

John the Baptist June 24th

Do you remember the ad slogan in the 90's, "I wanna be like Mike"? The Mike being referenced was the legendary basketball star Michael Jordan. The product being advertised was Gatorade and the premise was if you drank Gatorade you could play ball like Mike. As I reflected on today's gospel that slogan came back to me, but instead of Mike I have been thinking, "I wanna be like John".

John the Baptist was a central leader/ prophet in his time. He had many followers, including what would later become Jesus's disciples. He had what might be considered rock star status for his day and age. However, when Jesus enters the scene John steps aside. He understands that Jesus is the true prophet. He has the humility to understand that all the preaching, baptizing, traveling around the country wasn't about him, it was about Jesus. He helped to pave the way for Jesus' message to be heard.

Therefore, I wanna be like John. I want to be humble enough to listen to God's voice. I want to be like John and get out of my own way and let Jesus work His wonder in my life. I want to be like John and spread light and goodness in this world. I wanna be like John.

As we pray on June 24th his feast day, let's play ball like John the Baptist. In doing so, we will be preparing ourselves to receive our most precious gift, Jesus the Savior.



A Father's Day Blessing for Father's Day

God is the giver of all life, human and divine.
May God Bless you, the father of this child.
You and your wife will be the first teachers of your child
in the ways of faith

May you be also the best of teachers,
bearing witness to the faith
by what you say and do,
in Christ Jesus our Lord

Taken from Baptismal Ritual

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY TO ALL FATHERS AND FATHER FIGURES

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 or 721-5722, or call the Parish Office.

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 or call 849-5125.

THANK YOU

The Saint John High School Concert Choir wish to share a mini concert with the parishioners and friends of Holy Spirit Parish. It was recorded and filmed in the beautiful St. Rose of Lima Worship Site on May 27, 2021.

After more than a year, the choir is finally permitted to sing together again! In April rehearsals resumed filling the halls once again with the sound of music. Even with only a handful of practices and with small numbers gathering at a time, the choir of 65 students grades 9-12, managed to beautifully prepare four selections- a testimony to their determination, resilience, and love for choir.

A very special thank you to Fr David Martin, Fr Tom Fowler, Marijke Blok and the parishioners of St Rose of Lima Worship site for allowing the choir to film their concert in their lovely church and for their extremely generous donation of \$500 to assist our choral program. We really appreciate the opportunity to create this special keepsake for everyone near and far to enjoy.

Link: <https://youtu.be/fyzk-fQgJu0> or check out our Faithbook Page and click on the link...

~Trish Gallagher

MASS SCHEDULE 2021

June 22, 2021	Tue	St. Matthews Worship Site	7pm	Frances N. McElligott
June 24, 2021	Thurs	St. Rose Worship Site	12:10pm	Gladys Williams
June 26, 2021	Sat	St. Rose Worship Site	4pm	David Heffernan Andrea Limkilde
June 27, 2021	Sun	St. Rose Worship Site	9am	Adrice LeBlanc
June 27, 2021	Sun	St. Matthews Worship Site	11am	Parishioners

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 12 & 13 – Regular \$2071.00 Loose \$76.00 Building Fund - \$200.00 Food Bank - \$20.00
 eTransfers - \$80.00 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 20, 2021 @ Holy Spirit Parish, St. Rose Worship Site from 1-2 pm

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 to arrange for a volunteer to them pick up. Please invite your friends and family to help with this important fundraiser!

The next monthly **Mass for Those Living with Cancer**, at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, will be celebrated on Monday, June 21, at 6:30 pm. Anointing of the sick will be offered.

The UCW at Westfield United Church are having a “Drive-Thru” Strawberry “Non” Social Fundraiser (Thursday, July 8th). ****ADVANCE TICKETS ONLY MUST be purchased BEFORE June 30th **** 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 8th from Westfield United Church parking lot (133 Nerepis Road, Grand Bay-Westfield). No need to leave your vehicle to pick up your supper!

Holy Spirit Parish

St. Matthews & St. Rose of Lima Worship Sites
12th Sunday in Ordinary Time – June 20, 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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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

PANDEMIC TEAM CHAIRPERSON

Mark Palmer – 506-635-5742 or email him at 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)
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