



# St. Mary Magdalene Parish

St. Columba †  
118 Wilsey Rd FJ

Sts. John & Paul †  
729 New Maryland Hwy

St. Dunstan's  
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Livestream link for Mass: <https://www.youtube.com/@stmarymagdaleneparishmass1528/streams>

Diocesan Newsletter: <https://dioceseofsaintjohn.org/email-newsletter-sign-up>

## Land Acknowledgement for St. Mary Magdalene Parish

This is to acknowledge that the land on which we gather to pray is the traditional territory of the Wolastoqiyik whose ancestors along with the Mi'kmaq and Passamaquoddy Tribes / Nations signed Peace and Friendship Treaties with the British Crown in the 1700s.

## **November 24<sup>th</sup>, 2024 – Our Lord Jesus Christ the King**

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Daniel 7.13-14

Gospel: John 18.33b-37

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Revelation 1.5-8

*Sacrament of Reconciliation:* Saturdays @ 2:30-3:30 pm, St. Dunstan's. (For appt. call the office)  
*Rosary and Divine Mercy:* Tuesdays @ 2 pm, St. Dunstan's  
*Rosary before Mass:* Sundays @ 10:10am – 10:40am, Sts. John and Paul  
*Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:* Thursdays @ 1-5 pm, Sts. John and Paul  
Wednesdays @ 6 pm (before Mass), St. Dunstan's  
*FIRST Friday:* Mass @ 6:30 pm, Adoration 7pm, Confessions 7:15pm  
*FIRST Saturday:* Mass @ 9am, St. Dunstan's, Rosary 9:30am, Confessions 2:30pm  
*Prayers for Peace in the World:* Tuesday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 7 pm – 7:45 pm, St. Dunstan's

*Preparation for RCIA, Sacrament of Marriage and Baptism, please call the office at (506) 444-6001.*

## JPII and the Feminine Genius

Our guest speaker, Janice Charbonnet, started in New Brunswick and now hails from Louisiana. Join us as she shares her testimony about the church's teaching on the feminine genius. Sunday Dec. 8 at 1pm in room 120 of the Msgr Boyd Centre.

## **Are you a young adult ages 18-35? The Catholic Young Adults of Fredericton (CYAF) welcomes you!**

CYAF is a network of young people ages 18-35 across Catholic parishes in the Greater Fredericton region. We strive to live as disciples of Christ through prayer, community, faith and intellectual formation, and works of service in the Diocese of Saint John. We promote our own events as well as events across the diocese geared towards this age-group. Connect with us through our website (<https://www.cyafredericton.com/>) and on Facebook (“Catholic Young Adults of Fredericton”) to sign-up for our weekly email newsletter.

**Christ the King Collection – November 23-24:** This collection is taken up in every parish and mission church in our diocese to help support our priests who, on sick leave, need special care. Your generosity will be a way of saying “thank you” to those priests and all priests who have responded to God’s call to serve and be there for you. Know that your contribution, large or small, is eligible for an income tax receipt.

## **MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS**

### **St. Columba Church**

Sun, Nov 24 9:00 AM Pepi DiGiacinto  
Sun, Dec 1 9:00 AM Rick MacDonald

### **Sts. John & Paul Church**

Sun, Nov 24 11:00 AM Stanley Wadden  
Mon, Nov 25 9:00 AM Albert Khoury  
Sun, Dec 1 11:00 AM Lorette LeBlanc

### **St. Dunstan's Church**

Sat, Nov 23 4:00 PM Rosemary Thomas  
Sun, Nov 24 9:00 AM John Norman Young  
11:30 AM Bahjat & Theresa Salem  
Teresita Rondan  
Wed, Nov 27 6:30 PM Greta Reid  
Thu, Nov 28 12:05PM DFM Landry-Godin  
Fri, Nov 29 6:30 PM Francis Doucette  
Sat, Nov 30 4:00 PM Joseph Ing  
Sun, Dec 1 9:00 AM Richard Nicki  
11:30 AM Jefril John Gonzales

**Regional Reconciliation for Advent is at  
St. Francis Assisi Church in Lincoln on  
Dec 15<sup>th</sup> at 3:00PM.**

#### **Readings for Dec 1<sup>st</sup>**

**1<sup>st</sup> R:** Jeremiah 33.14-16 **2<sup>nd</sup> R:** 1 Thessalonians 3.12-4.2

**Gospel:** Luke 21.25-28, 34-36

*Sanctuary Lamp - Week of Nov 24<sup>th</sup>  
For the children of the parish to keep God  
forever in their lives.*

**St. Mary Magdalene Parish is hosting a Catholic items sale** Dec 7 from 1:30pm to 6:00 pm in the Monsignor Boyd Family Centre. There will be religious pictures, books, crucifixes, rosaries, medals and more. On site rosary repair will be available by donation, so make sure to bring your broken rosaries.

