

WEEKLY BULLETIN FOR BLESSED TRINITY PARISH – April 24, 2024

POSTED MASS TIMES:	Saturday – Apr. 27th	St. Anthony's, Upham	4:00 p.m.
	Sunday – Apr. 28th	St. Alphonsus, Hampton	9:30 a.m.
		St. Bridget's, Chapel Grove	11:30 a.m.
	Tuesday – Apr. 30th	Evening Liturgy	6:30 p.m.
		Rosary after Mass	

KNOWLEDGE CAFE – Hampton Resource Centre (Fridays at 11:00 a.m. - noon):

April 26th – Parkland is a trusted provider of senior accommodations, services and care in Atlantic Canada. Join Lifestyle Consultants from Parkland in the Valley and Saint John to learn about lifestyle options and how you can live your Best Life at Parkland. Guest speakers: Christine McGee and Sydney Peacock.

May 3rd – Trauma Program provides resources on injury prevention and how to stay safe. Guest speaker: Dr. Richard Louis, MD, Injury prevention specialist.

Everyone is welcome. Refreshments are provided.

PRO-LIFE CRASH COURSE! In Canada, about 300 innocent children are aborted every single day. Do you want to learn how to defend pre-born children, and have fruitful conversations about abortion? Join for training and hands-on experience doing pro-life outreach in Saint John NB from May 3-4. You will learn pro-life strategy and apologetics that will equip you to reach our culture to change minds and save lives. **Application deadline is today, April 24**. For more information or to apply visit: endthekilling.ca/nb.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SILVER ROSE PILGRIMAGE - Each year, from early March through mid-December, Silver Roses are stewarded by Knights of Columbus councils along routes from Canada to Mexico. Every stop the Silver Rose makes throughout the pilgrimage is a rosary-centered occasion for Knights, parishioners and community members to pray for respect for life. This year the Silver Rose will be in the Diocese of Saint John on Sunday, May 5, 2024. All are invited to the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception at 3:00 pm for a Silver Rose prayer service as we ask the intercession of Our Lady of Guadalupe in promoting a culture of life.

STEUBENVILLE ATLANTIC 2024 YOUTH CONFERENCE - Youth aged 14-18 are invited to participate in this event held at Saint Mary's University in Halifax, NS from July 5-7. If you are between 18 and 21, you can attend as a Peer Leader. Before registering, please talk to Father Don. about registration. Conference information can be found on the Archdiocese of Halifax-Yarmouth website under Steubenville Atlantic. Transportation to NS is included in the registration fee of

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\$300.00. Pick up locations will be from Fredericton, Saint John and Moncton. For more information, please contact Patricia Lee at: catechesis@dioceseofsaintjohn.org or (506) 627-6465. See poster on bulletin board.

CAMP SHELDRAKE - Camp Sheldrake, located in Miramichi, NB, is a Catholic-based, not-for-profit organization that offers summer overnight and day camps to youth aged 6 to 17. Campers' days are filled with canoeing, swimming, archery, rock-wall climbing, nature adventure, zip-lining, arts & crafts and of course campfires! Camp experiences are based on Christian values and promote volunteerism, community service and social justice initiatives. Through play and group activities, Camp Sheldrake provides an atmosphere to inspire youth to be leaders today and tomorrow. Each summer, campers attend from across the Maritimes and other parts of Canada and the USA; many returning year after year. Camp Sheldrake is for campers from **all** faiths and denominations. For more information and to register visit campsheldrake.ca.

EVENING PRAYER IN CARMEL CHAPEL (103 Burpee Avenue, Saint John) – Last Wednesday of the month until June 26; **next gathering TONIGHT, April 24th**. Evening starts at 6:00 p.m. with instrumental music by a local musician. Prayer ritual begins at 6:30 pm. **PARKING:** Both sides of Burpee Ave. and Rocmaura lot off Park Street. Weekday contact info: (506) 634-4970.

