

Saint Michael

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Bulletin for February 23, 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



Return of the Prodigal Son, by Pompeo Batoni

The Divine Mercy of God

“Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful...
Forgive and you will be forgiven.
Give, and gifts will be given to you; a good measure,
packed together, shaken down, and overflowing, will
be poured into your lap.
For the measure with which you measure will in return
be measured out to you” (Luke 6:36-38).

‘God is merciful and gracious.

When the people Israel had turned away from God to worship idols, God hears Moses’ prayer of intercession and agrees to walk in the midst of an unfaithful people, thus demonstrating His love.

When Moses asks to see His glory, God responds:

“I will make all my goodness pass before you, and will proclaim before you My Name THE LORD.”

Then the LORD passes before Moses and proclaims “a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness.”

Moses then confesses that the LORD is a forgiving God.

The divine name ‘I AM’ expresses God’s faithfulness: despite the faithlessness of men’s sin and the punishment it deserves, he keeps steadfast love for thousands. By going so far as to give up His own Son for us, God reveals that He is rich in mercy. By giving His life to free us from sin, Jesus reveals that He Himself bears the divine name: “When you have lifted up the Son of man, then you will realize that ‘I AM’”

(*Catechism of the Catholic Church* §§ 210-211).

Learn more about God’s mercy through our freely accessible parish subscription to FORMED (stmichaelsbasilica.ca/formed).

Watch their **Forgiven** series, or watch their new **How to Lent** series.

Parish Office:

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Hours:

Monday 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

Saturday February 22	4pm	Michael Keoughan, Melvin Hayes, Adelyn Robichaud, Ivan Hallihan, Cody Knowles, Bobbie Cross, Joseph Letson, Patricia Gibson, Tom Conroy, Wayne McCarthy, Armand Lynch, Victor Fullerton, Benny Moran, Nick Lawrence, Bernanrd Williams, Michael St. Pierre, David LeBreton & Jule LeBelle, Margaret & Jonny & John Myles, Ab Kay Sharon Lee Cook, Mona & Patricia Phelan, Judy McGrath & d.f.m. Magno Ramones & d.f.m., deceased family members of Carroll family, and for thanksgiving
<i>Seventh Sunday</i>		
Sunday February 23	10:30am	Elizabeth Handrahan, John Johnson, Doug Gilland, and Michael & Charlene Rutter & deceased family members
	5:30pm	<i>Pro Populo - for the People</i>
Monday February 24	9am	Julie Richard, Bill Gregan, Marion Arseneault, d.f.m. of the Carroll family, and for a special intention
Tuesday February 25	9am	Eugene Gallant, and for holy souls in Purgatory
Wednesday February 26	9am	Tom Conroy, and for Angela Galliah & d.f.m.
Thursday February 27	9am	Kay & Joe Richard & Irene Loggie, and Julie Richard & d.f.m.
	4pm	<i>la Messe française</i>
Friday February 28	9am	Ivan Hallihan, and for a special intention
Saturday March 1	4pm	David Gilliss, Karsten Keoughan, Helen Keoughan, Adelyn Robichaud, Gerard Doucette, Ivan Hallihan, Henry McFarlane, Theresa Reynolds, Edmond Boucher, Julie Richard, Herbie Dickson, Wayne McCarthy, Mariña Boyle, Shirley Buckley, Tom & Jean Olsen & d.f.m., Ron Barry & d.f.m., Austin Johnston & d.f.m., and Gerald Glynn & d.f.m.
<i>Eighth Sunday</i>		
Sunday March 2	10:30am	Patrick O'Donnell
	5:30pm	Oswald & Marguerite Vienneau, Mary & Courtney Phee & d.f.m., and Howard, Marie, Marilee & Michael Carroll

Saint Michael's By-the-Sea

Saturday February 22	4pm	Paul & Cassie Lloyd & Paula McIntyre; Roland, Mary, and Gene Walsh
Saturday March 1	4pm	Gene Walsh

Saint Margaret's Church

Saturday February 22	6pm	Al Flynn, Carl & Mona Flynn; Alexis & Annie Flynn & d.f.m.
Saturday March 1	6pm	David Cook, Kenneth Cook, and Edward Quinn

Please Pray For: From our Jubilee Year prayers: Heavenly Father, in Your Mercy, hear Your children's pleas. Renew our faith, increase the virtues of hope and charity in us, and help us be witnesses of Your love in the world.

