

Saint Michael

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Bulletin for September 20, 2026

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



Detail from *Day Labourers*, by James Janknegt

'You too, go into My vineyard.'

Pope Leo XIV has taught on the parable of this Lord's Day Gospel of Matthew (20:1-16):

'This is a parable that gives hope, because it tells us that this landowner goes out at all times, to go and look for those who are waiting to give meaning to their lives... This tireless master wants at all costs to give value to the life of every one of us... The labourers who had remained in the marketplace had probably given up all hope. That day had come to nothing. Nevertheless, someone still believed in them.'

'What point is there to take on labourers only for the last hour of the working day? And yet, even when it seems we are able to do little in life, it is always worthwhile. There is always the possibility to find meaning, because God loves our life.'

'And the originality of this landowner is also seen at the end of the day, at pay time.

The master tells them he will give them what is fair... What is fair? For the owner of the vineyard, that is, for God, it is just that each person has what they need to live. He called the labourers personally, he knows their dignity...'

'The story says that the labourers from the first hour are disappointed: they cannot see the beauty of the gesture of the landowner, who was not unjust, but simply generous; who looked not only at merit, but also at need. God wants to give His Kingdom, that is, full, eternal and happy life, to everyone.

And this is what Jesus does with us: He does not establish rankings, He gives all of Himself to those who open their hearts to Him.'

'In the light of this parable, today's Christian might be tempted to think, "Why start work immediately? If the pay is the same, why work more?"

Saint Augustine responds to these doubts, saying: "Why dost thou put off Him that calleth thee, certain as thou art of the reward, but uncertain of the day? Take heed then lest peradventure what He is to give thee by promise, thou take from thyself by delay."

- from Pope Leo XIV's General Audience 4 June 2025

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Hours:

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

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

NOTE: Sunday September 20 evening Mass 6:30pm due to **Parish Fall Supper 2-6pm**

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 September 19	4pm	Jacquelyn Arsenault, Mary Noel, Leo Sullivan, Mary Sullivan, Laurie Boucher, June Dignam, Daniel 'Danny' Poirier, Patrick W. Keoughan, Fred, Alma, Greg & Richard LeBelle, Thomas & Anna Power & d.f.m., Tom & Jean Olsen & d.f.m., for holy souls in Purgatory, for a special intention, and for thanksgiving
25 th Sunday Sunday September 20	10:30am	Billy Davis, John J. Poirier, and for thanksgiving
	6:30pm	NOTE TIME CHANGE FOR PARISH FALL SUPPER 2-6pm
Monday September 21 <i>Saint Matthew, Apostle</i>	9am	Lisa Glazier, and Leslie Glazier
Tuesday September 22	9am	Sally Doyle
Wednesday September 23 <i>Saint Padre Pio</i>	9am	Mary Noel
Thursday September 24	9am	Tom Conroy
	4pm	<i>la Messe française</i>
Friday September 25	9am	Joe and Carmel Williams
Saturday September 26	10am	<i>Syro-Malabar Malayalam Eastern Rite Catholic Mass</i>
26 th Sunday	4pm	Wayne McCarthy, Jacquelyn Arsenault, Ron Underhill, Mary Noel, Leo Handrahan, Nora Daley, June Dignam, David Lahey, Raymond & Patricia Lahey, Patrick & Mary Agnes Lahey, Florence & William Cook, Clayton & Mary McFarlane, John & Mary Ellen Jackson, Bob & Sara Carter, Jim & Alice Taylor & sons, and for a special intention
Sunday September 27 <i>World Day of Migrants and Refugees</i>	10:30am	Buddy O'Donnell, Carmel Gallant, Raymond Moar, Charles Spray, Annamma Joseph, for a special intention, and for holy souls in Purgatory

Collection for the Needs of the Church in Canada 5:30pm *Pro Populo - for the People*

Saint Michael's By-the-Sea

Saturday September 19	4pm	Evangeline Thibodeau
Saturday September 26	4pm	William Bulefeld

Saint Margaret's Church

Saturday September 19	6pm	No Mass
Saturday September 26	6pm	No Mass

Please Pray with Pope Leo XIV's September Intention: May our care for water be a sign of love for the Creator and a commitment to the lives of the poor, educating new generations to value and protect the Earth's resources.

And, let us pray for Meleme McGraw, Blake Johnston, William (Billy) Savage, and Geraldine (Comeau) Byrne.

