

WEEKLY BULLETIN FOR BLESSED TRINITY PARISH – May 22, 2024

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| POSTED MASS TIMES: | Saturday – May 25 th | St. Anthony's, Upham | 4:00 p.m. |
| | Sunday – May 26 th | St. Alphonsus, Hampton | 9:30 a.m. |
| | St. Bridget's, Chapel Grove | | 11:30 a.m. |
| | Tuesday – May 28 th | Evening Liturgy | 6:30 p.m. |
| | | 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 Sussex Pregnancy Care Centre (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.

IF YOU TAKE A BOTTLE, PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU ADD YOUR NAME TO THE LIST. It helps, at the end of the campaign, to ensure I have all the bottles collected before I forward our donations to the Pregnancy Centre. See poster on bulletin board.

COOKIES FOR ROMERO HOUSE – Last Friday of this month is May 31st. 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.

AUDITE SPRING RETREATS AT VILLA MADONNA: **please note reduction in cost**

4-day Retreat... Mon., May 27th to Fri., May 31st - COST: **\$340.00**;
2-day Retreat... Mon., May 27th to Wed., May 29th - COST: **\$170.00**.

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. Retreats are run by a team from 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

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.

EVENING PRAYER IN CARMEL CHAPEL (103 Burpee Avenue, Saint John) – Next gathering Wednesday, June 26th. 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.

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.

CORPUS CHRISTI EUCHARISTIC PROCESSION– To mark the Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi), a Eucharistic procession will take place between the morning Masses at the Cathedral on Sunday, June 2, 2024 at 11:00 am around the Cathedral block. All are invited to attend.

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.

CATHEDRAL RESTORATION ENVELOPES (yellow) - The annual collection for the Cathedral Restoration takes place on the Solemnity of Corpus Christ, June 1 - 2, 2024. If you need an envelope (yellow), there is a supply in the foyer of St. Alphonsus.

SAINT JOHN CHORALE SPRING MUSICALE: N.B.’s national award winning choir is presenting a Spring Musicale “Back to Broadway” on Monday, June 3rd at 7:00 p.m. at St. Mark’s United Church, 50 Dexter Drive, Saint John west. Guest soprano: Mary Louise Belyea. Scrumptious desserts and tea will be served. Cost: adult \$20.00; student \$10.00; children free. The Chorale, the only NB choir to place, won 1st place in Community Choirs at the National Festival 2023-2024. See poster on bulletin board.

BOOK AND BAKE SALE AT ST. LUKE’S – corner of Metcalf St. and Lansdowne Ave., Saint John:

There will be a book and bake sale, held in St. Luke's Anglican Church Hall, Saturday, June 1, from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Guaranteed to find some items to feed your body, mind and soul. Monies raised will be used to support local community outreach programs. For more information call (506) 693-4152 or email: stlukesportland@gmail.com

MILESTONES: A little birdie dropped by the office, this week. Please join me in wishing Sandra McNeill “happy birthday” and congratulating Muriel and Bob Buckley on their 70th wedding anniversary 😊

Be Safe,
Wendy McGee,
Parish Secretary
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