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



The Last shall be First, by James Tissot

Reflection on Readings from this Lord's Day

Jesus again proclaims His passion, death and Resurrection to the disciples (Mark 9:30-31). The disciples reject His fulfilling the Scriptures in His suffering and death, while they discuss which of them is to be considered "the greatest" (Mark 9:34).

Jesus patiently explains His logic to them, the logic of love that makes itself service to the point of the gift of self: "If anyone would be first, he must be last of all and servant of all" (Mark 9:35).

This is the logic of Christianity, which responds to the truth about man created in the image of God, but at the same time

contrasts with human selfishness, a consequence of original sin. Every human person is attracted by love - which ultimately is God Himself - but often errs in the concrete ways of loving; thus, an originally positive tendency but one polluted by sin can give rise to evil intentions and actions.

In today's Liturgy, this is also recalled in the Letter of Saint James (3: 16-18): "Wherever jealousy and selfish ambition exist, there will be disorder and every vile practice. But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, open to reason, full of mercy and good fruits, without uncertainty or insincerity". And the Apostle concludes: "The harvest of righteousness is sown in peace by those who make peace."

These words call to mind the witness of so many Christians who humbly and silently spend their lives serving others for the sake of the Lord Jesus, behaving in practice as servants of love, and hence, "artisans" of peace.

There is no doubt that following Christ is difficult, but, as He says, only those who lose their life for His sake and the Gospel's will save it (Mark 8:35), giving full meaning to their existence.

There is no other way of being his disciples, there is no other way of witnessing to His love and striving for Gospel perfection.

May Mary, whom we call upon today as Our Lady of Mercy, open our hearts ever wider to the love of God, a mystery of joy and holiness.

- from Pope Benedict XI's Angelus address on this Lord's Day, 2006.

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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 messe en français

Eucharistic Adoration: 9:30am First Fridays

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

Weekly Mass and Prayer Intentions

Saint Michael's Basilica

Saturday September 21	4pm	Bobby Tan, Kitty Kerr, John Kerr, Rita & Bill Kerr, Edward Keoughan, Clive Gallimore, Arthur Rogers, William & Florence Cook, Mary & Clayton McFarlane, Harold, Marion & Craig Schmidt, Bob & Sara Carter, Jim & Alice Taylor & sons, Tom & Jean Olsen & deceased family members
Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost ; 25 th Sunday OT		
Sunday September 22	10:30am	Cheryl Ross, Theresa Adams, and Charles Spray
	5:30pm	<i>Pro Populo</i> - for the People
Monday September 23 <i>Memorial of Saint Padre Pio</i>	9am	Laurie Keoughan, and for the holy souls in Purgatory
Tuesday September 24	9am	Betty Ann Laurin
Wednesday September 25	9am	Danny Kenny, and Elizabeth and Leo Handrahan
Thursday September 26 <i>Memorial of the Canadian Martyrs</i>	9am	David Lahey
	4pm	<i>Messe français</i>
Friday September 27 <i>Memorial of Saint Vincent de Paul</i>	9am	Carmel Gallant, Edward McFarlane, and Nora Daley and deceased family members
Saturday September 28	4pm	Maribel Harina, Karsten Keoughan, Jessie Jean MacDonald, Michael Scoretz, Adelyn Robichaud, Alice Breau, Isabelle Hilliard, Gerald Underhill, Ron Underhill, Anthony Muyingo, John & Harriet Malinowski, Herman & Ema Skidd
Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost ; 26 th Sunday OT		
Sunday September 29 <i>World day of migrants and refugees</i>	10:30am	Leo Handrahan, Buddy O'Donnell, Harold Edwin Adams, and Dolores Winifred Deredin
	5:30pm	<i>Pro Populo</i> - for the People

Saint Michael's By-the-Sea

Saturday September 21	4pm	Louise Bransfield, Stanford Richard, and Raymond McGrath
Saturday September 28	4pm	Rita Richard, and Byron Eastwood

Saint Margaret's Church

Saturday September 14	6pm	Jack Flanagan, and Clarence & Mary Cook
Saturday September 28	6pm	Dorothy Vautour, and Leigh Thompson

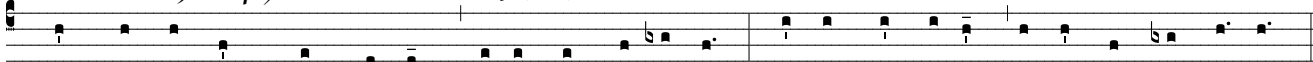
Please pray for: The upcoming world day of prayer for migrants and refugees. We're all pilgrims on this earth, on the way to our heavenly homeland, God walks with His people, let us leave no one behind. Let us pray for health and wellbeing for Fr. Dan Melanson, Fr. Ken Weir, and Fr. Bede. And, let us pray for the repose of the souls of Philius LeBlanc, Clive Gallimore, and Argentine Richard.