SONGS OF SANCTUARY – This Saturday, April 27th, 7:00 p.m. at Stella Maris Church (201 Bayside Drive, Saint John), the Cantores Celestes Maritimes and the Saint John Men's Chorus, directed by Kelly Galbraith, will be performing. Featuring Song of the Universal, Freedom Trilogy and works by Bruckner, Faure, Vaughan Williams plus beloved songs of friendship and support. General Admission: \$25.00. For more information, see the poster on the bulletin board at St. Alphonsus.

AUDITE SPRING RETREATS AT VILLA MADONNA:

4-day Retreat... Mon., May 27th to Fri., May 31st - COST: \$479.00;

2-day Retreat... Mon., May 27th to Wed., May 29th - COST: \$237.50.

Each retreat begins with supper at 5:00 p.m. on May 27th and ends at 2:00 p.m. on the last day, either May 29th or 31st.

Team of Audit  and four invited Facilitators, in an atmosphere of welcoming Silence. Persons first time for this Audit  retreat may request half-price registration. Email:

audite119@bellaliant.net

INCOME TAX CLINIC – Next week, April 30th, is the last Tuesday morning free tax clinic at the Hampton Resource Centre (31 Demille Court) **from 9:00 a.m. until noon**. No appointment necessary; first come, first served. This clinic is for people with a modest income and a simple tax situation. For more information, speak with Wendy in the parish office.

AASEA RETREATS – Silent Directed Retreats are being offered with directors from the Saint John Local AASEA at the Villa Madonna Retreat House in June. A 5 – Day Silent Directed Retreat takes place from Mon., June 10 to Fri., June 14, 2024, with a registration cost of \$130.00 and \$570.00 due upon arrival. A 4 – Day option is also available from Tue., June 11 to Fri., June 14, 2024 with a registration cost of \$130.00 and \$400.00 due upon arrival. Pre-retreat instalment payment may be arranged. For registration and more information, please contact Bob McDermott at mcdermot@nbnet.nb.ca. These retreats are for those seeking an atmosphere of silence. They include daily meetings with a director and daily Eucharist.

COOKIES FOR ROMERO HOUSE – Last Friday of this month is April 26th. Shelagh and Don. sincerely appreciate your help with their monthly “Cookies for Romero House” campaign. **ALL** donations gladly accepted. Contact Shelagh or Don. at (506) 943-3493.

CCCB WEBINARS FOR THE YEAR OF PRAYER – In this Year of Prayer in preparation for the 2025 Jubilee Year, the CCCB is offering a webinar series, “A Great Symphony of Prayer”. The webinars are based on the themes contained in the prayer booklets prepared by the Jubilee Office in Rome. Available in both official languages, each series of webinars on prayer will consist of four parts; one series will take place in the spring (already started) and the other in the fall (October 3 to 24th).

Dr. Josephine Lombardi (St. Augustine’s Seminary) will present the spring series titled “A Great Symphony of Prayer: The Our Father as a Programme of Life.” The first, second and third webinars of the spring series have already taken place. However, the fourth webinar in the series takes place next Tuesday, April 30th (Managing Trials and Resisting Evil Fall Series on Prayer). Visit <https://www.cccb.ca/announcement/a-great-symphony-of-prayer-the-our-father-as-a-programme-of-life> for more information and to register.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY – Divine Mercy Catholic School in Saint John seeks a Principal. If you're dedicated to nurturing students' academic and spiritual development through Catholic values and academic excellence, explore this opportunity at:

<https://www.divinemercycatholicschool.ca/principal-job-posting>

HAMPTON FOOD BASKET’S SPRING CLOTHING DRIVE – We are looking for clean, gently used **spring and summer clothing** for the whole family **including footwear**. No winter wear please, we have limited storage space! We will also accept **bedding, towels** and **linens** that are in good shape.

HAMPTON FOOD BASKET'S SPRING CLOTHING DRIVE cont.

