

ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL PARISH

ST. MICHAEL'S BASILICA ST. MARGARET'S ST. MICHAEL'S BY THE SEA

Dec. 17th, 2023

3rd Sunday of Advent

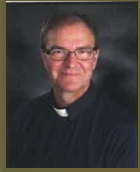


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St. Michael The Archangel Parish

ST. MICHAEL'S BASILICA

SATURDAY 4:00 PM
SUNDAY 10:30 A.M. & 5:30 P. M.
MONDAY TO FRIDAY 9:00 A. M.
THURSDAY 4:00 PM (FRENCH MASS)

ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH

SATURDAY 6:00 P. M.

ST. MICHAEL'S BY THE SEA

SUNDAY 11:00 A. M.

BAPTISM & MARRIAGE

Please call the Parish Office
778-5150

CONFESSION

Every Saturday at 3:00 P.M.
& First Friday of the month after
9:00 A. M. Mass

RESPONSIBLE MINISTRY

Patricia Lee
506-627-6465

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Renee Comeau
778-5153



*In Loving Memory of
Tracy Lee Smith ~ 19th Year Anniversary
Forever in our Hearts ~ Love Rene & Family*



CANDLE LIGHTING

You are welcome to light a candle in the Church. If the door is locked, please come to the office

FAÇADE LIGHTING

Announce your special milestone on the Bulletin, with a donation of \$50.00.



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Website
www.saintmichaelsmuseum.ca
Store will be open from Tuesday to Saturday
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† [Please Note] THURSDAY'S AT 4:00 P.M., THERE IS A FRENCH MASS AT ST. MICHAEL'S BASILICA.

Celebrated by Fr. Antonio Reyes

† ST. MICHAEL'S BASILICA MASS INTENTIONS

DEC. 16	SATURDAY	4:00 p.m.	Roy Bowes; Jean Ann Casey; Jerry Thompson; Gerald Fleiger (A); Kevin Moran (A); Mary Doyle; Alice LaPlante; Ray, Arleen, Mary & Rita Moar; Gladys Cameron; Thomas Conroy; Sandra Speight; Brian Duffy; Gervais Manuel; Claude Carroll; Janet Awong; Kristene Majewski Conway; Mary K. Conway
DEC. 17	SUNDAY	10:30 a.m.	For the People
DEC. 17	SUNDAY	5:30 p.m.	John McLean; Eleanor Hay
DEC. 18	MONDAY	9:00 a.m.	Lisa (A) & Les Glazier
DEC. 19	TUESDAY	9:00 a.m.	Brian Duffy; Paul MacLean
DEC. 20	WEDNESDAY	9:00 a.m.	Jean & George McDonald & DFM; Fraser & Genevieve Kerr; John & Billy Kerr
DEC. 21	THURSDAY	9:00 a.m.	Joan (A), Dawn (A) & Ed Daigle; Gervais Manuel
DEC. 21	THURSDAY	6:30 p.m.	Reconciliation Mass
DEC. 22	FRIDAY	9:00 a.m.	Colin & Alice Fleiger
DEC. 23	SATURDAY	4:00 p.m.	John & Muriel Morris; John & Margaret Bowes; Sandra Speight; Carol (A) Leggett; Julie Preston; Marcia & Emerson Schofield; Frankie Robichaud (A); Mr. & Mrs. James Barry & DFM; Sara Carter; Robert Carter; Irene Gorman; Tom, Jean & Bernard Olsen; Chris Mecure; Thomas Conroy; Victor Fullerton; Alice La Plant; Gladys Cameron; McInnis family; Michael St. Pierre; Special Intention; Michael McCluskey; Father McFadden
DEC. 24	SUNDAY	10:30 a.m.	Everette Roy(A); Kay & Lawrence Dennis
DEC. 24	SUNDAY	4:00 p.m.	Susan & Lyle Knowles; Carrie & George Whalen; Lawrence & Elizabeth Comeau; George Moran; George Murdock;
DEC. 24	SUNDAY	7:00 p.m.	George Hickey; Tim & Lillian Quinn; Christopher Dobbins (A); John Johnson; Harold A. & Lillian T. Fleiger & DFM; F. Hebert & Charlotte Barry (sons) Edward & Paul; George F. & Ellen McWilliam & DFM; DFM of Keoughan Family; Ray Irving; Bobbie Cross; Harold & Connie MacLean; David MacLean; Pat McCluskey & Michael McCluskey;
DEC. 24	SUNDAY	12:00 am	Michael & Charlene Rutter
DEC. 25	MONDAY	10:30 a.m.	Byron Eastwood; Ricky & Michael Hallihan; Rita & Xavier Richard; Deloris McDermaid; Edwin Adams; Owen Murdoch; Holy Souls in Purgatory; Debbie Young; Albert Joseph Muir