Readings: Ezekiel 18:25-28 ; Philippians 2:1-5; Gospel of Matthew 21:28-32

Psalm: 25 R: 6 *Lord, be mindful of Your Mercy*

Entrance Antiphon:

I am the salvation of the people, says the Lord.

Should they cry to me in any distress, I will hear them, and I will be their Lord for ever.

Communion Antiphon: from Psalm 118.

You have laid down Your precepts to be carefully kept; may my ways be firm in keeping Your statutes.

Parish News

Blessings to our Parish Families! Family Catechesis Gatherings in the Parish Centre. Our first gatherings for religious education will be for everyone, parents and all family members who would like to join us, and all students from grades 1 to 9. During these evenings, you can receive a schedule for the year. If you have a binder from our family catechesis last year, bring it along!

6:30pm Sunday September 27 in the Parish Centre – a gathering for students grades 1-9, parents, and all family members who would like to join us.

6:30pm Sunday October 4 in the Parish Centre – a gathering for students grades 1-9, parents, and all family members who would like to join us.

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

Faith Study Thursdays at 1pm in the **parish centre**.

We will be studying the history of the Liturgy, with a focus upon the Eucharist.

Pot of Gold fundraiser - anyone paying for a full year of Pot of Gold play (\$104) from September 13, 2026, to October 4, 2026 will have their name entered into a draw for **one free year of play**. Please support our basilica, call Marion 506-623-9056 or Ellen 506-773-9733

Saint Mary's Chairlift Fundraiser Final Push:

Saturday October 3 Bake sale 2pm- in the **Parish Centre**

7pm Sunday October 4 Gospel Concert featuring choirs, duets and soloists.

Freewill offering. Thank you for your generosity. God bless.

Saints Peter & Paul Parish Fall Supper in Bartibog: **3-6pm Sunday October 4**

Chicken Supper. Adults: \$20 Youth \$10. Eat in or take out. Tickets will be available at the door and by reservation. Reserve by texting 506-210-3044 including your name and # of meals.

There will be a **Dessert Launch** of the **Shipwreck of 1761 Discovered Near Burnt Church** **2-4pm September 26** at the **Historical Hall** (former Burnt Church School on the corner of Burnt Church and Church River Roads). 2pm - A reading and music, followed by a viewing of some items salvaged from the wreck, beverages & sweets and a book signing. All proceeds from the book will go as donations to the Historical Society of Church River Inc.

Catholic Men's Conference "GO! Rebuild My Church," 9am-5pm Saturday October 17 at **Saint Dunstan's Church** in Fredericton. This inspiring day will feature Catholic teaching with Father Aaron Knox, prayer, Confession, Eucharistic Adoration, fellowship, meals, and Holy Mass celebrated by Bishop Christian Riesbeck, CC.

Whether you are seeking to deepen your faith, reconnect with God, or spend time with other men striving to live their faith more fully, this conference is for you. Registration is \$35. Invite a friend, father, son, brother, or fellow parishioner. All men are welcome!

Register at: events.insogan.org/NBMC

Last week's collection for Saint Michael the Archangel Parish		St. Michael's By-the-Sea	St. Margaret's
Regular	\$5,467	\$513	\$85
Dr. Gerard and Judy Losier	\$5,000		
Renovation	\$200		\$5
Capital Campaign (raised so far: \$909,707)	\$79		
St. Vincent de Paul ministry	\$104	\$10	
Parish Fall Supper donations	\$1,270		
Cemeteries	Basilica \$174 St. Andrew's \$220	\$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

5th Annual SOCKtober campaign October 1 - 31, 2026.
We are collecting new, warm socks for the needy in the Miramichi.
Socks will be distributed during the first week of November.
By warming the 'soles' of others, we warm our own hearts also!
Thank you for your participation.
For more information, contact Paula Trueman at 506-210-0687

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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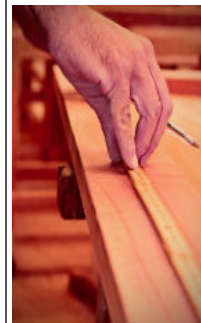
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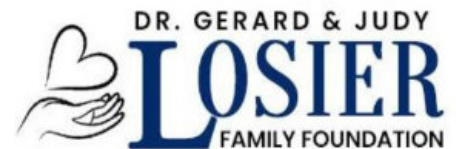
POT OF GOLD 50/50

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. September 14 #1416 did not play, \$403 will roll into the next draw.



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