Readings: Wisdom 2:12-20; James 3:16-4:3; Gospel of Mark 9:30-37

Psalm: 54 R:6 *The Lord upholds my life.*

Entrance Antiphon: from Psalm 36. 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 forever.

Communion Antiphon: from Psalm 119 (118)



You have laid down Your precepts * to be care- ful- ly kept ; may my ways be firm in keeping Your statutes.

Parish News

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.
Divine Mercy, Rosary, and Benediction at St. Samuel's, Last Sundays of each month at 4pm followed by Mass at 5:30pm.

September 28-29 Collection for the Needs of the Canadian Church - This is an important opportunity for our faithful to express solidarity with their diocese and to support the national mission of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCC). Funds raised will support social justice, ecumenism, interfaith dialogue, youth engagement, family and life, responsible ministry, evangelization and catechesis, as well as relations with Indigenous peoples. Thank you for your generous support of this effort.

Parish Bible Study weekly 1pm **Thursdays** in the parish centre. These 1-hour sessions in the parish centre will discuss aspects of prayer as found in the Judeo-Christian Tradition, as well as the depth and breadth of prayer in the Catholic Tradition.

Parish Prayer Group weekly 1pm **Tuesdays** in the parish centre. These hour-long sessions will meditate upon prayer-focused Scripture passages, followed by discussion of the passages. Along with Scripture, the group will form and offer prayer intentions, vocally, and in silent meditation. This will be highly participatory and engaging, so come join us in prayer!

Celebrating 75 Cursillo Weekends in the Diocese - Pot Luck Saturday October 19 11am-2pm in the Saint Michael's parish centre. Bring a fellow Cursillista.

A heartfelt Thank You to everyone helping make our parish Fall Supper a success. May God's love, peace and joy always be with each of you. For our volunteers, there will be a follow-up meeting in the parish centre 1:30pm Tuesday September 24.

Pies for Percy's Place fundraiser - seeking volunteers September 28 in the parish centre, to make apple pies. Contact DebbyMacGregor@yahoo.ca tel: 506-622-7780

Saint Paul's Anglican Church Fall Supper Saturday October 5 3:30-6:30pm
Roast Beef dinner with all the trimmings, all tickets at the door, \$18 adult \$10 children <11, ramp and elevator access, take-outs available.

Good Shepherd Parish Fall Supper Sunday October 6, 3-6pm, at St. Bridget's Church in Renous. Turkey with all the trimmings, eat in or take out. Price is adult \$16, children under 12 \$10, family of four 2 adults, 2 children \$45, any children after that under the age of 12 is \$5.

Pot of Gold 50/50 anyone renewing or registering between September 15 and October 15 and pays for a year of play (\$104) will be entered into a draw to play free for a year. Register or renew at the yellow boxes at the church entryways or in the parish office.

September 14-15 collection for Saint Michael the Archangel Parish			
	St. Michael's By-the-Sea	St. Margaret's	
Regular	\$5,065	\$285	\$213
Renovation	\$35		
Capital Campaign	\$10		
Donations for Fall Supper food	\$400		
St. Vincent de Paul ministry	\$70		
Cemeteries	Basilica \$166	St. Andrew's \$155	\$70



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Community breakfast - first Sunday of each month, all welcome!
Next breakfast Sunday October 6 8am-Noon.
Fundraising Bingo - Sundays at 7pm, doors open at 5pm
Senior Dances - Saturdays at 8pm, doors open at 6:30pm
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

St. Michael's CWL will be promoting SOCKtober, for the month of October. We will be collecting new, warm socks for people of all ages who need them in the Miramichi area, through collection boxes in the church. Socks will be donated to the Miramichi Food Bank, Transition House, Youth House, Hamper Programs, Salvation Army, and the St. Vincent de Paul ministry. Warm your hearts, by warming the 'soles' of those in need!

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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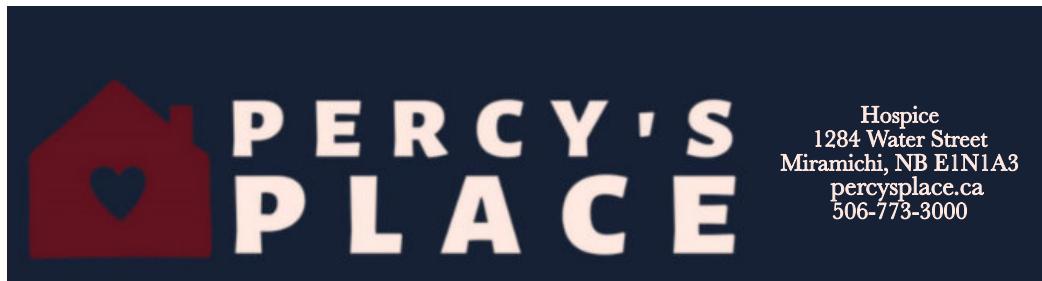
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