† ST. MARGARET'S MASS INTENTIONS

DEC. 16	SATURDAY	6:00 p.m.	Donald Holland; Keith Cook (A)
DEC. 23	SATURDAY	6:00 p.m.	Mary MacDougall
DEC. 24	SUNDAY	4:00 p.m.	Mary & Clarence (A) Cook; John, Edna, Ronald, Blain Flanagan; Hillarian, Frances & DFM; John, Nellie & Bill Dunn; Mike Lynch

† ST. MICHAELS BY THE SEA MASS INTENTIONS

DEC.17	SUNDAY	11:00 a.m.	Harriet Malinowski; Carmel Gallant; Byron Eastwood; Owen Kelly (A)
DEC. 24	SUNDAY	11:00 a.m.	DFM of ~Joseph Rigley Families & Roy MacDonald Families
DEC. 24	SUNDAY	6:00 p.m.	Charlie & Iona Williston; Mary Walsh; Gene Walsh; Byron Eastwood; Francis Duplessis (son) Scott

ST. MICHAEL'S BASILICA

Offertory: \$ 6126.55 Capital Campaign: \$ 130.00 Cemetery: \$ 135.00 Renovation: \$ 364.00
Poinsettia: \$ 415.00 Basilica Christmas \$ 1070.00

ST. MICHAELS BY THE SEA

Offertory: \$597.25
CEMETERY \$ 20.00

ST. ANDREW'S

Cemetery: \$ 165.00

ST. MARGARET'S

Offertory \$ 218.00 RENO.\$ 70.00

St. Michael the Archangel Parish

St. Vincent de Paul \$ 517.00
Pro Life \$ 95.00

In your prayers, please remember those who have passed; **especially**
Joseph F. Richard ~ Richard Barry



PARISH NEWS

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE UPDATE

Goal..... \$ 1,000,000.00
Donations/Pledges \$ 827,612.67
Percent of Goal Reached ...82.76%



K OF C FATHER B.M. BRODERICK COUNCIL 1219

4TH DEGREE Meeting 1st Monday of the Month
REGULAR Meeting 3rd Monday of the Month
EXECUTIVE Meeting 2nd Monday of the Month



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CHATHAM BINGO: Sunday at 7:00 pm.

Doors open at 5:15 pm.

K OF C BREAKFAST is the 1st Sunday of each month.


ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH LINENS **DEC. 16** M.A. McCarthy **DEC. 23** Paula Barry **DEC. 30** Brenda Duplessie

ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH is doing the Tree of Remembrance again this year. Please write the name (s) of the loved ones you wish to have remembered in the booklet located in the entrance of the church. A donation of \$2.00 per name or a donation of one's choice is asked of the donor. All donations are very greatly appreciated. The tree lighting will take place at the Mass on December 23rd, the 4th Sunday of Advent. The names of all your loved ones be remembered will be posted and placed in the bulletin. Thank you for your support!

Advent Reconciliation Service 6:30 PM Thursday December 21 at St. Michael's Basilica's. Prepare your hearts, to return to the wonder of the arrival of the Christ child, and make straight the way of the Lord for His second coming in glory. This Advent Reconciliation Service at Saint Michael's Basilica will lead us through a collective examen of conscience. Then, multiple priests will be available for confession. A reconciliation service is a good opportunity for conversion, to turn your heart back to the Lord, when you have not confessed in some time, and when you might be unsure even how to approach the Sacrament of Reconciliation. This Advent service will guide you, to prepare your heart for Christmas.

