WEEKLY BULLETIN FOR BLESSED TRINITY PARISH – June 5, 2024

POSTED MASS TIMES: Saturday – June 8th St. Anthony's, Upham 4:00 p.m.

Sunday – June 9th St. Alphonsus, Hampton 9:30 a.m.

St. Bridget's, Chapel Grove 11:30 a.m.

Tuesday – June 11th Evening Liturgy 6:30 p.m.

(Summer break end of June) Rosary after evening liturgy

WEE ONES BOTTLE CAMPAIGN - The Sussex Pregnancy and New Parents Care Centre (SPCC) annual fundraising campaign is under way. They offer free confidential testing, advice and resources for making informed choices. This ministry in our community reaches out to teens, women and men facing an unplanned pregnancy and parents in need of support and resources. They do important work in our area.

Baby Bottles or a specially marked envelope is available in the foyer of St. Alphonsus and St. Anthony's church. The campaign runs from Mother's Day to Father's Day, June 16th. Some drop a daily or weekly cash donation into their bottle or enclose a cheque made payable to <u>Sussex Pregnancy Care Centre</u> (SPCC) at the end of the campaign; the choice is yours to make. The baby bottle, with attached label for identification and receipt purposes, or envelope, is returned to the church and we forward them to the Pregnancy Centre. <u>IF YOU TAKE A BOTTLE, PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU ADD YOUR NAME TO THE LIST</u>. It helps, at the end of the campaign, to ensure I have <u>all</u> the bottles collected before I forward our donations to the Pregnancy Centre. See poster on bulletin board.

SISTERS OF CHARITY – PILGRIMAGE OF THE HEART: The Sisters of Charity of the Immaculate Conception are inviting all people to pray with them as they begin a special 170-day "Pilgrimage of the Heart" in gratitude for 170 years of presence among the people of God. This can be accomplished by praying the rosary from wherever you are for peace and healing in our world. For more information, please see the letter from Sr. Mary Beth McCurdy and Zita Longobardi, Co-chairs of the 170-day "Pilgrimage of the Heart" that is posted on the bulletin board.

MASS FOR THOSE LIVING WITH CANCER – The next monthly Mass for Those Living with Cancer, at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, will be celebrated on **Tuesday**, **June 18**th at 7:00 pm. Anointing of the Sick will be offered.

EVENING PRAYER IN CARMEL CHAPEL (103 Burpee Avenue, Saint John) – Next gathering **Wednesday, June 26**th. Music starts at 6:00 p.m.; 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.

MAIL FORWARDING TO THE DIOCESAN OFFICE - The mail forwarding from Bayard Drive to the Villa will expire in June. If you have any business with the diocesan office, please make sure you use their new address: 115 Villa Madonna Road, Rothesay NB E2H 2X4.

INTO HIS LIKENESS: Be Transformed as a Disciple of Christ - A three-week personal retreat on Zoom to deepen our friendship with Jesus as missionary disciples. Come and join a growing group of fellow Catholics committed to parish renewal in ministry as we explore what it is to respond to the Pentecost spark of the Holy Spirit in our hearts to become more deeply committed as missionary disciples in friendship with Christ.

Began yesterday, June 4, (7 to 9 pm). It's not too late to join them for a three-week personal formation Zoom retreat of daily prayer and reflection, with weekly group discussion and faith formation and accompaniment in missionary discipleship, using the book "Into His Likeness: Be Transformed as a Disciple of Christ" by Dr Edward Sri. The book can be purchased from Amazon. To register, please contact Patricia Lee, Director of Catechesis at catechesis@dioceseofsaintjohn.org or by phone at 506-627-6465.

STEUBENVILLE ATLANTIC – The <u>deadline to register</u> for the July 5-7 Steubenville Atlantic youth conference in Halifax is <u>this Friday</u>, <u>June 7th</u>. The diocese is covering the cost of transportation once again this year, and parishes are encouraged to share this opportunity with high school youth. This is a transformative experience for participants and a very worthwhile investment in the youth of our diocese. Please consider providing fundraising opportunities and assisting with the cost of registration (\$300). Participants can register at the following link: https://secure.e-registernow.com/cgi-bin/mkpayment.cgi?state=3873. For more information, please contact Patricia Lee at catechesis@dioceseofsaintjohn.org.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS DRAW - The Knights will be selling tickets on a Pelican Kayak, just in time for Father's Day. This kayak has a retail value of over \$400.00. Tickets will be for sale before and after Mass this Sunday, June 9th. Cost: one for \$5.00 or 3 for \$10.00. Tickets are being sold at churches in Sussex, Norton and Hampton. Draw: Father's Day, June 16.

FOLLOW UP FROM RECENTLY CONCLUDED WEBINAR SERIES TITLED "A Great Symphony of Prayer: The Our Father as a Programme of Life" delivered by Dr. Josephine Lombardi. This webinar series for the "Year of Prayer 2024" in anticipation of the Jubilee Year 2025 will be followed by another series in the fall. A registration link for the fall series will be shared, once it is available. Use this link to view the recently concluded webinars - English: cccb.ca/ourfather. The videos for the recently concluded French-language webinar series titled, "Une grande symphonie de prière: Le Notre Père comme programme de vie", will be shared once the packaged recordings are available.

SUMMERTIME FLOWERS SIGN-UP SHEET – Some of you know about this sign-up sheet. For those that do not, we attempt to co-ordinate summer flower gathers to decorate the altar from early July to Sept. 1st – total of only eight (was nine - someone has already put their name on the sheet) Sundays this year. This much needed "summertime break" is for the Arts and Environment Committee. There is also a similar break for those that compose our weekly prayers. Please consider signing up for at least one weekend. When in doubt, there are parishioners that will give you guidance. You only need to ask. \odot

TRINITY CHURCH, SAINT JOHN: Their "Summer Sounds 2024" fundraising program will run Monday evenings at 7:15 p.m. from June 10th to August 26th. Doors open at 7:00 p.m. at both Charlotte and Germain Street entrances. This weekly series will feature easy listening and classical selections performed by fine local musicians. A free will offering will be taken - half each to the performers and for the Chiming & Timing of the Steeple Bells. Here is the list of scheduled performers for the month of June. Check the bulletin board for more information:

June 10: Buckley-Sametz Duo - Classical Cello & Violin;

June 17: Maritime Sea Chanteys - with 'Before the Mast'; and

June 24: Andrew Clark - Balladeer / Guitarist.

Trinity Church's congregation dates from 1783 and is known as "Saint John's Loyalist Church". It has a spiritual ambience and is a fine example of English gothic architecture. Acoustics are perfect for this music program.

VISITING MUSIC DIRECTOR – You may have heard that Brenda Renaud's mother, who lives in Ontario, is celebrating her 90th birthday this week. Brenda and Gary have taken a road trip to celebrate with family. In Brenda's absence, Peggy has graciously offered to "tickle the ivories" for us until Brenda returns. Thank you Peggy!!

MILESTONES: An important birthday got by me last week... please join me in wishing a belated "happy birthday" to John Doucette who is a faithful summer-time visitor at St. Anthony's in Upham. Also, a little birdie told me that Carl Collins is celebrating a special birthday next week. Happy birthday John and Carl.

Be Safe, Wendy McGee, Parish Secretary BLESSED TRINITY PARISH (506) 832-3327