

## Summer

Summer is about to begin. The new leaves of spring have opened, with different hues of green... the beautiful blossoms of various trees here and gone and now the seeds hang there waiting for light, warmth and water... awaiting the great transformation.

In North America, the miracle of nature – God’s fragile work of creation – is exploding all around us. How do we respond to this constantly renewed and renewing gift from our Creator God? Certainly, with daily thanks and praise, as in the words of our Responsorial Psalm, which compares us to fruitful trees that continue to bear fruit even in old age. What a hopeful thought! Even with wrinkled skin, gnarled hands, slowing steps, one can bear fruit for the Lord. But what about the world? It is growing old because of our neglect and misuse? How can we conserve and care for the fragile gifts of creation that God has put into my hands? Meteorologists tell us that this is going to be a ‘dry summer,’ meaning very little rain. Recently I read there is a great demand for rain barrels, people are now preparing to capture what little rain that will come for watering gardens and lawns. How will we reduce our use of water? Of Energy? What part will I play to preserve and to help our tired world?

Fr. David

## HOLY SPIRIT BURSARY

**Holy Spirit Parish is awarding 5 bursaries amounting to \$500.00 each. Applicants must be an active member of Holy Spirit Parish and will be required to submit a short paper including: name of secondary institution for the fall of 2021, current activities in the parish and goals for the future. This Bursary is offered to those who are graduating from High School and are attending a secondary level of education (University or College). Please submit to parish office by June 18, 2021 by email: [holyspiritparish@nb.aibn.com](mailto:holyspiritparish@nb.aibn.com)**

## VILLA MADONNA

StayCation at Villa Madonna: Villa Madonna Retreat House can host your whole family/household bubble for a special event. Bring your whole bubble to Villa Madonna for a family dinner, or stay overnight and enjoy a leisurely brunch. You could bring your entire bubble for a whole weekend get-away and have the whole retreat house to yourself. Our rates are reasonable and packages include all accommodations and meals. Our hiking trails are open, WIFI available and lots of space for the kids to play and the Chapel for some quiet time. We serve excellent home-style meals and we can cater to any special dietary needs. Email [villamadonna@nb.aibn.com](mailto:villamadonna@nb.aibn.com) or call 849-5125.

## Response

The Spirit teaches us to pray in Jesus’ name. To pray in Jesus’ name is to pray with the hopes that God will refine our desires. "If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it" cannot mean a simple satisfaction of our private desire. It means a life-long, engaged response to God’s actions in our lives.

-Br. Sean Glenn

## Marriages

This is the first time in our history as Holy Spirit Parish that we will not be having any marriages at either worship site. However, let us pray for those who will be entering into the Sacrament of Marriage and those who continue to live out the marriage call; for the beauty of marriage...for those preparing for marriage, with the support of the Christian community, as they grow in love, with generosity, faithfulness and patience.

## Carpets at St. Matthew’s Worship Site (SMWS)

Two weeks ago, the carpets at St. Matthew’s Worship Site were professionally steam cleaned. It took 3 hours to do the main worship space, sanctuary, main office, sacristy and the three stairwells. Please take note of the great job that was done. Also, the “BUMP” at the entrance of the SMWS driveway was removed and repaved along with a section in front of the outside stairs which was becoming dangerous for walking. Many thanks to our Building and Maintenance Committee for their ongoing watchful eye and response to these various needs.

**The UCW at Westfield United Church are having a “Drive-Thru” Strawberry “Non” Social Fundraiser (Thursday, July 8<sup>th</sup>). \*\*ADVANCE TICKETS ONLY MUST be purchased BEFORE June 30<sup>th</sup>\*\* from the Grand Bay Home Hardware or by calling Judy (647-1849). Tickets are \$14 each for a Full Portion / \$7 for a Half Portion. It will be a cold plate with ham, salads and strawberry shortcake! Pick up times will be in half hour blocks (beginning at 3:30pm, with the last block at 5:30-6:00pm) on July 8<sup>th</sup> from Westfield United Church parking lot (133 Nerepis Road, Grand Bay-Westfield). No need to leave your vehicle to pick up your supper!**

## NEW MINISTRY

Have you heard? We have a new ministry! We're looking for people who are interested in various forms of technology that we use to support Mass and Evangelization. No experience is necessary, only a willingness to learn about any (NOT ALL) of the following: sound system, blogging, social media, Zoom... If interested please contact Matthew Tingley at: [mrtingley@blackcatsolutions.ca](mailto:mrtingley@blackcatsolutions.ca) or 721-5722, or call the Parish Office.

