

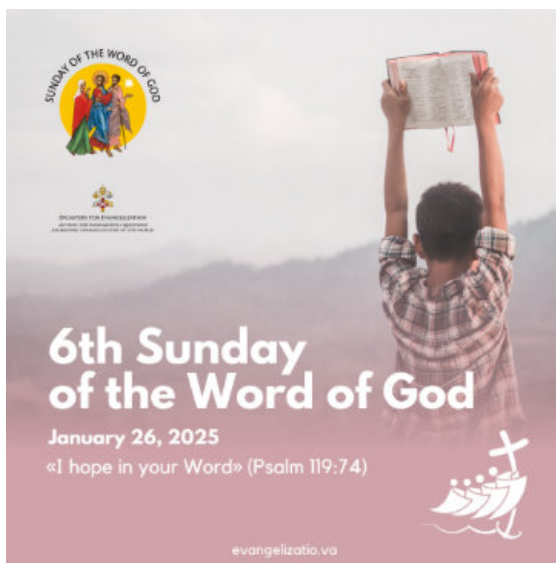
Saint Michael

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Bulletin for January 26, 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



Sunday of the Word of God 2025

Pope Francis has chosen as the theme the words of the Psalmist, “I hope in your Word” (Psalm 119:74). It is a cry of hope: man, in a moment of anguish tribulation, and confusion, cries out to God and puts all his hope in him.

It is a deeply human experience, as is usually found in the Psalter. Everyone hopes, we all have hopes, but what is communicated to us in this Jubilee is a “Hope,” in the singular. It is not an abstract idea or

naive optimism, but a person, alive and present in everyone's life: Christ crucified and risen, the only one who never abandons us. Pauline theology is extremely clear on this point: “Christ Jesus our hope” (1 Tim. 1:1) ...

A jubilee that knocks on the door every 25 years and prompts us to take life seriously, offers the opportunity to keep our eyes fixed on the hope that evangelical realism brings.

The Sunday of the Word of God once again allows Christians to reinvigorate Jesus' tenacious invitation to listen to and cherish His Word in order to offer the world a witness of hope that allows one to move beyond the difficulties of the present moment.

The Word of God is not confined to a book, but remains ever alive and becomes a concrete and tangible sign. In fact, it challenges every community not only to proclaim the same faith as always, but above all to communicate it with the conviction that it brings hope to those who listen to it and welcome it with a simple heart.'

- see more about the Word of God Sunday at evangelizatio.va , including *lectio divina* to help us hope in the Word that does not disappoint (Psalm 119:74).

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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 January 25	4pm	Laura Blais, Katherine Bell, Michael Keaughan, Anne Comeau, Louise & Bill Bransfield, Adelyn Robichaud, Ivan Hallihan, Shawn McNeil, Cody Knowles, Nancy Daley, Tom Conroy, Charles Morris, Emile & Therese Aucoin-Wedge & d.f.m., and for holy souls in Purgatory
<i>Sunday of the Word of God:</i>		
Sunday January 26	10:30am	Dianne Ramsay, Marlyn Gregan, Judy McGrath & d.f.m., and Debbie Young & d.f.m.
	5:30pm	<i>Pro Populo</i> - for the People
Monday January 27	9am	Sarah Williams, and deceased family members of Carroll family
Tuesday January 28 <i>Memorial - Saint Thomas Aquinas</i>	9am	Bernice Dunphy, and for holy souls in Purgatory
Wednesday January 29	9am	Michael Gorman, and Michael Wood & d.f.m.
Thursday January 30	9am	Ivan Hallihan, and Arnold Matchett
	4pm	<i>la Messe française</i>
Friday January 31 <i>Memorial - Saint John Bosco</i>	9am	Betty Clancy, Mike Woods & d.f.m., and Ron & Kathleen Whelan & d.f.m.
Saturday February 1 <i>World Day for Consecrated Life:</i>	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.
	10:30am	John David Reynolds, John Joseph Reynolds, and Mr. & Mrs. Henry Comeau & d.f.m.
Sunday February 2 <i>The Presentation of the Lord</i>	5:30pm	Judith McGrath & deceased family members

