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Saint Margaret's Church 9371 NB-11, Saint Margarets



The Canaanite's Daughter, by James Tissot

Healing the Canaanite Woman's Daughter

"Have mercy on me, O Lord, Son of David;
my daughter is severely oppressed by a demon"
(Matthew 15:22).

'Much can be learned by reflecting on the words and actions of the Canaanite woman. Among other things, she is the model for effective prayer. First, notice that she comes to the Saviour with faith. She never questions whether Jesus is able to deliver her daughter from the demon. She simply trusts in the divine authority of Jesus, three times calling Him "Lord."

Second, she shows perseverance in asking for Jesus' help. Neither His initial silence nor His attempt to decline the request lessened her tenacity in pursuing His assistance. She persisted until she attained what she sought.

Third, the woman displays admirable humility. One might expect her to take offense at the comparison between the non-Jews and house pets. But the reaction of the woman gives no indication that her pride suffered any injury. Instead of being put off by the comment, she accepts that she has no claim on the God of Israel or His Messiah.

The episode thus presents us with dispositions essential to petitionary prayer. If we approach the Lord Jesus as the Canaanite woman did, we too can hope for His favourable response:

"Let it be done for you as you wish"

- from the *The Gospel of Matthew: Catholic Commentary on Sacred Scripture*.

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Lord's Day Mass Times: St. Michael's Basilica:

Saturday 4pm, Sunday 10:30am & 5:30pm

St Michael's By-the-Sea: Saturday 4pm

St Margaret's Church: **First** Saturdays 6pm

Daily Mass Times: St. Michael's Basilica:

9am Monday - Friday ; 4pm jeudi *la Messe française*

Eucharistic Adoration: 7pm-8pm **First** Fridays

Confessions: St. Michael's Basilica: 3pm **Saturdays**

Weekly Mass and Prayer Intentions

Saint Michael's Basilica

Saturday August 15	4pm	Joan Losier, Mary Noel, June Dignam, James Russell, Fraser & Genevieve Kerr, Annie & William Walsh, Jack & Kevin Connell, Paul McLean, Geroage & Margaret Cook, Gerald, Ralph & James Taylor, Marg & Jim Keoughan & d.f.m., for a special intention, and thanksgiving
20 th Sunday		
Sunday August 16	10:30am	Jacquelyn Arsemault, Kenneth Quinn, Bernadette Keating, Kirby Leggatt, Tom & Mary King, and for a special intention
	5:30pm	<i>Pro Populo - for the People</i>
Monday August 17	9am	Alice Hachey
Tuesday August 18	9am	J.J. McCarthy
Wednesday August 19	9am	Anna & Thomas Power & d.f.m.
Thursday August 20	9am	Frank Fleiger
Memorial - Saint Bernard	4pm	<i>la Messe française</i>
Friday August 14		Colin & Alice Fleiger
Memorial - Saint Pius X		
Saturday August 22	4pm	John Kerr, George Foran, Father Paul Riley, Don Lynch, Mary Noel, Dorothy Poirier, June Dignam, Randy Blakeley, James Russell, Wayne MacDonald, Charles Reinsborough, Nellie & Benny Moran & d.f.m., for a special intention, and for peace in the world
21 st Sunday		
Sunday August 23	10:30am	Maureen Olsvik, Jacquelyn Arsemault, Darlene Keoughan, Chris Williston, Mike Gallant, Richard Myles, Vaughn & Dolly MacDonald, Doris & Jerry Donahue, and for thanksgiving
	5:30pm	<i>Pro Populo - for the People</i>

Saint Michael's By-the-Sea

Saturday August 15	4pm	Michael Hallihan
Saturday August 23	4pm	Kim Edwards, and David MacDonald

Saint Margaret's Church

Saturday August 15	6pm	No Mass
Saturday August 23	6pm	No Mass

Please Pray, during this Scottish Festival. Through the preaching of the Gospel, Saint Columba brought the message of peace to the people of Scotland.

Almighty God, You took pity on us when you sent us Jesus, Your Divine Son; He who reconciled people separated through sin and strife. In Your goodness, grant us confidence to preach the Gospel so that the peace of Christ may spread in our world where conflict and war separate people from one another. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Saint Columba, pray for us! - A Naoimh Chaluim Chille, guidh air ar son!

And, let us pray for Yvonne Comeau.

Readings: Isaiah 56:1-7 ; Romans 11:13-32; Gospel of Matthew 15:21-28

Psalms: 67 R: 5 *Let the peoples praise You, O God, let all the peoples praise You!*

Entrance Antiphon: From Psalm 84. Turn Your eyes, O God, our shield; and look on the face of Your anointed one; one day within Your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere.

Communion Antiphon: from Psalm 130. With the Lord there is mercy; in Him is plentiful redemption.