**MASS SCHEDULE 2021**

June 15, 2021	Tue	St. Matthews Worship Site	7pm	Claudette Robichaud
June 17, 2021	Thurs	St. Rose Worship Site	12:10pm	Souls in Purgatory
June 19, 2021	Sat	St. Rose Worship Site	4pm	Elizabeth Robichaud Ralph Magee Alveta Keary
June 20, 2021	Sun	St. Rose Worship Site	9am	Paul Ernst
June 20, 2021	Sun	St. Matthews Worship Site	11am	Alveta Keary Madeline & Harold Smith

**DON'T FORGET TO PICKUP YOUR COPY OF OUR YEARLY ACCOUNTABILITY REPORT – COPIES ARE LOCATED IN THE FOYER OF EACH WORSHIP SITE**

**COLLECTIONS - THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!!!**

Jun 05 & 06 – Regular \$1,795.00 Loose \$117.50 Building Fund - \$1,010.00  
eTransfers - \$300.00 PAD Weekly Average - \$1,694.00 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 Hour of Adoration – Sunday, Jun 13, 20 & 27, 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 family of Pauline Breen*

The **Saint John chapter of the ALS** society of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia is holding an **online auction** (closing on June 18th) in support of the ALS annual Walk Strong Event. This is the biggest fundraiser for the ALS society of NB/NS. The online auction can be found on the SJ ALS Facebook page at [www.Facebook.com/walkstrongsj2021](http://www.Facebook.com/walkstrongsj2021). For further information please contact Patti at 639-3658.

**Bottles for Life:** A fundraising campaign for New Brunswick Right to Life. Drop your refundable bottles at the Golden Mile Redemption Centre, 35 Linton Rd, and tell the teller they are for the New Brunswick Right to Life Fundraiser. If you are unable to bring your bottles to the redemption centre, you can contact the Saint John Chapter of NBRL at: [sjrighttolife@gmail.com](mailto:sjrighttolife@gmail.com) to arrange for a volunteer to them pick up. Please invite your friends and family to help with this important fundraiser!

*Let us continue to pray for our Indigenous brothers and sisters and our Muslim community for the London, Ontario tragedy.*

***Holy Spirit Parish***

***St. Matthews & St. Rose of Lima Worship Sites***

***11<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time – June 13, 2021***

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

**\*\*\* OFFICE HOURS\*\*\***

**Tuesday - Thursday: 9 am to 4 pm**

**Office Number - 738-2320 Office Number - 653-6850**

**Monday & Friday: both offices closed**

**CONTACT INFORMATION**

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Civic Address: 45 Dollard Drive

St. Rose of Lima Worship Site – (506)653-6850 Fax: (506)653-6865 Website

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Civic Address: 541 Milford Road

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

St. Rose of Lima Worship Site

**BEGINNING JUNE 1, 2021 WE BEGIN OUR SUMMER OFFICE HOURS  
TUES (SMWS), WED & THUR (SRWS) – 9AM – 4PM**

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CONTACT INFORMATION**

Holy Spirit Parish –Please contact Linda Spinney at 636-0677 or email her at [linspin@nbnet.nb.ca](mailto:linspin@nbnet.nb.ca)

**PANDEMIC TEAM CHAIRPERSON**

Mark Palmer – 506-635-5742 or email him at [markj@nbnet.nb.ca](mailto:markj@nbnet.nb.ca)

**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

**We offer counselling for:**

Anxiety	Addictions	Grief & Loss	Domestic Violence
Couples Counselling	Sexual Assault Trauma	Self Esteem & Body Image	Sexual Identity & Orientation
PTSD	Parenting	Depression	First Nations
Kids & Teens	Blended Families	Anger Management	Work Related Issues

(Subsidies are available)

Gentle Path Counselling Services, Ltd.

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