### **St Mary Magdalene CWL Fundraiser**

CWL Members will begin selling tickets on a Gift Card Tree. There will only be 250 tickets sold for a prize of \$1000 in gift cards. Tickets are \$10 each. Please support this fundraiser which in turn will fund parish and community projects.

### **PARISH CHAPLET/ROSARY TO ST. GERTRUDE, FRIDAY NOV 29 at 6:00pm, before the 6:30 Mass.**

The holy souls in purgatory can't help themselves, but our Lord told St. Gertrude the Great, that this prayer would release from purgatory, many souls, of members of our families, friends, and all sinners. Come pray for the Holy Souls as we conclude the month of November which the church dedicates to them.

**Wedding Anniversary Mass** – There will be a special blessing at the 11:30am Mass at St Dunstan's on Sunday Nov. 24 for couples celebrating an anniversary year that ends in 0 or 5.

### **The Disciple Maker Index**

As a follow up to the survey from the Diocese regarding the Disciple Maker Index, we have printed a copy of the results available for pick up at the office. A PDF copy is also available on the Parish Website.

### **The Fredericton Homeless Shelters Annual Mail Out**

Due to the Canada Post strike, the Fredericton Homeless Shelters is unable to mail out their letter requesting monetary donations to support this important service. This fundraising is a big part of their budget and they are unable to reach out to the community via mail. If you are interested in helping, please contact the shelters via an online contribution at [theshelthers.ca](http://theshelthers.ca), by calling them at 506.450.5294 or by email at [info@theshelthers.ca](mailto:info@theshelthers.ca)

**Our parish has sponsored a Christmas tree at Pine Grove Nursing Home on Woodstock rd**, so on Friday Nov 29 from 3 to 4pm we will be putting some decorations on the tree. The trees will be lit on December 1 and will remain lit until Dec 30. Come and see the beautiful trees. The residents look forward to this event each year. Blessings for Christmas. Contact Mary McMahon for information. 506 457 0093

**Donations for Christmas flowers in memory of your loved ones:** Envelopes are available at the entrance to each church. Write your name, your envelope number (if any) and name of loved one(s) on the donation envelope and place it in the collection basket. A list of those being remembered will be displayed in each church at Christmas.

### **Christmas 9-Day Novena Mass:**

December 15th - 20th: 6:30pm

December 21st: 4:00pm

December 22nd to 23rd: 6:30pm

**St Dunstan's Christmas/New Years Masses:** Sign-up sheets for ministries at these Masses are now available at the Regent St entrance.

### **Christmas Schedule**

#### **Tuesday, December 24<sup>th</sup>**

- Sts. John and Paul – 4:00pm

- St. Columba – 6:00pm

- St. Dunstan's – 4:00pm, 8:00pm; and midnight

#### **Wednesday, December 25<sup>th</sup>**

- St. Dunstan's – 10:00am CHRISTMAS DAY

### **New Years Day**

#### **Wednesday, January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025**

- St. Columba, 9:00am

- Sts. John and Paul, 11:00am

- St. Dunstan's, 11:30am

**Family Faith Formation** ~ Join us for Family Faith Formation session "What's the Word" on Sunday, November 24<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am in the gym at St. Dunstan's Church. All families with children in Kindergarten to grade 7 are encouraged to attend. Please contact Patty Cameron at [faithformation@stmarymagdaleneparish.ca](mailto:faithformation@stmarymagdaleneparish.ca)

**Sunday Missals for Young Catholics** ~ This year all families registered in Family Faith Formation will receive a 2024/2025 Sunday Missal for Young Catholics. Additional copies are available for purchase at the parish office for \$10.00 for anyone who would like this valuable resource for their children.

**Special mass on December 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:00PM** in honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe and World Day of Peace with Indigenous people, presided by Bishop Christian and followed by a reception.