Religious Education News

BOTTLE DRIVE Will continue. Please drop off at the Ramp Door on Wednesday/ Friday afternoons. Thank you to everyone for your donations!!



Pot of Gold 50/50

DRAW FOR DEC. 11, 2023
WINNER # 2552
MEL RICHARD \$ 244. 00
CONGRATULATIONS MEL !!!!!!!
DON'T FORGET TO PLAY YOUR TOONIES !!!!!!!!

PARISH NEWS CON'T

THE 2024 CHURCH ENVELOPES are at the back of the church, (on the tables inside the big Church doors) . Please pick up your envelopes. If you do not find your name, please contact the Parish office. 506-778-5166

Coldest Night of the Year (CNOY) will take place on **February 24, 2024.**

This is a walk that is done to highlight homelessness in our community and country and takes place as well in other communities all across Canada on that day. We are walking for Miramichi Housing Solutions INC and our Team is known as "CHRISTIANS IN ACTION" and we are looking for people to join our team as well as sponsors. Please contact Lydia Ross, Team Captain 506-773-3324 Thank You !!

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL COMMITTEE: On behalf of the St. Vincent de Paul society Committee, a **big thanks** to all the St. Michael's parishioners who provided gifts, extra gifts and donations to the 2023 **White Tag gift** drive this year. Thank you to the **Rotary Club** for the turkeys. Your generosity and Christmas spirit overwhelmed us. Households, including children, will have a wonderful Christmas this year. **Thanks to all of you.**

We wish you all a very merry Christmas and a happy new year!!! Stanley Muir, (President), and on behalf of current active members: Stephen Ross (Treasurer) Tom Flynn (Secretary), Leo LeBlanc , John Bosma; Ken Walker, Matthew Lobban, Jennifer Walker & Margie Olsen. **Please note:** we will not be taking any further donations until the New Year. Watch the bulletin for updates. The store is now closed for the Holiday's , and will reopen on Jan. 13, 2024. May God bless you for your thoughtfulness, and support.

Miramichi Refugee Committee We have just received an update from our contact in the Saint John Diocese office that we can start the paper work to sponsor our Syrian family who are Huda's sister ,husband and three children. We have money set aside from Huda's family plus our donations but we still need another \$10 thousand . We would like to start raising the remainder. This is a wonderful opportunity to make a donation in memory of someone at Christmas. Donations given through the church will be issued a tax receipt. Thank you everyone for your continued support . More details will follow about the family in the new year.



Prayer ~preparing for Christmas

Let us journey towards the Feats of the Nativity with joyous hearts. Fast not only from food, but also from hatred and fear. Bring forth goodness and kindness to all. Forgive, be generous, in all things, give glory to God

3rd Sunday of Advent

"O Almighty God, gracious provider and giver of life, we anxiously await the celebration of your birth. Like the people of long ago, our ancestors in faith, we, too, are in need of light, in need of direction, in need of your Word, to show us the way. Our busy lives and the consumerism that surrounds us make it difficult to recognize your kingdom and to hear your voice. **Help us Lord, to focus on you.**

Amen

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Drop a toonie with your number attached into one of the **Yellow boxes** located in **St. Michael's Basilica**, or into the one in the **Chatham Atlantic Superstore** or **Kingston's Gas Bar** in Chatham. You can pay for several weeks (for example: \$20 for 10 weeks; \$52.00 for a half year, etc.).
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The most important BIRTHDAY in the history of humanity is the birthday of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. The key to experiencing the overflowing, exuberant joy of Christmas depends on the time, energy, and effort that we expend in preparing for this day. In short, the key to the success of the party depends on the prior preparation for the party.

The Church teaches about the three comings of the Lord Jesus Christ: In the Incarnation, historically about 2000 years ago (Jesus born in Bethlehem), at the end of time—this is left for God the Father; finally, and very pertinent to us in the present moment, is that Jesus comes to us constantly by means of grace!

Therefore, we would like to offer a concrete plan on how we can prepare for the Birthday of Jesus in our own life, our own mind, our own heart, and in the depths of our soul by means of grace right now! May Mary, the Mother of God, the good Saint Joseph, and the holy angels of God assist us in the most noble of endeavors. May this Christmas be a radical change in our lives.