### HOLY SPIRIT PARISH LENT AND EASTER 2021 THANK YOU!!!

The Solemnity of Pentecost, our feast day, we celebrated the "coming of the Holy Spirit." This brought to close our Easter celebrations. Therefore, I want to offer a "Note of Thanks," to all those who worked so diligently to make our seasons of Lent and Easter (from Ash Wednesday to Pentecost Sunday) such a holy and sacred experience. As you can see below, many people were involved and generous with their time, gifts and experiences. So on your behalf, I wish to extend a blessed **Thank you...** 

- To those who attended and prayed with and for our celebrations.
- To those who provided music and song for our celebrations; our cantors and organists who worked so attentively, dedicating themselves to enhance our liturgies.
- To Fr. Tom Fowler who continues to provide ongoing dedicated service and prayerful support to our community.
- To our "Liturgy Committee" who helped implement our Lenten Theme, "**Hope.**" As well I want to thank this committee who helped prepare liturgies, clean, decorated, and maintain our worship spaces, again enhancing our prayer. Well done!
- To those who kept our entrances shoveled and sanded.
- To our Linda Spinney and those who help form our young people in the faith.
- To our Revitalization, Building and Maintenance and Finance Committee's for your hard work and ongoing support and encouragement.
- To Paul Harrison who continues to do a great job in managing our Parish Sign.
- To those who do so much "behind the scenes" with little or no recognition.
- To those of you who continue to say "yes" putting so much of yourselves into the Lenten and Easter celebrations.
- To those who prepared Committee Reports for the "Annual Year End Accountability Report"
- To Bernice Martin for her dedication to our parish. Once again, we are grateful to have Bernice as part of our team to help our parish both function and flourish. Well done Bernice!
- To anyone I may have inadvertently not mentioned.

Finally, on a personal note, during these challenging times, I would like to again thank all of you for making this Lent and Easter seasons such a wonderful experience. Your prayers, Easter wishes, gifts, chocolate and words of encouragement and affirmation were greatly appreciated and always remembered! As we continue to live out His Resurrection in our daily lives, may God continue to bless all of you with peace, love and joy!

Father David

### 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 homestyle meals and we can cater to any special dietary needs. Email <a href="mailto:villamadonna@nb.aibn.com">villamadonna@nb.aibn.com</a> or call 849-5125.

### Naheed Nenshi – Mayor of Calgary

Here. It happened here. On this land. In this place of pluralism and unbounded opportunity. Our nation did this. To children. To their families.

The remains of 215 children have been found at the Kamloops Indian Residential School.

At this time, we feel deep sadness and anger, but we must also act. It is long past time for action.

The flags on all City of Calgary buildings are being lowered as a symbol of mourning but that's not enough.

All governments must commit to the recommendations of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission, not just with words but real action. That means holding true to our commitment to teach this history in every grade so all Canadian children know and commit to a better future.

It means no more dithering. It means clean drinking water and equitable services on every First Nation, starting today. It means access to economic prosperity for all Indigenous peoples.

And it means every one of us taking action. Read the report of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission and commit yourself to the actions in it.

Educate yourself. Dig into the materials at the National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation.

Teach your kids. Some good resources here from First Nations Child & Family Caring Society.

And be loud. Yes, it was politicians who made these decisions and your representatives need to hear from you now. A good place to start is to tell the Government of Alberta that its proposed curriculum must be changed.

We must all commit to being uncomfortable and calling out racism wherever we see it, in all forms, particularly against Indigenous peoples. The time for excuses, rationalization and minimizing the harm is long past.

This includes accountability for all of the organizations who were essential to implementing the government's policies. They must answer, sincerely and justly, for the harm that was inflicted upon Indigenous peoples by their hand.

The Government of Canada set up a National Indian Residential School Crisis Line to provide support to former residential school students and those affected. Access emotional and crisis referral services by calling the 24-Hour National Crisis Line at 1866-925-4419.

Collectively, I hope that we take this moment of shock and of grief, and use it to ignite action across this nation, for all of us. All our relations. Truth. Reconciliation. Action.

### **HOLY SPIRIT BURSARY**

Holy Spirit Parish is awarding 5 bursaries amounting to \$500.00 each. Applicants must be an <u>active member</u> 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: <a href="mailto:holyspiritparish@nb.aibn.com">holyspiritparish@nb.aibn.com</a>

#### MASS SCHEDULE 2021 June 08, 2021 Tue St. Matthews Worship Site 7pm **Catherine Dyker Bishops & Priests of our** 12:10pm June 10, 2021 **Thurs** St. Rose Worship Site Diocese **Charlie & Doris LeBlanc** June 12, 2021 St. Rose Worship Site Sat 4pm Ralph Magee Mary Arseneau Alice & Medor Arseneault June 13, 2021 St. Rose Worship Site 9am Sun June 13, 2021 St. Matthews Worship Site Lois & Ronald McHugh Sun 11am

# FOR THE SUMMER MONTHS THERE WILL ONLY BE 2 WEEKDAY MASSES – TUESDAY, 7PM – SMWS & THURSDAY 12:10PM SRWS

Holy Hour of Adoration – Sunday, Jun 13, 20 & 27, 2021 @ Holy Spirit Parish, St. Rose Worship Site from 1-2 pm

### ZOOM DIOCESAN ROSARY WEDNESDAYS DURING THE MONTH OF JUNE

Holy Spirit Parish has been invited to lead a decade of the weekly Zoom Diocesan Rosary during the Month of June, starting Wednesday June 2nd at 6:45pm Saint Rose Place

For more information call Helen Leblanc 333-9505

Eternal Rest Grant unto them O Lord...Our prayers and condolences go out to the families of Robert Gaudet Sr., Marlene Cyr and Peter Legere

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

May 29 & 31 – Regular \$1,985.00 Loose \$42.00 Papal Charities - \$50.00 Food Bank - \$40.00 eTransfers - \$350.00 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.

This weekend we welcome into our faith community through the waters of Baptism

Haley Anne Mary Joyce

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

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. For further information please contact Patti at 639-3658.

## Holy Spirit Parish

# St. Matthews & St. Rose of Lima Worship Sites Body & Blood of Christ – June 06, 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

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

### 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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