

# Saint Michael

## THE ARCHANGEL PARISH

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Bulletin for February 2 2025

**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



Presentation of the Lord - Stained Glass in the Bishop Rogers' Chapel of Saint Michael the Archangel Basilica

### *The Presentation of the Lord* - World Day for Consecrated Life -

The Feast of the Presentation of the Lord commemorates the Holy Family's reception in the midst of the Lord's Temple. It is also known as Candlemas, 40 days after our celebration of Christmas, when Christ was born as a light to the nations - 'O Light of Light, Love given birth.' Like Christ's Baptism actually Christened our Baptismal waters, Jesus' presentation in the Temple

by Joseph and Mary is not for their purification, for theirs is the model of Chastity. Rather, this is for our purification, in Christ's purifying Light. This is fulfilling the Law of Moses, as we hear, in perfect obedience to the Will of the Lord (Luke 2:22; Leviticus 12; Exodus 13). Yet Jesus IS the Law of Moses, and the fulfillment of all the Law and the prophets (Matthew 5:17). Mary carries Jesus to the Temple gates, yet she is the gate of heaven, carrying the Light of the world, the King of Glory. Even so, this Holy Family of our rich Lord of heaven and earth deigns to be poor, and offers the poor offering of two turtledoves. From the Passover, when the blood of a lamb rescues from death, every firstborn is consecrated the Lord, to be redeemed by the offering of a lamb. The Holy Family does not offer any animal to redeem their firstborn. Jesus IS the Lamb of God (John 1:29). Christ offers Himself for us, in His total gift of Himself, for our redemption, for our salvation. Righteous and devout Simeon is carried into the Temple by the Spirit, to receive and carry the light of the child Jesus. Yet this child is the Lord of Simeon's life, the Saviour of the world. In this temple, with Simeon, with the Holy Family, may we kneel before our Holy Redeemer, the Saving Lord of our life. May we present ourselves with minds purified and enlightened by the Light of Christ.

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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

Saturday February 1	4pm	Michael Connell, Arlene Cripps, Rita LeBlanc, Guy Lamkey, Helen Keaughan, Adelyn Robichaud, Patricia Kennedy, Gerard Doucette, Katherine Phee, Janet Awong, Anne Comeau, Mary K. Conway, Kristene M. Conway, Gary Nowlan, Conrad & Jane Jones, Jack & Kay Bell, Mr. & Mrs. Patrick Daley & d.f.m., Tom & Jean Olsen & d.f.m., and Art McDonough & d.f.m.
<i>The Presentation of the Lord</i>		
Sunday February 2	10:30am	John David Reynolds, John Joseph Reynolds, and Mr. & Mrs. Henry Comeau & d.f.m.
<i>World Day for Consecrated Life</i>	5:30pm	Judith McGrath & deceased family members
Monday February 3	9am	Tom Conroy, and Colin & Alice Heiger
<i>Memorial - Saint Blaise</i>		
Tuesday February 4	9am	Raymond Cripps, Patsy Keating, and Eldon & Judy McGrath & d.f.m.
Wednesday February 5	9am	Michael Hallihan, and for holy souls in Purgatory
<i>Memorial - Saint Agatha</i>		
Thursday February 6	9am	Ronnie Comeau, and for a special intention
<i>Memorial - Saint Paul Miki and Companions</i>	4pm	<i>la Messe française</i>
Friday February 7	9am	Anne Comeau, and Rose McLenaghan
<i>Memorial - Saint John Bosco</i>		
Saturday February 8	4pm	Ronnie Comeau, Phyllis Comeau, Noreen O'Hearn, Anne Comeau, Dennis Comeau, Stella Matthews, Adelyn Robichaud, Ivan Hallihan, Jean Harrison, James LeBelle, Elizabeth Fitzgerald, Sadie LeFève (Savoy), Joseph Walsh & Margaret Walsh Hay, Martina & Ida Keoughan, Mary, Roland & Gene Walsh, Lawrence, Elizabeth & Andrew Comeau, Roy & Eileen Bowes, Julia Richard & d.f.m., for a special intention, and for thanksgiving
<i>Fifth Sunday</i>		
Sunday February 9	10:30am	<i>Pro Populo</i> - for the People
	5:30pm	Michael Rutter, and Tom & Jean Olsen & d.f.m.

## Saint Michael's By-the-Sea

Saturday February 1	4pm	<i>Pro Populo</i> - for the People
Saturday February 8	4pm	Byron Eastwood

## Saint Margaret's Church

Saturday February 1	6pm	David Cook, William Dunn, and Bertha McGrath
Saturday February 8	6pm	Clarence & Mary Cook

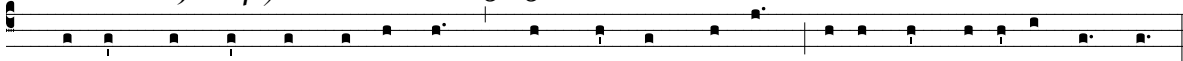
*Please Pray For:* The Holy Father's February prayer intention, for vocations to the priesthood and religious life, for our young people to hear the call to serve Christ's Mission. And, please pray for Muriel Lebreton, Roger McGraw, George Comeau, and Elma Savoy.