Please drop off your donations at St. Alphonsus Church, 22 Church Street, Hampton (back parking lot) as follows:

Saturday, May 4th – 10:00 a.m. until noon;
Thursday, May 9th – 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.; and
Saturday, May 11th – 10:00 a.m. until noon.

Thank you for your continued support. Distribution will be later in the month.

TRINITY CHURCH'S CHIMING & TIMING CAMPAIGN - On Sunday, May 5th at 2:00 p.m., recitalist MICHAEL MOLLOY will perform a ROYAL CONCERT of ORGAN MUSIC. To celebrate the anniversary of King Charles' coronation, this recital features regal music for kings and queens from coronations, jubilees, weddings and funerals, all performed on Trinity's 280 voice organ.

This is a fund-raiser for Trinity Church (115 Charlotte Street, Saint John) to get the TOWER BELLS pealing, once again, over the city. For advance ticket sales call the Church Office (506) 693-8558. COST: \$30.00, with a tax receipt of \$10.00. Thank you for considering supporting "Saint John's Church of the Loyalists". See poster on bulletin board.

"MAKING WELLNESS A PRIORITY" – The Canadian Mental Health Association is presenting a monthly series that addresses the 8-dimensions of wellness and helps individuals in achieving whole-person wellness. Starting Tuesday, May 7 @ 2:30 p.m. – *Intellectual Wellness* with Daniela Fernandez, Director of Community Engagement 211 NB.

Daniela will present an overview of the 211 NB service, how it can help people connect to the full range of social, community and government programs and how it can support service providers in their frontline and community work.

The *Making Wellness A Priority* sessions are held at the Kennebecasis Public Library. To pre-register call 506-652-1447. See poster on bulletin board at St. Alphonsus.

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE CARITAS CANADA – Year-round monthly donations transforms the lives of some of our most vulnerable sisters and brothers across the world. Monthly donations reduce administrative costs and strengthen Caritas Canada's ability to respond quickly to emergency situations. During the Lenten Season and until Pentecost Sunday, May 19, new monthly donors will have their donations matched dollar for dollar through a fund supported by Religious Communities. You can enroll in the monthly donation program on their website, devp.org/shareyearround. Being a "Share Year-Round" donor simply means acting for social justice and human dignity all year long. Thank you for your support!

VILLA MADONNA RETREAT HOUSE MOTHER'S DAY BRUNCH – Sunday, May 12th from 12:30 to 2:00 p.m. at the Retreat House, 115 Villa Madonna Road, Rothesay. What a wonderful way to

honour our mothers and other women in our life. Take the time to relax and enjoy the warmth and comfort of the house.

Catered by Childs Catering the menu is:

Buttermilk Pancakes with fresh Blueberry sauce
Eggs Benedict with Hollandaise sauce on an English Muffin
Sausages, Baked Ham
Assorted Croissantwiches
Curry Squash and Tomato Basil Soup
Assorted Sweets
Coffee, Tea, Juice

COST: Adults \$25.00
Children 5 – 12 \$12.00
Children 4 and under Free

Payment can be taken at the door or e-transfer to: villa.admin@nb.aibn.com

MASS FOR THOSE LIVING WITH CANCER – Beginning this May, the Mass for Those Living with Cancer will now be celebrated on the **third (3rd) Tuesday of the month**. The next monthly Mass for Those Living with Cancer, at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, will be celebrated on **Tuesday, May 21st** at 7:00 pm. Anointing of the Sick will be offered.

IN CONCERT WITH DEANTHA EDMUNDS – With the Saint John String Quartet at St. Paul's Anglican Church on the Common, Rothesay, Sunday, April 28th at 3:00 p.m. Admission: free will offering.

Deantha is Canada's first Inuk professional classical singer and an award winning performer. She looks forward to sharing some of the sacred classical music in Inuktitut from Nunatsiavut. Our Lieutenant Governor has expressed interest in this concert and may attend. Please consider attending and bring a friend.

Be Safe,
Wendy McGee,
Parish Secretary
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