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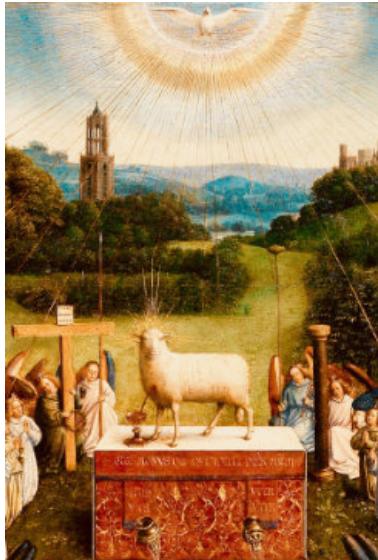
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Bulletin for January 18, 2024

Saint Michael the Archangel Basilica
12 Howard Street, Miramichi

Saint Michael's by-the-Sea
7321 NB-117, Miramichi Bay

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



The Lamb of God detail from van Eyck's Ghent Altarpiece

Second Sunday after Epiphany

After the Lord's Baptism, we hear from John's Gospel (1:29-34), "Behold, the Lamb of God, Who takes away the sin of the world!"

Scott Hahn, in his book *The Lamb's Supper* (ch.2), reminds that we know Who the Lamb is, Jesus Christ Himself. We say this so many times in the Mass alone:

'Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us...'

'Behold, the Lamb of God...'

'Jesus is Lord, God, Saviour, Messiah, King, Priest, Prophet... and... Lamb?'

'Why Lamb, not a lion or a stallion or a bull?'

Why does Revelation (5:6) portray Jesus as a "Lamb standing as if slain?" Because only a sacrificial lamb fits the divine pattern of for our salvation.'

'John the Baptist's pointing to Jesus as the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world reveals that Jesus is at the same time the suffering Servant who silently allows Himself to be led to the slaughter and Who bears the sin of the multitudes, and also the Paschal Lamb, the symbol of Israel's redemption at the first Passover. Christ's whole life expresses His mission: "to serve, and to give His life as a ransom for many" (Mark 10:45; *Catechism of the Catholic Church* § 608).

Learn more about the Lamb of God, and all of our Catholic Christian Faith, through our freely-accessible parish subscription to FORMED, forming Catholics for life:

stmichaelsbasilica.ca/formed

Parish Office:

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Monday, Wednesday to Friday, 8am-4pm

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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: Saturday **6pm**

Daily Mass Times:

St. Michael's Basilica: 9am Monday - Friday ; 4pm jeudi la Messe française

Eucharistic Adoration:

9:30am First Fridays

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

Weekly Mass and Prayer Intentions

Saint Michael's Basilica

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| Saturday January 17 | 4pm | Kenneth Quinn, June Dignam, Betty Losier, Margaret Sweeney, Frank Kane, Yvonne Comeau, Katherine Phee, Raymond MacKnight, Leona Hallihan, Peter MacDonald, Allison Fleiger, Gordon & Helen Blakely, Jake & Rita Chaston, Bligh & Jackie Woodworth, Lyle & Ethel Connors, Ann Isiah & Steve Blakely, Fred LeBelle & d.f.m., Bernadette Keating & d.f.m., for a special intention, and holy souls in Purgatory |
| <i>Week of Prayer for Christian Unity</i> | | |
| Sunday January 18 | 10:30am | Kevin Murphy, and Paul MacLean |
| | 5:30pm | <i>Pro Populo</i> - for the People |
| Monday January 19 | 9am | Oswald & Marguerite Vienneau |
| Tuesday January 20 | 9am | Raymond & Patricia Lahey |
| Wednesday January 21 <i>Memorial of Saint Agnes</i> | 9am | For a special intention |
| Thursday January 22 | 9am | Phyllis & Raymond Butler & deceased family members |
| | 4pm | <i>la Messe française</i> |
| Friday January 23 | 9am | David Cook |
| Saturday January 24 | 4pm | Donnie Keoughan, Kenneth Quinn, June Dignam, Betty Losier, Margaret Sweeney, Frank Kane, Norman Emery, Yvonne Comeau, Leona Hallihan, Karen Barton, Charles Morris, John W. Hawkes, Linda Blakely, Herbert & Ethel Blakely, Clarence & Marie Blakely, Irene & Daniel Blakely, Bob Hersey & d.f.m., Bernadette Keating & d.f.m., and for a special intention |
| Sunday January 25 | 10:30am | Kevin Murphy, and Neil MacDonald |
| | 5:30pm | <i>Pro Populo</i> - for the People |

Saint Michael's By-the-Sea

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| Saturday January 17 | 4pm | William James Hogan |
| Saturday January 24 | 4pm | Yvonne Comeau, and Fred LeBelle |

Saint Margaret's Church

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| Saturday January 17 | 6pm | John Quinn, and Theresa Quimby |
| Saturday January 24 | 6pm | Bertha McGrath, Kenneth Quinn, and Theresa Quimby |

Please Pray For: this January 18-25 week of prayer for Christian unity, with its theme from the letter of Saint Paul to the Ephesians (4:4) -

‘There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the hope of your calling.’