Saint Michael's By-the-Sea

Saturday January 25	4pm	Vaughn & Dolly MacDonald
Saturday February 1	4pm	<i>Pro Populo</i> - for the People

Saint Margaret's Church

Saturday January 25	6pm	Michael Lynch & Joseph Power, David Cook, and John, Nellie & Bill Dunn
Saturday February 1	6pm	David Cook, William Dunn, and Bertha McGrath

Please Pray For: Let us listen and embrace the Word of God, always alive and effective. Let the Word of God resonate within us and enlighten our lives. And, please pray for Anne Kane, Julia Richard, Patricia McGrath, and for their families.

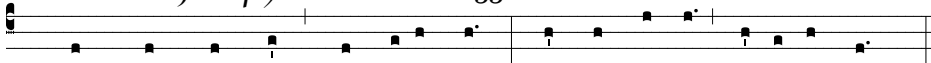
Readings: Nehemiah 8:2-10; 1 Corinthians 12:12-30; Gospel of Luke 1:1-21

Psalm: 19 R: John 6:63 *Your Words, Lord are spirit and life.*

Entrance Antiphon: from Psalm 95. O sing a new song to the Lord; sing to the Lord, all the earth.

In His presence are majesty and splendour, strength and honour in His holy place.

Communion Antiphon: from Psalm 33:6



Look toward the Lord * and be ra-diant ; let your fac- es not be a- bashed.

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.

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.”

Signs of Hope - The Diocese of Saint John has published a look back at signs of hope in 2024, to encourage us through this Jubilee year of hope. See the posters in the churches or go to bit.ly/DSJ-SOH

First Saturday Cathedral pilgrimage day of this **Jubilee Year of Hope** - **10am February 1** - offering a presentation on being a Pilgrim of Hope, followed by prayer, Reconciliation, Adoration, and a Celebration of the Pilgrimage Mass at 12 noon. This will be a year of many blessings meeting our brothers and sisters from around our diocese. For more information or if you would like to assist in any way with these pilgrimages, please contact the Cathedral Office at 506 653-6820

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

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

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

Saint Margaret’s Tree of Remembrance raised \$1,575 - a sincere thank-you to everyone that contributed, for their generous support.

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

January 18-19 collection for Saint Michael the Archangel Parish		St. Michael’s By-the-Sea	St. Margaret’s
Regular	\$5,831	\$290	\$561
The Dr. Gerard and Judy Losier Family Foundation Inc.	\$5,000		
Renovation	\$35		
Capital Campaign	\$141		
St. Vincent de Paul ministry	\$1,202	\$40	\$10
Cemeteries	Basilica \$116 St. Andrew’s \$260	\$80	\$695



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Senior Dances - Saturdays at 8pm, doors open at 6:30pm
Fundraising Bingo - Sundays at 7pm, doors open at 5pm
Community breakfast first Sunday of every month, 8am-Noon
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 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.

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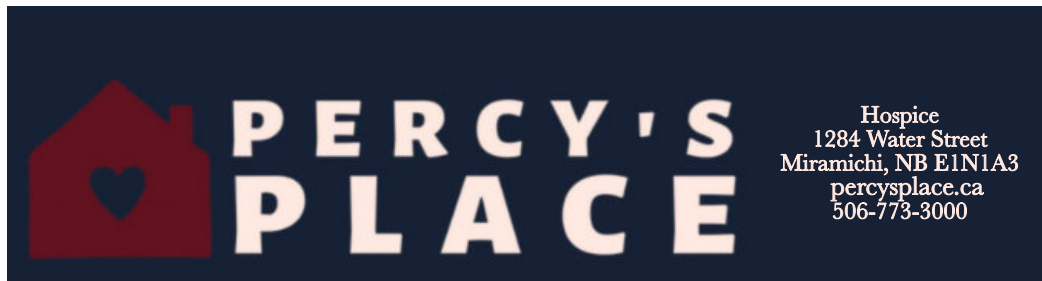


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