And, please pray for Norma Crawford, Sonny Milson, and Mary Donahue.

Readings: 1 Samuel 26:7-25; 1 Corinthians 15:45-49; Gospel of Luke 6:27-38

Psalm: 103 R:8 *The Lord is merciful and gracious.*

Entrance Antiphon: from Psalm 12. O Lord, I trust in your merciful love. My heart will rejoice in Your salvation. I will sing to the Lord who has been bountiful with me.

Communion Antiphon: from Psalm 9. I will recount all Your wonders, I will rejoice in You and be glad, and sing psalms to Your Name, O Most High.

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.

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

In this **Jubilee Year of Hope**, the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Saint John is hosting pilgrimages on **first Saturdays, 10am-1pm**, with prayer, Mass, and Adoration.

The **June 7 Pentecost Vigil** is designated as a **special pilgrimage day** for the **Miramichi region**. Bus transportation is available, contact goodshepherdparish92@yahoo.com or call 506-843-2210 . Other pilgrimage days will be July 13 in Howard, August 10 at Skiff Lake, and September 28 at Saint Michael's Basilica. Saint Michael's Basilica will host a mission by Bishop Christian Riesbeck September 29 - October 1. See more at stmichaelsbasilica.ca/jubilee

Weekly Parish Bible Study begins anew 1pm Thursday **February 27** in the parish centre. This will be a follow-up study on the Jubilee Year of Hope, with a deeper look into the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy, linking the two as bookends of need and response. In this, the focus will be on what is possible along the Miramichi River by the Catholic communities.

2025 Sunday Missals at reduced price of \$4.50, available at **Saint Michael's Catholic Supplies & Bookstore, 10am-4pm Tuesdays**, or call and leave a message at 506-778-5152 to arrange another time convenient for you.

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper 4-6pm Tuesday March 4 at **Saint Patrick's Church**, Adults \$10 Children \$6. **Ham & Potato Scallop Supper 5pm Monday March 17** following the 4pm Mass, Adults \$15 Children \$7 tickets must be purchased in advance, call 506-622-5733 **Also, Shrove Tuesday Supper 4-6pm** at the Father Morriscy Centre, Bartibog, all welcome.

World Day of Prayer Service 2pm Friday March 7 at **Calvin Presbyterian Church**

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

Pilgrimage Opportunities: May 16-26 Medjugorje \$3,770 contact Hector Caissie at hectorcaissie@gmail.com or 506-857-2295 . May 19-28 Portugal and Spain \$4,730 contact Marie Desjardins at mariedesjardins1949@gmail.com or 207-868-5027

Franciscan LEAD is for high school aged youth who are passionate about their Catholic faith, active in their youth groups, and ready to step up to the next level of leadership through evangelization and discipleship training. LEAD is held prior to the Steubenville Atlantic conference in Halifax, July 11-13, 2025. To apply before April 1 or for more info contact Patricia Lee 506-627-6465 catechesis@dioceseofsaintjohn.org bit.ly/SMA-FL

Parish Charitable Donation Receipts are available for pick-up in the parish office

February 15-16 collection for Saint Michael the Archangel Parish		St. Michael's By-the-Sea	St. Margaret's
Regular	\$5,389	\$214	\$187
The Dr. Gerard and Judy Losier Family Foundation Inc.	\$10,000		
Renovation	\$45		
Capital Campaign	\$103		
St. Vincent de Paul ministry	\$1,174	\$35	
Cemeteries	Basilica \$95	St. Andrew's \$110	\$20



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Community breakfast Sunday March 2, 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 to witness to the love of God through ministry and service.
Visit CWL.CA to see all our resources, and to join us in a sisterhood of faith, fun and fulfillment, for social interaction, personal development and community service.

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 are seeking winter coats and boots for men, women, and children.
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