### ***Celebrating One Year of Grace and Gratitude!***

Time flies when you're surrounded by faith, community, and abundant blessings. This year marks the first anniversary of The Feast Light New Brunswick - Fredericton, and we couldn't be more excited to invite you to join us in celebrating this significant milestone! 🎉

To mark our first anniversary, we're hosting a celebration that promises to be a day of inspiration, joy, and heartfelt connection. Let's celebrate this milestone through solemn Mass followed by a powerful Praise and Worship, Personal Testimonies, and a "Feast of sumptuous food" that will delight our senses and bring us all together in fellowship.



NOV 24, 2024 SUNDAY  
9:00AM - MASS  
10:30AM - FEAST

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**It is the Advent collection for Sts. John and Paul community outreach:**

- 1st week - Jesse Tree and Prayer cards
- 2nd week - Hats, Mitts, Scarves, Socks for all ages, female and male
- 3rd week - Hygiene products for women, men and children/youth
- 4th week - Donations to Food Bank

**Christmas Party at Sts. John and Paul Church on December 13<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 pm** - Get a sitter and come enjoy a fun potluck, yankee swap gift exchange (\$20.00 limit on it), Christmas music and games! Punch, tea/coffee will be served, any other beverage will be BYOB.

**Please RSVP no later than December 6<sup>th</sup> by emailing [sjpchristmasparty2024@gmail.com](mailto:sjpchristmasparty2024@gmail.com).**

**Kids Cocoa Party - Sts. John and Paul Church on December 15<sup>th</sup>** - following the 11:00 am Mass. There will be hot cocoa, cookies and a craft! Children must be accompanied by an adult.

### **Items for the St. Columba "Jesse Tree"**

First Sunday of Advent: Non-Perishable food items for the "Loaves & Fishes" and "Prayer Cards"

Second Sunday of Advent: Mitts, scarves, hats or socks

Third Sunday of Advent: Hygiene Kits for Fredericton Emergency Shelter

### **ST. COLUMBA - COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS PROJECT:**

This is the 28th year for this joint effort between the local community churches. To date we have assisted over 400 families. A special collection will be taken up November 24<sup>th</sup>. Community Christmas Fund envelopes are now available on the table at the entrance to St. Columba church. Place your donation in with the regular collection. Thank you!

**Christmas Wreaths Pickup** - For St. Dunstan's Church site on **Saturday NOVEMBER 23<sup>rd</sup>** at: **50 Poets Lane**, between 10:00 and 3:00. For Sts. John and Paul Church site on **Sunday November 24<sup>th</sup>** at: **128 Daniel Drive** in New Maryland, any time on Sunday.. We can make alternative pick-up/delivery arrangements if that is more convenient. Thank you very much for your continued support.

**32<sup>nd</sup> Advent Carol Festival - December 4, 7:30 p.m., Brunswick St. Baptist Church** Come and be inspired by beautiful music as Saint Dunstan's Choir joins with other choirs in the City for this Advent interfaith celebration. Money collected during the donation will go to the Fredericton Food Bank.

**All children, and their families, are invited to participate in an Advent work of mercy by lending a hand with the Advent bake sale on Dec 1st at both Masses.** The money will go to helping children touched by war. Kids can bring their labelled baked goods and stand at the exits to collect donations. Parishioners can enjoy their treats during Coffee Hour in the Mary Sullivan Room or bring them home. Please send questions to Alfred Morrison [alfmor68289@outlook.com](mailto:alfmor68289@outlook.com)

**Development & Peace** "Reaping Our Rights" Action card signing week. Across the Global South, peasant and rural communities have fought hard to assert their rights to land, water, seeds, food sovereignty, a healthy environment and more. But how can they protect these rights when a powerful foreign corporation shows up in their region, intent on extracting resources, and indifferent to polluting the environment? Together, let's call on Canada to adopt mandatory human rights and environmental due diligence legislation so that no Canadian company can trample on peasants' rights. Do your bit by signing our campaign letter at [devp.org/act](http://devp.org/act) or the petition or postcard at each entrance to the Church. Thank you!