Parish News

Pro-life Holy Hour 7pm First Fridays at Saint Michael's Basilica Bishop Roger's Chapel. A special prayer will be offered for the protection of all human life. All are welcome to this peaceful time of Eucharistic Adoration and peaceful time of prayer. For more information, contact Chris Ross at 506-251-5586 .

Join our youth choir, offering us the beautiful antiphons and chants of the Roman Missal. Rehearsals are 6-7pm Thursdays in the Basilica. Call or text Aaron Young at 506-624-7908

Christian young adults, join a growing community gathering for fellowship, faith formation, and action, currently meeting on monthly video calls. Join the Whatsapp group by contacting Pàdruig MacDonald, +15066260280

Families with youth learning the Catholic Christian Faith and **seeking the Sacraments of Communion and Confirmation** - come to our information and registration evening **5:30-7:30 Monday August 24 in our Parish Centre**. This is an opportunity to learn about our family catechesis approach to sacramental preparation, meet our faith formation team, and register your child for the upcoming year. The Church teaches that parents are the primary educators of their children in the faith. The Catechism of the Catholic Church reminds us: "Parents have the first responsibility for the education of their children" (CCC 2223). We support and equip parents to be the first teachers of prayer, virtue, and love of God in the home, the domestic church. For more information, contact Renée Comeau at 506-778-5153.

230th anniversary Mass at Saint Patrick's Church in Nelson **11am Sunday August 23**, followed by a light reception in the parish centre. Please come and celebrate 230 years of faithful worship on the site of Malcolm's Chapel since 1796, and to commemorate the 200th Anniversary of the dedication of our second church to St. Patrick in 1826! All are welcome to attend!

Breakfasts all summer long... 9am-Noon Sundays August 23, & Sept. 13 at Fr. Morrissey Centre, Bartibog. 2 eggs, a choice of breakfast meats, brown beans, hashbrowns, toast, juice, coffee and tea. Adult: \$12 Children 12 & under: \$6. 50/50 draw. All are welcome!

Parish Fall Suppers:

Saint Patrick's in Nelson : **2-6pm Sunday September 13** Turkey Supper with all the trimmings and dessert. Adults: \$20 and Children: \$10 (50¢ extra for take-out)

Saint Michael's : **2-6pm Sunday September 20**

Percy's Place Memorial Walk Saturday, 6-9pm Saturday September 12 - see the posters about this time of remembrance and fundraising support for Percy's Place's ongoing work and mission, or see: www.percysplace.ca/a-night-of-remembrance

Last week's collection for Saint Michael the Archangel Parish		St. Michael's By-the-Sea	St. Margaret's
Regular	\$5,625	\$584	\$327
Dr. Gerard and Judy Losier	\$5,000		
Renovation	\$200		
Capital Campaign (raised so far: \$908,077)	\$229		
St. Vincent de Paul ministry	\$194	\$30	
Cemeteries	Basilica \$221 St. Andrew's \$255	\$20	\$20



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Community breakfast first Sunday of every month, 8am-Noon
Senior Dances - Saturdays at 8pm, doors open at 6:30pm
Fundraising Bingo - Sundays at 7pm, doors open at 5pm
All are welcome to our accessible hall at 67 King Street!
Call 506-773-7225 for information or to join in service, in fraternity and charity!



Catholic Women's League of Canada

Saint Michael's Council

The Catholic Women's League of Canada calls its members to grow in faith, and witness to the love of God through ministry and service.
Visit CWL.CA to see all our resources.
New members are always welcome! We meet the second Thursday of each month.
Those requiring more information or transportation call 506-424-1332 or 506-623-8130.

Saint Vincent De Paul

Saint Michael's Basilica

Clothing for those in need, from community donations

The Saint Vincent de Paul **clothing ministry** is open to those in need, **Saturdays from 9am-Noon**, in the Saint Michael's Basilica Parish Centre. *Due to this community's overwhelming generosity*, we are overflowing and cannot accept donations at this time. We'll look forward to your donations for the Fall/Winter season in September!



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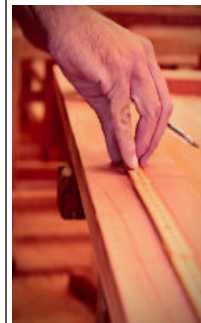
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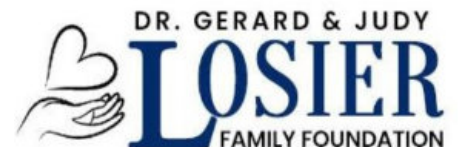
POT OF GOLD 50/50

Drop a toonie marked with your number into one of the yellow boxes at St. Michael's Basilica or Kingston's Gas Bar for a chance to win. Email potofgold5050@gmail.com or call 506-623-9056 to get your number to play your toonies. August 10 #2161 Nancy Hachey won \$383, congratulations!



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