts burn while you speak to us.

Holy Hour of Adoration – Sunday, Apr 18, 2021 @ Holy Spirit Parish, St. Rose Worship Site from 1-2 pm

"Eternal Rest Grant unto them O Lord..." Our prayers and condolences go out to the families of Nicolas Van Leeuwen, Advice Leblanc, Richard O'Neill, Theresa LeBlanc, Catherine Dyker, Mary Gorman and Mary Anita McNulty

Free Tax Returns Completed Basic tax returns only. Where - Church of the Resurrection When - Tuesday's & Thursday's 10am to 3pm March 02 - April 29, 2021

No appointments required, for more info please call 738-3216

COLLECTIONS - THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!!!

Apr 03 & 04, 2021 - Regular - \$2,895.00 Loose - \$169.00 Food Bank - \$40.00 eTransfers - \$185.00 Good Friday - \$1,169.00 Easter Sunday - \$2,730.00 PAD Weekly Average - \$1,848.00 PAD BLDG - \$172.00

Apr 10 & 11, 2021 – Regular \$1,280.00 Loose \$60.00 eTransfers - \$280.00 Good Friday - \$10.00 Easter Sunday - \$1,070.00 PAD Weekly Average - \$1,848.00 PAD BLDG - \$172.00

THANK YOU TO THOSE WHO CONTINUE TO DROP OFF OR MAIL THEIR MONETARY DONATIONS. WITHOUT THIS EFFORT WE WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO MEET OUR EXPENSES.

Holy Spirit Parish Women's Society

On Sunday April 11, 2021, 54 prayer shawls were blessed at St. Matthew's Worship Site. These shawls are hand crafted by the Prayer Shawl ministry. The yarn is purchased using donations or monies fundraised, as well as with donated yarns. Each shawl is created from a desire to reach out to those in need of comfort; shawls wrap, enfold, comfort, and give solace, hug, and shelter. When the recipient wears the shawl they have a tangible reminder of the care and prayers directed their way. Shawls are available at St. Matthew's Worship Site at any time the church is open. If you need further information please contact the office.

Thanks,

Jill Robillard, Chair Holy Spirit Parish Women's Society

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION UPDATE

Religious Education continues to be a home learning program, and probably will until the end of this school year, with the exception of First Reconciliation, First Communion, and Confirmation. Angle and I have personally met with almost all of the First Reconciliation students, and will be setting a date very soon for that Sacrament to be completed, at which time we will proceed with meetings of the First Communion class and be able to schedule that Sacrament, before the end of the year!.

Confirmation, at the discretion of Bishop Christian, will be held in the fall, and the current Diocese plan is to follow the Alpha program for all Candidates. To that end, Marijke and I will need the assistance of the Parish, anyone who has taken the Alpha course, or plans to at this time, to properly prepare our candidates.

I would like to personally thank all of our parents, families and parish support for the extra effort they have contributed this past 14 months.

Linda Spinney – Religious Education Coordinator

Holy Spirit Parish

St. Matthews & St. Rose of Lima Worship Sites

3rd Sunday of Easter – April 18, 2021

We are a welcoming community of growing disciples who share our faith, support one another, and lead others to Jesus.

*** OFFICE HOURS***

Tuesday - Friday: 9 am to 4 pm

Monday: both offices closed

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Civic Address: 541 Milford Road

Confessions - The Sacrament of Reconciliation 3:15pm Saturdays at

St. Rose of Lima Worship Site

Month of April at St. Matthews Worship Site Sanctuary Light is in memory of Elise Robichaud donated by Carmelle Robichaud

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CONTACT INFORMATION

Holy Spirit Parish –Please contact Linda Spinney at 636-0677 or email her at linspin@nbnet.nb.ca

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Gentle Path – Counselling Services – Pathways to Hope

Gentle Path Counselling Services provides counselling at the 28 Richmond Street Office and is now scheduling appointments at Horizon's Market Place Wellness Centre in the Lower West Side

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