### Offertories Received

Week Ending Nov 17

Please call the Parish Office at 444-6001 if you have any questions

	<u>St C</u>	<u>Sts J&amp;P</u>	<u>St D</u>	<u>Total</u>
Regular offertories	\$508	\$1,413	\$6,597	\$8,518
Building Fund	\$50	\$1,000	\$95	\$1,145
Cemetery Fund	\$227	\$195	\$755	\$1,177

**Next Special Collection is Nov 24 for Diocesan Priests Illness**

**Summit Night:** You're warmly invited to join us for our third Summit Night of the year! This month, we're gathering in the beautiful St. Thomas University Chapel on November 29 at 6:00 PM for an evening devoted to adoring the Blessed Sacrament. Come rest in His presence and reflect on how to deepen your trust in God. We'll have live music, inspiring speakers sharing their journeys and insights on faith, along with an opportunity for confessions—a beautiful chance for renewal and grace. Afterward, let's keep the fellowship going with a potluck in the community room of Campus Ministry. Whether you've been with us before or this will be your first Summit Night, we can't wait to welcome you. Hope to see you there!

**Televised Mass** - For more than 20 years St. Dunstan's Parish has sponsored the Daily TV Mass from Loretto Abby in Toronto. Joan Daley and Margaret Gorman, deceased members of the Parish, were responsible for this initiative and were able to sponsor many Masses with the support of the Parish. The Mass is televised on Vision TV each day at 9am and 1pm, The Mass provides spiritual comfort to thousands across Canada and throughout the world. I shall continue to be responsible for the collection of contributions. If you wish to contribute to this valuable ministry, please leave your donation at the Church office or place it in the collection in a separate envelope, marked Televised Mass. Include your full name and address as income tax receipts will be issued. Checks should be made payable to National Catholic Broadcasting Council. Thank you to all who have supported the TV Mass in the past. If you wish to mail your donation directly, the address is National Catholic Broadcasting Council, 200-5762 Hwy.7, Markham, Ontario, L3P 1A8. Please indicate that it is from St. Mary Magdalene Parish, Fredericton so it will go to our Mass. If you have any questions, call 506-454-3454. I am pleased to do this in memory of my mother and her dear friend, Joan. -Diane Flynn

**We will be having a Men's Advent Retreat** Saturday November 30, 10 am - 5 pm, St. Francis of Assisi Parish, Lincoln. We will be using the writings and meditations of St. Alphonsus Ligouri to prepare ourselves for the season of Advent. All are welcome and encouraged to join us. There will be no cost for the event, if interested please email [sacredheart3n1@gmail.com](mailto:sacredheart3n1@gmail.com)

**The Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration Society** invites you to an ADVENT SILENT WEEKEND RETREAT at Villa Madonna Retreat House, November 29 - December 1<sup>st</sup>. THEME: "I THIRST" LEADER: REV. DR. MICHAEL MCGOWAN. Our Retreat concludes with Sunday Holy Mass celebrated by Bishop Christian Riesbeck. \$240 per person - includes Private Room for 2 nights, Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner on Saturday and Breakfast & Lunch on Sunday. Payment by Cash or Cheque payable to Rhoda Ann Flood upon registration at the Villa. TO REGISTER or for more information please contact Mary Wallace at: [maryadele.wallace@gmail.com](mailto:maryadele.wallace@gmail.com) or ph 506-633-0172. Limited Accommodations. Deadline to register November 15<sup>th</sup>.

**DIOCESAN FEAST DAY:** Bishop Christian Riesbeck, CC, cordially invites the faithful of the diocese to celebrate our patronal feast day, the **Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception**, and gather for a concelebrated Eucharist on Monday, December 9, at 6:30 p.m. at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Saint John. A reception will follow in the Cathedral residence.

**JUBILEE OPENING MASS** - Mark your calendars for the opening Mass of the Jubilee Year – Pilgrims of Hope in the Diocese of Saint John. This Mass will take place on Sunday, December 29, 2024 (Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph) at 5:00 pm at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception. More information to follow in the coming weeks.

**Discover more ways to appreciate each other and enrich your marriage on an exceptional and unforgettable Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend** (all presentations will be in English, but workbooks can be available in Spanish or French upon request). February 28 to March 2, 2025, at Our Lady of Hope Retreat Center, PEI. Contact Ron or Joanne Arsenault, 506-451-8489 [ron.joanne.arsenault@wwme.org](mailto:ron.joanne.arsenault@wwme.org). Apply before December 15, 2024. More info at [www.wwme.org](http://www.wwme.org).