*Readings:* Malachi 3:1-4; Hebrews 2:10-18; Gospel of Luke 2:22-40

*Psalm:* 24  $\text{\textcircled{R}}$ : 10 *The Lord of hosts, He is king of glory!*

*Entrance Antiphon:* from Psalm 47. Your merciful love, O God, we have received in the midst of your temple. Your praise, O God, like your name, reaches the ends of the earth; Your right hand is filled with saving justice.

*Communion Antiphon:* from Luke 2:30-31



My eyes have seen Your sal- va- tion, \* which You have prepared in the sight of all the peo- ples.

**Weekly Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament:**

**Fridays at 9am** at Sts. Peter & Paul (Bartibog),  
**First Fridays** following the **9am** Mass at Saint Michael’s Basilica,  
First Saturdays at 9am at St. Mary’s Church, and Last Sundays at 4pm at St. Samuel’s Church.

**Jubilee Year of Hope Pilgrimages and Missions** - the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, in its 170<sup>th</sup> year, is hosting pilgrimages every first Saturday of the year, from 10am prayer and Adoration to Mass at noon. Contact 506-653-6820 for more information.

**Saint Michael the Archangel Basilica** will be a **pilgrimage site** at the **5:30pm Sunday Mass**, on the eve of Michaelmas, and Bishop Christian Riesbeck, CC, will offer a Mission from Monday September 29 - Wednesday October 1, 2025, more details to come.

**Bring in your palm branches** from last year in advance of Ash Wednesday, March 5, 2025. You can set them at the tables at our church entrances, or in the vestry chapel of Saint Michael’s Basilica, so that we may burn them into the ashes we use to enter into our Lenten observance - “Remember you are dust, and to dust you shall return.” “Repent, and believe in the Gospel.”

**National Catholic Health Care Week** - February 2-8, 2025. National Catholic Health Care Week leads into The World Day of the Sick on February 11, a Catholic day of observance to encourage prayers and reflections for those who are ill and for all those who care for them. We give thanks for the long, faithful service of our Religious Hospitallers of Saint Joseph, our Mount Saint Joseph Nursing Home, and Hotel Dieu Place, along with St. Joseph’s Hospital and Rocmaura Nursing Home in our Diocese of Saint John. See more at [bit.ly/SMA-NCHCW2025](http://bit.ly/SMA-NCHCW2025)

**Weekly Parish Prayer Group Tuesdays at 1pm** in the **parish centre**.

Learn Catholic teaching on prayer, and begin praying like never before.

**Weekly Parish Bible Study Thursdays at 1pm** in the **parish centre**.

2025 is a Jubilee Year of Hope. We will be looking at the world as it is, and the Scriptures and the teaching of the Church to help us envision our mission as individuals and as the Body of Christ to bring hope to this world.

**Dying with Christ, Living with Hope** - 3-video series presentation

1pm February 20 & 27 & March 6 demystifying the death and dying process, and providing a hopeful approach to end of life questions. See more information at [bit.ly/DWCLWHWinter](http://bit.ly/DWCLWHWinter)

**Enkindle Retreat February 21-23** at the **Villa Madonna Retreat House** - be a faithful witness to hope! See posters, and get more information at [tinyurl.com/EnkindleRetreatSJ](http://tinyurl.com/EnkindleRetreatSJ)

**Hope in Christ Jubilee 2025 Men’s Retreat March 14-16** at the **Villa Madonna Retreat House**. See posters, and get more information to register at [bit.ly/DSJ-HIC](http://bit.ly/DSJ-HIC)

**Nursing Home without Walls** - navigate the services you need to help you stay in your home longer. Call 506-773-4214 or see more online at [bit.ly/SNHWOW](http://bit.ly/SNHWOW)

January 25-26 collection for Saint Michael the Archangel Parish		St. Michael’s By-the-Sea	St. Margaret’s
Regular	\$7,429	\$456	\$609
The Dr. Gerard and Judy Losier Family Foundation Inc.	\$5,000		
Renovation	\$15		
Capital Campaign	\$177		
St. Vincent de Paul ministry	\$50		
Indigenous Reconciliation Fund	\$530	\$6	\$5
Cemeteries	Basilica \$40	St. Andrew’s \$145	\$60



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## Community breakfast Sunday February 2, 8am-Noon All are welcome to our accessible hall at 67 King Street!

Senior Dances - Saturdays at 8pm, doors open at 6:30pm  
Fundraising Bingo - Sundays at 7pm, doors open at 5pm  
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 CWL executive invites you to the  
**next meeting 6:30pm February 13, 2025.**

To celebrate Saint Valentine, please wear pink or red to the meeting.  
If you need transportation please call 506-623-8130.  
If you are interested in knowing more about the CWL,  
please contact Patricia at the same phone number.


## 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.

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at St. Michael's Basilica, Chatham Superstore, or Kingston's Gas Bar  
for a chance to win. Email [potofgold5050@gmail.com](mailto:potofgold5050@gmail.com) or  
call 506-623-9056 to get your number to play your toonies.  
January 27 #1210 Edna Demers won \$459, congratulations.



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