And, let us pray for Edward Thibodeau, and Kim Edwards.

Readings: Isaiah 49:3,5-6; 1 Corinthians 1:1-3; Gospel of John 1:29-34

Psalm: 40 R:7-8 *Here I am, Lord, I come to do Your will.*

Entrance Antiphon: from Psalm 65. All the earth shall bow down before You, O God, and shall sing to You, shall sing to Your Name, O Most High!

Communion Antiphon: from 1 John. We have come to know and to believe in the love that God has for us.

Parish News

Holy Spirit Renewal resumes January 4, for **weekly gatherings 2pm Sundays** in the parish centre, for those who hear the call and desire to respond to Bishop Christian Riesbeck, CC's call for all the faithful to have a deep and personal relationship with Jesus through the Church, being led by the Holy Spirit to be intentional missionary disciples.

Faith Study resumes January 8, for **weekly gatherings 1pm Thursdays** in the parish centre. The next study will be of the Virgin Mary, Mother of God, from her childhood through her life with Jesus, until her Assumption. This will focus on how she is *the* model of holiness and discipleship for the Church and all believers.

Cursillo - Ultreya every 3rd Wednesday of the month at 7pm in the parish centre.

Family Catechesis and Religious Education continues with Family Catechesis 6:30pm Sunday January 18 for Family Catechesis. Everyone is encouraged to join us in sharing our Faith as a community. Please pray for our parish families and youth journeying in their preparation for Christ's Sacraments.

March Break High School Youth Retreat Friday, March 6 - Sunday, March 8, youth are invited to spend two nights at the Villa Madonna, growing in faith, friendship, and community. See more and register (\$150/person) at stmichaelsbasilica.ca/YouthMarchBreakRetreat

Register now for July 10-12 2026 Steubenville Atlantic Youth Conference at Dalhousie University, Halifax. Rising grade 9s through graduating grade 12s are welcome to attend with our group. Join hundreds of Catholic teens and encounter the transforming love of Christ. See more at stmichaelsbasilica.ca/Steubenville2026 and register with Renée Comeau 506-778-5153

Marriage Enrichment Retreat February 13-15 2026 at the **Villa Madonna** in Rothesay, on the Love that reflects Heaven: Encountering God in our Marriage.

Marriage enrichment zoom sessions are also available weekly.
Contact Joe and Deb D'Ettore atvnonno@gmail.com

Men's Retreat – Called To Be Heroic Apostles in Action - March 20-22 2026 at the **Villa Madonna** in Rothesay. All men in the Diocese of Saint John ages 19+ yrs are invited to participate in a time of teaching, prayer and reflection, conversation, and fraternal fellowship with Mass and Adoration. Learn more and register at stmichaelsbasilica.ca/MensRetreat2026

Christmas Memorial Poinsettias - additional donations received for Frank Skidd and George, Eileen, John & Don Stewart.

St. Michael's Museum and Catholic Bookstore open Tuesdays Jan-Feb, all Christmas stock 25% off and tax free.

Special diocesan collection at the end of January, for the Indigenous Reconciliation Fund. This will contribute towards the CCCB's five-year \$30-million National Campaign to support regional and local Indigenous healing and reconciliation initiatives.

| January 10-11 collection for Saint Michael the Archangel Parish | St. Michael's By-the-Sea | St. Margaret's |
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| Regular | \$4,619 | \$417 |
| Renovation | \$170 | \$30 |
| Capital Campaign (raised so far: \$896,854) | \$89 | |
| St. Vincent de Paul ministry | \$213 | \$10 |
| Cemeteries | Basilica \$129 St. Andrew's \$135 | \$45 |



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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

Congratulations to Christmas Basket winner Mary Kingston! Thank you to everyone who contributed to this \$3,699 fundraising campaign for our charitable activities.

Next Meeting: 6:30pm February 12 in St. Michael's Parish Centre. Wear pink for Pink Shirt Day to raise awareness of kindness and anti-bullying initiatives. New members are always welcome. Anyone who requires transportation please contact 506-623-8130 or 506-424-1332.

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.

We appreciate donations of clothing for men, women, and children. Thanks for your continued generosity!

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